LABOR GOVERNMENT APPOINTS FIRST **BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO SOVIET RUSSI**

A despatch from London says: - tian Rakovsky, Russian envoy to There were important developments Great Britain, who had not bee in the Labor Government's first full granted an audience by Lord Curzo-But the real sensation of the drawn of t

working day.

With the appointment of Frank Hodges, secretary of the Miners' Federation, as Civil Lord of the Admiralty, and Harry Gesling, president of the National Transport Workers' Association, as Minister of Transport, Ramsay MacDonald has filled the important posts of his Government. Although most of the members of tic new Ministry are inexperienced, quite a number, like Viscount Chelmistord, Lord Parmoor, John R. Clynes and Arthur Henderson have been in previous Governments.

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A great help to the Ministers and a sign that nothing extremely revolutionary in administrative practice is contemplated, is seen in the appointments by the Ministers as their private secretaries. Premier MacDonald has named Sir Ronald Waterhouse and Robert Gowers, who filled a similar position with the late Andrew Bonar Law, and C. P. Duff, who was private secretary to David Lloyd George.

James O'Grady has accepted the post of the First British Ambassador. Labor leaders are anxious to get the to Soviet Russia. Premier MacDonald received at the Foreign Office, Christon MacDonald made it clear on Thurstocal to callers that writing notes to ince will be discontinued. Future gotiations, he said, will be made forugh Ambassadors, or when necessary, by personal interviews between chiefs of state.

The Russian envoy was asked about Russia's pre-war debt to Britain, and MacDonald received a favorable reply. But the Russians want recognition first and debt negotiations afterwards, while some of the right wing debts admitted before O'Grady is sent to Moscow. vious Governments.

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REACHES DEADLOCK

CANADIAN CIVIC DEBT | BRITISH RY. STRIKE IS STILL GROWING

Canadian National Railway Await Action by New Labor and Merchant Marine Heavy Minister and Trades Union Drain on Exchequer. Congress Committee.

A despatch from Ottawa says:-A despatch from London says:-A Public accounts for the fiscal year ended the 31st of last March have been finally completed, and efforts to be a sociated Society of the finally completed for the final period of the final period for the

deadlock has been reached in the strike of the Associated S riety of Locomotive Engineers and Firement of the Canadian National Railway and the Merchant marine.

Consolidated revenue stood up buoyantly and totalled \$394,614,900 while the total outlays on consolidated and capital accounts were \$346,565.

616. This left a favorable balance of \$48,049,284. About 83 millions were advanced, however, to the railways and merchant marine—seventy-seven millions to the former and six millions to the latter. As the increase of debt was \$31,641,067, about fifty millions came out of revenue.

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National Institute for Blind Publishes Smallest Paper

\$12,369,824 in Customs, \$993,210 in excise, and \$32,826,230 in inland revenue. Business taxes fell off \$9,784,-205, and income \$18,972,816. Over 55 collected on A despatch from London says:-The smallest newspaper in the world has made its appearance here. It is The green apple pack of the An-published by the National Institute napolis Valley for 1923 has been esti-mated at 1,500,000 barrels, of which 149,408 barrels, up to December 1st, have been shipped to various Can-adian markets. containing only 760 words.

Canada from Coast to Coast

Halifax, N.S.—Six large transAtlantic freighters, carrying a total
of 76,074 barrels of Nova Scotia apples, left this port recently for the
United Kingdom. With these shipments the grand total for the present
shipping season up to January 5 is
brought to 836,219 barrels.

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Fredericton, N.B.—Five new companies, with a total capitalization amounting to \$706,000, have been incorporated in New Brunswick, according affairs. In the three provinces the Indians harvested 638,561 bushels of Paval Gazatta. The largest of the wheat 574,282 bushels of cate and wheat 574,282 bushels of cate and wheat 574,282 bushels of cate and the cate of the superintendent of Indians harvested 638,561 bushels of cate and the cate of the superintendent of Royal Gazètte. The largest of the new companies is the Edward Sinclair, 62,304 bushels of barley. The report Lumber Co., Ltd., of Newcastle, with an authorized capital stock of potatoes and 10,000 bushels of other

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Britain's First Labor Cabinet







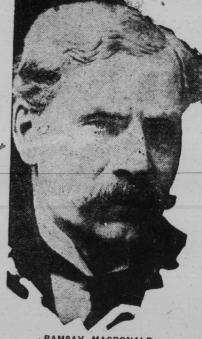
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New British Labor Cabinet. A despatch from London says:— The new Labor Cabinet as officially announced, follows:

Ramsay MacDonald-Premier and Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

John Robert Clynes—Lord Privy Seal and Deputy Leader in the House of



RAMSAY MACDONALD

Yukon Experiences Mildest of Winter Weath

the Duchy of Lancaster.

Josiah Wedgwood-Chancellor of

A despatch from Dawson City; Y.T., says:—The Yukon is experiencing the mildest winter weather in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. This month the thermometer has hovered around zero daily as contrasted with previou Januaries when it ran the scale be tween 40 and 70 below. Extreme hig temperatures have prevailed in the Yukon and parts of Alaska since early

Many Londoners Live to Good Old Age

A despatch from London says: That London's climate, for all its fog, is conducive to longevity cannot be gainsaid in the face of statistics presented in the deaths column of the London Times. Of twenty-seven persons whose death notices appeared one day, the aggregate age was 1909. one day, the aggregate age was 1,992 years, or an average of 78 years. Sixteen of these were more than 70, including twelve-80 years old or more, two of 96 and one 91



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