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LONDON, TUESDAY, APRIL 30.

## UNFAIR TO WESTERN ONTARIO.

The Ottawa Government, through sheer partisan spite, has determined to cripple the mail service of Western Ontario.

After May 1 no mail will be carried on the Grand Trunk train known as the Flying Post, which reaches this city at 5:55 a.m., in time to make connections with the morning mail trains out of London to all parts of this district. This train has carried to Western Ontario, in time for morning delivery, all mail from the East which reached Toronto up to 2:55 a.m., as well as letters posted in Toronto at night. It gave the people of Western Ontario their Eastern mail hours before the old arrangement. They are to be robbed of these facilities because the postoffice department has had a dispute with the Toronto Globe. The western mail now leaving Toronto at 2:55 a.m. on the Flying Post, will leave at 11:20 p.m. during May, and at 11:40 p.m. after June 1. This is a return to the old, unsatisfactory service. It is putting back the hands of the clock literally and metaphorically.

The Flying Post is to be continued as a newspaper enterprise, but it will carry no mail. While Western Ontario people will get Toronto newspapers early in the morning, they will have to wait hours for Eastern letters, which could be delivered at the same time as the newspapers. If the Government were so disposed, but the Government has quarrelled with one newspaper, and all Western Ontario must suffer. From paltry motives it withdrew its support from the Flying Post, in the expectation that the Flying Post would disappear. But the Flying Post is to go on just the same, except that over a million people are to lose most of its advantages. Against this injustice there ought to be a protest from every part of this western peninsula.

## HOME RULE FOR SCOTLAND.

Alongside the Irish and Welsh agitations is now cropping up a Scottish Nationalist movement. A resolution was not long ago passed by a majority of 98 in the House of Commons, to this effect:

"That in the opinion of this House any measure providing for the delegation of parliamentary powers to Ireland would be followed in this Parliament by the granting of similar powers of self-government to Scotland, as part of a general scheme of devolution."

Dr. Chapple, Liberal member for Stirlingshire, indicated, in moving the resolution, some of the disabilities that Scotland labors under in having no local legislature of her own; a state church to which only a minority of the people belong; the education system hampered by bureaucratic control from London, until a year ago iniquitous land laws causing depopulation of the rural country, and still a liquor traffic backed by the peerage and the bourgeoisie, whose strength centres in England. It is true that a large amount of devolution has already taken place, but it needs to be attended by legislative power and administrative control.

Of course, the same Unionists who were crying out two years ago for "Home Rule All Round" are now opposing all "round." Mr. Bonar Law deprecates national sentiment on such a subject. But even apart from national or local needs the British Government and British Parliament cannot go on forever breaking its back with congested affairs, big and little. The time has come to all reasonable thinking, for a division of labor. And it is not right that important matters should be divided up among committees or bureaux merely, the Houses of Parliament becoming in the main a voting machine. Finance, for instance, finds little enough space of time for adequate discussion. But it would be ridiculous to propose for a federal system in the British Isles divisions other than those indicated by nationality. It is like putting one's head ostrich-like into the sand, to refuse to recognize the existence of an Ireland, a Scotland, a Wales, each with national characteristics, and peculiar temper and ambitions of its own. Scotland has now its own Local Government Board, its own church, its own bench, its own judicial system, banking and paper currency system, a separate education, etc. It has always been and is a nation, though administered from London. Before long, as sure as the sun rises and sets, though hardly in the present Parliament, there will be a restored local government at Edinburgh, with great advantage to Scotland, and great relief to the burdened Titan at Westminster.

