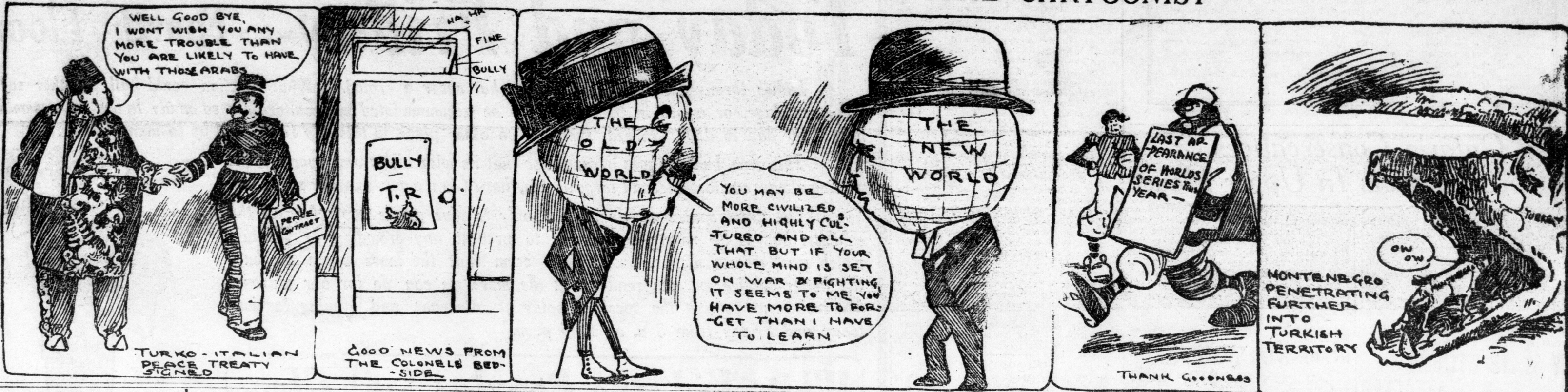


## EVENTS OF THE DAY AS SEEN BY THE CARTOONIST



### MAY PUT PLACARD LABELLED "UNCLEAN" ON MARKET HOUSE

Members of Board of Health Determined That Building Be Sanitary.

### APPEAL TO PROVINCE FOR DRASTIC ACTION

Dr. Williams Says Authority to Clean Up Covent Garden Will Be Secured.

The sanitary or insanitary condition of the Covent Garden market house is a perennial subject of discussion by the board of health, and so far little has been accomplished. The present board has sent several communications to the council relative to the matter, the latest being filed by No. 3 committee last evening.

The members of the board of health interpret this action as a challenge, and it is probable that interesting developments may follow. Dr. E. Williams, chairman of the board of health, stated that the action of the committee was not surprising, but that did not end the agitation.

An appeal to the provincial board. "The refusal of the committee to do as we asked means that the board either must appeal to the provincial board of health, or resign," he said. "The spirit of resignation is not upon us, and you can understand that we will take this question to the provincial board. The building is not sanitary, and it will have to be made so. As soon as we can we will take the matter up with Toronto. Then definite action will follow. It is possible that in the meantime, we might instruct the medical health officer to placard the building as insanitary. That might cause definite action to be taken at once. The filing of our resolution does not settle matters."

### EX-ENGINEER WAS MADE SCAPEGOAT ALDERMAN STATES

Mr. W. D. I. Wright Says Advantage Was Taken of Official's Illness.

### THEN ALL BLAME SADDLED ON HIM

"Affair Is Not Settled, Make No Mistake," Exclaims Member of Council.

The fact that the city council has accepted the resignation of former City Engineer Wright does not end the matter. A warm debate will probably follow in the council on the matter at an early date.

Ald. W. D. I. Wright, in particular, is of the opinion that the former city engineer did not get a square deal from the council, and will say so.

"This man was ill, and out of the city," he stated. "Advantage was taken of this fact to saddle all the blame for the sidewalk on him. I do not think he is altogether to blame; in fact, I am positive of that, and will not hesitate to say so, when the time comes. Mr. Wright has been made a scapegoat. He worked hard for the city, and his present illness is due altogether to the fact that he did his best to protect our interests. Mr. Wright is no relative of mine, but I want to see fair play. This affair is not yet settled, make no mistake."

