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LAND QUESTION THE NEXT GREAT ISSUE IN ENGLAND

Brought to Front in Campaign at the By-Election

SOMETHING IS NEEDED

Canadian Borrowers Will be Interested in the Times' Cable Review of the Situation—Plenty of Money for Good Security Available

(Times' Special Cable) London, May 16.—The Newmarket by-election today has given substance and form to the next great question arising in English politics. Although the polling was finished today the result will not be known till tomorrow. It is a pendulum constituency, with a record of change. The last Liberal majority was 860, and the Conservatives reckon to poll seventy-five per cent. of the 700 pluralists in the division. Whatever the result, the contest is notable for the manner in which the Liberal candidates forced the land question to the front. The Conservatives tried in turn every mount in their stable. Home Rule and the House of Lords went groggy very early in the race. Then the insurance bill was trotted out. Finally they stole Lloyd George's unofficial inquiry, commenced some months ago, forced the issue to the front. Much clearing of the air has followed that step. The simple tax and land nationalization have subsided into silence. The land problem is no longer a question of the incidence of taxation. The person behind the problem has emerged in the shape of that poverty-stricken leet, the farm-laborer. The question will be tackled with the definite and unflinching intention of proving the intolerable position of the laborer. The Conservatives favor the creation of a peasant proprietorship on a limited scale, not as a substitute for but as a buttress to the present system of large private estates. The Liberal program has been towards the extension of small holdings, the county councils being owners of land leased out to peasantry. This is now to be supplemented by a legalized minimum wage, plus adequate provision for sanitary housing and death of which is a flaming scandal in the county districts. We shall know about the merits of the rival land schemes when the ambulance war has been done. Meantime the country is breathing in the death labor is being starved off the land, and what is wanted is first aid. This the Liberal program promises to supply, and the stirring of hope is noticeable in the most forlorn parts of rural England.

Canada's municipalities and other prospective borrowers should carefully note the peculiar situation, which is receiving great attention here. One explanation advanced is the loans are insufficiently advertised. The dry and technical announcements favored by financial houses do not appeal to the public and, consequently, the great potential field of small investors is virtually untouched. This is no doubt to some extent accurate, but the principal reason appears to be the development of conditions prevailing in the English money market. Money is abundant, trade is good, and everything is prosperous, yet the gilt-edged solution after another has fallen flat. The explanation came this week, when Rothschilds marketed the Brazilian five per cent loan at 97. Out of eleven millions asked, under three quarters of a million was subscribed. This is only a notorous example of what has recently been general experience. The matter is the underwriting customs which has grown up, under which underwriters ask more than they really want, on the assumption that the public will come in and buy at a point or two above the issue price. This has been worked too often. The public have discovered that the underwriters are out for profit and take up more than they can carry, and there is often a scramble to get out at any price short of an entire sacrifice of commission. This explains why so many recent flotations are purchased in the open market at a point or two under the issue price, and accounts for the mystifying fitness of gilt-edged new business. There is plenty of money for good security, but borrowers who want the best terms must find a method of tapping the public without water-logging the professional market.

WEATHER BULLETIN Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—An important disturbance covers Newfoundland and a moderate depression is situated over the upper arctic region. Light showers have occurred in many portions of the western provinces and rain has fallen generally over Lake Superior. Fair and cool, then showers.

Maritime—Easterly winds, fair and cool today; showers in some localities on Sunday evening.

PROPERTY AT ROTHESAY BOUGHT

Montreal Men Secure Parcel and Will Lay Out Franklin Park—Other Transactions

A real estate deal of considerable interest, by which a Montreal syndicate becomes the owner of a valuable piece of land in Rothesay, was completed today. The property consists of seventy acres with a frontage of 500 feet on the Hampton road facing L. P. D. Tilley's and the late W. J. Starr's properties. It was owned by Wm. C. Izard, who resided there, and George W. Slocom of Slocum & Harris. The sale was made by Taylor & Sweeney to W. Frank Murphy, who represents the Montreal investors. It is the intention of the purchasers to lay out new roads through the property and have it divided into building lots of generous size. They intend to spend a considerable sum in improving the property and will lay it out in the style of a residential park and it will go under the name of Franklin Park. The lots will be placed on the market as soon as the engineers complete their part of the work. The interest of W. G. Lee in the freehold property, No. 2111, is subject to a mortgage, two liens for wages and other liabilities, was sold by public auction to the corner of Wm. Frank Murphy, who represents the Montreal investors, and was purchased by R. W. Mowatt for \$100,000.

