

## British Election Standing: Ministerialists 112, Unionists 96

### RETURN OF LIBERAL GOVERNMENT IS ASSURED BY YESTERDAY'S POLLING

Including Belated Returns This Morning, Parties in British Election Stood Ministerialists 112 and Opposition 96, the Latter Making a Net Gain of Thirty Seats.

John Burns, Laborite Member of Cabinet, Augustine Birrell and McNamara All Elected Yesterday—Martin and Law, Canadians, Win, But Greenwood Is Defeated.

#### Elected Yesterday and Today

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| Ministerialists                                                       | 64 |
| Opposition                                                            | 52 |
| Of the Ministerialists, ten are Nationalists, elected by acclamation. |    |

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#### Gains to Date

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| Opposition gains   | 27 |
| Ministerial gains  | 7  |
| Net Unionist gains | 30 |

[Associated Press Cable.]

London, Jan. 18.—Complete returns from yesterday's elections for members of Parliament make the standing of the parties to date as follows: Government Coalition—Liberals 79, Laborites 17, Irish-Nationalists 16, Total, 112. Opposition—Unionists 96. Net Unionist gain, 30.

#### UNIONISTS GAINED FOURTEEN.

The Unionists gained 21 seats, the Liberals 5, and the Laborites 1, making a net gain for the Unionists for the day 15, the same number that they gained at the elections Saturday.

The Unionists' greatest gains were in Portsmouth and Preston, where two seats in each were won. Lord Charles Beresford captured Portsmouth by a great margin, carrying his running mate with him.

#### INDICATIONS OF FEELING.

From returns so far received the results by well-defined "districts" show: Midlands—Unionists 8, Liberals 6; Unionist gains, 4. South of England—Unionists 4, Liberals 4; Unionist gains, 7. London—Unionists 18, Liberals 9; Unionist gains, 5; Liberal gains, 1. Lancashire, Yorkshire and North of England—Unionists 7, Liberals 24; Liberal gains, 3. Scotland—Liberals 3.

A feature of the polling was the losses sustained by the Labor party, half a dozen seats going to the Unionists, and one to a Liberal candidate. Will Crooks, the prominent, was among the fallen.

#### GOVERNMENT MAJORITY ASSURED.

London, Jan. 17.—Mr. Lyons' special to the Toronto Globe says: The Liberals are jubilant tonight. The industrial north has voted against food taxes most emphatically. The great centres of Yorkshire—Leeds, Bradford, Huddersfield—have given huge Liberal majorities. London has also returned more Liberals than anyone anticipated. The changes are mostly in the small boroughs in the south and the Midlands.

It is now certain that the Government will have a clear majority over Conservatives and Nationalists. This will be much better than having to depend upon the co-operation of the Irish members in the re-passing of the budget. The Nationalists opposed the heavier taxes on spirits when the budget was going through the House of Commons before dissolution, and they will probably do so again in the interests of the Irish distilling industry.

#### GREENWOOD DEFEATED.

Canadians fared better at the polls today than was anticipated, though Hamar Greenwood went down in York, a double-barrelled constituency. The seat formerly held by him goes to Rowntree, his running mate, and the second seat to Butcher, a Unionist. H. Riley Smith, the Unionist brewer, was at the bottom of the poll. Defeat by 104 votes by no means involves Greenwood's eclipse—a seat is sure to be found for him.

London, Jan. 17.—At the conclusion of today's polling in the general election, the parties stood as follows: Unionists 92. Liberals and Labor 93. Nationalists 13. Total gains for the Unionists 29.

The Government fared much better today than its most ardent supporters expected. The Unionists gained nineteen seats, the Liberals four, and the Laborites one, making a net gain for the Unionists of 14, one less than they gained at the elections on Saturday.

This practically assures the return of the Liberal power with a fair majority, for among the places still to poll are those in Scotland and Wales, which are solid Liberal.

#### BURNS WON HANDILY.

There were few surprises today. Some expected that John Burns, president of the local government board, would be defeated in Battersea division of Battersea and Clapham, but he won handily.

Other successful officials were: Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland; C. E. Hobhouse, financial secretary to the treasury in Bristol, and Dr. T. J. McNamara, secretary to the admiralty in Camberwell. The Irish majorities were considerably reduced.

John Burns, of Battersea, comes back to Parliament with flying colors. Although in the great landslide of 1906, he won by 1,600 votes, his normal majority is about 200, and in today's hard-fought battle he beat A. Shirley Bena, the Unionist, by 355.

Canada, who ran in the Unionist interest in Central Bradford, was defeated by 2,200. The Right Hon. C. Hornehouse, Liberal, re-elected in East Bristol, is financial secretary to the treasury.

Also One Welsh in Yesterday's Voting and Result Is Significant.

London, Jan. 18.—Only one Welsh and three Scottish constituencies voted yesterday, and all returned Liberals by enormous majorities. This is regarded as significant of the Ministerial sweep which is due when the returns from Wales and Scotland come in.

Mr. A. Mond, the Liberal elected in Swansea, is a member of the Mond family who have extensive interests in the nickel mining industry at Sudbury, Ontario. His victory is the only return thus far from Wales. It is significant that he largely increased his former majority.

In Aberdeen City, North, the Liberal doubled his Unionist opponent's vote. In Paisley a similar result is chronicled, while in Perth City, the only other Scottish constituency which voted yesterday, the phenomenal Liberal majority of 1,007 in 1906 is increased to 1,737. It looks like a Ministerial sweep in Wales and Scotland.

