

ENGLAND SPEEDS TO BETTER TIMES

Henry Thornton, Back from Three Weeks' Visit, Tells of Progress.

CARNIO BIG AID

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Dec. 6.—"The Old Country has touched bottom, and from now on things are going to improve," Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railways, declared in the course of an interview here yesterday. Sir Henry is in New York on route back to Montreal after spending three weeks in England and France. Explaining that he did not feel qualified to give an expert opinion on conditions on the other side because of the brevity of his visit, he said that nevertheless he was convinced, from what he had seen and heard, that an improvement in the individual situation of Britain might be expected in the near future.

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he said. "Ever since the Spanish Armada it has been declared at intervals that England is finished. The joke of it is that, no matter what people say, she never really is finished. Today she is the only country in Europe paying the bills and settling the debts incurred during the war. It has been a severe strain on her people, but they seem to have turned the corner."

"There has been a definite quickening of optimism in England since the Locarno treaty, and I believe that from now onward things are going to improve," he said.

Sir Henry remarked that in France everybody was working and everybody appeared to have plenty to eat and drink and plenty of money to spend.

Sir Henry predicted an increase of immigration from the old country to Canada during the coming year. "Our immigration policy is just getting into its stride," he said.

The president of the Canadian National said there appeared to be much interest on the other side of the Atlantic in the progress of Canada's big public-owned railway. He declared that the system today was more prosperous than it ever had been. He predicted the earnings for this year, given good weather conditions, will be close to \$30,000,000. The bulk of the remarkable increase in earnings was due to lower operating costs, brought about by greater efficiency in management and the increased devotion to the road shown by the employees.

KILLS WIFE WITH HAMMER.

Associated Press Despatch.

Albany, N.Y., Dec. 6.—Albert Devine, 44, former alderman of this city, was arrested on a charge of murder after he had confessed, according to police authorities, that he had killed his wife with a hammer and buried the body under the porch of their home. The crime was committed during a quarrel on September 6, but Devine managed to elude suspicion until now by saying that his wife had left him.

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PROVINCE WILL GIVE RULING ON LUNATICS' ESTATE PROFITS

W. F. Nickle Will Decide Disposal of Surplus Earnings.

MILLIONS ARE HELD

Government Has Earned \$110,000 Bank Interest From Estates.

Special to The Advertiser by Staff Correspondent.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—Attorney-General Nickle will decide if the lunatic estates are to be credited with the surplus profits derived from them. A ruling on the question is regarded as necessary in view of the evidence given in the trial of W. W. Dunlop that \$110,000 in excess bank interest had been earned by insane persons in consequence of their investment by the government.

The money, it was stated, had gone into the provincial treasury. While no claims upon the estates have been made since this disclosure, the government considers it advisable that the point should be cleared up by a considered legal opinion. No profit has ever accrued to any government through the administration of lunatics' estates, according to K. W. Wright, the public trustee for Ontario. In an interview with The Advertiser, Mr. Wright explained the duties of his office. "We are absolutely self-supporting," he said. "We have never received a nickel from the government. Our income is from the small charges made for running the estates which come within our control. As a matter of fact, we could not pay our way if we dealt only with the estates of lunatics for that is the least profitable part of our business."

Altogether the funds in the hands of the trustee amount to nearly \$3,000,000, and of this amount \$2,024,000 represents the estates of lunatics. According to Mr. Wright, no single estate amounts to \$100,000, but, at the other end of the scale, there are estates ranging from one dollar up.

STEAMER SHAFT BROKEN.

London, Dec. 6.—A Lloyd's despatch from Cartagena says the Italian steamer *Enrichetta* was towed in there today with main-shaft broken. She was bound for Genoa from Hampton Roads.



HON. W. F. NICKLE.

provincial attorney-general, who will give a ruling on the disposal of profits from millions of dollars, property of insane persons in government institutions.

CABINET COMMUTES SENTENCE OF MURDERER

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 6.—Arthur Arsenault, sentenced to death for the murder of Alpheus Hanselpecker, at Bethel, N.B., last May, will not be executed on New Year's Day. The cabinet, having considered the case, has recommended commutation of the sentence to the governor-general, and the recommendation has been approved.

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LATE CAPT. GALBRAITH HAS MILITARY BURIAL

Former London Soldier Interred in Woodland Cemetery Sunday.

The funeral of Captain A. H. Galbraith was held Sunday afternoon from the G. E. Logan funeral home at 3 o'clock. The First Hussars Rifles were in attendance and marched to the grave before the gun carriage that bore the body of the dead soldier.

