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## VIADUCT ORDER IS UNLIKELY TO BE WITHDRAWN DESPITE RAILWAY'S STRONG PROTEST

Borden Cabinet Apparently  
Little Impressed by Hon.  
Wallace Nesbitt's Charac-  
terization of Toronto's Viaduct  
Scheme as Absurd—  
Deputation Points Out That  
Long Delay is Crippling  
Waterfront.

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—  
Tonight, after the hearing, had  
been concluded, it was stated by a  
prominent official of the Canadian  
Pacific Railway Company that a  
tentative offer of a compromise had  
been made by the railway, by  
which the viaduct would be con-  
structed without delay, provided  
certain modifications were agreed  
to, which would enable the viaduct  
to be built in such a manner as not  
to interfere with traffic, and en-  
gineers to be appointed. This ar-  
rangement by the city and com-  
panies, it is hoped, will enable them  
to reach a satisfactory basis of  
settlement.

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—The  
appeal of the Canadian Pacific Rail-  
way Co. and the G.T.R. Co. of Canada  
from the order of the railway com-  
mission, made between three and four  
years ago, directing these companies  
to construct the four-track viaduct  
from Cherry street to Bathurst, thus  
affording a grade separation on the  
Esplanade at a number of highway  
crossings, including Church, Yonge  
and Bay streets, occupied the attention  
of the cabinet nearly the entire day.  
No judgment was rendered, but it  
seemed evident from the comments of  
the prime minister, Finance Minister  
White and other members of the gov-  
ernment that the order of the railway  
commission would not be interfered  
with.

Hon. Wallace Nesbitt, representing  
the Canadian Pacific, but speaking al-  
so for the G.T.R. and the C.N.R.,  
pleaded that the government remand  
the case for a further hearing by the  
railway commission. He denounced  
the viaduct scheme as approved by  
the commission as absurd, unwork-  
able, and a crushing stock among all  
railway engineers. He said that if the  
case went back for further hearing  
the railway companies would be en-  
tirely willing to abide by the decision  
of one or more disinterested engineers  
to be appointed by the chairman of  
the commission, altho Mr. Drayton  
had been the counsel for the City of  
Toronto, in the viaduct case.

Decision in 60 Days.  
Mr. Nesbitt declared that his clients  
would be satisfied to submit the case  
to him and his colleagues, but they  
would be entirely unwilling to have  
the case tried over again by Com-  
missioners Scott and Mills, who sat  
with the late chairman, Hon. J. P.  
Mabee, in the former trial. He was  
of the opinion that the whole matter  
could be disposed of by the commis-  
sion in 60 days, and pledged the rail-  
road to take the case in 60 days.

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## HEAVY LOSS IN BRANTFORD FIRE

Huge Quantity of Binder  
Twine in Cordage Factory  
Burned—Loss Hundred  
Thousand Dollars.

BRANTFORD, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—  
The Brantford Cordage Co., the last  
of the strictly Canadian binder twine  
manufacturing concerns in the  
Dominion, had a close call from being  
entirely wiped out by a disastrous fire  
here tonight, the origin of which is  
unknown. The fire broke out in the  
heavily stocked warehouse, which con-  
tained 300 tons of twine, all of which  
is a total loss. The main part of the  
factory was saved after strenuous  
work by both Brantford departments.  
The fire was discovered shortly  
after 9 o'clock, an hour after closing  
time, and the building and its con-  
tents made a spectacular blaze. The  
loss is estimated by General Manager  
Charles Messecar at \$100,000, for which  
insurance in part is held.  
It was announced that the plant  
would continue in operation and that  
rebuilding operations would be com-  
menced at once.

## PARTY WRECKED BY BONAR LAW?

Austen Chamberlain Fears  
Shelving of Tariff Reform  
Will Prove Calami-  
tous Step.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—(Can. Press.)—  
Austen Chamberlain announced at  
Birmingham tonight that he could  
not accept responsibility for the de-  
cision of the Unionists to abandon the  
proposal to impose taxes on food im-  
ported into the British Isles. He  
could not turn back, he said, on the  
cause he had championed, and while  
he would continue loyally to serve his  
leaders and his party, he feared that  
the decision the party had taken would  
prove calamitous.  
It was expected that Andrew Bonar  
Law, leader of the opposition in the  
house of commons, would announce  
today whether he would accept the  
memorial addressed to him by the  
Unionists, advocating the policy of  
abandoning the food taxes at the  
next general election, but he has been  
in further consultation with Lord  
Lansdown and other leaders, and has  
as yet given no indication of his in-  
tention.

