

LIBERALS PLAN NO-CONFIDENCE VOTE REFUSAL

Would Claim Meighen Motion Decides Only Constitutional Question

FORKE GROUP STILL SILENT ON STAND

Government Forces Again Confident of Victory on Decision Tonight

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—Debate on non confidence amendment continued in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon. There was no session last night. Interesting developments are promised for today, at the end of which the vote is expected. It will be pointed out to the House by the Government through one of its ministers first, that the vote on Mr. Meighen's amendment will not be regarded by the Liberals as a want of confidence vote, but a vote deciding the constitutional question involved in that amendment, namely, that of the existence or non-existence of a government because of the absence of its Prime Minister.

ANOTHER CONTENTION.

Another contention to be made today by Government speakers is that should the Meighen amendment carry it would mean the immediate termination of this session because by approving an amendment which strikes out all the words after "that" the House declares that it will not consider the Speech from the Throne. That is equivalent to ending the session. If such an amendment were adopted by the House Premier King would go to the Governor-General and advise him that Parliament had refused to consider the throne speech.

WOULD CONSULT MEIGHEN.

His Excellency would also be advised, to consult with Mr. Meighen. In view of the refusal of parliament to entertain the throne speech and the consequent termination of the session two alternatives would be presented to Mr. Meighen by His Excellency. One would be to ask for the summing up of another session, and the other would be to ask for dissolution.

LIBERAL HOPES.

It is hoped by the Liberals that some of the few Progressives who favor Mr. Meighen's alleged tariff offer would be quite ready to vote with the Liberals tomorrow night when the vote is to be considered, not as a confidence vote but as a decision on the question involved in the last and principal paragraph of Mr. Meighen's amendment. They would then be in a position to consider on its merits the various proposals contained in the Speech from the Throne, debate on which would proceed after the Thursday night division.

Yesterday eight Progressives were counted on to help Mr. Meighen into power. They were said to be Miss MacPhail, L. P. Beaubien of Manitoba, John Evans, A. M. Carmichael, M. N. Campbell and R. Fansher, of Saskatchewan, W. T. Lucas and A. M. Boutillier, of Alberta. Stories in circulation last night have considerably lessened that number, so much so that it is freely predicted by the Liberals that the Government will be sustained in this evening's crucial division. That change has come as the result of another Progressive caucus yesterday morning and of subsequent conferences.

BROWN SPEAKS.

J. L. Brown, Progressive, Lisgar, declared that Mr. Meighen and his Conservative followers had made contradictory statements in the House in respect to the reason for the introduction of the amendment calling for a vote of non-confidence in the Government.

"He said the statement of Hon. Hugh Sutherland that Mr. Meighen if his amendment were successful, would endeavor to carry on from session to session without dissolution, was 'a bid for support.'"

"That is a legitimate bid," interjected a member. "Certainly it is a legitimate bid," retorted Mr. Brown.

Mr. Brown said that he had been endeavoring to support that legislation which he thought good and just and to oppose that legislation of which he disapproved. As to his attitude to the motion and the amendment before the House, he would discuss the matter at the proper time no further than this, in case the amendment carried and the Conservative party is called on to form a government, "I would have to support them on legislation that is satisfactory to me and that is the only position I could take."

Son of "Ben Hur" Author Found Dead

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Henry Lane Wallace, 72, son of General Lew Wallace, author of "Ben Hur," was found dead in his bed at the home of his son Lewis Wallace, Rye, N. Y. Mr. Wallace, it was said, had come to New York from his home at Crawfordville, Ind., to witness the opening of the motion picture version of "Ben Hur" at the Cohan Theatre on Dec. 30. At the theatre it was said that he was present at the opening and enjoyed the film very much.

SIR AUSTIN CHAPMAN DIES.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Jan. 13.—Sir Austin Chapman, former Minister of Customs in the Federal Government, who died yesterday, was chiefly known as "the father of Canberra," owing to his persistent advocacy in the construction of the new federal capital at that place. His death leaves only two members alive of the original House of Representatives for the Commonwealth as elected in 1901.

Woman Is Entire Staff



Miss Mattie Thomas, 53, is the entire reportorial staff of the Eufaula, Ala., Daily Citizen. She covers the town with the aid of her bicycle, which she has been riding for the past 23 years.

Text of Order-In-Council On Grain Diversion Inquiry

THE following is the full text of the Dominion Government's Order-in-Council instructing the Railway Commission to inquire into the causes of the diversion of grain and other traffic to other than Canadian ports, received here yesterday:

"The Committee of the Privy Council have had before them a report, dated 6th January, 1926, from the Minister of Railways and Canals, representing that the Committee of the Privy Council has had under consideration the advisability of encouraging to the fullest extent the movement of Canadian grain and other products through Canadian ports."

