

EVENTS OF THE DAY AS SEEN BY THE CARTOONIST



A GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION OF WEEK-LONG BATTLE WITH TURK AND BULGAR

Nearly Half a Million Men Engaged in Life and Death Struggle That Is Still in Progress.

LONDON AND BERLIN DISPATCHES SAY BULGARS STEADILY WINNING

Turks Resisting Desperately at Several Points, But Bulgarians May Get Between the Enemy's Lines and Constantinople.

[Canadian Press.] London, Nov. 2.—Graphic descriptions of the week-long battle between the Turkish and Bulgarian armies in the southeastern corner of the Balkan Peninsula are now reaching London. It would appear that nearly 400,000 men have been engaged in the life and death struggle which, according to some accounts, is still in progress.

DESPERATE FIGHTING. The fighting on the left wing of the Turkish army, according to one correspondent, was terribly severe. In their attack on Lule Burgas, the Bulgarians found Torgut Shekhet Pasha with his troops in position on the slopes behind the town. The Bulgarians brought up six batteries and shelled the position on Monday evening. They then carried out an infantry attack, which was unsuccessful.

ARTILLERY DUEL. On Tuesday, the Bulgarian artillery settled down to a methodical preparatory bombardment to which the Turkish artillery replied vigorously. In the artillery duel no superiority was shown by either side. Nevertheless on Tuesday afternoon it became clear to the Turkish commander that the Bulgarians were pushing up masses of reinforcements into the firing line.

RETIRE IN GOOD ORDER. This meant that the position at Lule Burgas was becoming untenable. The Turkish advance line fell back in admirable order to Torgut Shekhet Pasha's main position on the left of the iron railway bridge across the River Irkine. The town itself remained unoccupied by either side during Tuesday night, and throughout Wednesday, when it was set on fire by the explosion of Bulgarian shells.

Close battle was joined between the opposing forces at dawn Wednesday, and raged with equal fierceness along the whole front for a distance of 20 miles.

BULGARIANS REPULSED. The Bulgarians began by a determined effort to take the railway bridge, but the Turkish troops entrenched near the head of the bridge, drove them back with a sweeping fire. Toward noon the Bulgarian artillery concentrated its fire on the centre of the Turkish position as a preliminary to an assault. The shrapnel fire was perfectly timed, and the Turkish infantry suffered heavily. Nevertheless here, as elsewhere, on the field the losses were only what was to be expected from the severity of the battle.

Long columns of wounded were passed to the rear after receiving first aid on the field. No description of the later stages of the battle has yet come through, but the reports from Sofia assert that the Bulgarians carried everything before them.

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Large Increases Shown In Customs and Inland Revenue

Figures for Ten Months Show That Million Mark Has Been Passed—October Was a Bumper Month.

Collector of Customs Charles Elliott, month, which was a record one in the department in London, are:

	1911.	1912.
January	\$8,762.25	\$9,962.86
February	91,867.55	87,623.25
March	96,145.98	99,066.20
April	71,182.15	114,690.64
May	86,786.98	101,530.82
June	85,401.88	95,707.18
July	72,996.85	104,093.40
August	92,561.05	120,549.02
September	83,353.25	114,627.56
October	81,097.41	104,536.87
Totals	\$852,155.32	\$1,034,307.80

The inland revenue returns for last month show an increase of \$2,265.32 over the totals for October, 1911, when the amount of the revenue was \$40,361.61. The itemized returns for this

ASKED TO DEFINE DIVINE PLEASURE IN KENT MOTION

Mr. Justice R. M. Meredith Hears Arguments in Litigation Over Will.

CHURCH CLAIMS THAT MISSIONS ARE CHARITY

Array of Legal Talent in High Court Puts Questions to the Court.

Mr. Justice R. M. Meredith presided over the session of the weekly high court at the court house this morning, and heard the argument of counsel for the different parties interested in the motion for construction of the will of the late Thomas Kent, founder of the London Loan Company, who died some months ago, leaving his property in a manner as to provoke litigation. The lawyers present and those they represent were: Hamilton Cassella, of Toronto, for the Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; T. G. Meredith, K.C., and A. G. Greenlees and F. H. Greenlees, for the executor of the will. Notice was served upon the British and Foreign Bible Society, of London, Eng., to which was bequeathed the proceeds of the sale of the Kent residence on Central Avenue, which was purchased at auction by Bishop Fallon, of the R. C. Diocese of

London, but no solicitor appeared for that society.