**To Remain Some Time.**

Mr. Wright is still in Muskoka, and it is possible that he will remain there for some time. He went away originally for a month's holiday, intending to rest up. When the report of the special committee was brought down, he intended coming to London in time for the regular meeting next Monday evening. However, the council was called in special session and his resignation was accepted. There is no need now for him to hurry back to London, and the chances are that he will remain in the north country until he is greatly improved in health. Friends of his state that he will probably rest up all winter.

### CITY BUILDINGS IN COURSE OF ERECTION WOULD FORM SKYSCRAPER OF 43 STORIES

Era of Prosperity in the Community Is Strikingly Shown By the Extensive Building Operations.

Commercial Institutions Rebuilding, Adding Accommodation and Constructing New Quarters.

Building operations in London continue rushing, and work on a large number of structures of no mean proportions is providing employment for an army of workmen.

The new five-story Grand building, embodying the most advanced principles of fireproof construction, is now well under way, the cement work of the whole affair having been practically completed. The frame shell, which extended a considerable distance on each side of the pillars and walls of the Grand building, prevented the carrying on of work on the Brewster store, a three-story structure immediately to the west, and also in the area cleared by the million-dollar fire of November last.

**Steelwork Is Reared.**

The latter building will now be rushed ahead, the steelwork having been raised for the three stories.

The steel skeleton for the Ashplant saloon's headquarters, which is being erected, three stories high, on Carling street, arrived in the city yesterday, and the construction work will therefore be greatly facilitated.

The new Perrin factory, which is to be six stories in height, and which will be one of the finest manufacturing plants in Ontario, both in matter of appearance, construction and accommodation, is now well under way, but will not be completed for several months.

The Bell Telephone Company's four-story addition to the Park avenue exchange is progressing well, the steel framework having arrived here. The capacity of the exchange will be doubled, and switchboards to accommodate 10,000 lines will be installed. It is expected that the place will be ready for occupancy in May, 1913.

**Building Practically Completed.**

The new four-story building for the Canada Abattoir, Limited, has now been practically completed, and the machinery is being installed.

The handsome new four-story factory of the Dominion Corn Flakes Company on Dundas street east is well advanced.

One of the finest structures in the city is the Molsons Bank building, which is now ready for interior finish.

The London Printing and Lithographing Company's four-story addition on Queen's avenue is progressing rapidly.

The McClary Manufacturing Company is again making extensive additions, and a fine building is being erected to provide further accommodation for the city plant on Wellington street.

The Masonic Temple on Queen's avenue, opposite the Public Library, will soon be ready for occupancy.

**Factories Being Enlarged.**

The London Concrete Machinery Company has its new additions well under way, while a large number of other manufacturing plants have extensive improvements under advisement.

In addition to this construction work many magnificent residences are being erected here and tens of thousands of dollars are being expended.

"Building is very brisk in London at present," said Mr. J. Vicar Munro, of the firm of Moore & Munro, architects, to The Advertiser today.

### THE WEATHER.

**TOMORROW—FAIR.**

Toronto, Oct. 17.—8 a.m. Today—Fresh southwesterly winds; fine.

Friday—Southerly winds; fair until night.

**Temperatures.**

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

| Station.     | High. | Low. | Weather. |
|--------------|-------|------|----------|
| LONDON       | 55    | 42   | Fair     |
| Calgary      | 56    | 32   | Fair     |
| Winnipeg     | 72    | 38   | Fair     |
| Port Arthur  | 44    | 44   | Clear    |
| Perry Sound  | 54    | 46   | Clear    |
| Toronto      | 56    | 40   | Fair     |
| Ottawa       | 48    | 38   | Clear    |
| Montreal     | 42    | 43   | Clear    |
| Quebec       | 42    | 34   | Cloudy   |
| Father Point | 38    | 36   | Cloudy   |

**Weather Notes.**

The eastern storm has passed to the Atlantic and a pronounced disturbance has appeared over the Western Provinces. The weather is fine throughout the Dominion, and temperatures of over 70 degrees were general yesterday in Manitoba.

### Bold Thieves These; Enter Hotel, Take Phone Cash Box

An original line of thievery in London was accomplished at the Brigg House Wednesday, when some person entered the Bell telephone pay station, and removed the slot machine connected to the telephone.

The box had been recently emptied, but despite this it is thought to have contained a considerable amount taken in local and long-distance messages. The police are working in the matter and expect to land the culprits. To prevent the detachment of other machines public stations are being closely guarded.

The same style of theft was worked in St. Thomas a few months ago, someone getting away with a considerable amount of cash.