## CAN HE REACH THE GIANT?



## A New Radial Line Markham to Toronto

A conference, which it is hoped will pave the way for the con-  
struction of a radial line from Markham to Toronto, is to be held at  
the city hall a week from tomorrow.  
Mayor Hocken announced last night that an effort was being  
made to have all the municipalities between Toronto and Markham  
represented at the meeting with the board of control.  
"We will go into the question of organizing a radial line that  
will tap the entire district and come into the city," he said. "I am  
very anxious to have application for a charter made to the Ontario  
Legislature at the coming session, so that the building of the line  
can be begun right away."

## DEMOCRATS MAY POTERS ABOLISH DUTY ON LUMBER

Drastic Tariff Reforms, Includ-  
ing Free Admission of Meat,  
Are Foreshadowed in Pro-  
ceedings of Committee of  
Congress—Favor Keeping  
up High Tariff on Luxur-  
ies.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—(Canadian  
Press.)—Free rough and dressed lum-  
ber, hewn and squared timber, shingles,  
laths and fence posts, reduction of  
approximately the present high tariff  
on the higher grades of silks and re-  
ductions in the cheaper silks used by  
the common people, and a penalizing,  
drastic tariff bar to shut out "dyna-  
mited" silks, were indicated today as  
parts of the expected Democratic re-  
vision program.

The house committee on ways and  
means devoted the day to hearings on  
the wood and silk schedules of the  
tariff law, and when the testimony  
and examinations were closed, the sen-  
timent favored the inclusion of these  
provisions, possibly together with free  
meats, in the tentative tariff plan the  
committee will frame to submit to the  
extra session of congress.

Silk's Tangled Skein.  
The burden of the testimony on the  
wooden schedule was a plea for the  
preservation of the present tariff rates.  
Silk, involving immense interests, pre-  
sented a complexity of technicalities,  
perhaps greater than in any of the  
other 13 schedules of the tariff law.  
"Silks," according to Horace B. Che-  
ney of South Manchester, Conn., as  
spokesman for the silk manufacturers  
of the country, "depend upon fashion;  
if women want anything they will pay  
the amount they have to get it."  
"Women always want something  
that looks fancy," said C. A. Streull of  
New York, waving aloft a hat lining,  
while joining with Samuel Kridel, an-  
other importer, in protest against the  
Greek and Turkish tariffs.

While progress towards peace is at  
a standstill here, the Balkan delega-  
tions are working actively to obtain ad-  
vantages for themselves in the parti-  
tion of the conquered territory. The  
kings of Bulgaria, Greece and Mon-  
tenegro are working actively among  
their relatives and friends on the other  
thrones of Europe, to influence the  
powers in favor of the claims of their  
countries. As the moment for a de-  
cision approaches their efforts become  
more strenuous. The Greeks, who  
have sent special envoys to some of  
the capitals to support the work of  
their regular diplomats.

Greeks Still Fighting.  
The Greeks, unhampered by the  
armistice which binds the other allies,  
are continuing their fighting in  
Bulgaria, where even today sharp en-  
counters took place with the Turks.  
According to several dispatches to Pre-  
mier Vassalos, the Greek forces are  
doing their utmost to surround Janina.  
Their efforts are now being directed  
to the north, where the Turks thus far  
have kept communications open and  
have thus been able to secure sup-  
plies. It has been difficult for the  
Greeks to starve it out.

Scutari Well Fortified.  
Scutari is even more invulnerable  
to hunger, because it is one of the well-  
known furriers in the big American  
and must have six months' provisions  
on hand.  
The Turkish delegates have not yet  
taken steps to carry out their threat  
to leave London. Diplomats consider  
that it would be a great breach of  
etiquette for any of the delegates to go  
before another meeting of the confer-  
ence was held, if only for the purpose  
of formally ending the negotiations.  
It might be construed as a slight to  
England, which is entertaining the  
conference, and to the British foreign  
secretary, as honorary president.

Furs Are Cheaper in Canada.  
The same styles in fur garments pre-  
vail in Toronto as in New York, Lon-  
don and Paris, and the quality of the  
furs is also equally genuine, yet the  
prices in Toronto are lower than in  
the other cities. That prices in Toron-  
to must advance is inevitable. Furs  
and skins are becoming scarcer each  
year. The prices at Dineen's have al-  
ways been lower than at the other  
known furriers in the big American  
and continental cities, while the furs  
of which the garments are made, have  
been obtained from the same sources  
and distributed through the W. & D.  
Dineen Company have been estab-  
lished in Toronto as manufacturing fur-  
showrooms is well worth while at this  
particular season of the year. All fur  
garments manufactured on the Prem-  
ises at 140 Yonge street, corner Toron-  
to place.

