

# HOPELESS DISSENSIONS OF THE UNIONISTS ASSURE SUCCESS OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAM

Asquith Certain of Power  
Long Enough to Pass  
Home Rule Bill Over  
House of Lords.

Law Confers With Lan-  
cashire Members and  
Plain Talk Marks the  
Meeting.

[Canadian Press.]  
New York, Jan. 3.—An Associated Press cable from London this morning says:  
The project of imposing taxes on food imported into the British Isles put forward by some of the leaders of the Opposition in the House of Commons, has created such hopeless dissensions in the Unionist party as to render almost certain the retention of power by the Government for the two years necessary to overcome the resistance of the House of Lords to the home rule bill.

Election Unlikely.  
Among the Unionists the wrangles among the Government to make an appeal to the country on the chance of coming back to power with an increased majority. This, however, is a course of action which has little likelihood of being sanctioned by the members of the Irish Nationalist party, because it would delay the passage of the home rule bill and would even risk the return of the Unionists to office, thus shelving home rule altogether.

The Food Taxers.  
On the whole, therefore, the chances now appear to be that Mr. Asquith will decide against a dissolution of parliament, and will push on their legislative program, especially as David Lloyd George, the chancellor of the exchequer, has practically overcome his difficulties with the food tax plan. He has secured almost enough doctors to work the new insurance act. According to one of the leading morning papers, 265 members of the Unionist party in the House of Commons have now abandoned the idea of taxing food, leaving only 17 advocates of food taxes under the leadership of Austen Chamberlain. If this estimate is a correct one the recent campaign against food taxes has been extraordinarily successful.

Andrew Bonar Law's position as leader of the Unionist party, has become somewhat difficult, as he publicly advocates the policy of imposing taxes on foods which has been abandoned by the bulk of his party.

## LANCASHIRE MEN PROTEST.

New York, Jan. 3.—A cable to the Tribune from London says:  
In his room in the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Bonar Law, leader of the opposition, had an informal conference with the Unionist members, representative of the Lancashire constituencies. The proceedings were of an extremely interesting character, and as the meeting was private, there was no lack of plain speaking. Mr. Bonar Law's reply was firm in tone, and having alluded to the desirability of unanimity in the party, without which the position of leader was extremely difficult, he advised his friends to wait until Jan. 11 for the adjourned meeting of the Lancashire division of the National Unionist Association, at which he would make a statement.

Much interest was taken by Unionist members generally in the meeting, and for an hour or more, while it was taking place, the lobby was filled with little groups engaged in eager discussion. At one time a rumor circulated to the effect that Mr. Bonar Law had told the deputations that no modification of the party's policy was possible, and this had a depressing effect upon his followers outside.

## Spirits Revived.

When it was afterwards made known, however, that a door to a compromise had at any rate been left open, the spirits of the Unionists revived.  
It is a matter of great importance at the present juncture to keep clearly in mind the approximate strength of the two Unionist wings in the controversy over this particular aspect of tariff reform. Before the Christmas recess it was estimated that 70 per cent of the party in the House of Commons was averse to food taxes, but the Times says that in fact 17 per cent would now be in favor of the estimate of the Unionist members who are taking this stand.

This figure may be correct, but it certainly includes several of the most prominent men in the Unionist side, including Austen Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer in the last Unionist cabinet, and the eloquent F. E. Smith.

Fun for Liberals.  
Meanwhile the Liberals are getting plenty of fun out of the lively criticisms on the subject in the Unionist press.

The Daily Express says:  
"Neither the Daily Mail nor its captive stepister, the Times, nor the looked upon as Unionist journals. The Times has more claim to be called a South American advertising sheet than a representative political journal, whereas the Daily Mail has long since been outstripped by the Winning Post (a racing and boxing sheet), in matters affecting the national welfare. Their covert attacks on Mr. Bonar Law's leadership had a result, unexpected in the Unionist party. Five Heads (the name given to Lord Northcliffe by S. L. Garvin in the Pall Mall Gazette), for the Unionist party, has rallied to support its leader in such a manner as to show that it will not permit dictation from such a source. It would be a hopeless and pitiful spectacle if the party were in future to accept calmly the orders given out by the Carmelite Napoleon. This will not come to pass, because the sense of humor is not quite dead."



