IRISH HOME RULE BILL NOT TO BE INTRODUCED BEFORE WHIT SUNDAY

LONDON, May 9.—Andrew Bonar Law, speaking for the Government, in the House of Commons today, an-nounced that the home rule bill would not be introduced before Whitsunday (week of 19th).

BRITISH MINE-SWEEPER SUNK. LONDON, May 9.—A British mine-sweeper struck a mine and sank on May 1, the admiralty announces. Three officers and 23 men were lost.



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BIG LEAMINGTON FIRE Section of the Wigle Business

Block Gutted-Blaze at Dorchester.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Alvinston, May 10 .- The Alvinston flax mill, owned by McCall & Co. of Petrolea, was struck by lightning during the storm of Thursday evening, and totally destroyed with its contents. The loss is estimated at around \$10,000 by the local representative, J. G. Bramhill. In addition to the flax and machinery, a large quantity of tow in the building was destroyed. The loss is partially

overed by insurance. The fire was an exceptionally flerce one, and by the time the alarm was given the whole building was in flames. It was a large frame structure, and with the bone-dry contents made the best type of fuel. Chicken houses and other outbuildings in the vicinity were also destroyed. also destroyed.

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Between fifteen and twenty employees are thrown temporarily out of work by the fire. No decision as to rebuilding has yet been made, but it is expected here that a new and larger mill will replace the destroyed structure.

LEAMINGTON BLOCK GUTTED.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Leamington, May 10.—Fire, thought to have been caused by an overheated gas stove, broke out in the barber shop of Cecil Casper about 3 o'clock this morning. The adjoining shop of George Tilley and the apartments were also completely destroyed. The property was owned by Mayor Wigle and valued at \$3,500. Alex. Michael's drygoods and boots and shoes store was badly damaged with smoke and water. A torrent of rain a few minutes after the alarm was given saved the entire block from destruction. The buildings and contents are well covered with insurance. LEAMINGTON BLOCK GUTTED.

DORCHESTER HOUSE BURNED. DORCHESTER HOUSE BURNED.

Dorchester, May 10.—Fire caused by the accidental overturning of a lantern caused the complete destruction of the Walter Hunt house on Bridge street, late yesterday afternoon. The house, a frame one, was unoccupied, but Mr. Hunt was in the attic at the time the blaze started. He escaped. The loss is partially covered by insurance in the Dorchester Mutual Insurance Company.

WESTERN ONTARIO BRIEFS

MOUNT BRYDGES.—S. J. Bond has archased the imported stallion "Kings arms." from W. J. Mossip of St. Marys. SARNIA.—On charges of assault pre-erred by John Currie, Arthur Russell and James Mason were each fined \$2 and costs. HENSALL .- Spring crops in this dis-

rict have been put in better than in nany years and prospects are for a sumper yield. THORNDALE.—Wm. Barber has purchased 100 acres on concession 5 of London Township from J. McNaughton

HIGHGATE .- G. B. Fitton, who has een accountant at the Molsons Bank, as resigned and will enlist. Fred Evans Ridgetown, is taking his place. CLIFFORD.—Dr. Black is removing shortly to Hespeler to take the place of a doctor who is going on active

THE HOBBS HARDWARE CO. No hopes are held out for the recovery of George Henderson of Brussels, who was injured when a passing auto

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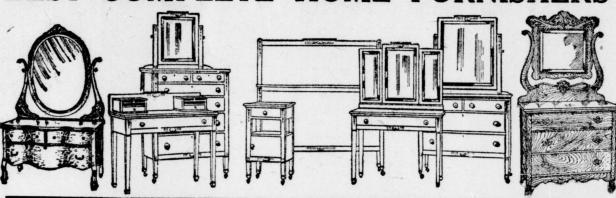


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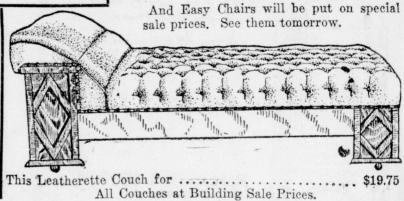
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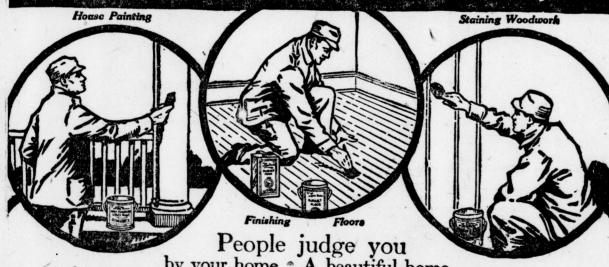
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At a meeting of the Presbytery of Bruce held at Paisley, the resignation of Rev. Thomas Wilson as pastor of Knox Church, Walkerton, was accepted.

verturned his car six miles north

Pte. John Browning, a returned soldier, who was found at Chatham last winter with his feet frozen, had his right one taken off at the ankle. Every effort was made to save his feet.

Unusual activity in the sale of Lamb-on County farms is reported from Sar-ia. The prices are considered excep-

A court-martial at Brantford yester-day heard behind closed doors the charge against Pte. Percy Prine, a member of the C. O. R. Depot Battalion, who was accused of having thrown him-self in front of a train last February to incapacitate him for military ser-

Reports from Guelph say that farmers of that district who had big stocks of flour have been ordered to ship it back to Montreal in order that it may be sent overses. e sent overseas.

The Y. M. C. A. canvass in Western Ontarlo passes its objective. At St. Marys the \$15,000 dual campaign objective was passed. Of this 80 per cent goes to the patriotic fund. Returns from Chatham say that the Kent County and city returns are now over \$26,000, with more to come. Preston had an objective of \$3,500, but collected \$4,343. Brantford went over its \$25,000 figure by \$10,000.

The Blenheim Council will investigate charges of Magistrate Whittington that Chief of Police Earl gave out private information.

City Engineer A. B. Manson of Strat-ford has resigned to go overseas as an officer of the Canadian Engineers.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Cheese factories around Brockville fear that they may have to close down because of the draft law. The Dutch diplomat Colyn denies making a trip to England as a German peace emissary.

The pope has ordered masses over the whole Catholic world for St. Peter's Day.

Berlin police forbid all mass meet-

The suffrage question may start a Russia has approved the Berlin-

The Earl of Derby says that Gen. Foch will surely bring victory for the Allies. The Swiss press is very grateful for the sending of food from the United States.

Eighteen persons have been killed by tornado in Iowa.

Two steamers are ashore in the France will join in the celebration of Mothers' Day on May 12.

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