Adjournment Till Nov. 23. The causes of litigation were briefly outlined to Justice Meredith, and the argument will possibly be completed at an adjourned session of the court on Nov. 23. It is probable that judgment will be reserved at that time.

It was explained that the chief cause of dispute was the residuary bequest of \$70,000 or \$75,000 to the moderator of the session of New St. James' Church. If the intention of the testator is not made clear in the clause of the will which disposes of this question, then the English language does not contain sufficient words to emphasize the point, was the opinion offered by Mr. T. G. Meredith.

The will states that all dividends from the residue of his estate shall be paid to the moderator of the session of New St. James' Church of the corner of Wellington and Oxford streets, London, for purposes of home and foreign mission work, "such disposition to continue during the divine pleasure."

The extent of "divine pleasure" may be. This is irrelevant to the content of the next of kin of Mr. Kent, who declare that amount specified in the residuary bequest is an intestacy, and accordingly, for distribution amongst them. The law relating to perpetuities provides that no man shall tie up his estate for a time exceeding for charitable purposes.

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MANY CITIZENS REGARD \$890,000 AS STAGGERING SUM TO ASSUME



HON. LOUIS CODERRE, the new secretary of state in the Dominion Cabinet.

Mayor and Aldermen Maintain Silence Until Mr. Beck's Proposal Has Been Digested—Some Sharp Comments Made.

CHAIRMAN POCOCK WITH MR. BECK IN SCHEME TO ELECTRIFY LINE

The proposal of Hon. Adam Beck to have the people of London spend \$890,000 on his pet scheme for the electrification of the London and Port Stanley Railway, is quite the topic of conversation on the streets today, and few could be found who would endorse the findings at all. A score of men at random were picked out on the street, and asked what they thought of it.

"Better spend some money in bringing radial lines from other directions," said one man. "Port Stanley is well looked after. Why not spend some money on the London and Northwestern, and on the other lines to the south and west. That would do much more for the city than the electrification of the line to Port Stanley."

"A wild dream, that will cost us more money than we can afford," said one. "It is too big for this city at this time," concluded another citizen. And so the comments continued. Chairman Pocock, of the water commission, declared that it could be made a paying proposition without any difficulty whatever. There were few who held the same opinion.

ALDERMEN DIGESTING IT. Members of the council were interviewed, but none of them would venture an opinion until they had fully digested the report.

"We have not read it fully," said Ald. Spittal. "When we have gone through it, we will say what we think of it."

"I have not had time to look into the matter," said Ald. Coles.

Ald. Richter was busily engaged in going through the books of the electrical department with Mr. Harry Angus, the electrical expert from Toronto, on the street lighting proposition, and had no time to discuss the latest development.

MAYOR HAS NOT SEEN IT. Mayor Graham was interviewed regarding the Beck report, and stated that he had not seen it at all.

"I have just returned from Ottawa, and have not even seen the document," he stated. "I am in no position to make a statement regarding it. When I have read it I will tell better what I think of it. I have not seen the aldermen, and cannot say what they will do regarding it."

Bylaw Asking Citizens to Spend \$890,000 Is Prepared

Aldermen Likely To Allow Scheme To Be Voted Upon—Some Differences in Figures Shown By the Year Book.

A bylaw to set aside \$890,000 for the electrification of the London and Port Stanley Railway will be submitted to the ratepayers in January.

That is the opinion of a majority of aldermen, and from present indications a campaign will be waged on behalf of the bylaw by Hon. Adam Beck. It is not thought that the aldermen would seek to prevent a bylaw being submitted.

It is possible that a slate, including a candidate for the mayorality and a number of aldermen, will be placed in nomination to run on this scheme. Whether or not any of the present aldermen will adopt the platform remains to be seen. None of them would express an opinion this morning, saying that they had not given the report sufficient consideration to warrant a statement. Copies of it are being prepared at the city hall and they will be handed to each member of the council.

Coal Company Offer Held Up. This means that the proposition of the Lake Erie Coal Company to lease and electrify the line, or take it over and operate it as a steam road, will be laid over until the verdict of the ratepayers is pronounced in January.