DR. BELL,  
Who Has Been Elected Mayor of  
Sarnia by Acclamation.

## NOTED FINANCIER TAKEN BY DEATH

James R. Keene Dies in New  
York Hospital Following  
an Operation.

## OWNED GREAT HORSES

Started Life as Miner in California,  
and Later Made Fortune in  
Stocks.

New York, Jan. 3.—The death early today of James R. Keene removes a figure which was long familiar in financial and sporting circles, not only in this country, but abroad. He died in a private hospital at 2:15 o'clock this morning, following an operation yesterday for abdominal trouble, the end coming somewhat suddenly, although it had been realized that his condition was serious.

Mr. Keene underwent the first operation for his trouble in Italy two years ago, and a second one in London in the summer of 1911, at which time there were doubts that he would survive. He recovered, however, and returned to New York last fall, and went into seclusion in apartments at a hotel. The fact that he was seriously ill again became known about a week ago, when his favorite valet, Frank Fisser, committed suicide. His removal early this week to a private hospital at the instance of his son, Foxhall Keene, was made against his own wish, as he had ridiculed the assertions of the doctors that he was in a critical condition.

Mr. Keene was 74 years old, having been born in London in 1838. His early life was spent in California as a miner, where he eventually made a fortune in stocks. His later career in Wall Street came to a practical end with the collapse of the Columbus and Hocking pool, of which he was manager, in January, 1910.

Mr. Keene has owned many and at the time of his death still owned a few of the most prominent race horses in the United States and Europe, and his winnings for many years were the largest of any one American turfman.

## TERRIFIC GALE ON ATLANTIC COAST

[Canadian Press.]  
Norfolk, Va., Jan. 3.—A 60-mile gale, with heavy rain, whipped the Atlantic coast here today with terrible violence, downing wires and demolishing shipping. Several small craft are reported sunk, with loss of life, and many are in distress.

## PREMIER BORDEN BACK

Daily Cabinet Councils Will Be the  
Rule Until Parliament Reassembles.  
[Canadian Press.]  
Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Premier Borden is back at his desk today looking fit after his rest at Atlantic City, and preparations for the reassembling of Parliament on Jan. 14 are proceeding apace. There will be daily cabinet councils, and the estimates are being finally devised for presentation to the House.

## THE WEATHER.

### TOMORROW—FAIR AND QUITE COLD.

Forecasts.  
Toronto, Jan. 3.—3 a.m.  
Today—Strong northerly to northwesterly winds; turning considerably colder, with light snowfalls.  
Saturday—Generally fair and quite cold.  
Temperatures.  
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:  
Stations. High. Low. Weather.  
LONDON.....23.5.....20.....Snow.  
Victoria.....45.....38.....Clear.  
Calgary.....45.....32.....Snow.  
Winnipeg.....23.....14.....Clear.  
Port Arthur.....30.....20.....Fair.  
Ferry Sound.....38.....30.....Snow.  
Toronto.....44.....36.....Cloudy.  
Ottawa.....36.....32.....Cloudy.  
Montreal.....33.....30.....Cloudy.  
Quebec.....34.....32.....Cloudy.  
Father Point.....30.....30.....Cloudy.  
Minus (—) means below zero.  
Weather Notes.  
A very pronounced disturbance is centered this morning a little to the southward of Lake Ontario, attended by stormy conditions from the Great Lakes to the Maritime Provinces. In the Western Provinces the weather is cold, attended by local snow flurries.

## TOO MUCH WORK FOR POLICE HORSES

Motor Apparatus Badly Needed  
For Patrol and Ambulance  
Work.

## A CASE IN POINT CITED

Thamesford Man Lay on the Road a  
Long Time Because the Ambulance  
Was Out.

The necessity for better patrol and ambulance equipment for the police department has become so urgent in the opinion of police officials that the question will have to be taken up by the city council within a very short time.

