

LIBERALS ARE SNOWED UNDER

LANDSLOWNE IS AGAIN ATTACKED

Lord Balfour of Burleigh in Blunt Speech Raps the Policy of Own Party. Nothing to Gain and Everything to Lose in the Proposed Drastic Action.

London, Nov. 25.—"If you win a victory it will be only a temporary one; if you lose, you have prejudiced the position, power, prestige and usefulness of the House of Lords, which, I believe, every one of you honors and desires, to serve as heartily as I do myself."

In this homely, candid fashion Lord Balfour of Burleigh gave the members of the House of Lords this evening his opinion of the course they are pursuing with regard to the budget. He has none of the gracious oratory which Lord Rosebery possesses, but his plain, downright manner is not without effect, and his speech was the real event of today's sitting of the upper chamber. It probably will have ever greater influence than that of Lord Rosebery, because Rosebery no longer holds the confidence of any party.

The Multitudinous Poor. The Bishop of Hereford who intervened later in the debate, said that while he respected the Archbishop of Canterbury's desire that the bishops abstain from voting on the measure, he claimed the right to the exercise of independent judgment. If the bishops had any function to perform it was to speak for the multitudinous poor, he said, therefore he supported the budget, which was a social welfare budget, based on sound finance. He was convinced, he declared, that the country's answer to an appeal to the ballots would be in clear English that never again shall the fundamental liberties of the people be endangered by a privileged class. He wished that the budget might be passed as a protection against the rapidly growing spirit of revolt among the democracy which might become dangerous.

Other Speakers. Many others of the peers spoke, but all of them along ordinary party lines. The debate was adjourned until Monday when Viscount Morley, Lord Curzon and Lord Rochford are expected to address the House. Lord Curzon's cold, which precluded his speaking today, is better tonight. Rumors are current tonight that the Conservative leaders, seeing the damaging effect that the speeches of Lord Cromer, Rosebery and Balfour of Burleigh, is likely to have on the Conservative cause in an election, are reconsidering their position with regard to the budget. But the best information indicates that Lord Lansdowne's resolution against the adoption of the budget will go to a division and be carried by an enormous majority.

A great pro-budget demonstration took place tonight in Parliament Square and the vicinity. Several thousand persons gathered for the demonstration and sang political songs and cheered for David Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the Exchequer. From the numbers of 1500 were employed in keeping order but finally the crowd became unmanageable and they cleared the square. There were some slight scuffles and several arrests were made. The demonstration is likely to be repeated on a large scale Monday and Tuesday.

\$10 A NIGHT MAN WITHOUT AUDIENCE

Mr. Nelson W. Brown, who is explaining the Government's System of Annuities at \$10 Per, Visits Apsaqui. Special to The Standard.

Apsaqui, Nov. 25.—Mr. Nelson W. Brown spoke to a small audience in the hall here last night on the subject of "annuities." The meeting was pretty well advertised and Mr. Brown was to begin his talk at eight o'clock. At nine, the audience numbered six, and the federal lecturer had not even then started to enlighten. It was decided that two or three of the six should go out and drum up others; and at 9:30 o'clock Mr. Brown got under way, the audience numbering twelve. He was talking at ten minutes past eleven when the lights went out for the want of oil. People were when not aware that Mr. Brown gets \$10 a day, including Sundays, from the Federal Government for repeating what some others have said on the subject of annuities, are wondering what could have brought such a talker to Apsaqui.

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GOL. ASTOR IS STILL AT SAN JUAN

San Juan, P. R., Nov. 25.—The American steam yacht Nourmahal with Colonel John Jacob Astor of New York and party on board, is still in the harbor here. Colonel Astor, his son Vincent and their guests all are well. The Nourmahal has been here since November 14. She experienced rough weather in the Caribbean during the recent hurricane but suffered no serious damage.

REVOLUTION IN NICARAGUA IS SPREADING NOW

Revolutionary Forces Maintaining An Effective Blockade Of Greytown And Are Confident Of Success.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 25.—The revolution in Nicaragua is spreading in the opinion of Captain Shipley, commander of the United States cruiser Des Moines which is off the coast of Nicaragua. The revolutionary forces are reported to be maintaining an effective blockade and are patrolling off Greytown with two gunboats. Assurance is given that American and foreign interests are being protected. There are the important facts contained in a cablegram received at the Navy Department today from the commander-of the Des Moines at Port Limon. On November 23rd the revolutionary gunboats fired on Greytown, but without effect. The revolutionary forces now have possession of the back country of Nicaragua, including Rama where fighting is likely to occur. An officer from the Des Moines landed at Greytown but found only one American citizen.

