

GERMANY WARNS EUROPE WILL STAND BY ALLIES

Kaiser's Chancellor Declares That If Hostilities Arise Over Austrian-Servian Clash Germany Will Fight by Side of Austria and Italy.

[Canadian Press.]
Berlin, Dec. 2.—Imperial Chancellor von Bethmann-Holweg today uttered a plain warning to Europe that in case hostilities should arise out of the Austro-Servian difficulties, Germany would draw her sword to assist her allies.

The imperial chancellor made this declaration in the course of a speech in the Reichstag in which he discussed the Balkan situation. It was a repetition of the statement made at the time of the controversy over the question of Bosnia and Herzegovina, in 1908, which then caused an immense sensation in the European capitals. Although at that period it first threatened to sweep away the pacific Russian cabinet, the

current of feeling aroused among the Slavs ultimately brought peace.

Stand by Allies.

M. von Bethmann-Holweg, after summarizing the efforts of the great powers in the first place to delay the outbreak in the Balkans, and later on when war was found to be inevitable, to localize hostilities, passed on to the question of the interests of the great powers directly affected by the final settlement. He said: "When our allies—Austria-Hungary and Italy—in maintaining their interests are attacked—although this is not the present prospect—by a third party, and thereby threatened in their existence, then we, faithful to our compacts, will take their part firmly and decisively."

LONDON TOWNSHIP WILL SEEK TO BLOCK ANNEXATION MOVE

Solicitor for the Township Declares That Ealing and Pottersburg Petitions Are Twelve Names Short of Required Number—Legal Fight in Sight.

There will be a lively fight, it is anticipated, regarding the annexation of Pottersburg and Ealing. While City Clerk Baker maintains that the petitions are sufficiently signed, those opposed to annexation insist that such is not the case.

"The petitions lack twelve names of having a sufficient number to carry annexation," declared Mr. W. R. Meredith, solicitor for London Township. "There is no question about that. It is the purpose of those in favor to submit affidavits regarding the ownership of property, but I do not see how these can be accepted. It is my opinion

that annexation is not carried, according to the ruling of the Ontario railway and municipal board." Mayor Graham, Ald. Spittal, City Clerk Baker and others declare that the petitions are sufficiently signed, and contain enough names, more than enough, to warrant the Ontario railway and municipal board to join the suburbs to the city.

The London township council will carry their case to the board, and will ask a ruling of the members on the question of the legality of submitting affidavits.

"We have not finished with it yet," said Mr. Meredith.

ESCAPED FROM HAREM!

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Dec. 2.—The Turkish harems have been considerably depleted since the Ottoman capital has been threatened by the Bulgarian army. Many of the educated women belonging to the establishments of Turkish personages of high rank have taken advantage of the unsettled conditions in Constantinople to escape from the harems and proceed to Western Europe.

Several of them have arrived at Marseilles on steamers coming from eastern Mediterranean ports. Others have reached Zurich and Geneva in Switzerland, while a few have come to Paris.

They show every appearance of having departed in haste. They possess very little money, but have brought with them much jewelry and some fine silks.

NO GENERAL ELECTION FOR SEVERAL YEARS SAYS DOHERTY

[Canadian Press.]
Montreal, Dec. 2.—That there would be no general election for three or four years was the opinion expressed this morning by Hon. C. J. Doherty, minister of justice, when interviewed at the Windsor Hotel.

Mr. Doherty said that the elaboration of a permanent naval policy would take up most of this time, and no election would be possible until it was ready to submit to the people.

BIG ROUND-UP OF ROBBER-GANG BY C. P. R. IN SASKATCHEWAN

[Canadian Press.]
Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 2.—One of the biggest round-ups in the West is being undertaken at Sutherland, near here, by the Canadian Pacific Railway. For the past five years wholesale robberies of merchandise have been taking place from the cars. During the last year a special private detective, H. S.

Plot Said to Involve Employees in Many Departments.

Shea, of New York, has been on the job. He worked as a brakeman on the line for several months, and witnessed many robberies. On the information furnished by Shea, his houses were searched under warrants. One man was arrested Friday, another Saturday. Over \$10,000 worth of goods have been recovered, including furs, wines, tobacco, boots and shoes.

