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# CZAR DISSOLVES SECOND DOUMA

## Justifies Act as One of Necessity TO CHANGE THE ELECTORAL LAW

**Crisis Induced by Refusal of Parliament to Surrender Conspirators is Terminated by Dismissal of the Members.**

### EVERY PORTION OF RUSSIA NOW GETS REPRESENTATION

ST. PETERSBURG, June 16.—(Special.)—The dissolution of the Russian Duma arises directly out of the refusal of that body to consent to the demand made upon it by Premier Stolypin that it permit the arrest of a number of its members on the charge of conspiring against the state, and does not come as a surprise, as it has been freely predicted ever since the lower house met in March that its dissolution was only a question of time, and the many official denials that the Duma would not be dissolved never carried conviction.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 16.—(Special.)—This morning's affair has been the signature to an imperial ukase abolishing the Duma and ordering that the election of members to its successor, which was to meet Oct. 14, was to be held under the new election law, which provides against the "submergence of the educated classes by the uneducated masses."

This act constitutes a virtual coup d'etat and overrules the specific provisions of fundamental laws of the realm, solemnly proclaimed by the emperor, the eve of the convocation of the first Duma, which declared that the electoral law could never be changed without the consent of the Duma.

The emperor's advisers hold, it is possible under present conditions, to secure a parliament capable of co-operating harmoniously with the crown to rescue Russia from anarchy and revolution.

The session of the council of ministers, at which the decision to dissolve parliament was reached, was a long one, it lasted from 9 o'clock Saturday night until late this morning. The ministers had agreed upon the terms of the ukase before midnight, however, a draft of the ukase was taken immediately to Peterhof, where the emperor affixed his signature.

The news of the dissolution was received shortly before 6 o'clock this morning, but the meeting of the cabinet was continued until the arrival of the signed document.

The document, which was taken into the hands of the official printers, for publication in the Official Messenger, and The Russia-to-day.

The news of the dissolution of the second Duma was received through St. Petersburg with tranquillity. Thanks to the precautionary measures taken by the authorities order prevailed to-day in this city and in no place in Russia so far as is known were there any serious disturbances. No reports of disorder in the interior have been received up to midnight.

Demonstrations among St. Petersburg workmen are anticipated to-morrow, but the authorities are not alarmed over this. They are not alarmed by apprehensions over the possibility of rioting and racial excesses in Odessa and Kiev and other cities where party feeling runs high.

An outbreak of agrarian disorders in several regions of the empire is anticipated, but a special effort will be made by the government to handle the situation prevalent in administrative circles.

The officer in command of the troops in front of the palace to-night informed the Associated Press that he had orders to disperse any crowds collecting without permit, and not to spare the bullets in case of necessity.

**Revolutionists Escape.**  
During the night hours of the sixteen social democratic leaders, specifically named in the government's indictment, including Prince Tseretzkoff, and M. Dzhaparidze, were taken into custody. The other seven accused in eluding the elaborate provisions made for their arrest.

An imperial ukase was issued to-day proroguing the council of the empire until Nov. 15.

The new election law is regarded as a masterpiece piece of gerrymandering, avowedly designed to reduce to a minimum the representation of the register of those classes of the population in which hostility to the government has been chiefly evident.

# FIRST BLOW IN FIGHT TO SETTLE DISPUTE BREAKS MAN'S NECK

**Englishmen at Stratford, After Quarrel in Hotel, Resorted to Blows With Tragic Consequences.**

STRATFORD, June 16.—(Special.)—Noah Hill, an Englishman, is dead, and his companion in drink, Harry Lockyer, is in jail, charged with murder, as the result of a fight which took place here Saturday night between the two men, who were both under the influence of liquor.

The men were drinking together, but in the heat of an argument their friendship ceased, and they decided to fight it out in rear of the skating rink.

The men who, before participating in the fatal battle, said they were going to have an "honorable fight," repaired to the chosen spot, took off their coats, shook hands, and in the presence of two witnesses, faced each other.

Two blows only were struck, the first being an apparently harmless one, and the second fatal. Hill struck Lockyer first, hitting him under the chin. He fell without uttering a sound, and no doubt died instantly. The blow had broken his neck.

Frank Morris and George Chapman were eye witnesses. Lockyer was brought before a magistrate and charged with murder. He pleaded not guilty and was remanded to jail.

Both men have wives and families. They were immigrants from the old country.

# BORDEN CALLS MEETING OF LEADING PARTY MEN

**Will Discuss Plan of Action For Coming Campaign To-Day in Montreal.**

MONTREAL, June 16.—(Special.)—R. L. Borden, M.P., has called a meeting of senators, members of the house of commons, and leading party men to meet him at the Windsor Hotel here to-morrow.

Among those already on hand is Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works in the Roblin ministry. It may now be stated on authority that Premier Roblin and his cabinet are in favor of giving the Conservatives a solid deputation from that province.