## MR. BORDEN AS AN IDEALIST.

The other night the Premier of Canada and the President of the United States addressed a great gathering of newspaper workers at New York through the telephone. The Premier speaking from Hot Springs, Va., the President from Boston. By means of a new invention the sound of their voices was magnified so as to be distinctly heard by the assembly. Speaking of the material development of the past quarter of a century, Mr. Borden said:

"The vast increase of wealth has been attended with an enormous and alarming inequality in its distribution. It cannot be denied that this inequality in its distribution is attended with a certain danger or even menace to the existence of democratic institutions in their present form. Equality of result can never be expected or attained under an individualistic system of national organization, inasmuch as men differ widely in their energies and capacities. But no democracy is built upon an enduring foundation if it fails to endow its citizens with equality of opportunity so far as that may be humanly possible.

"The modern democracy is learning this lesson slowly and painfully. I do not doubt that in the end it will be learned thoroughly. Otherwise I would have little faith in the permanence of existing systems of government in the English-speaking world; but no nation, however advanced in its industrialism, or powerful in its accumulated wealth, can long survive the shock of time except through the strength derived from the character of its people. That strength must assuredly be based upon faith and action. How often does the voice of idealism make itself heard above the roar of the market place on this great western continent? Can faith endure in that stifling atmosphere?"

These admirable sentiments, admirably expressed. It may be wondered whether Mr. Borden felt any incongruity between his words and his actions. He is at the head of a Government elected by special interests and the forces of privilege. Every monopoly in Canada tightens its grip on the people when Mr. Borden's party won the last election. Mr. Borden's Government is upheld by men who aim to restrict equality of opportunity in order to line their own pockets. There is no equality of opportunity for the workingman who is taxed by food combines, for the farmer who is denied a great market for his products.

As an idealist Mr. Borden is praiseworthy—at the end of a telephone wire. But he is connected with other wires which are pulled by powerful influences in the market place of which he speaks.

A Federal Government helps the "Stay in Ontario" campaign by curtailing Western Ontario's mailing facilities.

In renewing every license, the East Middlesex license commissioners have given an impetus to the local option campaign in London Township.

As Mr. Taft thinks of Theodore he laments with the poet:

An open foe may prove a curse,  
But a pretended friend is worse.

Judge Mabey has been stricken with appendicitis. There is no public servant in the country who can be spared from his duties less than the head of the railway commission.

The President of the United States has taken the stump like an ordinary politician. So long as the head of the Republic is the head of a party, the Republic is defensible and inevitable. The French system is the better one, which puts the president, like the British sovereign, above party, leaving to the prime minister the leadership of the party in power.

Only one Liberal member voted against the Irish home rule bill, a coal owner who sought on the Government during the coal strike. This is the first time the Liberal party has been solidly behind a home rule measure. Even in 1893, though there was no split, some of Gladstone's foremost followers, like Lord Rosebery, were lukewarm.

The Toronto News says that the Manchester Guardian, the greatest Liberal daily in Great Britain, opposes the home rule bill, which is therefore dead. The opposition of the Guardian would be a blow indeed to the Asquith Government and the Irish cause. Happily for both, the Guardian is enthusiastically in favor of the chief provisions of the bill. It merely suggests that the Irish Senate be elective instead of appointive.

CAUSE FOR HAPPINESS.  
[Cardston Globe.]

Mr. Carnegie says the farmer is the only happy man. But this is putting it a trifle strong. The citizen who finds that the suit he put away last fall will do for this spring is not to be overlooked.

APRIL 14, 1912.  
[Chicago Tribune.]

We speed our life in questionings—  
This Wherefore and that Why?  
And nothing matters save the things  
That teach us how to die.

NOT IMPRESSED BY SIR JAMES' FAD.  
[Peterborough Review, Can.]

Two or three more meet. An invitation to have drink follows, and they line up before the bar. Each gets what he orders, but the law steps in to say that one must not pay for the others. Therefore, with mutual consent, each pays for his own drink, or drinks, instead of each "standing treat," and thus equally dividing the expense. The solitary drinker is not molested. The prohibition of treating will not prevent two or three friends, or half a dozen from passing an evening in the bar together, or sitting down for a jamboree. All that is imposed is that each man must bear his own expenses. In the majority of cases the expense end will work very much the same as if there were no anti-treating law.