Mr. Potts also secured a fresh lot 40 by 110 feet with a two story and a one and a half story building in Prince street, West End, and a vacant lot 100 feet by 100 feet in King street, West End, which were withdrawn at \$1,900. Two properties at Hampton station, including a lot 59 by 115 feet with two cottages and a vacant lot 87 by 285 feet, were also offered by Mr. Potts and were withdrawn at \$1,100. The following transfers in real estate have been recorded during the last few days: City of John to Wm. G. Lee, a property in Prince William street, for \$15,000; James Elliot and W. W. Badger to J. D. Beyer, a property in Sand Cove road.

The Rev. Dr. Spurgeon says the Suffrage Movement will be Crushed. London, May 17.—The militant suffragettes this morning might change in their arsons campaign. Instead of setting fire to unoccupied houses, they attempt to destroy tenanted residences at Cambridge. The interior woodwork was greatly damaged and one of the suffragettes' laboratories adjoining also suffered. Another canister of gunpowder and dynamite was found at Boxmoor station in Hertfordshire on the London & North-western railway today. The suffrage movement will be crushed. It does not represent the body of sentiment in England, and will meet the fate it deserves. The militants are but a small section who are betraying the cause of woman suffrage. Rev. Dr. Spurgeon, celebrated English divine, in this way sizes up the movement. Scores Men-made Laws. London, May 16.—Mrs. Charlotte Despard, in a speech tonight, defined the policy of the Women's Freedom League as favoring law breaking without violence. She said the women of the league refused to pay taxes, held meetings when forbidden by the police, and in various ways manifested contempt for men-made laws, but they differed from the militant suffragettes by scrupulously refraining from damaging property and committing personal assault. The league recently refused the use of its usual meeting hall because of the incendiary speeches made in it by its leaders. Dr. Anna Shaw, of New York, addressing a suffrage meeting in Westminster tonight, said the conduct of the women in England had satisfied the people of the United States that women with the ballot would be unsafe and that consequently the American women were being voted down. The men of America, Dr. Shaw declared, were using the agitation of the English women as a club over American women and trying to make them believe that they were law breakers. It was irresponsible and untrustworthy. But that was merely a cowardly excuse, for Theodore Roosevelt had taken up the question because he knew those votes would decide the next presidential election.

NOW SET FIRE TO A TENANTED HOUSE

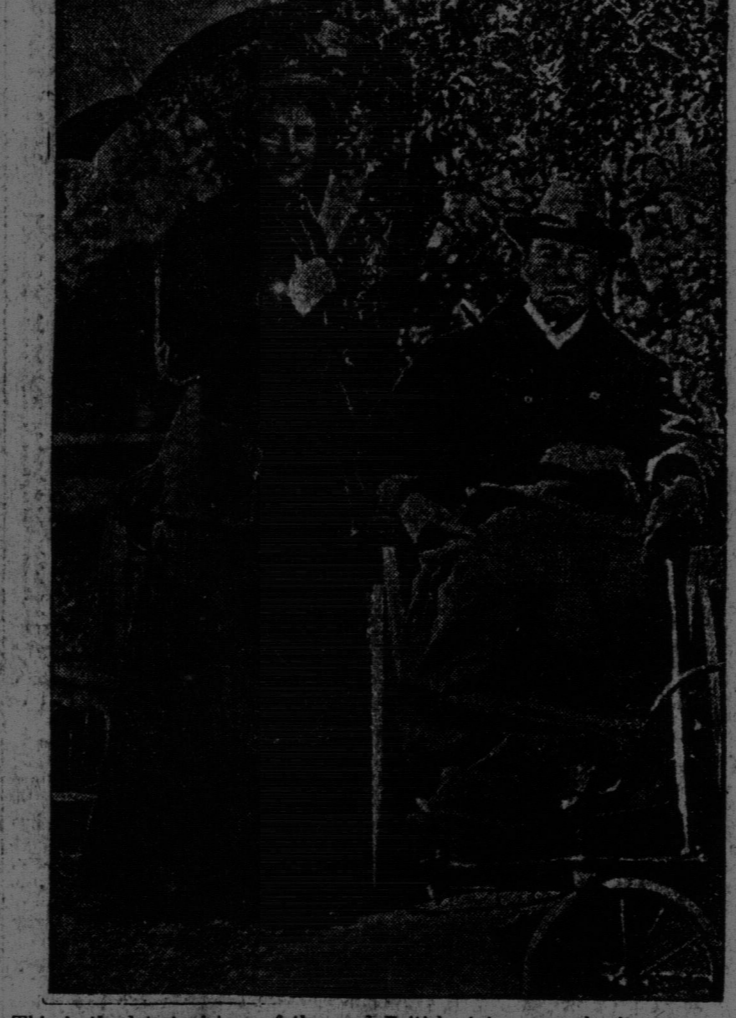
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HON. JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN AND HIS WIFE