### BUILDING IN LONDON.

Forty-three stories of new commercial buildings are being erected in London at the present time. While the city does not run to skyscrapers, if all the new buildings could be placed one above the other they would form a structure that would rival in height the giants of New York City. The buildings in course of construction, together with those to which additions are being made, are as follows:

Grand building, Dundas street, five stories.

Brewster store, Dundas street, three stories.

Ashplant building, Carling street, three stories.

Perrin building, Dundas street, six stories.

Bell Telephone Company building, Park avenue, three stories.

Abattoir building, Pottersburg, four stories.

Corn Flakes building, Dundas street, four stories.

Molsons Bank building, Dundas street, three stories.

London Printing and Lithographing building, Queen's avenue, four stories.

McClary Company, Wellington street, large building.

New Masonic Hall, Queen's avenue, four stories.

Victoria Hospital, additions.

London Concrete Machinery Company, additions.

Scores of new residences.

### LUNG TORN OUT WHEN SHOTGUN DISCHARGED

James Howe Tried to Kill Crane by Smashing It With the Stock of Gun—Little Hope Held Out For Recovery.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Whalen, Oct. 17.—James Howe, aged 22, an Englishman apprenticed with James McAllery, blacksmith, was probably fatally injured yesterday afternoon when a shotgun he was using discharged and tore one lung almost completely out, and horribly lacerated the lower part of one side.

During a lull in the business at the blacksmith shop, Howe saw a big crane flying past, and taking the gun went out to shoot it. He succeeded in wounding the bird, and it fell to the ground. Howe reloaded his gun and then hurried to where the bird lay on the ground. He saw that it was still alive, and tried to kill it by striking it with the stock of the gun. The jar caused the weapon to discharge, and the shot literally cut one lung completely out. Drs. Quakenbush, of Exeter, and Campbell, of Kirkton, were called and are doing everything possible to try and save Howe's life. Very little hope is held out for his recovery.

### TELEPHONE CALL RECORDS TELL AGAINST LIEUT. BECKER

Counsel For Officer Says He May Be Put On the Stand.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Oct. 17.—The state had but a few remaining witnesses to call when the trial of Police Lieutenant Becker was resumed today, and it was expected that the defence would be well along before the close of the session. A tentative outline of the defence, as reported this morning, called for the appearance in Becker's behalf of William Travers Jerome, formerly district attorney of New York. John F. McIntyre, chief counsel for Becker, would neither confirm nor deny the report. It was said, however, that Jerome would be called to refute Jack Rose's testimony concerning his (Rose's) telephone conversation with Becker after the murder. Rose, in telling of this conversation, quoted Becker as having guilty knowledge of the murder. Jerome, it was said, having been present at the Bar Association with John W. Hart, of counsel for Becker, will say that Becker did the telephoning there, and said nothing to indicate any connection with the murder. Rose swore also that Becker telephoned from a public pay station.

The defence will also try to show that the state seeks to sacrifice Becker and let the promoters go scot free, and that, as a matter of fact, Rose was the victim of a gamblers' conspiracy. A mass of evidence will also be introduced, attacking the character of the state's witnesses and supporting the contention of the good character and reputation of the defendant.

**Becker May Take Stand.**

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### FINANCIER SAYS LONDON IS HURT BY DISCRIMINATION

Mr. T. H. Smallman Says He Has Always Been Advocate of Flat Rate Power.

### OTHER CITIES GET ALL THE INDUSTRIES

Government Shows Favoritism to Municipalities Located Near Niagara Falls.



MR. T. H. SMALLMAN.

Mr. T. H. Smallman, financier, is another prominent Londoner who is strongly in favor of the flat rate for power. He points out that this city is laboring under a great disadvantage in its campaign for industries owing to the much cheaper rate furnished other cities.

"I have always been and still am greatly in favor of the flat rate," said Mr. Smallman to The Advertiser. "I advocated that early in the inception of the scheme. The present system is working out greatly to our disadvantage. For instance, in the past, when all used steam power, we were on an equal footing with our competitors, as steam power costs practically the same the country over. We are not nearly so well off now."

**Cheap Power No Benefit.**

"The Government by the construction of the transmission line, shows favoritism. Cheap power is no benefit to us, as our competitors, situated more closely to the Falls than we are, can sell it so much cheaper. The scheme intensifies our disadvantages. Toronto, for instance, is enjoying a much more favorable rate than London. The Government, when the transmission line was built, should have made the same rate for all citizens within the power zone. That would have worked out equitably. I am sure."