SHAUGHNESSY ON HOME RULE.  
[Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, President Canadian Pacific Railway.]

"Not being a public life man, expressions must be accepted as those of an individual British citizen earnestly concerned in everything calculated to promote the progress and prosperity of every section of the Empire. To one who has never lived in that kind of atmosphere, the animosities and prejudices that have with varying degrees of intensity divided the Irish people for many generations

are past understanding, and surely the time has come when, in the interest of the whole nation, they should be eradicated. The proposed bill will, I am sure, go far towards accomplishing this. As you know, it is framed upon lines that I always thought reasonable and practical, and I confidently believe that when the measure has had a reasonable trial, England, Scotland, and Wales will demand a like control of their own local affairs, leaving to the Imperial Parliament the really big legislation incidental to His Majesty's dominions throughout the world.

THE VILLAGE PREACHER.  
[Olive Goldsmith.]

At church, with meek and unaffected grace,  
His looks adorned the venerable place;  
Truth from his lips prevailed with double sway,  
And fools, who came to scoff, remained to pray.

The service past, around the pious man,  
With ready zeal, all kind of errands ran;  
Ben children followed with endeavoring wile,  
And plucked his gown to share the good man's smile;

His ready smile a parent's warmth expressed,  
Their welfare pleased him, and their cares distressed;  
To them his heart, his love, his joys were given,  
But all his serious thought had rest in heaven.

As some tall cliff that lifts its awful form,  
Swells from the vale, and midway leaves the storm,  
Though round its breast the heaviest clouds may roll,  
Eternal sunshine settles on its fold.

A TRAP FOR HER.  
[Judge.]

"I see your wife has been in a bandage. What is the matter?"  
"I set a mouse trap and put it in my pocket last night."

THE INSURGENTS.  
[Toronto Star.]

Mr. Bennett, of Calgary, says that the Canadian West is largely peopled by American farmers, who have been taught to hate Wall street and the East, and who think that the Canadian West may be similarly dominated by "big interests" in the East. Mr. Bennett and the journals which support him think that the remedy lies in sternly suppressing all talk about the big interests. Our opinion is that the big interests are abusing their powers, the sound policy is to attack the abuse, not to say "hush" to everybody who complains of it. For our part, we welcome the sturdy American farmers, who are thoroughly imbued with the idea of asserting their rights against Wall street, and every institution that copies Wall Street methods.

REBUKING RUDYARD.  
[From an Open Letter to Rudyard Kipling.]

After all this high speech about the Lord and the hour of national darkness, it shocks me to find that following your verses: "Copyrighted in the United States of America by Rudyard Kipling. You are not in vent. You are the most successful man of letters of your time, and yet you are not above making profit out of the perils of which you write. You are the lordly speech of the prophets, and you conclude by warning everybody not to imitate your words at their peril. In England, your poet we honor and we read his words to his country without gain, and has given without stint, without any niggardly withholding of his gift when his nation was in dark and evil days. Not one of our writers who deeply moved about Ireland has tried to sell the gift of the spirit. . . . You, brother, hurt me when you declare your principles and declare a dividend to yourself out of your patriotism openly and at the same time.

"AN AGE OF UNREST."  
[Arthur Henderson, Labor M.P.]

"We are living in a period of comprehensive and perplexing transition. Inquiry, change, and unrest appear to be the order of the day. King Democracy, moved by a deepening and ever-growing discontent, seeks to come to his own."

Organized Christianity had now to confess that, in spite of its excellent machinery, it failed to arrest the masses; vital religion with the masses was undoubtedly at a great discount, and faith was being very largely superseded by form in the religious life. The Sabbath was gradually, but surely, being robbed of its sacredness and sanctity, and is becoming a day of work and pleasure.

Where are these events leading them? Of this, however, he might say, he upheld the opinion that the secret of our national prosperity had ever been formed in our abiding fear of God as a nation. In his judgment it was the spirit of this nation's greatness.

