

OPENING OF PARLIAMENT TO BE BRILLIANT FUNCTION

Speaker Elected Wednesday and Commons Called on Thursday by New Governor-General.

BORDEN TO REMAIN HEAD OF THE OPPOSITION

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Jan. 10.—The tenth parliament of the Dominion of Canada meets tomorrow to elect a Speaker. Parliament always meets on Thursday, with the exception of such times as when there is no Speaker, and then it meets on Wednesday for the purpose of electing a presiding officer. The nominee of the Government for Speaker is Mr. Franklin Sutherland, member-elect for North Essex. He will be elected. In fact, his appointment has been as well received by the Opposition as the Government side of the House.

The Speaker of the Senate is Senator Dandurand. He is now at work preparing for the function of Thursday, when the real opening takes place. Sir Elzear Taschereau, deputy governor, will attend in the Senate tomorrow and will instruct the Commons to proceed to elect a Speaker.

On Thursday Lord Grey will attend and deliver the speech from the throne.

ONTARIO'S BIG CASH BALANCE AND SOUND FINANCIAL STATE

Downsville, Jan. 10.—Cash in the banks to the credit of the Province of Ontario amounting to \$3,747,697, when the banks closed today, was the largest amount ever held in the Province. The cash in the banks to the credit of the Province of Ontario amounting to \$3,747,697, when the banks closed today, was the largest amount ever held in the Province.

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A LOADED BOMB

Thrilling Experience of Crew on a Burning Naphtha Ship.

New York, Jan. 10.—Seven survivors of the ill-fated Norwegian ship Maresia, which was wrecked at sea on Christmas Day by an explosion of naphtha, resulting in the death of eleven members of her crew, arrived here today on the steamer Trinidad from Bermuda. They had been rescued by the Danish steamer Gallia, which was at sea when the Maresia was blown into a shapeless mass, and the seven men who survived the shock were taken from the sea. They were landed at Bermuda by the Gallia, which was bound from Hamburg for Savannah.

The Maresia sailed from New York for Cetta, France, on Dec. 9, with a cargo of naphtha, and had been out only a day or two when her troubles began. One gale succeeded another, but all were weathered until Dec. 17, when the ship was battered and knocked about, her ventilators carried away at the decks, her hold began to fill, and soon the cases of naphtha began to give way under the strain, and in a little while the freed naphtha was floating around on top of the water in the hold. Gas from the fluid accumulated steadily, and by Christmas Day the Maresia was a loaded bomb, needing only the slightest spark to blow the whole structure to atoms. How the spark reached the highly-charged hold never will be known, but suddenly there came a terrible report, the forward deck shot up into the air, with a crash that was heard in the vicinity, the entire ship was wrapped in flames. Those of the 18 men on board who had not been caught in the first burst, threw themselves over the side of the flaming ship into the sea. They were only seven, and the seven would have followed their comrades in an early death had not the Gallia come down quickly to their aid when she saw the burst of flames.

President of Deputies.
Paris, Jan. 10.—M. Paul Doumer, former governor-general of French Indo-China, was today elected president of the Chamber of Deputies by 265 votes against 240 votes, cast for M. Henri Brisson, former president of the chamber. M. Doumer is an opponent of Premier Combes.

RUSSIANS ASSASSINATED

Alexieff's Expedition to Mongolia Wiped Out by Natives.

Marseilles, Jan. 10.—A mail steamer which arrived here today from the far east reported that Col. Bogdanoff, of the Russian army, and three companions sent by former Viceroy Alexieff on a mission to Mongolia were assassinated by natives.

CHEERS KILLED HIM

A Dramatic Death of Hockey Club Manager During Game.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Jan. 10.—While cheering the Soo team last night at a hockey game with Portage Lake, Henry F. Metzger fell dead of apoplexy, superinduced by excitement. Metzger formerly managed the Soo hockey team, and was instrumental in the formation of the International Hockey League. On account of his death the game was called, with twelve minutes to play. Scores, 5 to 2, in favor of the Soo.

PULP AND PAPER

Harmsworth Heads Big Concern to Work in Newfoundland.