"The Minister states that by Order in Council (P. C. 886) dated 5th June, 1925, the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada was directed to make a thorough investigation, already underway, of the rates structures of railways and railway companies subject to the jurisdiction of Parliament with a view to the establishment of a fair and reasonable rate structure which will, under substantially similar circumstances and conditions, be equal in its application to all persons and localities, so as to permit of the freest possible interchange of commodities between the various provinces and territories of the Dominion and the expansion of its trade, both foreign and domestic, having due regard to the needs of its agricultural and other basic industries, and in particular to:

(a) The claim asserted on behalf of the Maritime Provinces that they are entitled to the restoration of the rate basis which they enjoyed prior to 1919;

(b) The encouragement of the movement of traffic through Canadian ports;

(c) The increased traffic westward and eastward through Pacific Coast ports owing to the expansion of trade with the Orient and to the transportation of products through the Panama Canal.

"The Committee of the Privy Council therefore recommends that the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada be directed, as a part of the general rate investigation above referred to, especially to enquire into the causes of Canadian grain and other products being routed or diverted to other than Canadian ports, and to take such effective action under the Railway Act, 1919, as the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada may deem necessary to ensure, as far as possible, the routing of Canadian grain and other products through Canadian ports."

"The Committee submit the foregoing for Your Excellency's approval."

(Sgd.) E. J. LEMAITRE,
"Clerk of the Privy Council."

W. A. MEETINGS OF TWO CHURCHES HELD

Good Shepherd and St. Jude's Auxiliaries Hear Reports on Work Done

The W. A. of the Church of the Good Shepherd, at its regular meeting yesterday afternoon, met for the first time in the new church hall. Mrs. Amy Bender, president, was in the chair and led the devotions. Mrs. J. Graham, secretary, gave the diocesan board report and Mrs. Charles Hill, the treasurer, reported a balance on hand. The meeting voted a small sum of money towards the memorial fund for Mrs. George P. Smith. Mrs. Collie Gilchrist, for the baby branch, reported a new member enrolled and Mrs. Thomas Pile reported 26 subscribers for the Living Message. Mrs. Hannah Maguire, Dorcas secretary, reported work had been begun on the sale for an Indian boy. Interesting reports were also given by Mrs. Thomas Mitchell, E. C. D. treasurer, and Mrs. Gerhard DeGeer, Junior superintendent. A social half hour was enjoyed after the meeting and refreshments were served.

ST. JUDE'S W. A.

The W. A. of St. Jude's church at its largely attended meeting yesterday afternoon heard gratifying reports. Mrs. W. I. Fenton, president, was in the chair and Mrs. J. A. Linton led the devotions. Mrs. Harvey Ring, secretary, read the diocesan board report and the grateful acknowledgement of the Christmas boxes. Mrs. T. Nichols, Dorcas secretary, told of much sewing accomplished and much more still to do. Mrs. F. S. Tilton's financial statement as treasurer was encouraging. On behalf of the members Mrs. Arthur Coster extended hearty thanks to Mrs. Fenton for entertaining the members at her home on Jan. 5.

WHITE HOUSE PROBE ON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—A White House conference between President Coolidge, Secretary of the Treasury of the Treasury Mellon, and Attorney General Clegg, on Jan. 2, before the department of justice issued its statement concerning the investigation of the Aluminum Company of America, of which Mr. Mellon is a heavy stockholder, was made the subject of inquiry today by a Senate committee.

Deaths

Mrs. O. M. Freeman

Many friends will greatly regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Olivia M. Freeman which occurred yesterday at the residence of her son, Rev. Charles R. Freeman, D. D., the Charlotte street Baptist parsonage, West Saint John, in the 87th year of her age. Mrs. Freeman was a woman of sterling qualities, strong character and very kindly disposition and she held the warm regard and high esteem of all who knew her. She was a daughter of the late Charles and Amnerne Ramsey, of Clarence, Annapolis county, N. S. She married Joseph N. Freeman of Milton, N. S., and early in her married life united with the Milton Baptist church. In that town and in fellowship with the same church she and her husband spent the first 40 years of their married life. Her husband died about 20 years ago. Dr. Freeman is the only surviving near relative.

Amanda S. Wyman

Relatives in Saint John yesterday received word of the death of Mrs. Amanda Stavelly Wyman at 8 o'clock that morning in Baltimore after an illness of four weeks. Mrs. Wyman was formerly Miss Millen, a daughter of

the late John and Margaret Millen, of Saint John, and was born in this city and lived here during her younger days. Her husband, L. B. Wyman, of Yarmouth, died three years ago.