Lord Robert Cecil, the third son of Lord Salisbury, went down to defeat in Blackburn, where Sir T. Barclay, Liberal, wrested the seat from him by a majority of over 3,000. This was the most significant of the Liberal gains of yesterday. Lord Howick, son of Earl Grey, governor-general of



JOHN BURNS, Labor Member of the British Cabinet, Elected Yesterday After a Strenuous Contest.

#### THREE MORE IRISH M. P.'S

Elected This Morning by Acclamation—Belated English Returns.

London, Jan. 18.—Yesterday's results were completed with the count this morning in six districts, to which total is added the unopposed return of Unionist Robert T. O'Neill for Mid-Antrim, and Nationalists John Dillon for East Mayo, J. G. Swift MacNeill for South Donegal, and Mr. W. R. Nugent for Southwest Meath.

Of the six English returns announced this morning, the Unionists gained two in Sunderland, where J. Knott and S. Storey turned out the Right Hon. J. Stuart (Liberal), and T. Sammerbell (Laborite). The defeat of Stuart has a certain significance for the Unionist as he is the president and editor of the London Morning Leader and the Star, which were prominent in the campaign against the peers and the tariff reform until three months ago, when he qualified the attitude of his papers.

Against this loss the Liberals captured a Unionist seat for Newcastle-on-Tyne, which thus reverts to its position of 1906.

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Priest Who Has Been Named to Succeed Bishop McEvay Was Honored Last Night by the Sedate Club—Prominent Bullalonians Were Present.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 18.—The Rev. M. P. Fallon, pastor of the Holy Angels' Church, of this city, who was recently appointed to the Bishopric of London, Ont., was the guest of honor last night at a farewell dinner given by the Sedate Sixteen of the University Club in the club's rooms.

It was an informal affair and everyone spent a most enjoyable evening. Unlike affairs of its kind the dinner was devoid of lengthy speeches, but many of those present spared no words in wishing Father Fallon God-speed in his new field of labor.

"Sedate Sixteen." The Sedate Sixteen is composed of a large number of Buffalo's professional men, and a large number responded to President Foster's invitation to the dinner to Father Fallon.

Among those present with Father Fallon and President Foster were: Charles H. Colton, bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Buffalo; the Rev. Israel Aaron, the Rev. Andrew V. Raymond, the Rev. R. V. Hunter, Dr. C. Sumner Jones, Dr. Lucif Howe, Dr. Arthur W. Hurd, Dr. Carlton Jewett, and a number of others.

Toast to Father Fallon. The dinner was also the occasion of the presentation to the club by ex-President Dr. C. Sumner Jones, of a handsome loving cup, capable of holding one-half gallon.

After a general handshake and good wishes directed to Father Fallon, the affair terminated.

Unionists Pessimistic Over Lancashire Vote

Tariff Reformers Had Concentrated on That County and Defeat Was Bitter.

Manchester, Jan. 17.—The results in Lancashire, the home of Great Britain's cotton industry, is disappointing to the tariff reform party, who expected to do considerably better. The most important of the fights were for six seats in Manchester and three in the adjoining borough of Salford.

In the Northwest Division of Manchester Winston Churchill was beaten at a by-election in April, 1908, but Sir George Kepp won back the seat for the Liberals. To indicate this feat the Unionists wrested the South-West Manchester district from the west traders, but had not the coalition vote split between the Liberal and Labor candidates, Manchester would have been as solid for free trade Saturday as it was at the sensational general election four years ago.

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Druggist Was Imposed Upon by a Lister Who Was Formerly Drug Clerk and Knew the Ropes.

A local druggist was fined \$100 and costs this morning by Magistrate Love for selling liquor to an Indian lister, who presented a prescription for the set goods. Before the fine is collected, however, the druggist will be given a chance to make an appeal to the department to remit the fine, and Magistrate Love promised to do all he could to assist in having the fine cancelled.

Magistrate Speaks. "I regret that under the circumstances, I have to find you guilty," the court told the druggist. "I know that you conduct a most respectable business, and have not the slightest wish to break the law. Under the circumstances, however, the inspector cannot drop the prosecution, but I am sure that both Inspector Galpin and Crown Attorney McKillop agree with me that the lister who procured the liquor by the prescription in the way he did is to blame."

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The necessity of a department for the Niagara power project, and the crowded condition of the offices at the city hall, is attracting the notice of the aldermen and already material is being collected for a report upon the feasibility of furnishing more room upstairs.

More room is necessary, and it is expected that plans for remodeling the building will be submitted shortly with an estimate of the cost.

DORCHESTER PEOPLE WANT A RECOUNT

Not Satisfied With the Result of the Local Option Vote.

A protest was lodged yesterday afternoon against the local option vote in the township of Dorchester, and a recount will be granted. Judge Jacobson, before whom the recount will be conducted, will set the date of the inquiry this afternoon. Mr. J. M. McEvoy is acting for the appealing parties.

There are a number of the representatives of both sides of the question in the city today. It is firmly stated by the advocates of the measure, that even should the recount go against them, they will see to it that there are no licenses granted in the township.

There is some uncertainty over the result, owing to the judges decision, that the carrying out of the three-fifths clause necessitates that the winning party shall hold three-fifths of every vote cast; in other words, that they must hold that proportion, not only for counting votes, but for every spoiled ballot as well.

An appeal for a recount was also received from the town of Strathroy at 9:30 last night. It is not yet known when this appeal will be heard.

FRANCHISES REPEALED. Cleveland, O., Jan. 18.—The subway franchise, passed as almost the last act of Mayor Tom L. Johnson's administration, were repealed last night by the city council on a strict party vote.

The scheme for a \$75,000,000 subway system was voted down by the people in November, but the franchises in slightly altered form were passed again by the Johnson administration.

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