Many instances of lack of prompt service in cases of emergency, both in relation to ambulance accident calls and police calls have brought the matter to public attention during the past and now that the city has been increased very greatly by the annexation of Knollwood Park, Chelsea Green, Ealing and London Junction, better equipment than is at present afforded will have to be provided.

### Answers All Calls.

The police ambulance responds to all emergency alarms, and also made to do duty for sick or private calls. These latter it is better to be on the left for the owners of private ambulances who have invested their money in the equipment and who are deprived of these earnings by municipal competition. Private calls are booked ahead several hours, and in some cases a couple of days. It is, therefore, apparent that no difficulty would be encountered in getting out the slowest private ambulance, for this purpose.

The horses—a team of valentine equines—are made to haul the ambulance on all calls, and in their spare moments, which are very rare, they look after the patrol wagon.

The police records show that the patrol and ambulance respond to an average of 125 to 135 calls per month. The average trip is from three to four miles. Thus it is claimed that the horses travel from 300 to 500 miles per month. The ambulance weighs about one ton, while the patrol is a few hundred pounds lighter, when empty. However, a party of ten or twelve drunken persons, a few of Chief Williams' 200-pound officers and the emaciated animals are playing to capacity.

### Hard on the Horses.

Police men Elmer Walsh and Arthur L. Verner, the two men who are detailed to the police stables, are both looked upon as good men in caring for the horses, but despite their most persistent efforts the animals cannot be kept in shape because of the heavy work.

A couple of long, mad races on accident calls make the steeds fit for the infirmary.  
Accident calls are frequently received when the horses are away from the private sick calls or the patrol wagon. Great suffering is often thus added to the injured person. In the same manner the efficiency in the police department is curtailed as the patrol wagon is seldom on hand when needed.

### The Tagney Case.

One more instance of this was shown Saturday when no conveyance was available to take Robert Tagney to the police station from behind the Grand Opera House, apparently intoxicated. He was allowed to lie on the ground for half an hour before a motor truck was pressed into service. While the inquiry was being made into the death of Mr. Tagney in the cells showed that his demise was due to natural causes it is the common belief that the delay affected him most seriously in his weakened condition.

### Chief Williams is of the opinion that

motor apparatus should be provided, especially since the city has been so greatly enlarged. It is possible that the body of the present ambulance might be built onto an automobile chassis and render good service.

## DYNAMITERS AT WORK

Tveitmo is Peeling Potatoes, and  
Hockin Swabbing the Floors.  
Leavenworth, Kan., Jan. 2.—Peeling potatoes in the kitchen, carpentering and constructing steel buildings at the federal penitentiary here were some of the regular duties assigned today to the 23 labor union officials convicted in the dynamite plot.

Olaf A. Tveitmo, the Pacific coast labor leader and editor, was assigned to do kitchen work, among his first duties being to peel potatoes.  
Dressed in the gray prison uniform, Tveitmo, who weighs 270 pounds, put on an apron and began at once to help prepare the noon meal.

Frank M. Ryan, president of the Iron Workers' International Union, was assigned to work in the carpenter shop. Although an iron worker it was thought best because of his age to give him comparatively light work.  
Also assigned to the kitchen, Herbert S. Hockin, "the lingo of the dynamite conspiracy," was handed a mop and put to swabbing the floors.

Because of his feeble condition, Henry W. Leggett, one of the iron workers' executive board, was given outdoor work. He will assist in the manufacture of bricks for new prison buildings.

### OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

Jan. 2.—Reported at. From  
Oceania.....New York.....Southampton  
Laurentic.....New York.....Liverpool  
Potsdam.....New York.....Potsdam  
Liberal Euche.

## A NEW YEAR'S TRIBUTE

The report of the Lambton Publicity Development Association to the Lambton county council contains the following reference to The Advertiser "Stay in Ontario" campaign:

"The results of the publicity campaign are manifesting themselves in many ways. Throughout the year much attention has been given by the Ontario press to Lambton's publicity campaign. The London Advertiser inaugurated a splendid "Stay in Ontario" campaign.

## INVESTIGATION INTO DEPT. WILL LIKELY BE ON THE TAPIS

Commissioner Stevenson May  
Ask For Water and  
Electric Inquiry.

