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## BELL TELEPHONE IS WILLING TO AGREE TO TEMPORARY RAISE

my and Lovering, Counsel in Opposition to Application, Urge Serious Consideration of Request as a Purely Emergency Measure—Company's Lawyer Declares Client Wants Only Reasonable Degree of Profit.

Ottawa, Jan. 6.—Serious consideration, other subsidiaries was under considera of the Bell Telephone Company's appli- tion by the board, Mr. Lovering was emergency measure was this morning upon the board of railway comers by G. H. Geary, counsel for Toronto, and E. Lovering, for the Province of Ontario. Mr. Lovering again drawing from the hearing unless this McLean told Mr. Lovering that the under present conditions, to give the seriously consider every public proper service with a reasonthe application. Yesterday's justment were necessary, later the comapplication for widening of the hearing pany would be ready to accept the re-

the forces of the Bell Company when the hearing was resumed yesterday

# Londoners Save Thousands of Dollars Owing to the Continued Mild Weather

Fuel Controller J. W. McCall um States City on "Easy Street" as Far as Imme diate Fuel Situation Is Concerned.

Thousands of dollars in fuel bills have been saved to Londoners by the mild weather of the last few weeks. Local Fuel Controller J. W. McCallum was not able to give even a rough estimate today of the quantity of coal conserved, but he was emphatic in the statement that the city was on "easy street" so far as the immediate fuel situation is concerned.

"I have not had one appeal for coal made to me since I assumed the office of fuel controller this year," he said.
"Previous years I have had quite a number. One friend of mine did ask me to locate some for him, but he got some is no difficulty in getting coal."

START 1.000-MILE

ARCTIC MARATHON

Dawson, Y. T., Jan. 6.—Five crack Canadian Mounted Police

dog teams, drawing toboggans, will leave Dawson this morning on a 1,000-mile mid-winter Arctic marathon. They will travel 500 miles directly north through the wilderness and snow and over the Rocky Mountain divide to Fort MacPherson at the mouth of the Mackenzie River, and thence returning. They are expected

returning. They are expected back here about the first week of March, and likely will bring first advices of the winter from Fort Norman oil fields and from Arctic explorers and whalers frozen in along the northern edge of the

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TORONTO'S POPULATION IS

SIR WILLIAM PETERSON

SACRIFICED HEALTH TO

London, Jan. 6 .- (Canadian Press) .-

The Times today commenting on the

# **ONTARIO ENGINEERS** TO ASK LEGISLATION TO AID PROFESSION

Organizations Will Ask Registration of All Members.

Ottawa, Jan. 6.—The most important meeting in the annals of the engineers of the province of Ontario was held here last evening, when Charles Camsell, deputy minister of mines, presided over a large mass gathering of members of the combined engineering organizations of Ontario. The purpose of the meeting, which was attended by all the leading engineers of the province, was to discuss the question, of legislation to provide registration for the entire engineering profession.

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In every province of the Dominion, except the provinces of Ontario, Saskatchewan and Prince Edward Island, registration acts have been passed and all within the last eighteen months. As these acts have been primarily to protect the public in the same way that the provincial legislation does for the legal and other professions. They have received a great measure of general support. One reason for this, according to the officials of the Engineering Institute ceived a great measure of general sup-port. One reason for this, according to the officials of the Engineering Institute of Canada, is probably because of the position of the engineers, especially the Canadian engineers, achieved in the

## **FUNERAL SERVICES** FOR EX-CHANCELLOR OF SIMPLEST KIND

Berlin, Jan. 6.—The burial of the former imperial chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, took place in the rustic cemetery at Hohenshow yesterday. The funeral rites were of the simplest nature and the interment took place in the presence of the villagers, the employees of the estate and numerous officials and political associates of he former chancellor. Pastor Passow and Nice-Chancellor

on Heintze delivered eulogies, the latr speaking on behalf of the Governent. Prince Oscar represented the for-German emperor. He brought a eath to which the former emperor's led Dr. Michaelis, who succeeded von mann-Hollweg as chancellor, Gen. ntjiff, representing former King Ferand of Bulgaria, Dr. Alfred Zimmern, former secretary of foreign affairs, n. von Beseler and Count Brockdorff