MR. A. E. NUTTER LEAVES CITY'S EMPLOY  
[Cardston Globe.]

City Architect Has Been in City Hall for Four Years.

Wednesday the city will be without the services of a city architect and building inspector. Today Mr. A. E. Nutter, who has held the dual position for four years, leaves the city. His position has been abolished, and another person will be appointed building inspector. It is expected that the board of works will recommend a man at its next meeting, Thursday night. From present indications, Mr. John Shopland will be named. Mr. W. A. Piper, who is at the present time draughtsman in Mr. Nutter's office, is also mentioned in connection with the place.

MARCONI SAILS.  
New York, April 30.—Guglielmo Marconi, who has completed his testimony before the Senate committee investigating the Titanic disaster, sailed today for Bremen on the Kaiser Wilhelm II. Mr. Marconi said he would also go to London, and expected to be called as a witness in the investigation of the disaster begun by the British authorities.

There has been apparently little or no diminution in ocean traffic on account of the Titanic's fate. Aboard the Kaiser Wilhelm II. there was no vacant cabin, and all the officers' rooms had been let out. The vessel carried 1,495 passengers, the heaviest list she has ever had at this season of the year.

In cases of rheumatism relief from pain makes sleep and rest possible. This may be obtained by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. For sale by all dealers.

SEEDING PARTLY DONE.  
[Special to The Advertiser.]

Mapleton, April 30.—Seeding here is partly done. Fall wheat is fairly good, with the exception of a few bare spots, where the ice killed it. Clover is hardly up to the average. There is a general scarcity of help, and many farmers would be pleased to secure a good man.

## THE LAND OF LETTERS

[By Special Arrangement With the Winnipeg Telegram.]

According to the stories told by survivors of the Titanic disaster, that great English journalist, the late William T. Stead, often talked with his fellow-passengers on a subject which lay very near to his heart. "Can we receive messages from the spirit world?" It has already been pointed out that in 1892 in the Christmas number of the Review of Reviews, Mr. Stead wrote a vivid story of the sinking of a White Star liner as a result of a collision with an iceberg in the mid-Atlantic. That story, however, contains no reference to the occult. It does not indicate that the writer depended upon any other source for his material than the active imagination with which he was gifted; nor does it contain any hint that he himself expected to meet such a fate. Still it is a matter for wonder that the veteran journalist should have depicted such a disaster with the two significant details of an immense ocean liner of the White Star Line and the huge iceberg.

The other day I turned to a recent book by Mr. Stead. It bears this arresting title, "How I Know That the Dead Return." In the first chapter he begins his argument in this style: "In order to form a definite idea of the problem which we are about to attack, let us imagine the grave as if it were the Atlantic ocean, as it appeared to our forefathers before the days of Christopher Columbus. In order to make the parallel complete, it is necessary to suppose that the Atlantic could only be traversed by vessels from east to west, and that ocean currents or strong easterly gales rendered it impossible for any voyager from Europe to America to return to the Old World. We shall thus be able to form a simple but perfectly clear conception of the difficulties which I am now about to discuss." After many failures, he says, communication would be set up between the two continents; the people in the unknown western world would be able to send messages back to Europe by means of wireless telegraphy. And now we come upon a paragraph which makes curious reading in the light of recent events:

"At last, after innumerable disappointments, it is possible that the recipient of the last exploring expedition might succeed in getting through a message, clear, direct to the point, such as this: 'From Captain Smith, of the Resolute, to the Admiralty, of London. Alive and well. Discovered new world filled with descendants of Christopher Columbus and his men.'"