The plot involved Canadian Pacific Railway employees in every department. Many arrests are expected during the next 24 hours.

A number of houses have been spotted, and will be raided for stolen property.

EGYPTIANS MAY HAVE BRITISH PROTECTORATE

Reported That Official Announcement Will Be Made on First of Year.

[Canadian Press.]
Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 2.—A British protectorate over Egypt is likely to be announced shortly, according to the Egyptian representative of the Swiss Popular Bank, one of the largest financial institutions in Switzerland. He telegraphs from Cairo:

"It is considered in official circles here that a British protectorate over Egypt has been definitely decided on, and it is understood that it will be proclaimed in January."

He adds: "This step of the British Government will affect business favorably."

CLUBMAN SUICIDES.
Kansas City, Dec. 2.—Bruce M. Predley, secretary of the Real Estate Board of Kansas City, wealthy and a prominent clubman, committed suicide at his home early today by drinking poison. He was 46 years old, and unmarried.



MR. JOHN M. GUNN.
Chairman of the board of education, who is being urged to run again in January.

WINTER IN BALKANS DRIVES THE ALLIES TO Milder TERMS

Comparatively Favorable Terms Have Now Been Offered the Sultan.

AUSTRIA AND SERVIA ARE STILL AT ODDS

Servia Quarters Troops in Italian School and Gets Into Trouble With Italian Government.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Dec. 2.—The work of charting a new map of what hitherto has been European Turkey, will begin immediately after the signature of the armistice by the plenipotentiaries of Turkey and the Balkan allies at the village of Baghiche on the lines of Tchetaldja tomorrow. If the allies are able to agree among themselves as to the portions of the spoils they are to receive there seems no probability of a resumption of hostilities.

Winter Fights for Turks.

The comparatively favorable terms which from all accounts have been offered by the allies to Turkey are so different from the original proposals that they seem to suggest the idea that the Governments of the Balkan league realize that with winter gripping the country Turkey has gained an ally which will prove more fatal to the armies fronting Adrianople, Scutari and Tchetaldja than have been the Ottoman cannon.

No adjustment of the Austro-Servian dispute is yet visible. Vienna continues to show pessimism, and the newspapers there maintain their threatening attitude but in spite of this official relations between St. Petersburg and Vienna seem to have become somewhat more cordial, and it is thought in diplomatic quarters that Servia will eventually secure a small mercantile port on the Adriatic sea connected with Servia by railroad.

Italy in It Now.

In the meantime, however, Servia has trodden on the toes of Italy by quartering a regiment of the troops who recently occupied the port of Durazzo, in the Italian school buildings there. An energetic request to have the troops removed has been made by the Italian consul on instructions from Rome.

PEACEFUL OUTCOME SEEMS ASSURED

Servia Has Abandoned Idea of Partition of Albania.

Vienna, Dec. 1.—With the growth of the certainty of peace between Turkey and the Balkan States Austro-Hungary's interests grow keener, for she is still doubtful concerning the future changes which will affect her closely. Servia must soon decide between Austria's friendship and hostility. Their uncomfortable relations for many years, and especially since the crisis about Bosnia and Herzegovina, have menaced the peace of Europe time after time, with concurrent commercial losses to Austria.

But today it seems certain that there will be a peaceful outcome. Russia and France, leading the other powers, are bringing the Servians into line with Europe's policy in regard to Albania. They have now made Servia see her need for Austria's friendship when she (Servia) begins to deal with her newly-acquired territory.

No Partition of Albania.

The Servians have already abandoned the idea of the partition of Albania, and are beginning to appreciate the value of having conceded to them a commercial port on the Adriatic, while Austria is similarly action, holding sitting of the Farmers' Bank inquiry in the day time, and the workmen's compensation investigation in the evening. A party of New York railwaymen are coming here to give evidence at the latter.

WEDDED SIXTY YEARS.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Chatham, Dec. 2.—Mrs. James McClure, of the River road, Camden, celebrated their sixtieth wedding day on Saturday. A large number of relatives were present to assist in celebrating the diamond anniversary. The venerable couple are enjoying the best of health in spite of their advanced years.

INVENTOR DEAD.

New York, Dec. 2.—Angus G. McKay, known in the printing world as the inventor of much of the machinery which has revolutionized the printing business in the past thirty years, is dead.