## NEW YORK STATE WILL EMULATE BECK POLICY

Governor Sulzer in Recom-  
mending Annulment of  
Long Sault Power Scheme  
Backed by Private Capital,  
Declares Unreservedly for  
Public Control of Great  
Asset.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 13.—(Can.  
Press.)—In a special message to the  
legislature tonight, Gov. Sulzer re-  
commends that the charter granted to  
the Long Sault Development Co. by  
the legislature of 1907, be immediately  
repealed. Attorney-General Carmody  
reported to the senate recently that  
in his opinion the legislature exceeded  
its authority in granting the charter,  
the act being unconstitutional, and in  
this opinion, the governor concurs.  
He recommends, however, that the  
power be developed by the state for  
general distribution, and fails to con-  
sider the claim that such development  
may affect navigation.

The company was incorporated with  
a capital of \$1,000,000, and its directors  
for the first year were: Michael H.  
Flaherty, Frank S. Smith, Henry H.  
Warren, Walter F. Wilson and John  
C. Crasner. The corporation proposed  
to develop power from the St. Law-  
rence River, which, it is estimated,  
would amount to 1,000,000 horsepower  
if fully developed. The company has  
paid \$35,000 into the state treasury,  
which the governor suggests be repaid  
to the company with interest.

Awaited Legislation.  
The company has never begun  
operations because of its failure to  
obtain favorable legislation from the  
federal and Canadian governments. A  
bill passed the United States Senate,  
but was defeated in the house of re-  
presentatives. Gov. Sulzer said today  
he was one of those who opposed the  
measure in Washington.

The State of New York, in my  
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## HOME RULE BILL TO UPPER HOUSE

Duke of Devonshire Will  
Move Rejection of Meas-  
ure on Second  
Reading.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—(Can. Press.)—  
The house of commons concluded to-  
night the report stage of the home  
rule bill. Two days, Wednesday and  
Thursday will be given over to the  
debate on the third reading, and the  
bill will be sent to the house of lords  
late Thursday night for a formal read-  
ing on the succeeding Monday.

Then the second reading is pro-  
posed, the Duke of Devonshire will  
move its rejection, as his uncle, the late  
Duke, did in the case of Mr. Glad-  
stone's bill, twenty years ago.

## SLIPPED ON ICE AND WAS KILLED

Italian Workman Was Carry-  
ing Heavy Stone, Which  
Crushed his Skull When  
He Fell.

While crossing a small pond in a  
field just east of Niagara street, on  
Queen street, about 5 o'clock yester-  
day afternoon, Donato Marconi slipped  
on the ice and was almost instantly  
killed when a stone slab which he was  
carrying on his shoulder, fell against  
his head, crushing the skull. Dr. L. B.  
Williams was summoned by the police,  
but life was extinct when he arrived.  
The stone was employed in the  
construction of some buildings on the  
lot. He had gone to get some cut stone  
from a pile. Shouldering a slab about  
two feet long, six inches wide and  
two inches thick, he started to return  
to the building.

The stone of his boots had become  
covered with snow and were conse-  
quently very slippery. Marconi's feet  
slipped under him. He fell, the  
stone catching the side of his head  
as it dropped. Marconi was about 25  
years old, and lived at 52 West Ger-  
ard street. No inquest will be held.

## Wilson Elected President

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—  
(Can. Press.)—Election in 48  
states met today and formally  
elected Woodrow Wilson to the  
presidency, and Thomas R.  
Marshall to the vice-presidency  
of the United States.  
Returns prepared by the electors  
chosen at the polls last  
November are now on their  
way by mail to Washington to  
the president pro tem of the  
senate. Another set of these  
returns will be brought in per-  
son by an elector chosen from  
each state, to be canvassed  
Feb. 12 in joint session of the  
senate and the house, when  
Gov. Wilson will formally be  
proclaimed president.  
In two states, Utah and Ver-  
mont, four votes each, were  
cast for President Taft, for  
president and Nicholas Murray  
Butler, for vice-president.