# NOVA SCOTIA PREMIER IS BURNED IN EFFIGY

**Middleton Citizens, Amid Jeers and Hisses, Treat Premier Murray Same as Paul Kruger.**

MIDDLETON, N.S., June 16.—(Special.)—A most remarkable demonstration of popular indignation was witnessed here last evening, when amid jeers and hisses, the incensed citizens of Middleton burned Premier Murray in effigy on the town square.

Never before has Middleton been so stirred, and Premier Murray is only the second personage to enjoy such distinction at the hands of said Middletons. The other recipient of this treatment was Paul Kruger at the time of the South African War.

The immediate occasion for the burning was a letter received by the board of trade from the premier's deputy. For months the citizens have been asking the government either to give effect to their vote on incorporation, taken on July 15, 1906, and which resulted in a majority of sixty-two, or to modify the procedure in choosing legislative representatives of the people.

Yesterday's letter brought the curtain down on the controversy, and in explanation as to wherein its non-compliance lay, and the above demonstration was the result.

# Misses Skene and Virtue Move Up in the Great Race

**DISTRICT NO. 1**  
Standing of the First Thirty-One Candidates in the City of Toronto.

Miss Lizzie McGregor, The Robert Simpson Company	331,724
Miss Eleanor E. Skene, Foresters' Temple	272,397
Miss M. E. Virtue, C.O.O.F., Manning Chambers	271,114
Miss Ida Vandemark, Cashier Williams' Cafe	266,695
Miss Ethel Hogan, 1032 West Queen Street	255,163
Mrs. James Richardson, The Labor Temple	227,535
Miss Mabel Hodgson, 123 Roncesvalles Avenue	226,931
Miss Rhoda Gardner, The Eaton Company	207,618
Mrs. H. E. Hurd, 905 West Queen Street	195,166
Miss Nellie Sabine, 502 West Queen Street	119,412
Miss Ethel Woodward, 138 Shaw Street	113,242
Miss Della Warner, St. Charles Hotel Office	108,572
Miss M. Johnston, 276 Carlton Street	106,154
Miss Katie Patton, The S. H. Knox Company	76,721
Miss Bertha Smith, The Traders Bank Building	76,473
Mrs. A. H. Riggs, High Chief Companion, A.O.F.	60,303
Miss Edna V. Huston, 147 Portland Street	59,502
Mrs. James Richardson, 143 Morse Street	53,977
Miss Mabel Schuch, 360 Wellesley Street	53,000
Miss Pearl J. Wilson, 332 Concord Avenue	47,243
Miss A. M. Law, 82 Sydenham Street	34,592
Miss Annie Curran, 163 Church Street	27,822
Miss Vera Weeks, 614 West Queen Street	24,388
Miss Edna Mearns, 1364 West Queen Street	22,706
Mrs. W. A. Gardner, 982 Yonge Street	20,834
Miss Olive Crane, 1086 Shaw Street	18,328
Miss Mary Adams, 63 Marlboro Avenue	18,440
Miss Alice Donovan, 14 Bank Street	17,627
Mrs. T. P. Wood, 19 Olive Avenue	15,368
Mrs. J. Richardson, 143 Morse Street	13,236
Miss F. Hood, 109 West King Street	9,659

# DISTRICT NO. 2

Standing of the First Six Candidates in the City of Hamilton.

Miss Minnie Corner, The Slater Shoe Company	143,033
Miss Olive Board, 103 Pearl Street	135,293
Miss Maud Smith, 253 Bold Street	67,344
Miss Minnie McGill, 88 Steeven Street	58,234
Miss Annie Morrow, 211 Caroline Street	44,506
Mrs. M. Wickins, 119 East King Street	29,171

# DISTRICT NO. 3

Standing of the First Twenty-Three Candidates in the Province of Ontario at Large.

Miss M. Allin, Whitby	178,211
Mrs. T. E. Richardson, Oshawa	174,585
Miss Sarah E. Flanagan, Kingston	131,622
Miss A. J. Scott, Barrie	114,958
Mrs. H. F. Mann, Alliston	111,393
Miss Victoria Patte, Brantford	106,481
Miss Josie Beynon, Hagerman	102,962
Miss Clara A. Moore, Afton	71,948
Miss Birdie Thompson, Peterboro	75,985
Miss Minnie Rayson, Brampton	72,682
Miss Deedie Smyth, Toronto Junction	67,768
Miss Clara Sproule, Schomberg	60,320
Miss Fannie Bryan, Whitby	59,638
Miss V. Atkinson, Thistleton	44,113
Miss Jessie Roberts, Halleybury	35,128
Miss Bertha Wright, Allandale	30,621
Miss Alice Hopkins, Dovercourt	29,992
Miss Halward, Cannington	22,291
Miss Ince Pearce, Darlington	20,804
Miss Edna Boyes, Pickering	20,732
Miss Easton, East Toronto	19,735
Miss Gladys Henderson, Scarboro	18,878
Miss Zella Jones, Uxbridge	12,557

# AMERICAN SCHOONER CAPTURED BY "CANADA"

Caught Fishing Illegally Near  
Shutin Island and Brought  
to Time.

