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The "Indemnity" Parliament has prorogued, the members Session have gone home and

what was at first known as the Indemnity Session, is a thing of the past.

Perhaps not for a long time have the members spent so much of their time at Ottawa in anyone year. The two sessions lasted nearly eight months.

The session just closed was called primarily to ratify the Treaty of Peace. That was promptly done, and still two months later, peace has not been formally proclaimed, although we are supposed to be a nation. Rumor has it that the delay is caused by the Irish situation, as Home Rule was to come into force immediately after the conclusions of the war. For various reasons, creditable and otherwise, the people of Ontario in particular, desire an early proclamation that the war is over.

#### The Prohibition Strangely enough, the Bill amendment to the Canada Temperance Act

pleases nobody. Mr. Ben Spence, the leader of the organized temperance forces, says the bill is useless; that it doesn't go far enough. In his opinion, Parliament should summarily make all Canada bone-dry without further reference to the people. The opponents of course feel that not even a vote of the majority of the people should make it possible for that majority to prohibit the minority from having liquor in their houses.

However, the bill is law. The actual situation in Ontario now appears to be this: Upon the proclamation of peace by the King, it will again be legal for Ontario citizens to import their favorite beverages from Montreal or elsewhere until such time as the amended Temperance act can be brought into force. That will take some months at least. The Ontario Legislature must first meet and must pass a resolution asking the Dominion Government to submit a bone-dry referendum to the people of Ontario. Then the vote must be taken. If it shows a majority, for the bone-dry principle, then Ontario goes back to the position in which she is to-day.

The purchase of the Grand The Grand Trunk alone made the session Trunk one of the most important in

the history of Canada. This Dominion now owns railways with a total mileage of 23,000 miles, the most extensive system in the world and comprising the old Intercolonial, the National Trancontinental, the Grand Trunk Pacific, the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Northern. We believe in public ownership of railways, but it must be admitted that we have bitten off that which will make strong demands upon the national digestion as well as upon a sadly-depleted treasury.

The session lasted seventy-one Important days instead of the month which was anticipated. In-

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deed it was very much like a regular session except that there was no Budget. Four chief pieces of legislation stand out as the work of this autumn meeting of Parliament. These were the approval of the Peace Treaty, the acquisition of the Grand Trunk Railway, the Soldiers' Re-establishment hill and the Prohibition bills.

The Soldiers' The bill providing for the returned soldiers probably gave rise to more calculated political speeches than any other. Not since Sir Robert Borden whipped his followers into line on the Titles resolution have Unionist members swallowed themselves so manfully as they did on the Soldiers' Bill. To speak one way and to vote another is a parliamentary

#### TO-DAY'S EVENTS

Fifty years ago to-day the Suez Canal was formally

weakness that grows as it is practised.

Bill

ned with imposing ceremonies. To-day is the 125th anniversary of the birth of John-B. Montgomery, the American commander who perm-anently established the flag of the U. S. in California.

What promises to be the most brilliant season of grand opera New York has had in several years will be ushered in at the Metropolitan opera house to-night with

a performance of "Tosea." The sixteenth annual Pacific International Live Stock Exposition, the largest of the annual shows of its kind in the Northwest, will open at Portland, Ore. H. R. H. the Prince of Wales will arrive in New York City to-day for a five days' visit. With surger presents of columning all records for

With every prospect of celipsing all records for variety and brilliancy, the 1919-1920 season of the Chicago Grand Opera Company will be opened in Chicago tonight

Canadian cities in the Great Lakes region have been invited to send delegates to a conference to be held to-day at Windsor, Ont., in the interests of the movement for a tidewater route from the lakes to the Atlantic.

Applying the experience gained during the war to peace-time problems, Cleveland, O., to-day will begin a week's drive for a \$3,425,000 community dest fund which will be used to finance all charitable, relief and welfare work in that city during 1920.

#### IN THE DAY'S NEWS

Count Albert Apponyi, the Magyar Nationalist leader who has been named as head of the peace commission which will go to Paris to negotiate the Hungarian peace terms, is one of the most distinguished of the European statesmen of to-day. An eloquent oratar, with a singu-larly striking command of English, he has won the respect of the many Americans who have heavy him speak during his visits to the United States. He comes of a family that traces its descent from King Bela IV. of Hungary, and has played an important part in the des-tinies of his native land. Count Apponyi led movements for the development of Hungarian commerce and agriculture and for the checking of Russia's ambitions in the Balkans. He is noted for his democratic ideals and practices and for his advocacy of international pe

#### TO-DAY'S ANNIVERSAR ES

1830—A national congress in Brussels declared the in-dependence of Belgium.
1886—Chester A. Arthur, twenty-first President of the U. S., died in New York City. Born at Fairfield,

Vt. Oct. 5, 1830. 1910-One thousand suffragettes in London made an attack on Parliament and 108 were arrested.

1916—Bulgars evacuated Monastir on the approach of the Franco-Serbian army.
1917—Gen. Maude, commander of British forces in Meso-

potamia, died from cholera.

A STORY OF D'ANNUNZIO

London, Nov. 18 .- Although comparatively a young man, Gabriele d'Annundio, the famous Italian poet, drama-tist, and "hero of Fiume," is almost entirely bald. Pre-sumably unaware of this fact, a woman admirer recently wrote to him for some personal memento, if it were 'only a single hair."

D'Annunzio scrawled on the bottom of the letter: possible, madam; I have already parted with three,' and returned it to the writer.

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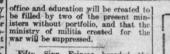
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