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 10.—Sir Alfred Harmsworth heads the Anglo-Newfoundland Development Company, incorporated here yesterday, with a capital stock of \$5,000,000, to manufacture pulp and paper in this island.

KAISER BUTTS IN

Wants to Decorate Generals Stoessel and Nogi.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—Emperor William has conferred on General Stoessel and General Nogi the order of Pour Le Merite, in recognition of the bravery of themselves and their troops at Port Arthur. His majesty has asked the Russian and Japanese Emperors to authorize Generals Stoessel and Nogi to accept the decorations.

TO ATTEND STAFF COLLEGE

Two Canadian Officers Chosen to Take English Course.

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—Two Canadian officers have been chosen to undergo a course at the staff college in England. They are Major J. A. Macdonald, Royal Canadian Infantry, Toronto, and Major Burnstall, Royal Canadian Field Artillery. They are the first officers to take advantage of the arrangement made by Sir Frederick Borden with the war office a little over a year ago with the object of improving the technical education of Canadian officers.

WHERE'S THE "BIG STICK"

German Colonization of Southern Brazil Stirs Press.

New York, Jan. 10.—A Buenos Ayres dispatch to the Herald says: The Rio Janeiro Jornal Do Comercio calls the attention of the Government to the German colonization of Southern Brazil, and to the tendency toward expansion under the German policy. The article has caused a sensation, as the paper says, among the German colonies in Brazil.

A WINDSOR MYSTERY

Mrs. Mudd Bound for Scotland Suddenly Disappears.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 10.—Mrs. John Mudd, formerly of this city, sailed for England on Nov. 22 to make her home with her niece at Manchester. John C. Peters accompanied her as far as New York and procured for her a draft from the Canadian Bank of Commerce on the Bank of Scotland, calling for \$1,800. This draft was the proceeds of an estate left to Mrs. Mudd by her husband, who died shortly before she left for England. Since that time letters have been received by Mr. Peters indicating that the woman never reached her destination.

UNCLE SAM'S UNENDING WAR

American Officers and Privates Killed in Brush With Moros.

Manila, Jan. 10.—In an engagement which took place on Jan. 8, with refractory Moros on the island of Jolo, Lieut. Jewell and one private of the Fourteenth United States Cavalry, were killed, and Second Lieut. Ashbrook, of the Seventeenth United States Infantry, Captain Hallett Dory, of the Fourth United States Infantry, Second Lieut. Richardson, of the Fourteenth United States Cavalry, and three privates, were wounded. The action was an incident in connection with the capture of a fort held by the Moro outlaws, which Major Scott, governor of the island, had attempted to secure by peaceful means several months ago. Recently, while attempting to secure recruits on the island, the kindly means taken by Major Scott were mistaken by the surrounding Moros, and trouble brewing necessitated forcible action. The Moro leader has been killed and the fort has been destroyed. The American troops were assisted by the gunboat Quieres, in command of Lieut. Walker.

PARTING OF THE WAYS

But Earl Percy Says Colonies Will Always Be Faithful.

London, Jan. 10.—Earl Percy, speaking at a public meeting here yesterday at the parting of the ways and it might be that the people of this country would have to choose between two fundamental conceptions of the Empire. The colonies would remain loyal whatever we did, but the question was whether our connection with the colonies was to be based on sentiment and blood relationship or on a mutual community of interest.

REGISTER TONIGHT!

Tonight the booths for the registration of voters close. If you do not register, and if your name does not appear on the municipal voters' list, you will have no vote on Jan. 25. You should take no chances. If you have any doubts about your name being on the municipal list, examine the latter. If it is not on, register. Tonight the booths will be open from 7:30 to 9 p.m. You owe it to yourself and your party to register. EVERY VOTER COUNTS. TAKE NO CHANCES. REGISTER! REMEMBER, tonight the registration closes. See that your name is on the list, or else register.

Convention of Liberals To Select a Candidate

A convention of the Liberals of London will be held in the Auditorium tomorrow (Wednesday) evening, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of selecting a candidate for the Legislature, the election for which takes place on Jan. 25. Delegates can secure their credentials from the ward chairmen, and also at the Liberal Club, corner of Park and Queen's avenues. Mr. George C. Gibbons, president of the Liberal Association of London, will preside, and all the prominent members of the party will be present to address the gathering.

