

COMPLETE SURRENDER TO PARTISAN GREED; LICENSE COMMISSIONERS SCORE WHITNEY

**Declare Dismissal of Inspectors Due to Men Inflamed With Passion for Office—
Conservative Press Gives Scathing Rebuke to Government.**

Toronto, Nov. 28.—The three Toronto license commissioners, who have resigned because of the action of the Government in dismissing the license inspectors, yesterday gave the following statement to the press:

The commissioners accepted office reluctantly as a public duty, on the personal assurance of the Premier, and the written statement of the Provincial Secretary, that the Government desired a fair, fearless and non-partisan administration of the license act.

During the period in which they have held office, they have sought to be sane, fair-minded and just in the discharge of duties singularly unpleasant, and personally distasteful to all the members of the board.

To insure this fair-mindedness, from the first they decided as a policy of the board, for its own guidance, that they would seek only to take such action as carried their unanimous judgment. All decisions which have been reached were in accordance with this policy, on no question has a decision been arrived at and acted upon except on the unanimous approval of the board.

Inspector Was Non-Partisan.

In the discharge of their duties they had the assistance of the chief inspector, Thomas Hastings. They found him efficient, honest, fearless and non-partisan. Neither by direct or indirect means has he sought to influence the commissioners in any matter under discussion. He has been painstaking and careful in collecting and furnishing the board with information called for by them, and has not intruded his opinion about license holders, nor upon matters dealt with by the board, but has acted entirely under their direction in carrying out the policy laid down or him by the unanimous decision of the board.

It was known to the board that some party workers were engaged in intrigues against the inspector and the commissioners, but they refused to notice the intrigues or intriguers, as they considered it unthinkable that the Government, having committed to a body of men the enforcement of the law, would act upon the advice of such intriguers without consulting with the commissioners, who were seeking to carry out the verbal instructions of the Premier and the written directions of the Provincial Secretary.

No Course but to Resist.

The retaining of the chief inspector for nine months, and then, without a word of consultation with the commissioners, dismissing him at a time when his experience, fidelity and capacity were so much needed by the board in carrying out its policy gave such plain evidence of a deliberate purpose to render abortive the non-partisan policy of the commissioners, and to interfere with the course of a body of independent men who had no ends to serve but an impartial administration of the law, that no course was left to them but to resign and to place the responsibility for their action upon the Government.

It is with no ordinary sense of regret they are compelled to say the whole episode is at complete variance with the spirit of the Premier's and the Provincial Secretary's statements, when as commissioners they were asked to take office. The course followed seems to have been designed by men inflamed with passion for office or for dispensing patronage, who determined to get rid of commissioners who refused to play the part of hired men subject to the dictation of party followers. The Government by their action have approved of this course, hence the usefulness of the present commissioners is at an end. They accepted at full value the statements made by the Premier and his responsible minister, the Provincial Secretary, that they desired an honest, non-partisan enforcement of the license act, and as no other administration would be possible while the office was held by the present board, they step aside to permit the Government to secure a board in accordance with their present policy.

(Signed) J. W. FLAVELLE,
JOHN L. DAVIDSON,
J. P. MURRAY.

Toronto, Nov. 28.—The triumph of Boss Nesbitt over Whitney and his cabinet has created the biggest kind of a sensation here, and the end is not yet. Commenting upon the dismissal of the license inspectors and the resignation of the commissioners, the News has the following:

Surrender to Spoils-men.
"A clear issue is raised by the dismissal of the license inspectors in To-

ronto, and the consequent resignation of the commissioners, who declare that they have lost the support of the Government in the impartial and non-partisan administration of the law." The dismissal is an unconditional surrender to the spoils-men. There is no complaint against Mr. Hastings and

[From Toronto Telegram, Conservative.]

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his assistants, and there is no reason for the step except the pressure of those who have been complaining that the distribution of offices to party workers was not proceeding rapidly enough. It is needless to say that it will be exceedingly damaging to the Government in its effect on the independent element of the community."

A Discreditable Episode.