This is the latest picture of the aged British statesman, who is now seventy-seven years old. "People's Joe" has long retired from the political field, but even now his influence is felt in the party questions of the day.

MISS THOMPSON, WHO ENDED LIFE IN MILAN, WAS NURSE WHOSE HOME WAS IN TORONTO

Toronto, May 17.—The mystery surrounding the suicide of Miss Mabel Thompson in a Milan hotel, some time ago, has been cleared. She belongs to Toronto and was a daughter of the late James Thompson of this city. Miss Thompson and W. K. Thompson of Toronto, and Mrs. Florence Price of 18 Glouce avenue, are relatives. Miss Thompson had not been in Toronto for about three years, having been travelling on the continent for nearly the whole of that time, practicing her profession as a nurse when the occasion demanded. She was thirty-three years of age.

FREDERICK TO LAY THE MATTER BEFORE COMMISSION

Fredrickton, N. B., May 17.—In the matter of the C. P. R. passenger rates the board of trade has decided to prepare a case for the railway commission. City Clerk McCready has the matter in hand.

ANTI-HOME RULERS ADDRESSED BY CARSON

London, May 17.—An enthusiastic anti-home rule demonstration was held yesterday in Belfast. Sir Edward Carson declared that Ulster would adhere to the covenant adopted last autumn. He said that Unionists had never ceased preparations to carry their resolution into effect. They would exhaust every means to avoid force, but if they were driven to resistance those who drove them would be responsible. He urged the loyalists to go on and be ready. The leaders would select the most opportune methods and if necessary they would take over themselves the entire government of Ulster.

NO CLOUDS, SAYS JAMES H. HILL

Washington, May 16.—"There are no clouds on the business outlook in the United States," said James H. Hill, who is in Washington. "I see no menace to our national progress in the present industrial situation. Rather the existing situation leads me to take a somewhat optimistic view of our future. The only danger to continuing industrial prosperity lies in the people themselves. The tendency of the people to seize upon false rumors of impending industrial upheavals—and these rumors usually have their birth in irresponsible condition that may loom big to them, as a portent of industrial panic, the country should continue to progress along prosperity lines."

BISHOP DOANE IS DEAD

New York, May 17.—Bishop William Crowell Doane, bishop of the Albany diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church, died in this city a little before one o'clock this morning. He was eighty-one years old.

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GOLFERS DRIVE BALL FROM HOME PLATE OVER CENTRE BLEACHERS AT POLO GROUNDS

New York, May 17.—The dispute between golfers and baseball players, as to whether a golf ball could be driven from the home plate at the Polo grounds over the centre of the bleachers, was decided in the affirmative yesterday. Grandstand Rice, golfer and baseball player, and Oswald Kirby, amateur golfer, both succeeded in making the drive. Rice put over one ball in four and Kirby two in four. The golfers drove against the wind, but the ball carried over the top of the fence, which is about fifty feet high at this point, by about fifteen feet. A brass was used for the drive, and it is estimated that the carry was about 300 yards.

SHOT WIFE IN TORONTO STREET; TURNED GUN ON HIMSELF

Toronto, Ont., May 17.—As a result of a shooting affray at Jarvis street and Wilton avenue, shortly after midnight, John Pickett and his wife, Ida Pickett, are in St. Michael's hospital in a critical condition. The man is said to have done the shooting. According to the wife's story, he met her when she left Child's restaurant, where she is a waitress. They have been separated and he sought to persuade her to live with him again. When she refused she said that he pulled a revolver and shot her three times. Dr. W. L. Turner came down from Metonic street by auto. He reports the roads in a disgraceful condition.

BUFFALO MACHINISTS MAY STRIKE ON MONDAY

Buffalo, May 16.—Three thousand machinists will be on strike on Monday if their demands for a minimum wage of \$7.12 cents an hour and improved working conditions, are not granted. Over 1,000 of the men are already idle from premature strikes and lockouts.