Mrs. Wyman had lived in Yarmouth, N. S., until about two years ago, when she went to Baltimore to reside. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. G. C. Saunders and Mrs. Edward Moore, of Baltimore, one son, Roy, of Yarmouth, and three brothers and two sisters. The brothers are Robert, of Boston; Robinson, of Brooklyn, and George, of Los Angeles. The sisters are Mrs. E. L. Rising, of this city, and Mrs. Parker, of Yarmouth, who is now in Saint John, visiting Mrs. Rising.

The funeral will take place on Friday in Baltimore.

Mrs. L. A. Morgan

Mrs. L. A. Morgan, formerly of Brown's Flats, but now of Dorchester, Mass., passed away at the home of her son, A. R. Morgan, on Saturday, January 10. She is survived by 3 sons, Emory D., George E., and Alfred R., all of Boston. They will accompany the body to Brown's Flats for burial, after the arrival of the Valley train, today.

John Chipman

A Windsor paper, referring to the death of John Chipman, before announced says: "There passed to rest at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, January 8, one of Windsor's most respected citizens, in the person of John Chipman, aged 74

years. For some months Mr. Chipman had been in failing health, but it was not until the day before Christmas that he became ill enough to remain in bed. He had a complication of diseases, but was not a great sufferer and his death came unexpectedly, as it was thought that he might live for some time. For the first time in years he was unable to take Christmas dinner with his niece, Mrs. F. E. Harriott, of this town, the only surviving relative of the deceased in Windsor, who cared for him in his last illness.

"Mrs. Chipman, formerly Miss Janet Wood, who predeceased her husband three years, was a native of New Brunswick, and there were no children left to mourn. The only surviving relatives are the nieces and nephews, children of the deceased's sister, the late Mrs. Robert Pidgeon, of Vancouver, formerly of Windsor, N. S. These are Mrs. Harriott, Windsor; Katie, Mrs. William Smith, Saint John; Harry Pidgeon, in Montreal; Lena, Mrs. C. A. Munroe, Pearl, Mrs. Russell York, Nina, Mrs. Harold Brothel; Claude Pidgeon, Nellie, Mrs. William Oake and Miss Minnie Pidgeon, all in Vancouver.

"Mr. Chipman was a native of Windsor, passing away in the old homestead where he was born. During his younger years he resided in Saint John, N. B., where he conducted a general grocery business, and came to the old home to end his days. Since his wife died he continued to remain in the old home, where he had the attention of his niece, Mrs. Harriott, and others residing with him, so that his

last days were as comfortable as possible. "The remains were on Sunday evening taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harriott. On Wednesday the body was taken to St. John's R. C. church, where the service was held at 2.30 p. m. Rev. Father Fleming officiating. The remains were interred in the R. C. cemetery."

Thomas Hallam Drysdale

WOODSTOCK, Jan. 13.—The sudden death of Thomas Hallam Drysdale, son of the late William Drysdale, formerly customs officer at Woodstock, occurred at his home here this evening aged 35 years. Death was due to heart disease. An accountant by profession, for the last few years, because of ill-health, he had not followed his occupation. Mrs. William Drysdale, his mother, survives. The funeral takes place Friday afternoon under Masonic auspices. Interment will be made in the Methodist cemetery, Rev. J. T. Cavers officiating.

William Southard

ST. GEORGE, Jan. 13.—William Southard died on Friday, last, after a year's illness of tuberculosis. He followed the granite business and for over 20 years worked at this trade, working for different firms in town. Of a mechanical mind, he was recognized as one of the best cutters in the business and was a carrier of rare ability. Possessing a mild and genial disposition, he was a general favorite

and made many friends, who will deeply regret his death.

He was the son of the late James and Cary Southard, and, besides a widow, a daughter, Beatie, and two sons, William and Vernon, leaves a widowed mother, two brothers, James and Sylvester, two sisters, Mrs. Martin Burns, of New Hampshire, and Mrs. George Murray, and a nephew, Ralph, residing here.

GIRLS' BRANCH W. A. HAS ENJOYABLE TEA

The members of the girls' branch W. A. of St. Paul's church held a very successful tea and sale yesterday afternoon in the church hall, that had been brightly decorated in green and red colors. There were many patrons and the tea was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. James Magee and Mrs. A. H. Crowfoot presided at the tea table which had red roses for centre decoration. The candy and home cooking table was in charge of Miss Florence Young. The replenishers were Miss Winnie Woodley and Miss Ida Lyons.

Those who served were Miss Beatie Wetmore, Miss Georgie Allen, Miss Mildred Allen and Miss Hilda Woods. The tickets were taken by Miss Kathleen Woodley. A very satisfactory sum was realized for the funds of the branch.

ALEXANDRIA, Ia., Jan. 13.—When

M. W. Hammon thrust a fork into a potato, the instrument encountered a foreign substance which turned out to be a small diamond.

