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28TH YEAR

ASSQUITS' PROGRAM LEFT UNDONE

Session of British House Just Closed Marked By Conflict With House of Lords—What Was Done—Gossip.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—So far as practical work is concerned, the first session of parliament under the guidance of Herbert Asquith, came to an end to-day.

Many minor laws were enacted during the year, but of the ten important measures foreshadowed in the King's speech, only five find a place in the statute book.

Among those considered of lesser importance, the government passed an act empowering the judges to give habitual criminals indeterminate sentences, for the twofold purpose of reforming their habits and protecting society, and a bill imposing penalties for attempts to break up public meetings.

The session widened the breach between the Liberals and the House of Lords. The rejection of the Housing Bill, for which the Liberals claimed they had received a mandate at the election of 1906, augmented the feeling resulting last year from the rejection or mutilation by the lords of the education, plural voting and Scotch land valuation bills.

There is still talk of the dissolution of parliament and an appeal to the country against the action of the lords, but it is likely that Premier Asquith will try another session, the main feature of which will be the budget, introducing radical changes in taxation.

Canadian Northern Ry. Buys Rainy Lake Road

DULUTH, Dec. 19.—Official announcement of the new \$20,000,000 lumber merger, known as the Virginia and Rainy Lake Company, was made public to-day by Edward Hines, president of the corporation.

The amalgamation of a large tract of timber and is known as the Virginia and Rainy Lake Lumber Company, said Mr. Hines this afternoon. It includes a large tract of timber in the Rainy Lake district, owned by the Edward Hines Company; a large tract of timber north of Virginia, owned by the Weyerhaeuser interests, and the property of the Virginia Lumber Company.

GRAIN SHIPMENTS AT PORT ARTHUR. PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Grain Inspector Gibbs has issued a statement of the grain handled at Port Arthur from September to the close of navigation.

Gowganda Lakes Being Reserved for the Crown.

The bottom of the lakes in the Gowganda district, with the usual road allowance in each case, have been reserved to the Crown.

This will not interfere, however, with the claims already recorded on the lake margins.

'ANTIS' HAVE MORE NEW VOTERS

Unofficial Figures Give Them Lead of Three Hundred—Appeal Court Finishes Hearing at Midnight Saturday.

Table with 3 columns: Ward, Anti-Reduction, Reduction. Totals: 1411, 1085, 326.

The above are figures given out last night of the result of the voters' list appeals before Judge Winchester, the session being concluded at midnight Saturday.

It will be noticed that there are no figures given for income or individual appeals for the reductionists, but these are included in the totals.

At the stroke of 12 Judge Winchester finished up the work, if being compulsory by law to have the whole list revised before Dec. 20.

In regard to the organization work on both sides it has been three weeks strenuous and trying times and especially, has last week been a heavy one for Judge Winchester and the lawyers in going over the lists.

CHINAMAN AND HELPER MURDERED IN WINNIPEG

Found by Visitor to Laundry in Welter of Blood—Robbery Likely Motive.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Yat Sun, Chinese laundryman of 214 Jarvis street, and his hired man were murdered some time Saturday evening, robbery apparently being the motive, as the store was ransacked.

PHOENIX, B. C., Dec. 20.—A fatal accident occurred in the Granby mines last Friday night, by which John A. Anderson and Charles Johnson were killed.

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TORONTO SPENDS 3 MILLIONS FOR GIFTS

Sixty Thousand Families An Average of \$50 Each Safe Calculation—Trade Favorable for Shopping.

Table with 2 columns: Number of Families, Average Giving. Totals: 60,000, \$3,000,000.

Christmas trade in Toronto this year is greater than ever. The weather, taking it altogether, has been more than usually favorable for shopping.

Toronto has long been celebrated for metropolitan stores, and no city in the British Empire surpasses the big departmental concerns, London the Great, even, is only beginning to wake up, and while Harrold's and Napkin and Webb's and a few others are pointed out for the models of business construction and convenience, Britons still have to visit Toronto.