**Mr. Glaubitz To Speak.**

It is stated that General Manager Glaubitz, of the electrical department, will make an effort to answer the growing demand for a flat rate for power throughout the province.

### WON'T INDORSE EITHER

Temperance People Pledge Support to Neither Candidate.

At a meeting of the temperance workers held this afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, it was decided not to indorse either Mr. Geo. W. Neely, the Conservative candidate, or Mr. William Sutherland, the independent candidate.

### DR. HARVEY ACQUITTED.

Toronto, Oct. 17.—In a county criminal court sitting, lasting well into last night, Judge Winchester gave a finding of not guilty in the case of Dr. W. J. Harvey, accused of uttering a check forged upon an English bank by "Dr. J. G. Evans, his partner, who was convicted of that offense in the sessions last week. The draft in question credited the Empire College of Ophthalmology with \$5,000, and drew upon the account of John Revell, who under the assumed name of Spurr, had rooms above that institution until his death last November, which was followed by the forgery.

### BALKAN STRUGGLE BEGINS TURKEY DECLARING WAR ON BULGARIA AND SERVIA

Powerful Armies of the Sultan Are Advancing to Meet the Invading Forces of the Allies.

### GREEK DESTROYERS DARE THE GUNS OF TURKISH FORTRESS

Greece Not Included in Turkey's Declaration of Hostilities, and Constantinople May Cede Crete to the Grecian Government.

London, Oct. 17.—War today became general throughout the Balkan Peninsula. Turkey, which for a week or more, has been fighting with Montenegro this morning, issued a formal declaration of hostilities against Servia and Bulgaria.

Greece for some reason was not mentioned in the official document delivered to the Servian and Bulgarian legations at Constantinople, and the Greek minister has not been asked to leave the Turkish capital, as were his Servian and Bulgarian colleagues. The Turkish minister, however, left Athens without the usual formalities.

### ACTUAL WARFARE.

It is also announced that fighting between the Turkish and Greek armies has begun on the frontier, while two Greek gunboats provided the first naval engagement of the war by forcing the straits between the Gulf of Arta and the sea. In doing so they had a sharp gun duel with the Turkish forts.

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| TURKISH PEACE STRENGTH     | 375,000   |
| RESERVES                   | 350,000   |
| OTHERS AVAILABLE           | 2,000,000 |
| TOTAL WAR STRENGTH         | 2,725,000 |
| MONTENEGRIN PEACE STRENGTH | 0         |
| RESERVES                   | 0         |
| WAR STRENGTH               | 50,000    |

In her declaration of war, Turkey places the blame on Bulgaria and Servia, whose recent actions, she says, forced her to take a decisive step although she was desirous of peace.

### ALLIES NOT READY.

It had been generally expected that the first declaration of war would be a joint one by the three new allies. They, however, are apparently not quite ready, as only today it was announced that King Ferdinand of Bulgaria was going with his staff to the frontier, where, after consultation, he would issue either a proclamation or a declaration.

### GENERAL ADVANCE.

Although Turkey has anticipated the Balkan states and ordered a simultaneous advance of her armies against Bulgaria and Servia, it is quite expected in military circles that the Servians and Bulgarians will be ready to meet the Turkish invading force.

The troops may, in fact, be ready for an immediate big battle, but military authorities do not expect one to occur for some days.

### TURKEY AND GREECE.

Turkey's withdrawal of her troops from the immediate vicinity of the Greek frontier, and the omission of Greece from the declaration of war, were doubtless dictated by Kiamil Pasha, president of the council of state and the real head of the Turkish Government. He has been desirous all along of avoiding a fight with Greece, whose interests, as he recently told the Greek Premier, are identical with those of Turkey. He also desired to cede the island of Crete to Greece.

There is an inclination among military men to think the importance of the Montenegrin victories has been exaggerated, and that much has been made of them in order to screen the struggle that is going on for the possession of the forces guarding the Turkish town of Scutari.

The Montenegrins are fighting desperately, but they neglect the commissary service and the hospitals, which are essential in such a campaign.

### BRITISH CABINET MEETING.

The British cabinet had a long session this morning to discuss the French proposal for a conference of the powers. It was also said the Turkish Government was supporting the efforts being made to raise a Turkish loan in London, but this is denied at the foreign office.

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