Free Press Was Once in Favor of C.N.R. Coming to London

Change of Face of the Local Paper Since Last July Is Remarkable—Boasted of the "Scoop" It Had in Telling the People the Good News.

The attitude of the London Free Press at the present time, when it is making any statement in order to keep the C. N. R. from coming to the city of London, and the attitude of the same newspaper last July and August in regard to the same railway, are two very different positions.

When Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann came to London and had a personally conducted tour in the city with Mayor Graham in charge, the Free Press, to judge from the spasms is indulged in, was ready to hand the key of the city to the C. N. R. It even went so far as to boast of the wonderful "scoop" it had over The Advertiser. The announcement of the big railway's coming was regarded as a turning point in the city's history. It quoted Sir Donald Mann to the effect that both radial

and steam lines would come to London, and that the railwayman expected that the line would come to London soon. Another article told about surveys mapping out the C. N. R. from London to Detroit, and there are several announcements of the road's intention to build radials in Western Ontario.

A Change of Face.

The Free Press now declares that the C. N. R. people stated they would not be in Western Ontario for a long time, whereas the Free Press quoted Sir Donald as saying that they would come soon. The Free Press tells of the great satisfaction with which merchants and manufacturers heard of the announcement that the Mackenzie-Mann interests were coming to the city. It was apparently regarded as a great boon to the city at that time, but now it is held up as a menace.

NEW SEPARATE SCHOOL TO BE ERECTED ON LYLEST. SHORTLY

Owing to the crowded condition of St. Mary's Roman Catholic School, on Lyle street, East London, it is the intention of the school board to erect in the near future an addition, or probably a new structure, immediately north of the present building.

At the present time an additional class is being taught in a cottage on King street, which was purchased some time ago, and has been converted into a temporary schoolroom. It will be used until such time as the new addition or school is ready for occupation.

The school board now owns two cottages on King street, and the one to the west will be removed at once, so that a driveway may be created leading to the horse sheds of the church in the rear of St. Mary's school. Thus within a short time vehicles will reach the sheds from King street instead of from Lyle street, as at present.

TELEPHONE WIZARD INVENTS FAST BOAT

Professor Bell Says His Hydrodome Can Make Fifty Miles an Hour.

[Canadian Press.]
Montreal, Dec. 2.—Professor Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, who is visiting this city, announced this morning that in collaboration with Fred Baldwin, of Toronto, he had built a new type of fast boat which would be called a hydrodome. The professor claimed that a boat of his pattern, weighing 1,200 pounds, could be driven at 50 miles an hour with a 70 horsepower engine and an aerial propeller. He said he had a series of knife-like blades for a keel.

CONFESSED MURDERER PLEADS NOT GUILTY

Alleged Slayer of Buffalo Boy Arraigned and Sent to Trial.

[Canadian Press.]
Buffalo, Dec. 2.—J. Frank Hickey, confessed by murderer, personally entered a plea of "not guilty" to the indictment charging him with the murder of Joseph Joseph, the seven-year-old Canadian boy, on Oct. 12, 1911, when he was arraigned before Justice Brown in special term of supreme court this morning. His trial was set for Dec. 16.

Hickey was unmoved, when in the crowded court room. He answered the questions put to him in an unfeeling voice. When asked if he had counsel, he said: "I have no money to buy counsel, and I wish your honor would assign counsel to defend my interests."

Counsel will be assigned.

\$100 FINE AND COSTS FOR SELLING LIQUOR

William Street Man Found Guilty Because He Had No License.

One hundred dollars was the amount of a fine imposed by M. Judd this morning on Jim Cruisfull, the owner of a fruit store at 285 William street, and who, in addition to his business, conducts a boarding house and has ten boarders on the register.

Cruisfull, who was defended by Mr. E. W. M. Flock, was charged with having liquor for sale without having a license. Inspector Galpin, who, in company with P. C. Noonan, had raided the store on Nov. 23, testified to searching the premises and finding sixteen cases, each containing 24 pint-bottles. Three of these cases contained full bottles, the remainder being empty. Several other empty bottles had been found in other parts of the house.