January Sale

Of tremendous scope this Sale has values in it for everyone. Linens for all household uses offer splendid values. Dainty Underwear in sheer Mulls, Nainsook and Crepes. New wearing apparel, Afternoon Dresses, Coats, Millinery, Men's and Boys' Overcoats, Suits and Furnishings, Fur Coats, Hosiery, Gloves; beside many special bargains in the Art Dept., including Glass and China.

Each day adds its quota to these special January offerings. Discriminating persons will avail themselves of this wonderful opportunity. Early shoppers will have widest choice.

Sale of Curtains and Curtain Nets—Reduced Prices

Curtains play an important part in the appearance of the home. The pleasant your outlook is the more charming it naturally follows, will your interior and what more opportune time than now to make the curtains and have them ready for the bright spring days that will be here before we realize that winter has passed.

Marquette and Scrim are soft and serviceable and easily laundered. We have them in plain, crossbar and bordered effects.

Crossbar Scrim, bordered, cream only, 36 in. wide, suitable for sash or long curtains. Sale price 25c. yard.

Plain Marquette Frilled Curtains, with tie back, 2 1/4 yds. long. Sale price 95c.

Frilled Crossbar Marquette Curtains, plain Frilled Plain Scrim with tie back, 2 1/4 yds. long. Sale price \$1.15 pr.

Spot and Crossbar Marquette Curtains, Frilled, with tie back, 2 1/4 yds. long. Sale price \$1.75 pr.

Irish Point Curtains, in white and beige, 2 1/2 yds. long. Sale price \$3.75.

January Clearance Sale OF Winter Millinery Bargain Prices

This Sale needs no further introduction to our readers. The buying public all know what these Sales have been in the past and this Sale offers even more attractive values. The selection is wide. Prices every one a bargain. All Trimmed Hats including Imported and French Models

Velour Hats	\$3.50
Felt Ready-to-Wear Hats	\$3.50
Untrimmed Felts and Tams	75c
Flowers and Feathers	35c
	25c

No Exchange. No Approval.
(Millinery Salon—Second Floor.)

Sale of Reliable Baggage

Men's Shop—King Street Entrance

Are you contemplating a trip this winter to the sunny South, or perhaps you are going abroad—wherever it is, M. R. A. have luggage to meet your every requirement and to have just the bag or trunk you need and when you need it makes traveling a real delight. Look over the list given below, all reduced in price.

Boston Bags—Heavy grained cowhide. Sale \$6.50.

Writing or Portfolio Cases—Real cowhide, brown, black. Prices \$3, \$5, \$8.50, \$10 and \$12.50.

English Suit Cases, in tan leather cloth, with heavy corners and bindings. Sizes. Sale price \$10.

Week-End Cases—Silk lined. Size 22. Price \$15.

Week-End Cases, in dark purple with silk linings and waterproof outside cover for travel protection. Size 23 in. Price \$20.

Steamer Trunks—86 in. size. Prices \$25.00, \$35 and \$50.

General Purpose Trunks—Extra hard fibre covered. Sale \$18.50.

Wardrobe Trunks—Extra large, new improved interior fittings. A big bargain Price \$45.

FOR THE LADIES—Black Seal Grain Handbags—18 in. size; silk lined, with ivory fittings. Special price \$35.50.

Handbags—Black Walrus grain, silk lined, and fittings of ivory. 18 in. Price \$45.

Heavy English Kit Shape Bag, with straps. Heavy brown cowhide. Size 20 in. Sale price \$30.

(Men's Furnishings—Ground Floor.)

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Yesterday In Parliament

THE SENATE adjourned after a brief session. IN THE COMMONS the debate on the non-confidence amendment continued. The following members took part: C. G. Power, Hon. R. J. Mahlon, J. L. Brown, J. J. Denis.

In Parliament Today

THE SENATE will sit. IN THE HOUSE the debate on the non-confidence amendment of Mr. Meighen will be resumed by J. J. Denis.

Hillsboro Pastor Says His Farewell

HILLSBORO, Jan. 13.—Rev. A. S. Bishop, of the First Baptist church, delivered his farewell sermon to a large congregation. Mr. Bishop made touching references to his five-year pastorate here. The women's quartette sang and a solo was given by Miss Fern Price. Rev. J. E. Gannon, a former pastor, will occupy the pulpit on the three successive Sundays beginning on Jan. 17. The annual business meeting of the church was held Monday evening.

New Mill Starts At Prides' Landing

FREDERICTON JUNCTION, Jan. 13.—The Fraser Lumber Companies opened their new mill at Prides' Landing yesterday, with two lath machines going. A large number of men is employed altogether in the mill, and hauling.

RESIGNED POSITION

Owing to ill health William Carlisle has been forced to resign his position as District Deputy of the Independent Order of Foresters but will still take an interest in all his Forester friends.

Dr. Clarence Webster, who has been a guest in the city for several days, returned yesterday to Shediac.