The state department was advised by the Western Union Telegraph Company today that during the present interruption to the telegraph lines in Nicaragua and Costa Rica it is possible to handle some of the traffic by wireless via Conlon but that the service is not continuous and there was no communication between Tuesday and Thursday. This accounts for the difficulty the department is experiencing in its efforts to reach its diplomatic and consular officers at Central American ports. Renewed efforts are being made to reach these officers. The department of state today received by wireless, by way of Colon, a message of which the following is a translation:

"According to Article 742 of military ordinance, Zelaya had no right to shoot the outposts." The message was signed "Sub-Secretary of State, Moreira."

It is assumed that he is an insurrectionist. It was stated that the department would not reply to Moreira.

SEAL SHAFTS OF ILL-FATED COLLIERY

St. Paul Mine Closed In Order To Cut Off Supply Of Air And So Extinguish Fire—Conference Held.

Cherry, Ill., Nov. 25.—Details of a meeting held here early today between the entire state mining board, Battalion Chief McDonald of the Chicago fire department and W. W. Taylor, general superintendent of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Company's mines, were made known this afternoon.

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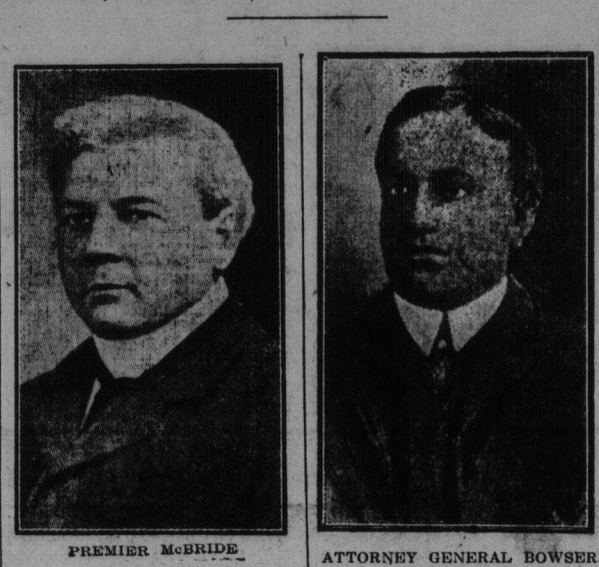
MUCH LOSS OF CAPITAL FAIR HAS SURPLUS

Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 25.—At the annual meeting of Agricultural Society Nov. 24, held this afternoon the accounts of the 1909 Exhibition were submitted. They showed a surplus of \$467.

UTTER DEMORALIZATION OF OPPOSITION FORCES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Premier McBride Who Carries His Both Seats Will Have Support of Practically the Entire Legislature During His Next Term of Office—Many Seats Record Turnover.

Rosslund, Nelson, Yale, Greenwood, Cranbrook and Skeena Captured by Conservatives—Latest Returns Give Conservatives Elected 18, Socialists 1, Liberals, 0.



Premier McBride has swept the province of British Columbia. He had nearly a two-thirds majority before, and the returns received at the time of going to press indicate that he will have the support of practically the whole Legislature for the next term. The Government has captured Rosslund, Nelson, Yale, Greenwood, Cranbrook, Skeena, and seems to have held all the seats it had before. Mr. McBride is himself elected in Yale and Victoria. Mr. Oliver, the Opposition leader, who set out to defeat the Premier in the Capital city, met defeat there and in his own riding of Delta.

All the centres of population gave majorities for the Government. Vancouver, Victoria, New Westminster, Rosslund, Nelson, Yale, are in line. The first nineteen seats heard from stood eighteen Conservatives and one Socialist. Mr. Hawthornswait, who has supported the general policy of the ministry, Mr. Wade, who is to be repaid for his zeal with the governorship, Mr. Stuart Henderson and Mr. Senkler, who have judicial rewards coming to them, are badly beaten. Mr. Bowsler, the minister against whom the Liberals at home and at Ottawa have concentrated their attacks, has beaten the leader of the opposing ticket in Vancouver by 1400 majority. So far as is now known no Liberals have been elected in a house of forty-two.

The following are the results up to the hour of going to press: Complete returns show the election of five straight Conservatives in Vancouver—Bowler, 5411; McGuire, 4778; McGowan, 4491; Watson, 4131; Thedall, 4089. The Liberal votes were: Senkler, 4001; Wade, 3950; McDonald, 3941; Campbell, 3390; Stables, 3350. Nelson—Wright, Conservative, elected, 244 majority. This seat is captured from the Liberals. Ymir—Schofield, Conservative, elected, large majority. Seat held.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 25.—Possible loss of life in the wrecking of one and maybe two coastwise sailing vessels, and the narrow escape of the German freight steamer Aragonia from destruction on the rocks skirting Cape Ann, were reported here today by the small fleet of steamers which arrived after long detentions outside by the storm king. Both the Aragonia, which arrived from Atlantic ports, and the Bostonian from Manchester, England, gives the location of the wreckage of the vessel, reported sighting wreckage off the coast, in the vicinity of Cape Ann.