The counsel for the defence maintained that the defendant had merely purchased these cases for bottling-house purposes. He cross-examined Inspector Galpin as to why the house had been searched. The latter stated that several complaints had been made by people who resided in the neighborhood of William street, and said that they were afraid murder would result from the carousal which was held in Cruisfull's house.

The magistrate could not see that the liquor was purchased for bottling-house purposes and imposed the fine of \$100, which was paid.

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FIRST METHODIST CHURCH BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT

Help For Employers, Jobs For the Idle and Rooms For All Those Who Desire Accommodation.

The First Methodist Church of London, with a desire to carry out a plan to institutionalize the church, has formed an employment bureau, and thus far it has proven highly successful.

The object is to provide situations well as help for those who may require workers. In addition the bureau will find rooms for those in search of accommodation, and will do all in its power to help everybody.

It was stated at the church office to the effect that the bureau has been in operation for a few days, many ladies have put in applications for domestic help, and there are a number of persons entered on the lists who are out of employment. Quite a number of rooms have also been listed.

C. N. R. MEN WILL BE HERE TUESDAY

The representatives of the Canadian Northern did not arrive in the city today, but will be here on Tuesday of Wednesday at the latest, to discuss the purchase or lease of the London and Port Stanley Railway.

Mayor Graham expressed his confidence that they would be here on one of the two days.

"They will be back," he stated.

A GOOD JOKE ON SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Showed Lunatic All Over School for an Hour.

There is a good joke on a certain well known and popular school principal of London. Saturday afternoon he was in his school working away on some special business, when a gentleman entered his office and asked to be shown over the place.

The polite principal at once took him in tow, and for over an hour explained everything in every room of the large building. Then the man handed him a card, and the polite principal read it with a polite intimation from the Asylum for the Insane, London, that the bearer was a trusty, was harmless, and should be humored as far as possible.

The school principal laughed so much at himself that he finally had to tell the joke to some friends. They laughed, too.

THE WEATHER.

MORROW—MUCH COLDER.

Forecast.
Mild, with occasional rain today; northwest gales tonight.

Temperatures.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Bar.
LONDON	46	34	30.2
Victoria	46	42	30.1
Calgary	46	18	30.1
Winnipeg	26	—2	30.1
Port Arthur	40	—4	30.1
Perry Sound	38	34	30.1
Quebec	42	42	30.1
Ottawa	20	12	30.1
Montreal	18	14	30.1
Quebec	17	12	30.1
Thunder Bay	20	—8	30.1
Minus (—) means below zero.			

An area of low pressure, which was in the far west on Saturday, is now moving across the Great Lakes, accompanied by rain and followed by a cold wave. The temperature has been below zero in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, but is now rising. Cautionary signals are displayed on the Great Lakes and along the seaboard.

BOARD OF TRADE WILL HEAR REPORT ON ELECTRIFICATION

Citizens Will Tonight Seek to Learn Something of the Proposal of Mr. Beck to Change Motive Power of the London and Port Stanley Railway—A Lively Meeting Is Promised.

The board of trade will meet tonight to discuss the electrification of the London and Port Stanley Railway. Engineers Storer and Gaby, who prepared the report for Hon. Adam Beck will be on hand to explain the reasons for stating that the road could be made to pay a substantial dividend if electrified.

This afternoon the London and Port Stanley board will hold a meeting and will hear the same two gentlemen offer explanations.

Both sessions will be interesting. It is probable that both engineers will be asked to answer numerous questions, as to where the revenue is to come from, what assurance they have that the Lake Erie Coal Company, the Pere Marquette, the Michigan Central, and other lines would patronize the city's road, and a score of other questions.

The aldermen will be left alone with the experts. It is expected, but there will be some excitement at the board of trade gathering. Notices have been sent to every member urging his presence at the meeting. Some of the aldermen will counsel delay in the matter of submitting the question to the electors on the mere say-so of the experts.

Ald. Ashplant and others are of the opinion that any move should be well considered before being taken.

A Big Problem.

"This is a big problem," he stated today at noon. "It is one of the largest questions we have ever had to deal with, and we should not decide without long consideration. It makes no difference whether we decide to sell or lease it to the C. N. R., or hand it over to the Lake Erie Coal Company. We should consider every proposition in its true light and then decide. We are asked to come to a conclusion in a couple of weeks on a matter that has taken months to prepare. I do not think we should be in any hurry."