## ANOTHER JUDGE FOR SECOND STAR CASE

Charge of Exhibiting an Inde-  
cent Picture Traversed Till  
May—Rev. R. B. St. Clair  
Issued a Statement, and  
Ministerial Association De-  
mands Cancellation of Star  
Theatre License.

The sequel to Mr. Justice Middleton's  
criticism of the jury which acquitted  
Mr. Fred Starr on Saturday night on  
the charge of allowing an obscene per-  
formance to be given in his theatre  
came yesterday when T. H. Lennox,  
K.C., M.L.A., asked that the other case  
on which Mr. Starr was about to be  
tried, should be transferred to the  
May assizes. In connection with his  
application, Mr. Starr filed the follow-  
ing affidavit:  
"I, Fred Starr, of the City of Toron-  
to, in the County of York, make oath  
and say that on the 11th of January,  
I was tried before His Lordship, Mr.  
Justice Middleton, with a jury, on the  
charge of conducting an immoral show.  
"That the jury who sat on the case  
returned a verdict of 'not guilty,' and  
I was discharged.  
"That before his lordship discharged  
the jury he informed them that he dis-  
agreed with them, which has resulted  
in a great deal of comment amongst  
jurymen, the public and the public  
press.  
"That exhibits A, B and C hereto are  
editorials and articles which appeared  
in Toronto papers.  
"That in view of what has been said  
with reference to the verdict of the  
last jury by the press and public, I am  
firmly of the opinion that I could not  
get a fair and unprejudiced trial at  
the present sitting of this court.  
"(Signed) Fred Starr."

## THREE INJURED AT RIVERDALE SLIDES

Bob Sleigh Was Smashed  
Against a Hydro Pole  
When Steering Gear Fail-  
ed to Work—Two Girls and  
Youth Seriously Hurt, and  
Others Only Slightly.

Three persons were seriously injur-  
ed and several others badly shaken  
up when a heavily-loaded bob sleigh  
jumped from its track at the River-  
dale slides about 8.40 last night and  
crashed into a hydro-electric pole.

Victoria Williams, aged 15, living at  
32 McCaul street, was taken to the  
General Hospital, suffering from a  
compound fracture of the right leg  
just above the knee, and other injur-  
ies; Hilda Pagett, aged about 20, was  
taken to her home at 74 Markham  
street in a cab, and is believed to  
have been internally injured; Roy  
Hancock, aged 17, had also to be  
taken to the General Hospital with  
one of his legs lacerated and sprained.

The others who were hurt were  
able to go home without any assist-  
ance, but refused to give their names.  
Hancock took a party out from the  
neighborhood in which he lived, to  
the slides. They had a nice set of  
sleighs and there was no difficulty in  
getting spectators to fill the extra  
space on the bobs. Hancock was  
steering the sleighs by ropes and was  
sitting in the front of the bobs. This  
saved him from having his head  
crushed against the pole when the  
sleigh struck it.

The sleighs had gone partly down  
the hill. The boy either lost his head  
or the steering gear was faulty. The  
front sleigh turned out of the path on  
for it, struck one or two people stand-  
ing nearby and smashed to pieces  
against the cement.

All three were reported as doing  
well late last night.

## FEAR URANIUM WILL BE LOST

All Efforts to Liberate Strand-  
ed Steamer Fail, and De-  
struction Seems  
Imminent.

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 13.—(Can.  
Press.)—All efforts to pull the Uran-  
ium off the shore at Chebucto head to-  
day have failed. Captain Eustace has  
been engaged all the afternoon filling  
the afterhold with water. His idea be-  
ing that this will tend to raise the bow  
of the steamship off the rocks where  
she is apparently hooked across her  
beams. The weather has the ap-  
pearance of a change for tomorrow  
and if the wind comes around to the  
southeast, the sea will probably make  
short work of the Uranium, if she is  
still hinged to the rock.

About 300 of the steamship's pas-  
sengers were forwarded by rail to-  
night.

The tug at midnight failed to pull  
the Uranium off.

## FREIGHT RATES ISSUE SHELVED

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—The  
adjournment for two months more of the  
hearing before the Dominion Railway  
Commission of the western freight rates  
case has occasioned comment and is in-  
terpreted as meaning that the transpor-  
tation problem is to be shelved this  
season of parliament. The case has been  
pending before the railway commission  
for nearly a year. The recent adjourn-  
ment was procured by the counsel for  
the government, who will undertake  
to establish a schedule of rates for the west  
which will be more reasonable than those  
now in force. In short the government  
is endeavoring to have readjusted the  
western freight rates.