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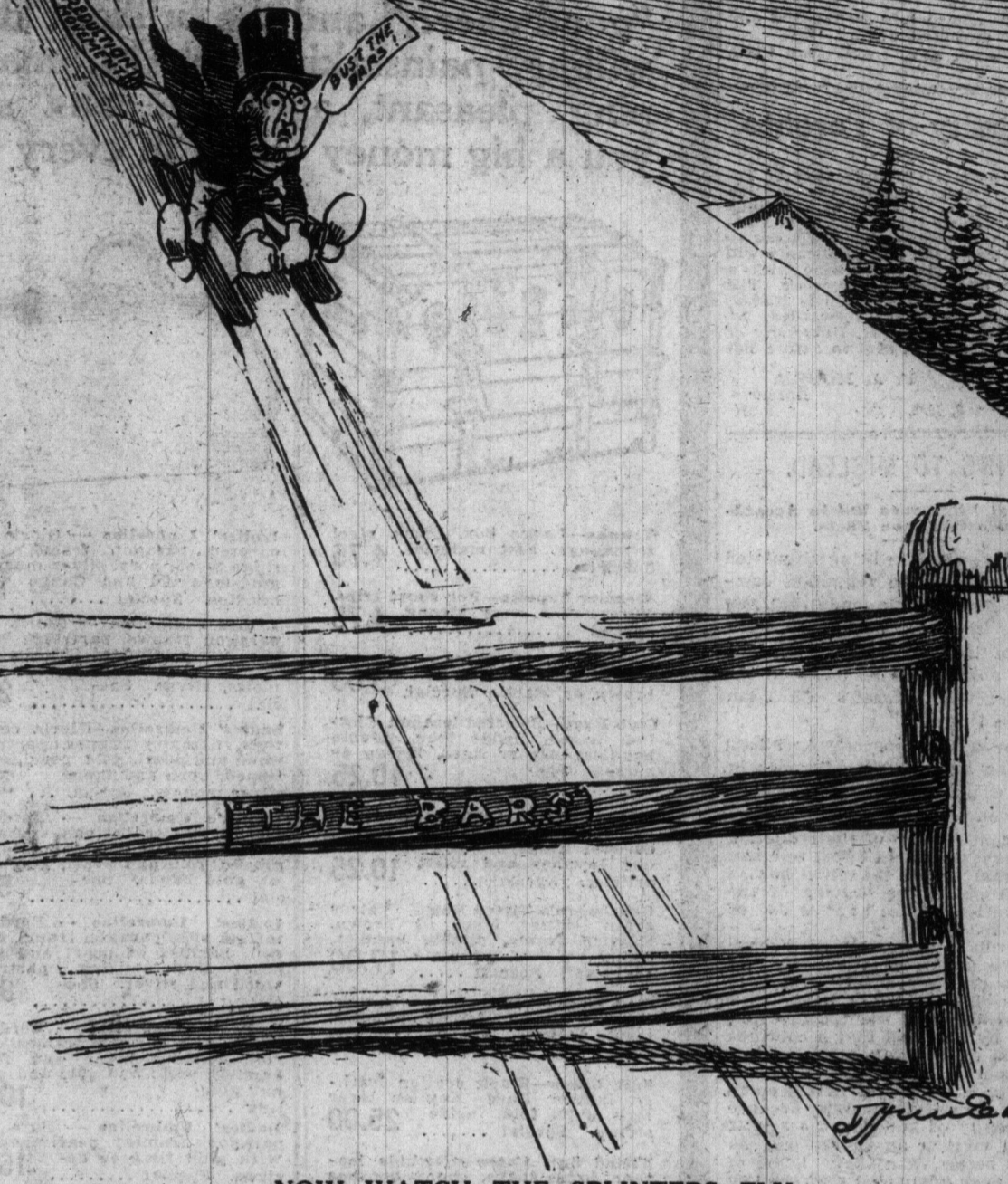
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BAIRNS' BANQUET MASSEY HALL

- List of names and amounts for the Bairns' Banquet at Massey Hall, including Ambrose Small, Miss Walker, and others.

AN IRRESISTIBLE CHARGE



NOW WATCH THE SPLINTERS FLY

2 DEAD, 3 HURT BY MONTE CARLO BOMB

Tremendous Explosion at Temagami—Bodies Almost Blown to Pieces—Third Man May Yet Die.

COBALT, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Through the accidental explosion of a portion of a stick of dynamite, which had remained in a drill after the original discharge without its presence being suspected, three men were killed outright in the Temagami Gold Reefs mine, and a third so seriously injured that he cannot recover.

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TEDDY'S ANTI-COS SHOCK LONDON PAPERS

Ginger of Late Campaign Has Entered His System and Result is a Melancholy Spectacle, Remarks Globe.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—It is impossible to ignore altogether the complete change in the attitude which has taken place in the past year in the English press and among Englishmen at large towards President Roosevelt.

Bairns' Banquet Massey Hall

Additional "subs." since last report. Ambrose Small, proprietor Grand Opera House, to buy mitts and pants and toques. \$20.00

DETROIT TACKLES A STREET RY. PROBLEM

Mayor-elect Organizes a Citizens' Committee to Investigate D. W. R. Franchise and Affairs.

DETROIT, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Mayor-elect Brewster has not waited for his inauguration into office to set about relieving Detroit from its unfortunate situation as regards street railway accommodation. He has secured a representative committee of 50 citizens to consider an adjustment with the Detroit United Railway of the much vexed franchise problem.

The first phase of the matter to be dealt with will be a re-arrangement of several of the routes and the extension of five or six lines, comprising in all about 30 miles. It is planned to have the committee first learn the cost of a proper service on such a re-organized system. It is believed that a proper re-routing of several lines would result in such a saving of expense in operation that it would render three-cent fares possible. Experts will be called in to arrive at correct figures and details.

That the committee will soon have put up to it the proposition to offer the D. U. R. a five year renewable term franchise, the company has announced under the rules of a commission similar to that in Massachusetts, is a prediction originating with some of Mr. Brewster's friends.

About four years ago, F. W. Brooks, general manager of the D. U. R., expressed partiality for the Massachusetts system of street railway control. He has often voiced the same opinion in more recent days. Some of the aid-ergetic suggestions for a franchise, with the exception of permitting a commission to be in control, they want the control vested in the city.

Several reasons are advanced by those who argue that the Brewster administration will eventually come down to that plan. One of these is that the company has resting on its entire system a mountainous debt aggregating over \$4,000,000, about half of which is not due until 1925 and 1932. It is contended that these obstruct the way to accomplish a municipal ownership arrangement, satisfactory to the citizens and leaves a franchise the only alternative aside from the intervention of a competitive company.

It is pointed out that the D. U. R. cannot relinquish a franchise right on any of its lines without the consent of its bondholders, subject to a provision being contained in every bond issued. The car company must reckon with the bondholders, the Guaranty Trust Company in fact, and has stepped boldly to the front in the recent litigation relative to the Holly ordinance and the 20-second car service measure.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—A new outburst of the agitation recently started by the inter-denominational committee for the suppression of Sunday, aided by Mayor McClellan 10-day advance notice that he would hold a public hearing on the subject of closing moving picture shows on Sundays. There are said to be 500 moving picture shows running every Sunday in the city.