For years Mr. Stead has claimed that communication has been established between living beings and the dwellers in the world beyond. In that clear, transparent style of which he was master, he cites in this book many illustrations to show that he was able to write messages from friends at a distance, and even from spirits. Alluding to the death of his son he says: "Twelve months have now passed, in almost every week of which I have been cheered and comforted by messages from my boy, who is nearer and dearer to me than ever before." In 1909 when he wrote this remarkable little book, he claimed that for more than fifteen years he had received messages from the spirit of a dead friend called Julia. He was his own medium in receiving these messages. One of the most interesting of these communications was Julia's prophecy that one of his employees, E. M., would die within a year. The message read, "Be very patient with E. M.; she is coming over to our side before the end of the year." Sure enough the woman died. "We must give Mr. Stead the credit of being a very sincere man; undoubtedly he had telepathic powers, but whether he was really given actual messages from beyond I am not prepared to say. His own fancy may have been assisted by coincidences. His little book is strange; 'tis passing strange!"

A Good "Older-on."  
[Thamesville Herald.]

Wm. Buxton has a new horse. It tried to run away on London street Tuesday afternoon, but William's command proved too skillful for the equine. William says he is a good "older-on."

Here Goes the Raspberry Crop!  
[Alberton Echo.]

Fruit men find that the strawberry plants wintered well, but the frost did a great deal of damage to raspberry bushes, splitting the bark near the ground and killing them off. That means that the raspberry crop will be short the coming season.

Consoling a Walpole Widow.  
[Walla Walla News.]

While her husband is an exile from his native island, a Walpole widow is receiving the consolation and comfort from a good man—by the good name of Sausage, who is as good as the widow's life of preaching. There is a man of the Bible who lost his great strength when a lady caused his locks to be cut off, and he was fond of the women.

Somebody Blundered.  
[Aliga Craig Banner.]

Several of our esteemed fellow citizens were awakened from their slumber last Friday morning, thinking it was 7 o'clock several of them grabbed a soda biscuit and rushed madly to work only to find that the sound sleepers were still snoring. The official bell ringer having made a mistake of one hour in his calculation as to the time. Please don't do this any more.

## TORONTO WORKMAN FALLS TEN FLOORS TO DEATH

Losing His Balance While Riding on Hoist to Top of a Skyscraper.

[Canadian Press.]

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## A Few Lines of Most Anything

OUR PRECISE ARTIST.



"A Lap Supper."

Whether it deserves is or not, a street railway is always the most popular of targets for the guns of General Dissatisfaction.

A young Greek who graduated as a guber merchant and then began to shine shoes, got mixed in his English a day or two ago, and when he approached a man waiting to have his shoes shined asked him: "Peanuts?"

Being willing to increase its circulation among the ivy-clad population, this fastest growing daily is in favor of free admission to ball games for all small boys.

Joseph Payne has joined the staff of the Kodak movie market—Rodney Mercury. In other words, he has become one of the village cut-ups.

It must be difficult for Titanic survivors to survive all these Titanic poems.

It is a well-known fact that the ladies of Baldoon know how to make good financials for they disappeared just as soon as they were made—Baldoon correspondence of the Wall-laceburg News. But these disappointing panaceas are not a circumstance to the cancepan that chased a dog and other things that used to come out of Baldoon.

Karl Osborn has got over his attack of the mumps, and the new English dog that has come to Mr. Osborn's has taken it—Simcoe Reformer. That English boy will think Canada is a swell country, all right.

People in Pullman cars and first cabins usually escape. But should any man have to pay for safety?

Ah! This Is Rubbing It In.  
The Flying Post will NOT be discontinued.

Only 11 of the 1,501 vessels that entered New York last year were sailing craft.

An advertising pester reads: "This famous quartette will furnish solos, duos and trios."

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## CHAPMAN'S

WASH GOODS

New Arrivals in American Wash Goods

This is our latest shipment of American Wash Goods. It includes the most wanted kinds of summer fabrics, as well as some of the scarcest weaves, such as Bedford, Voiles and Ratines.