Marching beside the casket as honorary pallbearers were A. C. Galbraith, G. M. Galbraith, G. H. Galbraith, H. T. Galbraith, J. S. Galbraith and H. H. Galbraith, relatives of the deceased. Acting pallbearers were S. S. M. O. Drakely, R.Q.M.S. G. Bowden, Sergeant G. C. Stabler, Q.M.S. H. L. Watts, Q.M.S. S. Southcott, Q.M. S. J. W. Simmonds, Bugler L. Wilson of the R. C. R. was bugler.

The services at the chapel and at the grave were conducted by Col. the Rev. William Beattie, D.D., C.M.G., of the First United church.

Two cars were required to carry the floral tributes.

The cortege proceeded to Woodland cemetery, where the interment took place. Bugler L. Wilson of the R. C. R. sounded the Last Post as the body was being lowered into the grave. The firing squad of the First Hussars fired the last salute over the grave. The R. C. R. band was in attendance.

Captain Galbraith came to Canada as a boy. Having served with the R. C. R.'s and the Seventh Fusiliers of London, Mr. Galbraith became quartermaster-sergeant of the Seventh C. M. R.'s at the outbreak of the great war. In 1915 he was transferred to the 71st Battalion, C. E. F., and was promoted to captain and quartermaster and proceeded overseas with that unit.

He was looked upon as a service veteran in this city and regarded as one of the dominion's ablest soldiers. His death, which was quite sudden, will be a shock to the many lifelong friends which he had made in this city.

COLORS FOR MALES.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 6.—Variegated colors to replace black for men's umbrellas are being urged here. The idea to make London brighter during the dreary, rainy months of winter.

Acclamations Outnumber Races For Mayors' Chairs

Woodstock Has Four Candidates, St. Thomas Three—Latter Center Votes Upon Scrapping of Street Railway System and Use of Buses.

Mayoralties contests being held today throughout Western Ontario are this year outnumbered by acclamations in the leading points. Mayors have been returned without objection in nine places, namely: Windsor, Amherstburg, Ford City, Galt, Paris, Tillsonburg, Strathroy and Ingersoll.

Among the larger points to hold elections for the mayor's chair are: St. Thomas, Chatham, Petrolia, Woodstock, Sarnia, Wingham and Wallaceburg.

With four in the running, Woodstock leads the peninsula in numerical strength. Three St. Thomas citizens aspire to be chief magistrate, while in the other towns the battles are two-party affairs.

Important plebiscites are few this year. The Border Cities will vote on the international bridge project, and in St. Thomas interest centers on the ballot which calls for a choice between the continuance of the street railway and the inauguration of a motor-bus system of transportation.

Some of the more outstanding facts in the statistics of the foreign works were given by Mr. Brooks, including the immense number of students who attended the Bible classes during the last year.

"In China alone there were 40,000 pupils studying the Bible in the last year, 35,000 students attended one series of religious study in India during the same year, 10,000 took part in Bible study in Japan, and in the Philippines 60,000 school children were taught daily by the Y. M. C. A. in one year," said Mr. Brooks.

"The work is not only extensive, but intensive," stated the speaker. "It takes men who are weak and vacillating, and without aim or purpose, and gives them a direction and purpose in their lives. The Y. M. C. A. is a great unifying power, and it has arrived at a most favorable position in social work." Three great reasons were given by Mr. Brooks for the continuation of the work of the association, and as reasons why the work should not be withdrawn or even slowed up in the least. "In the first place," declared Mr. Brooks, "the conditions existing today are such that they make the question of the life of our young men critical. In the second place, the forces arrayed against Christianity are today stronger than they have ever before been."

The non-Christian religions are more wide-awake than they have ever been, and are putting up a fight. All through the world there is a strong anti-Christian movement, especially prevalent in the influence of Bolshevism, which is as near the diabolic as anything could be. And thirdly and lastly is the great regard and reverence

with which the personality and teachings of Jesus Christ are held nowadays. In India the influence of His teachings is greatly increased by the preaching of Ghandi, who, although not Christian in name, calls himself a disciple of Christ.

BUFFALO FIREMAN KILLED.

Associated Press Despatch.

Buffalo, Dec. 6.—One man was killed and five were injured Saturday, when the plant of the Buffalo body corporation here was swept by fire. The loss exceeded \$300,000. Fireman Michael Schmidt was killed when three ladders laden with firemen went down with a falling wall.

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