The Telegram's comment is as follows:
All honor to J. W. Flavell, John L. Davidson and J. P. Murray.

These resigning license commission-

THE PUBLIC GOOD DEMANDED IT IS GOVERNMENT'S EXPLANATION

Whitney Says He Is Astonished at the Commission's Resignation.

Toronto, Nov. 28.—A statement by Premier Whitney defending the action of the Government in dismissing the Toronto license inspectors, and a statement by the resigning license commissioners vigorously protesting against and condemning that action, were given out yesterday. The Premier's statement was as follows:

I have read the Toronto newspapers with reference to the change of license inspectors in this city. Precisely similar action has been taken by the Government with regard to inspectors in a great number of counties during the past six months. There were good reasons for making those changes, and no such outcry occurred as we have heard with reference to the changes in Toronto.

The Government would have been entirely justified in changing the inspectors months ago. But for good reasons—reasons which will appeal to every fair-minded person—the Government determined to keep them on and see what would be the result. They have found that the change was necessary in the public interest, and they have made the change.

All sorts of motives are imputed to us, and all sorts of motives will be imputed to us by men who are actuated by various reasons, but we are prepared for all that sort of thing.

The astonishing feature of the hubbub is the ground taken apparently by

ers of Toronto acted like gentlemen, or, better still, like men.

The members of the Ontario Government who surrendered to the spoils-men, and thus compelled the resignation of Messrs. Flavell, Davidson and Murray, acted like the dupes of Dr. Beattie Nesbitt.

It is conceivable that Hon. W. J. Hanna wanted to drive out the commissioners whose acceptance of office originally brought so much glory to the Provincial Secretary and Premier of Ontario.

It is certain that Dr. Beattie Nesbitt wanted the Flavell-Davidson-Murray commission out of office, and he well understood that a sure means to that end was the substitution of his own partisans for the inspectors or inspectors who possessed the confidence of the commissioners.

Three of the Toronto members, Hon. J. J. Foy included, are so much in the hands of Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, and the Ontario Government was not better when it virtually decided to partially Tammanyize the license administration of Toronto, with Dr. Beattie Nesbitt as the boss thereof.

The whole proceeding, beginning with the dismissal of the inspectors and ending with the resignation of the commissioners, is a brutal, cowardly and discreditable episode in the hitherto bright history of the Whitney Government.

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OTTAWA HONORS MIDDLESEX MAN

**Big New School at the Capital
To Be Named After Dr.
John Glashan.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Nov. 28.—Dr. John Glashan, L.L.D., public school inspector of Ottawa, who for many years was inspector of schools in Middlesex, and in 1894 married Miss Anne Churcher, daughter of Thomas Churcher, of London, Ont., has just been signally honored here.

The trustees of Ottawa have decided to name the big new twelve-room school on Arling street after him. It will be called "Glashan School," as a mark of respect to him. He has been inspector in Ottawa for 27 years.

The tribute is the more noticeable as it is the first time in over a quarter of a century that the general rule of naming the schools after the streets they are on has been departed from.

A committee decided on this last night, and it is practically certain that the full board of trustees will endorse the recommendation.

Dr. Glashan is widely known as a public school authority, the author of several mathematical works, and has undoubtedly the finest mathematical library in Canada.

A tablet is to be placed in front of the school, and on it will appear the words "Glashan School."

All the teachers and pupils petitioned for it, and the mark of honor if pleasing to all classes of the community.

NEW TRACK READY INSIDE OF MONTH

**Work Being Pushed on G. T.
R. Second Line to Hyde
Park—Doubling Bridge.**

The Grand Trunk is not loosing any time in its effort to have the double-track completed between London and Hyde Park before the winter sets in in earnest. Grading is in progress in the vicinity of the cove bridge, and another gang of men, with steam shovels, is at work a mile east of Hyde Park, where a way for the second track has to be cut through a high bank.

The intention of the company is to double-track right into the city, instead of to a point west of the cove bridge. It has been decided to have another track laid over the cove bridge, a way having been found to do this without widening the abutments. Men are already engaged at the work.

