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## LIBERALS ARE WELL PLEASED AT THE RESULT

### Hon. Wm. Pugsley Speaks of the Elections in Ontario

### MADE GOOD SHOWING

### St. John Member, Home From Ottawa for the Christmas Holidays Today, Says New Ontario Leader Should Feel Gratified—The Latest Returns

Hon. Wm. Pugsley arrived in the city today on the Atlantic express, coming from Ottawa, and will remain here until the House of Commons resumes. He is enjoying excellent health, and is looking forward to the holiday season. Speaking of the result of the general election in Ontario, Doctor Pugsley said that the Liberals had every reason to be pleased with the returns. They did not expect to carry the province, but they expected to make some gains, and were successful in accomplishing this. The situation in Ontario, the new leader should feel gratified at having made such a successful showing against Premier Whitney.

## PROFITABLE TIME ON THE INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY ENJOYED

### Thomas Malcolm, in City Today Says Extra Trains Have to Be Run to Meet Rush

The International Railway is establishing new records for a railway in the first season of its operation. There are not many lines of its size which find it necessary to run special trains almost daily in addition to their regular service, but this is the experience of the management of this road.

Thomas Malcolm, the owner of the railway, who is in the city today, said that the business of the railway is being kept remarkably busy and the traffic is steadily increasing. The bulk of the business is supplied by logging camps which, he says, have found the railway a great aid to their operations. The saving in time and expense in getting the men and supplies to the camps and getting the product out has given great stimulus to the lumber operations, and the cut in the district served by the railway will be greater than it has ever been.

## GREAT EDUCATION GIFT BY KING, FEATURE OF CROWNING IN INDIA

### More Than Million And Half From Royal Hand ONE OF MANY FAVORS

### Extra Pay Allowances for Troops and Civil Servants and Privilege of Victoria Cross—The Durbar Today Unveiled in the History of Coronation Pageants

Delhi, Dec. 12.—King George V. and his consort, Queen Mary, were proclaimed Emperor and Empress of India today. The crowning of the monarch's accession to the throne of the vast Indian dominions took place under circumstances of richness of color and magnificence of decorations, has possibly never been surpassed in modern times.

The coronation was followed by an act of generosity on the king-emperor's part, which a slight delay in the ceremony had prevented. The king-emperor was to donate a large sum of money to promote popular education. The huge amphitheatre which had been erected in the city for the occasion was filled with people from an early hour. The bright tissues and sparkling gems of the many Indian princesses and the smart uniforms of the soldiers contrasted with the white dresses of the European ladies and the sober garb of the Indian officials.

## REV. J. R. E. MacDONALD, FORMERLY OF TRINITY, UNANIMOUS CHOICE

### Woodstock Church Last Night Elected Him Pastor—Is Now in California—County Court

(Special to Times) Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 12.—At a meeting of the parishioners of Christ's church last evening to elect a pastor, Rev. J. R. E. MacDonald, formerly curate of Trinity, St. John, and now in Handford, Calif., was unanimously chosen. The meeting adjourned for a week to await Mr. MacDonald's reply.

The county court opened here this morning, Judge Carleton presiding. There are two criminal cases and a large number of civil cases on the docket.

Dr. W. S. Carter, chief superintendent of education, was in town yesterday and inspected the Fisher memorial school building, which is nearing completion.

## LINING UP FOR CONTEST ON ISLAND

### Nearly All the P. E. I. Candidates Have Been Placed in Nomination

### STRUGGLE FOR GOVERNMENT

### Conservatives, Once for Secret Ballot, Now Depend on Open Voting to Get Officials—Disappointed Office Seekers a Factor—Liberal Platform

(Special to Times) Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 12.—Both parties are now lining up for the provincial contest on January 3. Both sides have almost all their candidates nominated, as it was expected that there would be a general election before the next session of the legislature in February. The dissolution was carried out at the request of the recently formed Malisee government, which came into power when the two by-elections were held in the minority. It was almost under exactly similar conditions that the Liberals came into power in 1907, although they held a session or two before appealing to the country.

## SAYS THAT MR. MCKENNA WAS DISMISSED FROM HIS POST

### Lord Charles Bessford Advocates Agreement With Germany and Auditors Cheer

London, Dec. 12.—Lord Charles Bessford, in a speech in Leicester last night, referred to "England's naval unpopularity during the Morocco crisis," and bluntly said that Mr. McKenna was dismissed from the post of first lord of the admiralty.

"His grotesque antics during the late crisis," said Lord Charles, "led to his dismissal, and if the facts were generally known, there would be considerable excitement in foreign countries."

It is significant, that when Lord Charles remarked in his speech "I don't see why we cannot come to some agreement with Germany," the audience cheered loudly.

## SLAVERY STILL IN THE CONGO

### Report by Acting British Consul is Subject of a Parliamentary Paper

London, Dec. 11.—A parliamentary paper has been published containing correspondence respecting affairs in the Congo. The despatches from the acting consul, dated 25, 1910, to October 27 last. In a report on the Uele district, Acting-consul Armstrong says that the condition of the region is unsatisfactory. He says the fact that a direct system of slavery has been created and is being maintained by the government is indisputable. Every large tribe has slaves and these form the larger proportion of the population. And it is the slave who does all the work.