# inds Wife and Child Dead in Gas-Filled Room

hiadelphia, Pa., Jan. 6.—John Smith, returning home from work last it. found his wife and 4-year-old there dead in a room filled with gastives who investigated the case red the woman evidently turned on gas, clasped the child tightly to her in, and held it until both were syxiated. She had been ill several

**ALL TRACE OF TWO** BANDITS IS LOST: **POLICE IN QUANDARY** 

Every Possible Effort To Locate Thieves Is Being Put Forth.

BELIEVED AMERICANS

Car Used By Holdup Men Is Identified As of Amer.

the hearing was resumed yesterday, said that opposing counsel apparently overlooked the fact that judgments of the board were all based on temporary requirements. When conditions changed the board could always alter the tariffs of any public service corporation under them. The Bell Company would be satisfied if rates were adjusted to allow it, under present conditions, to give the public proper service with a reasonable degree of profit. Then, if a readjustment were necessary, later the company would be ready to accept the readjustment.

The police are absolutely in the dark in their efforts to discover the identity of the robbers, for no one who has been witching like a complete description of the desperadoes. It is considered doubtful, however, if a description would be of much use, for on nearly every occasion the bandits have been given an opportunity to get several miles on their way before the police have been notified.

The belief that the men who have raided London and St. Thomas are Americans was established by the fact that the car used in the St. Thomas robbery was an American car. The car used by the robbers in this city bore no marker.

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That the police are deadly in earnest in their intention to put a stop to the outrages in this city is made evident by an array of several high-powered rifles in the office of the chief of police. The rifles have been thoroughly oiled and are ready for instant use.

use.

Chief of Police Birrell said that the rifles would certainly be used if the police get within reach of the bandits. "I procured the rifles to put a stop to these motor bandits, and they will be used. All that I ask is that someone should give us an alarm soon enough on the trail of the robbers, and the rifles will do the rest."

# DE VALERA DECLARES **OVERTURES**

President of Irish Republic Says Government Proposals Might Be Considered.

Dublin, Jan. 6.—Eamonn De Valera, "president of the Irish republic." denies that the Irish Sinn Fein is making peace overtures to England, says the Freeman's Journal. In an exclusive forecast of De Valera's forthcoming manifesto. Speaking in behalf of the movement. De Valera is quoted as saying he would not turn a deaf ear to proposals of the English Government if they are based on recognition of Ireland as an independent nation.

When representatives of the British nation are prepared to meet representatives of the Irish nation on an equal national footing peace talk will be possible the forecast of the members elected, and proceed to the stake members of the secret voting, and every vote so taken shall be of no effect."

Neill.

In the manifesto De Valera is quoted as denying that he is under guarantees of protection from the British Government, and it is said that the crown forces are searching for him and are anxious to place him under arrest. Toronto, Jan. 6.—Assessment Com-missioner Foreman today issued his an-

ST. JOHN FACING MILK

. FAMINE

missioner Foreman today issued his annual report, which shows an increase in the assessment of 9.69 per cent for 1921 over that of last year.

Total assessment for the year 1921, as returned by the assessors is as follows: Land, \$315,948,543; building, \$253,672,393; business, \$78,404,872.

Income, \$55,620,587.

Total, \$703,646,395.