At the present rate of progress, the work will be practically completed in a short time.

"We expect to have the new track in use inside of a month," was what a company official said today.

Of course, the second track will be used for passenger trains until the spring.

TRAINMEN LOSE JOBS

By Introduction of Mogul Engines on the Wabash.

Detroit, Nov. 29.—It is estimated that thirty Wabash trainmen are now out of positions as the result of the road's change of engines on its Detroit and Buffalo system.

Recently the Wabash put on several new Mogul engines, and as a result the trains are made almost twice as long, and are run only about half as often. This has made it necessary to cut down the force of the employees, and since last Sunday thirty of the men have been looking for jobs.

The change comes very hard on a number of engineers and firemen, who are let out just as winter is coming on.

Six Months' for Burton.

St. Louis, Nov. 29.—The sentence imposed on United States Senator Burton is six months in jail and a fine of \$2,500.

MASSACRE IN THE BALKANS; TURKS' ANSWER TO POWERS?

Constantinople, via Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov. 29.—The occupation of Mitylene by the allied forces has had no effect on the population of Constantinople, which is celebrating the Balm festival, but advises from Adrianople and Salonica report apprehensions of trouble in the event of the prolongation of the present situation. There has been an alarming increase in the number of murders of Bulgarians by Muslims in the vilayet of Salonica during the past few days.

The ambassadors are doubtful whether they will receive any further communication from the Porte on the subject of the demands of the powers until the celebration of the Balm festival is concluded.

NEW ENGINES IN USE

Two Arrive From Kingston Works for the G. T. R.

Two of the new freight engines being built by the Kingston locomotive works for the Grand Trunk are already in service on the main line between Sarnia and Suspension Bridge and Toronto. The engines are of the "500" class, such as have been in use for the past two or three years.

Owing to the large number of "500" class moguls in the service, it has been found necessary to number the new engines from 700 to 800, and this will mean the changing of the numbers on the locomotives of the "700" type. These are being numbered from 500 to 600. The latter are not as powerful as the "500" class but they have one advantage in that they make better time.

THE RUSSIAN SITUATION

The Telegraphers Strike and Cut Communication With Interior.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 29.—The situation here is once more very grave, the telegraphers having gone on strike and the capital being cut off from all points in the interior. Communication with Sevastopol and Odessa has ceased and it is not known whether the mutineers in the former city have been subdued or not. Sevastopol is deserted except for the troops, the populace having fled panic-stricken.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Cold.

London, Wednesday, Nov. 29.
Sun rises—7:28 a.m. Moon rises—10:15 a.m.
Sun sets—4:44 p.m. Moon sets—8:02 p.m.

The important disturbances mentioned last night now covers the lake region, and a pronounced cold wave is central in Saskatchewan. Showers to heavy gales have prevailed today over the lakes, accompanied by snow and rain, and tonight the snow has spread as far east as Quebec.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Victoria, 28-33; Edmonton, 4 below-2;
Calgary, 10 below-4 below; Qu'Appelle, 8 below-2; Winnipeg, 4-12; Port Arthur, 6-14; Parry Sound, 20-26; Toronto, 25-35;
Ottawa, 16-19; Montreal, 18-20; Quebec, 4-16; St. John, 18-22; Halifax, 24-28.

FORECASTS.

Wednesday, Nov. 29-8 a.m.
Today—Gales, westerly to northwesterly; local snowfalls and furies; turning decidedly colder this evening and tonight.

Thursday—Cold, with decreasing winds.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. S.m. Min. Weather.
Winnipeg 6 24 Fair
Parry Sound 40 34 Fair
Toronto 28 12 Fair
Ottawa 22 16 Rain
Montreal 24 20 Rain
Quebec 22 22 Rain
Father Point 20 12 Snow

The sign—indicates below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

The important disturbance spoken of yesterday morning is now centered in the Georgian Bay region, and a severe cold wave covers the Northwest Provinces. Heavy west to northwest gales are setting in over the lakes, and very stormy conditions are indicated for Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Tuesday were: Highest, 54.5; lowest, 32° above.