It will be remembered that in March last the coal company made a proposition to electrify the line, and lease it for a term of years, at the present rate—approximately \$20,000 a year. The figures they had placed as the cost of electrification were \$400,000. At the expiration of the 25-year lease the city could purchase the rolling stock at a valuation to be agreed upon.

It is stated that in view of the probable action of the council to submit a bylaw, the Lake Erie Coal Company will make other arrangements for hauling coal.

Coal for Grand Trunk. The Grand Trunk have started a line from Port Burwell to London, and it is rumored, in fact it is stated on the best authority, that the Grand Trunk will handle the coal either at Port Burwell or Port Dover, where they will have slip-docks capable of handling the traffic with little trouble.

The loss of this business would sadly cripple the earning power of the

Chairman Pocock, of the water commission, is an ardent advocate of the scheme, and will assist in the campaign, it is understood.

The report is the work of a number of engineers, the majority of whom are employed by the hydro-electric commission. Engineer Schorer, of Syracuse, a traction expert, revised the findings of the others, and the final

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SIXTEEN PEOPLE GO TO THEIR DEATH IN LAKE WRECK NEAR MONTREAL

Terrific Gale on Lake St. Louis Tosses Small Boat on Rocks.

Frail Craft Plied Between Montreal and Town of Valleyfield.

SOME OF THE DEAD.

M. J. T. Leduc, captain, Valleyfield.
S. Bellefeuille, engineer, Valleyfield.
J. L. Leboeuf, fireman.
D. Hebert, sailor, Valleyfield.
J. Somerville, passenger.
Mme. Michaud.
Mme. and Mlle. Repentigny.
Miss Bellefeuille, Valleyfield.
Miss Leroux, Cascade Point.
Miss Leduc, Montreal.

[Canadian Press.] Montreal, Nov. 2.—During a

tremendous storm last night, the Cecilia, a little steamer which plies between Montreal and Valleyfield, sank at Isle Perrot, in Lake St. Louis, ten miles west of here. As far as could be learned at least sixteen people have been drowned, the dead comprising men, women and children. Only four passengers were saved, all men.

THE SURVIVORS.

Lionel Leduc, son of Captain Jean Leduc, Valleyfield.
A. Gosselin, Valleyfield.
E. H. Baillagoon, Valleyfield.
Felix Cousineau, Ste. Cle.

After leaving the Lachine Canal and entering the lake, the storm caught the frail little craft, which only weighed 125 tons, and tossed it about at random. Captain Leduc made valiant attempts to keep the craft under control, and in the hulls in the storm made a little headway. About 7 o'clock the

violence of the storm increased, and the Cecilia then got out of control completely. With the force of the 55-miles-an-hour gale behind her, she rushed towards the south shore and struck the rocks.

SMASHED TO FRAGMENTS.

The thin wooden hull was smashed to fragments, and the force threw passengers and crew into the water without the slightest preparation.

The shrieks and shouts of the people in the water attracted the attention of a farmer named Alexander Leonard, who heroically put out in a boat to the scene of the disaster. He found the four men clinging to the wreckage, which was everywhere visible. These he took safely to shore, but though he searched all night he could recover no more.

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MUMPS AND MEASLES MUST BE QUARANTINED

New Regulations Issued to Physicians and Nurses By Medical Health Officer—Whooping Cough Also Under Ban.

All cases of measles, whooping cough and mumps must be quarantined as are scarlet fever and other diseases. Dr. Hutchinson, M. H. O., has received instructions from the provincial board of health along these lines, and has issued warnings to physicians and nurses to report all such cases.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COLD.

Forecasts.

TORONTO, Nov. 2—8 a.m. Moderate to fresh northwest to west winds, a few local snow flurries, but generally fair and cold today and on Sunday.

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
LONDON	54	32.5	Cloudy
Calgary	50	30	Clear
Winnipeg	28	14	Cloudy
Port Arthur	52	22	Cloudy
Port Sound	50	20	Clear
Toronto	57	28	Clear
Ottawa	54	26	Fair
Montreal	46	28	Cloudy
Quebec	46	28	Cloudy
Father Point	38	22	Cloudy

The disturbance which was in the lake region yesterday has now reached the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and pressure is highest in the southwest states.