Total assessment for the year 1920. St. John, N. B., Jan. 6.—St. John City faces a milk famine, effective, in all probability, Friday. The distributors of milk asy. The distributors of milk are insistent upon a two-cent reduction in the price of milk, but the producers will only agree to a reduction of one cent on the quart. Various conferences have been held between the two factions but programmers has become Total assessment for the year 1920 as finally revised \$641,454,156. Increase. Toronto has new a population of 512,812. tions, but no agreement has been reached. The producers have delivered an ultimatum to the dealers, viz.: One cent reduction only, if not agreeable, then milk supply from King's County will cease Friday. KEEP UNIVERSITY GOING

The Times today commenting on the death of Sir William Peterson, says that he resigned the great post of principal of McGill University, wrecked in health by his exertions to keep the university going during the war, and in rallying all the resources of Canada in men and material to the aid of the Allies. The Times describes Sir William as an excellent classical scholar and an ardent imperialist who, however, distorted to last August, when the management. FIVE HUNDRED MINERS IDLE

d was attached. Others present in- Is Matter for Suburban Area Commission, and City of

Is Matter for Suburban Area Commission, and City of London Should Take Lead, Say County Authorities

Despite the fond hopes of London motorists and other citizens it is unofficially whispered about that the paving of the Pipe Line road and the making of a generous grant to the London Collegiate Institute are not likely to be noticeable or outstanding items in the business program of the Middlesex County Council, which will open its sessions on Tuesday, January The Question of school nurses is lakely to be the issue which will arouse the greatest discussion. The establishment of school nurses in East and West Middlesex school districts was recommended by the 1920 county council to the 1921 council for favorable consideration. It is expected that school nurses will be provided, but not likely that the council will be willdly lavish in inaugurating the innovation.

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### SCHWAB PREDICTS BETTER TIMES FOLLOWING SLUMP

Boston, Mass., Jan. 6.—Business and industry generally will benefit by the present commercial let-up, said Charles M. Schwab, chairman of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, at the annual dinner of the Massachusetts Bankers' Association last night. Mr. Schwab called the slackening of trade a lesson in economy that eventually would stabilize business and bring about a firm basis for prosperity.

Employers and workers were told to wipe out the memory of the orgy of spending through which they had passed recently.

# SINN FEIN IS NOT Will Board of Education Chairman Be Elected By Open or Secret Ballot?

O'CALLAGHAN GIVEN

# PAROLE UNTIL HIS STATUS DETERMINED

Secretary Wilson Permits Him Liberty on Own Recog-

Washington. Jan. 6 .- Secretary Wil son of the labor department announced today that he had granted parole to Lord Mayor O'Callaghan of Cork. detained at Newport News by immigration authorities, on his own recognizance pending decision as to his admission into the United States.

nizance.

STRANDED SECOND TIME. St. John, N.B., Jan. 6.—It is presumed that the steamer Sussex, ashore at the Atlantic entrance to the Panama Canal. is the ship which left here on December 23 for New Zealand with a general cargo. The Sussex grounded in St. John berhor on the commencer of the go. The Sussex grounded in St. John harbor on the commencement of her journey, and remained stranded for twelve hours. Her agents here have no report of her latest mishap.

### THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 37; lowest, 32.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today wers: Highest, 34: lowest, 27.

# RESTRICTION

Lord Shaughnessy and Sir Robert Falconer Favor Proposal.

Declares Resolution Is Composed Only of Generalities Ottawa, Jan. 6.-Insinuations of

motives behind the action of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada in re-

# 3 ALLEGED BURGLARS ON MONTREAL STREET

Men Were Caught in Act of Breaking Into House.

MAN IS MURDERED

Wealthy Citizen of Quincey Mass., Is Arrested on Suspicion.

Montreal. Jan. 6.—Concluding a long chase of many blocks, and after firing five revolver shots, Constable Desman teaux arrested three men on a charge of attempled burglary last night. The three prisoners were not hit by builets, but were slightly injured by a fall which enabled the constable nake the capture. A fourth member of the gang got away. Constable Desmanteau was on his beat last night on St. Paul street, when he saw four men in the act of breaking a window in a Laureneaux street house. He ran towards them, but they saw him, and took to their heels. After a chase of several blocks one of the four tripped and fell thus causing the two who were running behind him the two who were running behind him to sprawl likewise. The leader got away, to sprawl likewise. The leader got away, the constable marched the other members of the commission, in a brief interview sthat the commission to deal with the situation.