HALIFAX, N.S., June 16.—(Special.)—The first seizure this season by the Canadian fishery protection cruisers was made on Saturday, when the "Canada" captured the schooner Lewis E. Prescott of Boston for taking mackerel within territorial waters.

The American fleet of about thirty sail was after the mackerel, which were schooling very thick along the coast, the fish being close in shore.

The "Canada" was cruising near the three mile line off Shutin Island, ten miles east of Halifax. Her commander saw two vessels, one of which he took the vessel as a prize and moved her into Halifax and notified Ottawa. She has about 100 barrels of mackerel on board.

This cruiser bore down on the Prescott, which did not attempt to escape. Captain Knowlton boarded her, took the vessel as a prize and moved her into Halifax and notified Ottawa. She has about 100 barrels of mackerel on board.

It is thought that the burglars are the same gang as visited Gloucester in the middle of last week.

# FIVE HOUSES BURGLARIZED.

LONDON, Ont., June 16.—(Special.)—Five burglaries were committed last night at Stratford, but in none of the cases was much booty secured. The homes entered were mostly of prominent people.

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# UNIVERSAL PEACE LIKE STAR IN HEAVENS

**Too Far Above the Mundane Sphere  
Ever to Be Attained  
by Nation.**

### RUSSIA'S MESSAGE

**Cast Dampers at Opening of Hague Conference—M. Nelidoff  
Chosen President.**

THE HAGUE, June 16.—The keynote sounded by M. Nelidoff, on behalf of Russia, at opening on Saturday of the second international peace conference, was a crushing blow to the pacifists. There was no mistaking of words when he declared the idea of ultimate disarmament and the inauguration of a regime of universal peace was relegated to the limbo of dreams.

M. Nelidoff described this idea as a star floating far above this mundane sphere, to be always striven for but never attained. Nations, like individuals, he said, quite frankly, "are human, and not the most perfect, judicial system ever invented could put an end to strife and violence."

"When honor and vital interests are at stake," the speaker declared, "regardless of consequences, neither the former nor the latter will recognize any authority except personal judgment and personal feeling."

Stripped of its fine phrases, the speech of M. Nelidoff is considered a deliberate warning to the conference to keep to the plan of the earth, to continue the work of the first conference in the direction of alleviating the horrors of war and narrowing the chances of conflict by opening wider the door of arbitration and to aim toward "conciliation and justice," but not to go further.

The view that the powers should study the question of lightening military establishments with which the first conference concluded its labors was not even mentioned.

**Causes Offense.**  
The speech, however, at least clears the atmosphere and shows that Russia is determined to try to keep the conference within her program, and that so far as the discussion of the question of the limitation of armaments is concerned she lines up with Germany and Austria on her side.

In face of this initial reverse it remains to be seen what the powers favoring a consideration of a reduction of armaments will do. The delegates who insist that this subject must not be allowed to drop, no matter what it costs to make an actual step in the direction of limitation or not, manifest some resentment. They say that they would not have been dissatisfied had Russia steered clear of the subject altogether, but they expressed the opinion that this bold attempt to influence the conference against consideration of the question of limitation is highly improper.

**Permanent President.**  
A perceptible coldness seemed to spread through the hall during the latter half of Nelidoff's speech, and the round of applause at the conclusion of his remarks seemed cold and perfunctory. However, the suggestion of Dr. VanTets Van Goudriaan, the Netherlands foreign minister, that M. Nelidoff should assume the permanent presidency of the conference was unanimously agreed to. The following friendly message was proposed, to be dispatched to the czar:

"At the commencement of its labors, the second peace conference lays at the feet of your majesty its respectful homage and expresses to your majesty its profound gratitude for having taken the initiative in continuing the work begun in 1899."

"The conference begs your majesty to believe in its desire to work with all its strength to accomplish the delicate task assigned it."

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**THE TIME HAS COME.**  
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# Railways Must Follow New Uniform System

**Interstate Commerce Commission  
Promulgate Act Passed at the  
Last Session of Congress.**

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Under the provisions of the act passed at the last session of congress, the interstate commerce commission has promulgated a uniform system of accounts, which must be followed by railroads. It will go into effect July 1 next, and after that time monthly reports must be filed by the railroads. The system was prepared by Henry C. Adams, statistician for the commission, who has devoted many months to the work.

Formal depreciation charges are set up in operating expenses for all classes of equipment. The purpose of these depreciation charges is that the cost of a particular month or a particular year shall be assigned to the earnings of that month or that year.

# THE MISSING WITNESS.

Second Porter in St. Lawrence Hotel Located at Hamilton.

HAMILTON, June 16.—(Special.)—John Chapman, the missing witness in the Emmerson-Crocker case and who was a porter at the St. Lawrence Hotel, was located in June, 1906, left to-night for Fredericton, N. B. to testify for the defence, having been served with a subpoena yesterday.

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