The convention will be representative of the Liberals of London, and a winning candidate will be sure to be brought out.

London will be redeemed!

DETROIT HELPS WINDSORITES TO FIGHT BAD CONFLAGRATION

Flames Amongst Powder Cans Imperil the Brave Fire Laddies.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Windsor, Ont., Jan. 10.—Fighting fire amid the crack of bullets and the occasional report of a can of powder, the strenuous task of the Windsor fire department this morning at a bad fire in Nelson & Bros' hardware store. The fire started in some unknown manner, in the paint and oil

Bad Fire at Woodstock; Thousands Up in Smoke

Woodstock, Ont., Jan. 10.—Fire early this morning completely destroyed the hardware store of Gardner & Co., consuming the \$20,000 stock and building. The total loss is estimated at \$25,000. The insurance is \$15,000.

NEXT BIG WAR IN THE BALKANS; TURKEY AND BULGARIA PREPARE

Fighting Already On Between Greek and Macedonian Bonds.

London, Jan. 10.—The active preparations already reported to have been made both in Turkey and Bulgaria for a possible war this year are fully confirmed by a private letter received in London from a minister accredited to the Balkan courts. This minister, who has just completed a tour of the Balkan capitals, writes that the Turkish and Bulgarian Governments are energetically preparing for eventualities. Large shipments of arms and ammunition have been made and recruits from Asia Minor are arriving at Salonika weekly for service in the Turkish army. The Bulgarian and Greek bands in Macedonia are increasing daily, and are fighting each other and the Turks. This three-cornered guerrilla warfare threatens to assume the bloodiest phase in the spring. "But," concludes the minister, "whether or not there will be real war between Turkey and Bulgaria in the spring I am not prepared to say. Unless certain powers think the time is opportune, war may be postponed this year as last, but in any event we are a year nearer the inevitable conflict."

Kaiser's Dentist Suicides

Berlin, Jan. 10.—Dr. Alonzo H. Sylvester, Emperor William's American dentist, committed suicide here today. He shot himself through the head in his bedroom.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair and Very Cold.
London, Tuesday, Jan. 10.
Sun rises, 7:50 a.m. Moon rises, 10:29 a.m.
Sun sets, 5:50 p.m. Moon sets, 10:08 p.m.
Toronto, Jan. 10.—8 p.m.
A disturbance, centered tonight over the Straits of Macdonald, with its energy increasing, is causing over the lake region a heavy and light snowfall, and promises stormy weather throughout Eastern Canada. It is followed by a severe cold wave, the temperature in Manitoba and over the greater portion of the Territories being much below zero. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 32-40; Calgary, 4 below-20; Prince Albert, 30 below-16 below; Qu'Appelle, 35 below-12 below; Winnipeg, 24 below-16 below; Port Arthur, zero-2; Parry Sound, 10-24; Toronto, 10-30; Ottawa, 4-24; Montreal, 6-25; Quebec, 2-15; St. John, 15-25; Halifax, 15-31.

FORECASTS.

Tuesday, Jan. 10.—8 a.m.
Today—Westerly to northerly winds, strong until evening; mostly fair and much colder.

Wednesday—Fair and very cold.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.

Winnipeg 30 32 Clear
Parry Sound 16 32 Fair
Toronto 10 32 Fair
Ottawa 12 30 Fair
Montreal 15 30 Fair
Quebec 14 30 Fair

The sign indicates below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

Since yesterday snow has fallen from Ontario to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and heavy locally in the lake region. Very cold weather prevails in Manitoba and the Territories, with temperatures more than 40° below zero in several localities. A heavy gale has prevailed over Ontario, causing serious drifting.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at a local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday were: Highest, 23°; lowest, 4.5°.

KAISER FACES INDUSTRIAL WAR

A General Strike of German Coal Miners at Hand.

MAY START SOCIAL CONFLICT

Colliers Work Half Naked in Water for the Small Sum of Ninety-Six Cents Per Day.