FEW CHANGES

IN D. R. O'S.

**The Last Year's List Will Be
Adhered to, as Far as
Possible on Jan. 1.**

At the council meeting next Monday the deputy returning officers and the polling places for the election in January will be named.

Mayor Campbell said today, that as far as possible the list of last year will be adhered to. Only such changes as are absolutely necessary will be made. The mayor will have the power under the law to name two scrutineers for each subdivision—one for and one against—for the waterworks bylaw, which will be voted on at the same time as the elections are held. This means that 86 scrutineers must be appointed, as there are 43 polling subdivisions in the city.

As a rule, these scrutineers are paid \$2 a day.

Quiet at Mitylene.
Mitylene, Nov. 29.—All is quiet here today. The landing of the international contingent Sunday afternoon, with the subsequent occupation of the customs and postal buildings, was carried out without arousing any demonstration on the part of the Turks. So peaceful is the population that 500 out of the 600 men landed from the allied fleet were subsequently withdrawn. Their continued presence ashore being deemed by the commanders to be quite unnecessary. Only a hundred sailors of different nationalities remained in occupation of Mitylene.

Grand Trunk Decides to Establish One at Palmerston.

The Grand Trunk has decided to establish a train dispatcher's office at Palmerston, making three west of Toronto, the others being in this city and Stratford. The Palmerston office will be in charge of three dispatchers, who will handle the train on some of the northern branches of the system. The work has heretofore been done at Stratford.

A MONTREAL OUTRAGE

**The Home of Presbyterian Divine
Attacked by Hoodlums.**

Montreal, Nov. 28.—The dastardly attacks upon the Presbyterian evangelist Mage, which have been occurring from time to time, reached another stage Sunday evening, when the residence of Rev. Calvin Amaron was stoned by a lot of hoodlums, the result being serious to the house, though fortunately, the inmates escaped unhurt. Rev. Mr. Amaron is pastor of St. John's French Presbyterian Church, and on Sunday evening he elected from the Mage meeting, which he was attending, a young man who persisted in raising a disturbance.

In retaliation for this act he and his wife were followed home by a gang of men and boys, who hissed as they proceeded through the streets to their home on Milton street.

The party reached their residence without any personal violence, but they had no more than entered their door when the house was showered with stones. Fortunately, Rev. Mr. Amaron possesses a telephone, and he was thus enabled to summon the police.

A half-dozen constables dispersed the gang and a couple of officers now guard the house regularly throughout the night. No arrests were made. Three large window panes were broken, for which the city will be asked to pay.

FOUND DEAD IN BED

**Heart Disease Causes Unexpected
Demise of Henry Meyers.**

The death of Mr. Henry H. Meyers took place this morning at the family residence, No. 438 Wellington street. Mr. Meyers had not been in good health for some time, being subject to fainting spells. Last night, on retiring, he appeared to be as well as usual, but this morning, when his wife went to call him, he was dead. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of death.

Mr. Meyers is survived by his wife. He was a native of Germany, 54 years of age, and had lived in London for the past year or so.

The funeral will be held on Friday afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Called to Varsity.

Stanford University, California, Nov. 29.—Dr. Simon J. McLean, for three years acting head of the department of economics and social science, has tendered his resignation, and it has been accepted by President Jordan. Dr. McLean leaves Stanford to accept a call to the head of the department of commerce and transportation at the University of Toronto, of which he is a graduate.



**Do Your Christmas Shopping Early and
Avoid the Rush.**

LAKE STORM'S GRIM TOLL 19 WRECKS; SIX MISSING

**Steamer, Schooner and Freighter Fall Prey to the
Greatest Storm in Years—Several Lives Lost.**

Duluth, Minn., Nov. 29.—Nine dead, including the entire engineering crew of the boat is the terrible result of the wreck of the steamer Mataafa at the mouth of the Duluth ship canal yesterday. The life-saving crew made desperate but futile efforts to get a line to the boat. In the presence of thousands of people who watched the scene breathlessly, the line was fired over the ship from the cannon three times. Once it caught and those on the forward end of the boat where it landed began to haul it in, but the rocks on the bottom of the canal cut the rope in two. At midnight the officials of the company owning the boat advised the life-saving crew to give up until daylight, saying that the men on the forward part were safe enough until morning.