An investigation of the duties of officials in the waterworks and electric departments is likely to be on the program for this year.  
Commissioner Stevenson, in his campaign announcements, stated that he was against the holding of office by high-salaried officials, and by the large vote they gave him citizens evidently indorsed his pledges.

The recent admissions by Mr. Glauvitz in regard to his department are likely to be discussed.  
The claim is made that Mr. Glauvitz is not required, and that Messrs. Hunt and Buchanan could maintain the practical and business end of the department. On the other hand, there are those who state that Mr. Glauvitz is earning his \$4,000 a year (with automobile and upkeep), and when the matter comes up there will be a two-sided discussion.

## LIBERAL LEADER'S POLICIES ARE BIG ISSUES OF 1913

Mr. Rowell's Progressive Program of Taxation Reform and  
Workmen's Promise Most Interesting Time in  
Provincial Politics For Years.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Toronto, Jan. 3.—The year 1913 opens with every prospect of being the most interesting time in provincial politics for years. The overwhelming issue in favor of tax reform at the Toronto municipal elections, is the latest definite proof of what has been apparent for a long time, that the taxation question is one of the real issues which will not go down. Sir James Whitney, in his persistent opposition to it, in the opinion of many, really sounding the death knell of his Government. N. W. Rowell, K. C., has been undaunted by the Premier's tirades against the movement, and has persisted strongly in his advocacy of tax reform. In this course he is supported not only by his own followers and party, but by several Conservative newspapers, numbers of whom are shown by the Toronto election, and by the opinions and evidence from outside points—by the general public.  
Workmen's compensation is another issue that will make this year significant. It was far back in 1907 that the White Star Government was urged to make a forward step along this line. Six years have elapsed without any legislation, and the hardships caused in that period have been more than are commonly known. It is also rather galling to Ontario's pride to know that she is behind the other provinces of Canada, the other dominions of the empire, the states of the Union, and even the most benighted and backward of the countries in Europe. This year, however, definite action will be taken. Either the Government, following the expected final report of Sir William Meredith, will introduce legislation, or if they should continue in their tardiness Mr. Rowell has definitely pledged himself to bring in an adequate measure independently. The Opposition leader has recently made a series of speeches on this subject among the workmen, besides issuing a pamphlet, and there is every evidence to show that he has the matter deep at heart.

## WHITE GLOVES FOR CHANCELLOR BOYD

No Criminal Cases Will Be  
Heard at the Winter  
Assizes

There has been no criminal cases tried at the winter assizes of the high court which commences on Tuesday before Chancellor Boyd, as James Adams, charged with arson, changed his plea of election this morning and will be tried by Judge Macbeth on Monday morning at 11 o'clock. Last week Adams elected to be tried by a jury but yesterday Crown Attorney McKillop was notified that Adams wished to change his election. Chancellor Boyd will be presented with a pair of white gloves.

## WILL PROBE SALE OF PROPERTIES IN MONTREAL

Allege That Hundreds of Thousands  
Have Been Paid  
Out Illegally.

[Canadian Press.]  
Montreal, Jan. 3.—The inquiry that Judge Mercier will make into accusations against a member of the Catholic school committee of having profited to the extent of \$5,000 by the sale of some property to the board, may take in charges that have been made that for years the commission has been bled, and has paid out hundreds of thousands of dollars to third parties, who got control of property wanted.  
Judge Lafontaine, a member of the board, has openly claimed that frequently on the eve of a sale to the board, land had been transferred to some third party, and within 24 hours or so, returned to the board at a handsome profit to the intermediary.  
Under the existing system it is the committee of works, composed of Canon Omeara, Ald. L. A. Lapointe, Ald. Groulx and Dr. J. P. Decarie, which looks after the selection of school sites.

## SOFT WEATHER KEEPS DOWN THE EGG PRICES

No Shortage at Present and One  
Is Not Expected in  
London.