Captain Parry, of the Bostonian, from Manchester, England, gives the location of the wreckage of the vessel, reported sighting wreckage off the coast, in the vicinity of Cape Ann. The prize list was printed at a profit. A letter from Secretary Hubbard of the Agriculture Department, stated that the convention would be held here in February and that the attendance of delegates would be considered in the making of grants to societies next year.

SCHOOL NOT TO BE REMOVED FROM CAPITAL

Mr. Crocket Obtains Assurance From Minister Of Militia That Infantry School Will Not Be Removed.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 25.—This was Mr. Lancaster's day in point of time occupied it hardly was his day from the standpoint of results. It usually takes him about six years to worry a bill through. For a couple of years it is safe for the Commons to throw them out. Then for two years more it is expedient for the Commons to pass them, leaving the killing job to the Senate. About the fifth year the psychological moment comes for the Commons to pass the bill and the Senate to devise a harmless substitute which it insists is preferable on technical legal grounds. In the sixth year he gets it through in something like its original shape.

Three Railway Bills. At present he is escorting three railway bills up the long and flinty road. One is to give shippers greater liberty of contract. Another is to restrict appeals, which is quite the character of a court of quick justice. The third is to throw on railways the full expense of protecting level crossings. It being early in their career it is fairly safe to predict that the third will give the six months hold by which a divided majority of 34. The others were given second reading but to Mr. Lancaster's outspoken dismay were sent to the railway committee, which is quite the most creditable thing in Ottawa.

The parliamentary "Mrs. Malaprop," the minister of justice elected to enliven the display of cynicism on appeals and equal justice. In effect it was this, that better justice is obtained by having few rather than many appeals, that many appeals constitute an advantage to the rich man over the poor man and that it is proper that the rich man should retain that advantage and that appeals be maintained at their present number.

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FIVE OF WEDDING PARTY ARE DROWNED

Muskegon, Mich., Nov. 25.—Five persons were drowned in Muskegon Lake this afternoon when the pleasure launch Olga, carrying a party of nine young people capsized as the result of a panic following a small explosion. Four of those who lost their lives were members of one party. The dead are Oscar Carlson, aged 20, Hilda Carlson, 24; Anna Carlson, 20; Jennie Carlson, 18; Ann Saunonen. The rescues are Ernest Carlson, Ann Carstar, Arthur Pierson and Nels Astor, owner of the boat.

GRANGE MODIFIES NAVAL RESOLUTION

Toronto, Nov. 25.—The Dominion Grange this morning accepted the report of the legislative committee on the proposed Canadian navy in a modified form. The report presented yesterday was sent back, many members not agreeing with the strength of its proposal to acquire a navy. As adopted this morning, the report reads that the committee "Views with grave misgivings the proposals" meaning that the navy might provoke war instead of promoting peace, urging the Dominion Government to take a referendum vote of the people before going further with the proposal. An amendment was attached suggesting that the Government devote the \$2,000,000 it proposed to spend on war vessels to despoiling the Welland canal, and otherwise improving the waterways of Canada.

BRITAIN HAS HER FILL OF HALFAX

WINNIPEG IS WITHOUT LIGHT AND ELECTRICS

Dam Breaks And Power Supply Is Shut Off—Mills And Factories Close Down And Many Are Idle.

Special to The Standard. Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 25.—Winnipeg is dark at night now, with the exception of the artificial light that can be obtained from lamps and candles. All the street cars are stopped, and the citizens have to walk too and from their places of business. It has, however, been a fine time for any man who owns a rig, good, bad or indifferent, as every vehicle possible is in commission. The cause of it all was the break of the dam of the great power plant of the electric railway at Lac Du Bonnet, and this will take some days to repair. A certain amount of power has been forthcoming, but it was really only a drop in the bucket. The city provided a thousand horse power, and the Canadian Pacific Railway did the same. The worst of it is that the break is so serious that the power company can make no promises to the citizens. At the present time water is flowing through the power house to the depth of four feet, and it is impossible to say what damage has been done to the machinery.

Mills and factories have had to close down, and hundreds of men are standing idle. No work is going on at the Canadian Northern shops, 500 men are deprived of work at the Manitoba Bridge and Iron Works the Ogive Mills are tied up, the Western Canada Mills are closed down, and all factories are associated.