White Cotton Bedford Cords  
For ladies' dresses, waists and skirts. Very popular wide wale Bedford Cords, in white, at yard 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c

Colored Cotton Bedford Cords  
Even stripe, in tan and white, blue and white and gray and white, at yard . . . . . 35c

White Ratine Cloth.  
For ladies' suits. The weave of Ratine is similar to Turkish Towelling, 27 inches wide, at yard . . . . . 35c

Cotton Ramie Cloth  
In white or natural, suitable for making skirts, suits and dresses, 29 inches wide. A yard . . . . . 20c

White Piques, 15c, 20c, 25c, 40c yard  
Medium and wide widths of cord.

Beautiful White Voiles  
We have these beautiful White Cotton Voiles in checks and corded stripes, suitable for waists and dresses. Width is 42 inches, at a yard . . . . . 50c

## IRISH LINEN SUITING

Pure Irish Linen Crash, in natural shade, suitable for ladies' suits, skirts and motor coats.  
36-INCH WIDTH, AT YARD . . . . . 40c  
45-INCH WIDTH, AT YARD . . . . . 50c

## Holeproof Hose

Lisle, in white, tan and black at 35c pair. Six pairs are guaranteed.  
Silk, in white, tan and black, \$1.00 a pair. Three pairs are guaranteed.

## Ladies' Tailored Suits

If you have been waiting for an opportunity to buy a Suit at the very lowest price possible for the quality of materials and general workmanship, this very opportunity is offered you here in this offering of \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$30.00 Suits that are on sale at \$14.95.

Materials include serges and novelty mixtures in blue, dark colors and grays. Also, white with black hair-line.

## J. H. Chapman &amp; Co.

248 DUNDAS STREET, LONDON.

## HALF MILLION LOST IN NEW YORK BLAZE

Offices of Appleton, Publishers, and Many Others Swept By the Flames.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, April 29.—Fire today broke out in the top floors of the 12-story Building Exchange building on West Thirty-second street, and before it was extinguished four floors were burned out, causing a loss estimated at \$500,000. The offices of D. Appleton, publishers, were swept by flames, and a dozen or more printing and mercantile establishments were burned out.

## DAMAGE SUIT TAKEN AGAINST WHITE STAR

Wife of One Perished in the Titanic Starts Action.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, April 29.—Under a proceeding in admiralty court here today J. Bence Jones, managing director of the International Mercantile Marine, was summoned to appear this afternoon before a commissioner to give testimony to be used in a suit of Mrs. Louise Robbins, of New York, against the White Star Line. Mrs. Robbins' husband, George Robbins, was lost in the Titanic disaster. Subpoenas also were issued by the admiralty court for the surviving officers of the Titanic.

## JUDGE MABEE GOES UNDER OPERATION

Chairman of Railway Commission Will Be Around in Few Weeks.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, April 30.—Judge J. P. Mabey, chairman of the Dominion railway commission, went under an operation for appendicitis this morning at St. Michael's Hospital, and is resting well now. He stood the operation very well, and will be around again in a few weeks.

## FOUND GUILTY.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Simcoe, April 29.—George Snodgrass and Roy Winters, convicted by Judge Robb of shopbreaking, were sentenced to four and five years respectively in Kingston Penitentiary today.

## SEIZED GILL NETS.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Kingsville, April 29.—The revenue cutter Vigilant has picked up three lots of United States gill nets in Canadian waters this week and brought them here.

## LOST VITALITY

Caused by Kidney, Stomach and Bowel Disorders

St. John, N. B., Sept. 18, 1911.—My brother was a great sufferer from kidney, stomach and bowel troubles and was given up by two doctors. He was advised to try your Fig Pills, which he did, and after taking five boxes was completely restored to health and is better today than he has been for years. You can't recommend Fig Pills too highly.

J. W. MANYERS.  
At all dealers, 25 and 50 cents, or the Fig Pill Company, St. Thomas, Ont. Sold in London by Taylor Drug Company, 299 Talbot street.

GEORGE ESSON,  
Petroleum Youth Convicted of Manslaughter in Connection With Port Huron Death.