Dispatches from Montreal and Toronto indicate a scarcity of eggs in both those cities. The shortage does not appear to have reached London as yet. Local reports are that eggs are fairly plentiful in the city and surrounding country at present and are liable to continue so. A few days ago the price took a drop of four cents a dozen, and local dealers state that the present indications are that it will remain stationary.  
The soft weather of the past week has had a tendency to make the hens lay, and the farmers are bringing in large quantities of eggs. If there is a shortage in Toronto and Montreal, local dealers affirm that it is only a temporary one, and that the demand will be fully supplied in a few days. Large shipments are being made from this city and other points outside the two big markets.

Got as Far as Denfield Before They  
Were Discovered.  
[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Exeter, Jan. 3.—Two Exeter lads, aged 11 and 13, who had decided to run away from home, got as far as Denfield on the evening passenger train. When the train pulled into Denfield they jumped off and Section Foreman Cleghorn, who saw them, made inquiries. He and Station Agent Miller learned of the runaways and then persuaded them that they had better return home. The boys agreed, and they were sent back by the first northbound freight.

# LONDON LAWYER WILL SUE INDIAN TRIBE FOR \$10,000.17

An Action Has Been Entered For the Western Assizes By Mr.  
A. G. Chisholm, of This City—Amount Is Claimed as  
Fees and Costs of a Famous Case.

Messrs. Blackburn & Weekes, acting for Thomas W. and Clara Cameron, have re-entered the action against Francis Hull and John Gorman, of London, and Wm. H. Gorman and Matilda Smith, of Petrolia, that was adjourned at the December assizes. The plaintiffs claim that on Nov. 8, 1911, they sold certain lands in the township of North Dorchester to Francis Hull for \$3,000, and after the agreement had been drawn he paid \$200 on the purchase price. Since then, however, no payments have been made. The reason for the defendant declining to continue to the agreement is that the plaintiffs cannot furnish a good title, but Mr. and Mrs. Cameron claim that they can.

The plaintiffs claim a declaration that the other three defendants, children of a former owner of the property, have no title for it, and they also ask for the payment of the remainder of the purchase price with interest. Francis Hull, who is represented by Messrs. Meredith & Fisher has entered a counter-claim for the \$200 already paid on the purchase price.

Suit Against Indians.  
Andrew G. Chisholm, barrister, of this city, has entered an action against the Mississauga Indians to recover the sum of \$10,000.17. The parties in the action signed an agreement on Dec. 4, 1896, whereby the plaintiff was to act as the solicitor for the Indians and endeavor to recover a certain sum of money from the crown for them. The agreement stated that he was to receive a retainer fee of ten per cent, of the money recovered. He recovered about \$40,000, which is now in the hands of the Dominion Government, but has never received any payment on the costs of the proceedings amounting to \$5,653.17 and \$500 for a reference for taxation. The Indians have never disputed his claim and have frequently sent resolutions to the Government asking for the money.

Electric Railway Suit.  
E. Leonard & Sons, of this city, have entered a suit, in which they ask that a receiver be appointed for the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company. The Harrisburg Trust Company, of Harrisburg, Pa., are also named as defendants in the action. In May, 1900, the railway company mortgaged all their property to the other defendant company in the security for a bond offering of \$300,000. The plaintiff held four of these bonds for \$500 each and had never been paid any interest on them, although requested to do so. The plaintiffs claim \$700 and interest. Messrs. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons, for the plaintiffs, and J. G. Wallace, for the two defendant companies.

### Action for Damages.

Lella Ellen Parker, administratrix of Clarence J. Parker, deceased, and a resident of Lambton County, has entered an action against the Michigan Central Railway to recover \$15,520 for the death of her husband, who was killed at a crossing on the Talbot road in Southwell Township, Elgin County, by a train, through the alleged negligence of the company. The amount of damages is made up as follows: For damages sustained by the estate, \$2,600; damages for the death of her husband, \$10,000; damages for the killing of the horse, \$2,500, and \$100 for the loss of the buggy. Messrs. Meredith & Fisher for the plaintiff, and Messrs. Knigsmill, Saunders, Torrance & Kingsmill, Toronto, for the defendant company.