There is no difficulty for the government to obtain labor or rubber from the larger tribes. The slave trade does not disobeys the chief's orders any more than he would dare to dispute the chief's decisions in matters of justice. But there are exceptions even to this rule. Where ordinary labor is not sufficient, the chief's slaves work without attempt at resistance. It is only in rubber-bearing areas that one finds a means of acquiring considerable wealth and numbers of women. The means, then, of enforcing the rubber tax, of disposing of all chiefs who refuse to press their people, and to divide their territory among individuals of another tribe, who, of course, treat the people as individuals who, with the aid of government and a personal bodyguard armed with cap-guns, know how to drive the people. And there is never any lack of persons to accept a chieftainship, which affords a means of acquiring considerable wealth and numbers of women.

The rubber tax has, says Acting-Consul Armstrong, always been the root of all evil in the Congo State. "We have," he adds, "received assurances without number that abuse would not be tolerated under Belgian rule, but these assurances were small value, because the Belgian government denied that abuse ever existed." It is, therefore, not surprising that the evils of this tax have not been removed. A thorough reform of the system is the acting-consul holds, necessary.

## THIRTY FOUR CATTLE AND FOUR HORSES BURNED

### York County Men Also Lose Seventy Five Tons of Hay in Barn Fire—Dwellings are Saved

(Special to Times) Fredericton, Dec. 12.—The fire which broke out at Allan and Fred Harrison were destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning. Seventy-five tons of hay went up in smoke and thirty-four head of cattle and horses were cremated.

Fortunately no wind prevailed and the dwellings in the vicinity were saved. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

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- HEALTH MATTERS. A meeting of the board of health is to be held this afternoon. Several citizens will appear before the board to explain their reasons for not having installed patent closets, within the allotted time, and gradually gain.

## NEW ROYAL BARE

### Daughter Was Born Yesterday to the Queen of Spain

Madrid, Dec. 12.—Queen Victoria of Spain gave birth to a daughter yesterday morning. The fifth child born to Queen Victoria. The fourth was still born. King Alfonso and Victoria Ena, Princess of Battenberg, were married on May 31, 1906. Their first child, Prince Alfonso, was born on May 10, 1907. The other children are Prince Jaime and Princess Beatrice.

The infant will probably receive the name of Christina. The queen had a little previously been present at a banquet which King Alfonso gave in honor of Cardinal Maria Gossy Machio and Enrique Almaraz y Santos, archbishops respectively of Valladolid and Seville, who were admitted to the Sacred College at the recent consistory in Rome.

### DUKE AND DUCHESS ON A VISIT TO MONTREAL

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 12.—(Special)—The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall went to Montreal today to spend a week. They will live in Lord Strathcona's house. Hon. Mr. Bowden and Mrs. Bowden left to spend a few days with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy.

## FIND NO MORE ALIVE

### Six Corpses Taken From the Briceville Mine Today

Bricerville, Tenn., Dec. 12.—Spurred on by last night's discovery of survivors of Saturday's dust blast in the rock mountain coal mine, fresh rescuers went into the coal entries this morning hacking and digging with redoubled energy. Their only reward, however, was the discovery of a corpse strewn chamber far back in the mine.

Six bodies were recovered. Two of the six were identified. One was Joseph McQueen, a widower. The other five were identified as follows: John A. Vail, had a wife and four children.

### ROBBERS HOLD UP TRAIN

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 12.—Atlantic coast line train No. 80, which left Savannah for New York this morning at 12:45 o'clock, was stopped by robbers near Hardsville, just before day-break, several sacks of registered mail were taken.

Forecast: Moderate southwest winds, cloudy and mild today and on Wednesday.

Synopsis: Mild overcast weather prevails today throughout the maritime provinces. To banks, fresh westerly winds. To American ports, moderate westerly and southwesterly winds.

Saint John Observatory.

The time ball on customs building is hoisted half its elevation at 12:45, full elevation at 1:30 and drops at 1 p. m. Standard time of the 60th Meridian, equivalent to 2 hours Greenwich time.

Local Weather Report at Noon.

12th day December, 1911.

Highest temperature during last 24 hrs., 52

Lowest temperature during last 24 hrs., 48

Temperature at noon, 50

Humidity at noon, 85

Barometer readings at noon (sea level) and 2 hours later, 30.11 inches.

Wind at noon: Direction, S.; velocity, 6 miles per hour; cloudy.

Same date last year: Highest temperature, 59; lowest, 22; fair to cloudy.

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### HOME FOR BURIAL

The body of John Medley Robertson, who died last week in West Bonerville, Mass., while on his way with Mrs. Robertson to visit their son, Thomas, in Los Angeles, was brought to the city this morning on the Boston train, and taken to his late home in Carlton street, Mrs. Robertson and her son came with the body. The funeral took place this afternoon at Trinity church, where services were conducted by Rev. Wm. McKinnon. The interment was in the cemetery at West Bonerville. Messrs. George A. Knudell, G. A. Ketchum, James Manchester, A. P. MacIntyre, Joseph Allison, and Wm. H. Smith, were floral tributes were received. Services were held from Boston with the body.

### Death of Noted Sculptor

New York, Dec. 12.—Thomas Ball, sculptor, died yesterday at his home in Montclair, N. J. in his ninety-third year. On November 29 he was injured by a fall and gradually sank.