When the storm died out somewhat this morning the life-saving crew was able to hit the boat and the work of bringing the crew ashore began.

In the forward end of the boat all were safe, but in the stern none were saved, all having succumbed to the cold and drowned. In the first boat load seven men were brought to shore and later eight more. From these it was learned that not a sign had been heard by those forward from the rear end since early in the evening, and the death of all there was thought to be certain. They gave their names as follows:

William Most, chief engineer, Cleveland.
Claude Farringer, second engineer, Cleveland.

James Early, Buffalo.
W. Gilchrist, oiler, Winton, Ont.

Carl Carlson, oiler, Chicago.
Henry Wright, steward, Cleveland.

Walter Bush, second cook, Amherstburg.

Fireman and deckhand who shipped at Conneaut, names not known.

Chicago, Nov. 29.—Reports received up to early today show that 19 vessels were wrecked in the storm which swept over the great lakes Monday night and yesterday. One life is known to have been lost, and it is feared eight others have perished as a result of the storm. Six vessels are reported missing.

The following is a list of the vessels wrecked and missing:

WRECKED.
Crescent City, steel steamer, wrecked near Duluth.

Mataafa, steel steamer, driven ashore at Duluth.

R. W. England, steel steamer, wrecked near Duluth.

Rosemount, Canadian steamer, ashore near Port William, Ont.

Isaac L. Elwood, steel steamer, disabled in Duluth harbor.

J. H. Orthwaite, steamer, ashore and burned near Cheboygan, Mich.

City of Holland, passenger steamer, stranded at Rogers City, Mich.

D. C. Whitney, steamer, ashore near Port Washington, Wis.

J. M. Spaulding, schooner, ashore near Port Huron, Mich.

Mary Mitchell, schooner, stranded near Cheboygan, Mich.

Harvey Bissell, schooner, broken up at Alpena.

F. A. Georger, schooner, dismasted on Lake Michigan, towed to Cheboygan, Wis.

Oliver Mowatt, ashore in Lake Ontario.

Jim Sherriff, steamer, dismasted on Lake Huron.

Vinland, schooner, water-logged at Alpena.

Unknown vessel, reported ashore at Presque Isle, Lake Huron.

Charles M. Warner, steamer, ashore at Nine Mile Point, near Cheboygan, Mich.

Steamer Maropose, ashore at Split Rock.

Scow George Herbert, sunk off Two Islands, Lake Superior.

REPORTED MISSING.
Angeline, steel steamer, Lake Superior.

Fanther, steamer, Lake Erie.

James Mowatt, schooner, Lake Huron.

Judd, schooner, Lake Huron.

Mohegan, steamer Lake Huron.

Allona, steamer and barges, Green Bay.

L. J. SERGEANT DEAD

Montreal, Nov. 29.—Grand Trunk officials received word yesterday morning of the death in London, England, of L. J. Sergeant, former general manager of the road. Mr. Sergeant resided in this city for many years and succeeded the late Sir Joseph Hickson in the management. When the Hayes management took charge of the system, Mr. Sergeant went to London as advisory member of the board of directors, residing there until the time of his death.

A DUCHESS IN PERIL.
Naples, Nov. 29.—Great excitement was caused here today by an alleged attempt against the life of the Duchess of Aosta (formerly Princess Helene of Orleans, and wife of the eldest cousin of King Victor Emmanuel), who is very popular. While the duchess was entering the royal palace at Capodimonte in an automobile, a man about 40 years old picked up a stone, intending, apparently, to throw it at the duchess, but was prevented from so doing by a policeman, who arrested him.