THE CINCINNATI STRIKE

Cincinnati, May 17.—Two men and a youth were slightly injured, and twenty-six men were arrested yesterday afternoon, charged with disorderly conduct as a result of an attempt to interfere with the operation of one of the lines of the Traction Company whose employees are on strike.

FOUR BATTLE LINERS

S. S. Tanagra, Captain Dalton, from Glasgow, arrived at Santos today. S. S. Eretia, Captain Crossley, sailed from Cardiff for Dalhousie, N. B. S. S. Alburna, Captain Lockhart, arrived at Cardiff today from Havre. S. S. Panosia, Captain Wright, bound from Rio Janeiro to Stettin, passed Dartmouth today.

NINETEEN DEATHS

There were nineteen deaths this week in the city from the following causes: pneumonia and heart disease three each, senility, typhoid, and broncho-pneumonia two each, and hemorrhage, chronic cystitis, premature birth, spinal meningitis, arteria sclerosis, tubercular meningitis, and inanition, one each.

FIFTY-TWO HORSES AND FIFTY PIGS BURN TO DEATH

Brantford, Ont., May 17.—The horse near here were destroyed by fire this morning. Fifty-two horses, fifty pigs, many sheep and some implements were destroyed at the station of the Bow Park farm.

ONLY ONE SAVED; ARCTIC WILDS CLAIM VICTIMS

MR. SHADBOLT ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE UNTIL SEPTEMBER

W. M. Bancroft Takes up Duties as Bank of Montreal Manager

E. M. Shadbolt, manager of the Bank of Montreal in this city has been granted an extended leave of absence commencing on Monday and continuing until September. He will first visit his son in Upper Canada and later intends to take a trip to England. During his absence his place will be taken by W. M. Bancroft from the head office in Montreal.

A MATTER OF "DUTY"

London, May 17.—The foreign office has notified the Newcastle Chamber of Commerce, that the British ambassador at Washington has been instructed to make representations to the United States government on the subject of the section of the tariff bill which provides for the exclusion from entry of all merchandise shipped to the United States in case the manufacturer or shipper shall refuse to submit to the inspection of a duly accredited investigating officer of the United States his records or accounts pertaining to the value and classification of such merchandise.

WINS \$10,000 BY FLIGHT FROM KEY WEST CROSS WATER TO HAVANA

Havana, May 17.—Donisio Rosillo, a Cuban aviator, arrived here in his aeroplane, after flying from Key West, this morning. The Cuban government offered a prize of \$10,000 to any aviator accomplishing the flight.

THE SASKATCHEWAN CROPS

Regina, Sask., May 17.—A preliminary estimate issued by the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture gives an increase from last year to fifteen per cent. in the crop area or a total acreage of ten and a half millions under all crops. During the first half of April the weather was fine and generally warm with drying winds. The seed bed is in excellent condition and the outlook is promising. Seeding was general along the C. P. R. main line about the 18th; the South Saskatchewan section, about the 14th; the Canadian Northern about the 12th; and the Canadian Northern to the north about the 21st. Almost all the wheat in the ground by the end of the month. There was more summer fallow land than usual, and less crop grain on stubble.

PICKPOCKETS AT WORK

London, Ont., May 17.—Chief Detective Davy of the Grand Trunk Railway, is in the city working on pickpocketing cases which have been reported to the local police. Heinrich Meinko, a German immigrant, was robbed of \$2,500. Officials are convinced that a gang of light-fingered crooks are operating on trains. On Wednesday a traveller was relieved of \$37 on the Buffalo-Chicago express. On Thursday a colored man was arrested. He was a pickpocket of note from the southern states and it is said that he is a member an organized gang.

MORE CHEERING IS REPORT ON HEALTH OF DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT

London, May 17.—According to last night's bulletin the Duchess of Connaught continues to make satisfactory progress. She passed a good day, and maintained the improvement noted during the past few days. Special significance also attaches to the fact that several members of the royal family, including the Duke of Connaught and Princess Patricia, have attended the Covent Garden Opera House three times during the present week. The duke, accompanied by the crown prince and princess of Sweden, Princess Christian, Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein, and suite, occupied the royal box at last night's performance of the "Flying Dutchman."

GERMAN IMMIGRANT IS ROBBED OF \$2,500

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