Cologne, Germany, Jan. 10.—Both the coal miners and mill owners throughout the Rhenish and Westphalian districts are preparing for a general strike. So far only 20,000 out of a total of 270,000 men concerned have gone out. The mine proprietors began rejecting requests yesterday, and as soon as their replies are received the miners, according to their previous decisions, do not go to work when it is time for their next shift. The employers, under the law fixing the relations of employer and employee, are notifying the miners to return to work or be discharged, with the loss of six days' wages. The miners at seven Dortmund works went out today. The proprietors affirm that they are unable to agree to the demands to include the time of going into and returning from the shafts in the wage period, nor can they make expensive alterations in draining the mines, because the owners claim that heretofore, while others contend that Germany could not in the case of a change in price compete with the Belgian and French producers. Only a week's supply of coal, it is further asserted, is in stock. The matter is causing a tremendous discussion in the press, most of the influential newspapers proclaim that a social war is beginning. Herr Hue, a socialist member of the Reichstag, in a speech at Essen, described the miners as working naked in water for the equivalent of 96 cents a day, cursed by the overseers as lazy and fatally affected by a worm disease because their life is always in darkness.

What difference does it make," asked Herr Hue, "whether we starve or not under such conditions? Let us strike with the iron fist and if we perish let us at least be men." The auditors of Herr Hue, miners in five shafts, have gone out on strike.

ART AND MORALS

The Montreal City Fathers Discuss Madame Rejane's Plays.

Montreal, Q., Jan. 10.—Ald. Couture announces that in his opinion it was scandalous for the police to have allowed immoral plays to be produced in this city last week, meaning thereby Madame Rejane's productions. If the police did not have the proper power to interfere to prevent such things, the deficiency should be removed at once. Ald. St. Denis, chairman of the committee on morals, said that the plays produced in His Majesty's Theater had been given in all parts of the world, and that, as Madame Rejane was a French actress, she must be a different class of people from those in other cities.

FRANCE WINS

Sultan of Morocco Gives in to the French Policy.

Paris, Jan. 10.—Foreign Minister Delcasse today informed the Chamber of Deputies that the Moroccan crisis had been entirely relieved. The Sultan has been ordered to proceed to Fez tomorrow and arrange the details for carrying out the policy of France.

GERMAN OFFICERS KILLED

Baron Von Nauendorf Perishes in War With the Moros.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—In the fight between the German troops commanded by Major Meisler and the insurgent, Witbois, in German Southwest Africa, Jan. 2 and 4, Major Baron Von Nauendorf and three other officers and fifteen men, were killed. Four officers and forty-five men were wounded.

MIRSKY STILL IN POWER

But Is Waging a Fierce Diplomatic Battle With M. Witte.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 10.—The report that Interior Minister Sviatopolk-Mirsky's resignation has been accepted and that M. Witte has been appointed his successor is not confirmed and seems to have grown out of the prevailing opinion that such a change is necessary. The question of reforming the system of government is being discussed, and it is likely that M. Witte will have another long audience with Emperor Nicholas yesterday. Prime Minister Sviatopolk-Mirsky was present today at the meeting of the committee of ministers, which is considering the treasury and the issue of the reform of the system of government. M. Witte has refused the statement that he is already out of office. How long the present situation will last, it is, however, hazardous to predict. Possibly some weeks may elapse before Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky's final decision is reached.

Not to Succeed Milner.

London, Jan. 9.—J. W. Lowther, M. P., denies the report circulated by the Liverpool Post, that he is to succeed Lord Milner, as high commissioner in South Africa.

NOGI HURRYING TO HELP OYAMA

A Large Part of His Army Rushing North.

RUSS GUNS POUND JAP LINES

Disastrous Explosion of Mines Has Been Reported From the Harbor of Port Arthur.

London, Jan. 10.—The Daily Chronicle's correspondent at Chifu Foo telegraphs that the Japanese consul there has received news of a disastrous mine explosion at Port Arthur. The same report asserts that a large portion of General Nogi's army has been already hurried north to Liao Yang.