SECRETARY OF STATE IN ANNUAL REPORT

Capitalization Of New Companies More Than Double That Of Any Previous Year—The Naturalization Statistics.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Nov. 25.—The report of the Secretary of State for the last fiscal year was tabled in the House of Commons today. It says that the number of charters issued under the companies act during 1908-9 was 306. The total capitalization of new companies that year was \$119,324,875, and the capitalization of existing companies was increased by \$72,293,000, which is more than double that of the largest previous year and within some eleven millions of the entire additional capitalization of old companies in the last nine years, from 1900. The whole amounting to \$191,617,875, which is only exceeded by that of the year 1906. The report states that the number of naturalized aliens mostly in the farming section of Western Canada, was more than double that of the previous year.

During the year 1908, 25,731 persons were naturalized, of those 715 were re-admitted to British nationality of those naturalized last year nine thousand were from the United States, 3982 from Austria, 3046 from Russia, 1852 from Italy, 1083 from Galicia, 905 from Sweden, 652 from France, 530 from Hungary, 585 from Germany, 444 from Norway, 439 from Japan, 355 from China, 328 from Finland, 318 from Belgium, and 187 from Iceland. This makes a grand total of 114,135 persons registered as naturalized British subjects in Canada.

LORD STRATHCONA AT AMERICAN DINNER

London, Nov. 25.—The American Society in London evolved a happy idea when it had present at its annual Thanksgiving dinner today the representatives of all the American countries. These included United States Ambassador Reid and Lord Strathcona, high commissioner for Canada and there were present also the Mexican, Cuban and Brazilian ministers and the rector and warden of St. Ethelburga's church where Hudson took communion before starting on the voyage of exploration up the Hudson river.

Giant Liner Makes Several Ineffectual Attempts to Dock, Damaging Steering Gear.

Seas Mountainous High Prevent Expedious Handling of Mails—Here Today.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S., Nov. 25.—Switched northward by a driving southwest wind, a heavy rainfall deluged this province today and at a late hour tonight there was no sign of its abating. Shipping along the coast is at a standstill and all incoming steamers have been delayed by tempestuous winds and mountainous seas. The Plant Line steamer Halifax from Boston, which should have arrived last night, did not reach port until this afternoon, seven hours overdue. The mail steamer Empress of Britain from Liverpool, reached port at noon after a very fast voyage. When the Britain arrived off the entrance of the harbor the storm was so fierce that Captain Murray dropped anchor and the steamer lay to port for shelter and one schooner that was anchored on the eastern side of the harbor, dragged her anchor and was carried to the western shore.

Empress Arrives. The Empress arrived at one o'clock and she made an ineffectual attempt to dock at the north side of pier 2. She missed the dock and narrowly escaped bumping into the end of pier 3. The big liner steamed out a little distance from the pier and cast her anchor. By this means she was brought around and another effort made to dock. The wind was blowing a gale at the time and the two tugs were powerless to hold her in position long enough to draw her bow into the dock. She lay across pier 3 and finally was warped into the dock.

It was found impossible to tie up to the north side of pier 2. The mails were taken over to the shed on that wharf. A string of cars prevented the gangway being laid, but the mails moved. Finally at three o'clock about an hour and a half after her arrival at the pier the big steamer was ready to discharge the mails.

Trip A Good One. Captain Murray was seen by a reporter immediately after the ship docked. He stated that the trip was a good one and expressed satisfaction with the time made under the circumstances, 5 days 15 hours from dock to dock.

The ship bore evidence of having encountered heavy weather. The flag on the mainmast was only two-thirds its original size. All the canvas weather shields were up on the sides a tiny flag took the place of the usual large flag on the stern flag pole, and orders were delivered from the bridge by megaphone.

Nothing of event happened on the way across. The steamer had 43 first 157 second, and 613 third class passengers. Of these 9 first, 11 second, and 11 third class passengers landed here.

SURVEYOR-GENERAL AND MRS. GRIMMER BESIEGED

Friends Invade Home At St. Stephen On Twenty-fifth Anniversary Of Wedding Day.

St. Stephen, N. B., Nov. 25.—The residence of Surveyor General Grimmer was invaded last evening by about one hundred of Mr. and Mrs. Grimmer's friends who tendered them a surprise on the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding day. Whist and music were enjoyed, a delicious luncheon was served and afterwards a social hop was participated in. Mr. and Mrs. Grimmer were presented with a set of solid silver knives and forks as a memento of the occasion.

DE BUNSEN FOR WASHINGTON

London, Nov. 25.—A Madrid special to the Morning Telegraph says it is reported that Sir Maurice de Bunsen, British ambassador to Madrid, will soon replace Ambassador Bryce at Washington.