Asks for Judgment Money.  
The last action entered for trial was that of Isabella McDonald against Hugh D. Ross and Roderick Munro to recover \$2,217.45, which she was given in a judgment dated Dec. 14. On June 25, 1912, the plaintiff loaned \$2,217.25 on two promissory notes, which are now overdue, and she brought action to recover the principal and interest. Kenneth Goodman, of Parkhill, for the plaintiff, and Messrs. Meredith & Fisher for the defendant Roderick Munro.

The total number of cases for the court is eleven, four of which will be tried before a jury, and seven before Judge Boyd, who will preside.

## ALDERMEN FAVORED VOTE OF FREEHOLDERS ONLY

Ald. Moore, Rose, and Wright  
Moved to This Effect on  
Electrification Bylaw.

Ald. Moore still maintains the attitude assumed by him in the council last year when the electrification bylaw was submitted to the aldermen, that only freeholders, namely those entitled to vote on money bylaws, should express themselves on the question of electrifying the London and Port Stanley.

At the council meeting of Dec. 9, a bylaw was brought before the aldermen in the form of a plebiscite on the subject, but it was left to the council to decide whether it would go to a general vote or the freeholders only.

Ald. Moore moved that the question be submitted to freeholders, but before a vote could be taken on the resolution, the council went into committee of the whole to consider the entire proposition.

Then Ald. Rose, seconded by Ald. Wright, moved that the committee pass the bylaw, and that it be submitted to a vote of the FREEHOLDERS of the city.

It is seen from this recital of the proceedings that it was clearly the intention of Ald. Moore, Ald. Wright and Ald. Rose to have the matter of the electrification of the L. and P. S. R. settled by the people whose property will be mortgaged in case the scheme should be gone ahead with, and not by a general vote of all the electors.

### Ald. Moore when seen by The Advertiser today stated that it was still his opinion that only freeholders would be allowed to vote on the question.

## TURK MUST GIVE ADRIANOPOLE OR THE WAR BE RENEWED

Balkan Allies Decide to Put  
the Question Direct to the  
Ottoman Delegates.

[Canadian Press.]  
London, Jan. 3.—The Balkan peace envoys have decided, it is reported, to put the direct question today to the Turks, whether the Ottoman government will accept the peace conference unless the Turkish leaders are ready to cede Adrianople immediately. The other counsels toleration and delay in the expectation of the approaching fall of the town. The latter current of opinion seems for the present to be the dominant one, but the Balkan envoys met privately in St. James' Palace before the opening of the day's session of the conference to decide definitely their attitude on this subject and the action to be taken by them in reference to the expected communication from Rechad Pasha, the chief Turkish envoy.

## ITALIAN WAS ACQUITTED OF HIGHWAY ROBBERY CHARGE

Evidence Showed That His  
Accuser Had Made a  
Mistake.

Leonardo Maurizio, an Italian, who was arrested a few days ago charged by Miss Lily Ward, of No. 2 Dundas street, West London, with highway robbery, was acquitted by Police Magistrate Judd at Carling street court this morning. The evidence made it appear that Miss Ward was mistaken in the identity of the prisoner.

Much of the evidence had to be taken through an interpreter, Dominick Cusolito. Miss Ward claimed that while crossing the Dundas street bridge at 5:40 o'clock, she was accosted by the Italian, who demanded her money. She claimed that he snatched her purse, and when she threatened resistance, he pulled a revolver from his coat pocket and warned her away. Her assailant then ran up Dundas street hill and turned north on Ridout street. Miss Ward stated that two young men were attracted by her cries, and went in pursuit with her. They overtook the man on Carling street and recovered the handbag, but a small purse with \$1.50 was missing.

No Corroboration.  
Detective Nickle and his men ad-

## CRIME IN LONDON APPEARS STATIONARY

Police Court Statistics Are About the  
Same as For a Year  
Ago.

While London's population is growing very rapidly it does not appear that crime is on the increase to any material extent. Police Court Clerk Moule is now at work preparing the year's statistics, but the court book shows that 2,853 cases were heard in 1911, as compared with 2,844 in 1912. Thus it will be seen that only nine more offenders were before Police Magistrate Judd in open court.