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MANIA FOR BURGLARY.
Chicago Jan. 6.—Examination of McWherter McGrath, burglar, who has confessed to stealing \$50,000 worth of valuables from 200 north side residences,
shows, according to Chief Justice Harry
Dison, of municipal court, "holes in the
back of his head in which one's fist
could be put."
"If I happened to bass a dark house." "If I happened to pass a dark house." McGrath confessed to the police, "it worried me so when I got home that I couldn't sleep. Ofttimes I would get out of bed and go back and rob it."

ARRESTED ON SUSPICION.
Quincey, Mass., Jan. 6.—Caleb L.
unningham, a wealthy resident of Mil-Cunningham, a wealthy resident of Milton, was arrested on suspicion last night after the body of John Johnson, 52 years old of West Quincey, had been found in a patch of woods known as Cunningham Pines and owned by Cunningham. Johnson had been shot.

Johnson left home yesterday noon to cut some wood and when he falled to return at his usual time his wife notified neighbors, who organized a searching party. His body was found lying face upward under a pine tree, with a bullet wound in his left side. The axe which he had been using was missing.

Cunningham was asleep when officers went to his home and arrested him. They said that he made no statement with regard to the case, further than to say that he had had words with Johnson.

# SPITE OF ORDERS

Yesterday Mr. Omer Cousineau. 120
St. Andrew street, Ottawa, addressed a letter to Premier Taschereau at Quebeč, drawing his attention to these machines, and asking that he be appointed with the outside world before the late afternoon at the earliest, as it is beas a special officer for the purpose of and prosecuting the pro-

# First Building Permits of Year Issued Today

Three in a Row Bring Total

### POLICEMAN CAPTURES DRASTIC ACTION IS PROMISED BY MAYOR TO CLEAN UP CITY

Confers With Chief of Police B irrell Today-Police Commission Will Take Steps to Check Present Crime Wave.

Immediate action was promised today by Mayor E. S. Little, when his attention was drawn by an Advertiser reporter to the increasing boldness of the hold-up men who have for the past two months been making London their playground, despite the very best efforts of Chief Robert Birrell and his staff to corner them.

Mayor Little, who is suffering from a severe cold, had not heard of the two hold-ups which took place within an hour last night until told about them this morning by the reporter, but when acquainted with the facts, he said: "I am going downtown right away and I will see the chief, and also ask for an immediate meet-

ing of the police commission to deal with the situation.

I shall see that the chief organizes statement as to my plans. I don't wish to be discourteous to the newspapers in this, but I believe that the proper course to follow. I am sure, however, that you may assure the citizens, and I speak as a citizen my

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Is Undermanned.

Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon, who is one of the members of the police commission, in a brief interview stated that the commissioners were fully

Crown Attorney McKillop.

Crown Attorney J. B. McKillop, answering an inquiry by The Advertiser as to his opinion of the best method of meeting the situation created by the activities of hold-up men in the city, said:

"The matter is one entirely for the police commission and the chief of police opinion of the suggestion made some citizens that the police for the suggestion made some citizens that the police for the suggestion of the suggestion made some citizens that the police for the suggestion made some citizens that the police for the suggestion made some citizens that the police for the suggestion made some citizens that the police for the suggestion is a defect interview states that the commissioners were fit aware that "the commissioners were fit aware that "the police force is at present time undermanned, but have found it very difficult to get not present time undermanned. The force is at present time undermanned, but have found it very difficult to get not present time undermanned. some citizens that the police force could be strengthened by employment of some of the unemployed men as special constables. Mr. Graydon said: "I do not favor the idea. I do not know what Chief Birrell is going to ask for but I are included." method of meeting these men on their own ground. I am also strongly of the opinion that the force should be strengthened by the addition of two or three motorcycle men. In fact, this was urged upon the police commissioners some time back by the London Motor Club, through me, as president."