Expert Railwayman.

The advisability of securing the opinion of an expert railwayman is urged by Ald. Spittal. His idea is that a man connected with steam roads would be in a position to give valuable information as to operation of the line. He urged that at the last meeting, and will again come to the fore with the suggestion this afternoon.

Hon. Adam Beck will be present at both meetings. It is understood, and will assist the engineers in explaining the report.

Information Wanted.

Sir George Gaby will be at the board of trade, and will urge that definite information be given on the questions submitted at a meeting held some time ago. Other members of the board will be on hand to ask for other definite answers to questions.

It was reported that the city council, which meets tonight, would adjourn in order to attend the board of trade meeting, but this was denied by Mayor Graham this afternoon.

"We have a lot of business to transact," explained his worship. "We will go into the matter ourselves at the afternoon meeting, and at night we will dispose of our other civic business."

COUNTY COUNCIL OPENS FINAL SESSION OF YEAR

Bylaw in Regard to Taking Over of Certain Roads to Come Up.

The county council assembled this afternoon at 2 o'clock for the last session of the year, and it is likely that the meetings will not be completed until Saturday. Nearly every member of the council was in his place when Warden Buxton called the meeting to order.

The new bylaw which County Engineer Talbot has prepared, according to the suggestion of the special committee on roads which met last week, will be one of the most important items of business at the present session. It is likely that the report on the equalization of London Township, which has been prepared by Judge Machin, will be presented, although as yet County Clerk Robson has not received it.

MR. GUNN'S FRIENDS WANT HIM TO RUN

Popular School Trustee May Again Be in the Field.

Though it has been announced that Mr. John M. Gunn, chairman of the board of education, will not be a candidate next year, his friends have not given up hope, and already they are urging him to again take the field. Mr. Gunn has made an admirable school trustee, giving amply of his time, and considering no pains too great to have the business of the board conducted with dispatch, and to the best interest of all the citizens. It is now said he will likely run again.

A LONDON ESTATE

Succession Duties Collected for Month of November.

Toronto, Dec. 2.—The succession duties collected for the month of November by Provincial Treasurer Matheson amounted to \$47,430, as against \$61,832 for the same month of last year, a falling off of \$14,402.

The largest estate to contribute was that of the late J. P. Cook, of London, Middlesex County.

BODY OF WM. C. SWANNELL FOUND IN POOL IN EAST END

Mabel Street Man Took His Life While Temporarily Deranged—Coroner Ferguson, After an Investigation, Decided That an Inquest Was Unnecessary.

The body of William C. Swannell, the young Englishman, who disappeared from his boardinghouse on Thursday afternoon, was found on Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock in a pool near the Grand Trunk culvert, two miles east of the city, by High Constable Hughes, County Constables Corsaut and Shaver. Coroner R. Ferguson was notified and after viewing the body at 5 o'clock, declared that an inquest was unnecessary, as it was evidently a case of suicide.

On Friday, Swannell's coat, sweater and cap had been found on the bank of the river at this point. The river was searched, but no trace of the body could be found. On Saturday High Constable Hughes obtained a boat, and the river was systematically dragged by himself and his two assistants, and at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon the body was found lying in ten feet of water.

Had Been Ill.

Mr. Swannell was formerly employed as a pressman at Lawson & Jones. He left early last week on account of ill-health, and on Thursday morning

went to Dr. Seabrook, where he was treated for his ailment. Leaving here, he was not afterwards seen alive.

On Friday morning, Mr. T. E. Ames, 1054 Mabel street, with whom the deceased boarded, became alarmed at his absence, and the police were notified, but no trace of Swannell could be found. On Friday afternoon, a searcher discovered his hat, coat and sweater on the banks of the pool, where the body was afterwards found. It was thought then that he had committed suicide. The finding of the body Saturday confirmed that suspicion.

Swannell was a young man, apparently 25 years of age. He was a native of Wolverhampton, where his parents and family still reside.

He intended to return to his home for Christmas. On Oct. 16 he booked passage with Mr. F. B. Clarke for England on the Empress of Britain, to sail on Dec. 12.

Funeral Held Today.

The body was removed to Smith, Sons & Clarke's. The funeral was held this afternoon from his late residence, 1054 Mabel street. Interment was made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.