Huanchuan Jan. 9, via Mukden.—The news of the fall of Port Arthur was received here first unofficially from the Japanese, who let loose numerous paper kites bearing letters and triumphant inscriptions. These kites were picked up by Russian sailors, who, regret being expressed that the Russians had been unable to relieve the garrison. The Japanese are steadily pounding the section of the Japanese line west of Sinchupu and about Baltshan and Sintungum. The Japanese are using balloons and searchlights in efforts to locate Russian batteries, which have been causing great annoyance. The past two days the Japanese have made two unsuccessful attempts to break through the Russian advance lines. Gen. Stakelberg, who has been ill, has returned to the front.

Distinguished Prisoners.

Tokio, Jan. 10, 10:30 a.m.—Gen. Nogi reported additional prisoners of war as follows: Major-Generals Nikitin and Baile, and Rear-Admiral Viro. The paroled, besides Gen. Stuessel, include Major-Generals Ries, Nadien and Kostinkov, and Rear-Admirals Prince Ohtokotski, Stepanovich and Trostitski, and Engineer-in-chief Rimdebek.

Exploiting the Mines.

Tokio, Jan. 10, 3 p.m.—The navy department says that the district coast with submarine mines had a radius of 40 miles outside of Port Arthur. It reports the destruction and explosion of 235 of these mines on date. Ten additional survivors of the third expedition of the Japanese to blockade the entrance to Port Arthur have been found in Russian hospitals. They have been transferred to the Japanese.

Port Said, Egypt, Jan. 10.—The division of Russian warships commanded by Rear-Admiral Botrovisky, which left Suda Bay, island of Crete, Sunday, has been sighted heading for this port.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 10.—The Russ today confirms the Paris Temps report of yesterday, that the first division of the third Pacific squadron will leave Libau at the end of January, and will consist of the warships Admiral Senavin, General Admiral Apraxin, Admiral Oushakov and Nicholas I, the cruiser Vladimir Monomach and several torpedo-boat destroyers and torpedo boats.

In a lengthy review of the military situation the Novoe Vremya urges the immediate reinforcement of Vladivostok, the island of Sakhalin and Kamchatka. The paper says: "There is little probability of the Russian being caught as unprepared as at Vladivostok as at Port Arthur, but the moral responsibility rests upon the Government to see that nothing in the way of defensive preparation is overlooked. Sakhalin and Kamchatka are both harder to defend, and have a scantier population, but both are rich in mineral and other resources, and especially tempting to the Japanese to whose scheme for national expansion they are necessary."

Continuing, the Novoe Vremya points out that it is possible to send reinforcements and supplies to Sakhalin and Kamchatka while the ice lasts independent of sea power, and begs that this should be done at once. Touching on the general peace talk in the foreign press, the Novoe Vremya summarizes the list of Russian reserves in the present war, and asks if it is possible to consider the question of peace without substantial Russian victories.

San Francisco, Jan. 10.—The steamer China, sailing today for Japan, will carry 250,000 gold for Japan.

Nagasaki, Jan. 10, 2 p.m.—The Japanese Government transport Tosa brought 28 Russian officers, who were landed here, and 1,000 men who were trans-shipped to Yokokura.

DUTY ON COTTON

Manufacturers Say Duty on White Article Is Too Small.

Ottawa, Jan. 9.—A deputation, representing the Dominion cotton manufacturers, whose interests have recently been amalgamated in the Dominion Textile Company, with a capital of \$10,000,000, will wait on the Prime Minister and Minister of Customs to ask a readjustment of the cotton duties. The manufacturers claim that the duty on white cotton is too low to enable the industry to be carried on in Canada, the duty being but 15 per cent under the preferential tariff, the same as on gray cotton.

A Policy of Grab.

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—Mr. George Taylor, the Conservative Whip, seems bent upon creating trouble over the question of seats in the House. He has appropriated the seat of Mr. Briggs, a Government supporter, for himself, and has taken the seat which Mr. Geoffrey and another minister held last session for Mr. Northrup. Conservatives are already much better situated than were the Liberals when they were in Opposition, but Mr. Taylor's policy seems to be to grab everything in sight.