Will Get Men.

"I am quite satisfied that when I present my report to the police commissioners next week that I shall be given all the men, all the equipment and all the men, all the equipment and all the money that I ask for in order to place the police force on a proper

place the police force on a proper to place the police force on a proper footing and in a position to cope with the present crime wave," said Chief Robert Birnell to The Advertiser in an interview today.

"But until my report has been received and dealt with by the commissioners I am not prepared to make any will take, but you can assure the citizens that whatever is necessary will be done."

# Balloonists Are Expected To Reach Railway Today; Trails Heavy With Snow

Cemperature Takes Sudden Drop, Registering 18 Le'ow Zero at Cochrane This Morning Men Are Eageriy Awaited by Newspaper Correspondents - Point a Which They Will Emerge Not Definitely Known.

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This is wha Quebec Premier Is Urged to Cochrane, Jan. 6.—(Copyrighted by Opinion here remains divided as to Canadian Press, Limited). News that the eagerly-awaited American balloon-representatives of all the New York tion as to that point. It is stated tha the Revillion Freres' nacket left Jame Bay for Cochrane via Ciute on Decembe 26, and it is thought the Americans me be brought by their guides along the broken trail made by the fur traders. afternoon at the earliest, as it is belleved they were still some distance from
their destination when they made camp
last night. Had they been within a few
miles of the Journey's end they would
have pushed on even through the dark-

GRANTS PERMISSION TO BALLOONISTS TO RELATE EXPERIENCES. Cochrane, Jan. 6.—Secretary of the navy Daniels has wired permission to

ness. The weather, which has been excepthe weather, which has been exceptionally mild for the season of the year, took a drop during the night, and the thermometer this morning registered is degrees below zero.

Ten Inches of Snow. Reports from the Mattice district state that there are 10 inches of fresh snow on the trail from Moose Factory.

# BRITISH BANK FAILS:

# ON GERMAN DISARMAMENT

voking the charter of the Canadian Bro- Lloyd George's Cabinet Still Favors Extension of Time Guards—Demands Delivery of Secret Processes for tremendous plurality at the provincial

voking the charter of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees, as made in a resolution passed by the executive of that body Tuesday supporting the stand taken by A. R. Mosher president, are ridiculed by Mr. Moore, president of the congress.

"The whole resolution," Mr. Moore said, "is composed of generalities and I do not intend to discuss the matter through the press. As for the insinuations of motives, in reading the schemes, they may refer to Mr. Mosher himself, for they certainly do not refer to any one in this office. So long as he gets the press to publish such statements he is obtaining what he may believe to be useful propaganda towards maintaining his organization. Probably Mr. Mosher believes it good policy to use the press in this way."

Lloyd George's Cabinet Still Favors Extension of Time to Germans to Bring About Disbandment of Civil Guards—Demands Delivery of Secret Processes for Explosives.

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Explosives.

Paris, Jan. 6.—Great Britain and demand Immediately delivery of all secret processes for the manufacture of the subject of German disarmament and reparations, says the London correspondent of the Matin in discussing the meeting of allied premiers in this city on January 19. He adds the British (will be quickly reached and declare the press in this way."

# Woman Member To Be Offered Speakership

understood that Mrs. Mary Allen Smith. who headed the poll in Vancouver by a elections here on December 1 will be tendered the Speakership of the British Columbia Legislature. V. C. WINNER BACK IN ARMY.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 6.-Reg. Sergt. also resumed military ife. Major B. Smith, officer commanding No. 1 Com-pany, 7th Canadlan Machine Gun Bri-gade, has secured him as company quartermaster-sergeant of the unit.