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NEW BRANCH
FOR GOVERNMENTWill Be Known as Department
of External Affairs.DEPUTY MINISTER
AND A STAFFTo Take Charge of All Communica-
tions on International
Affairs.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—The Government proposes to create a department of external affairs under the secretary of state, and notice has been given of a bill to that effect. The bill specifies that the department of external affairs shall be created with a minister who shall be for the present the secretary of state, and that this department shall receive communications from the secretary of state for the colonies, and from the British ambassador at Washington, and all communications of an international and intercolonial character and communications from foreign consuls in Canada. The bill also directs the appointment of a deputy minister and a staff for the department.

The principal effect of the bill will be to take the function of communication in regard to external affairs from the private office, where it is at the present time, and under the direction of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and transfer it to the department of state. The new department will handle in detail the distribution of all external affairs communications to the various departments to which they should be assigned.

AN EXTRA SESSION

Congress Called for March 15 for Re-
vision of Tariff.

Washington, Feb. 17.—At a conference today between President-Elect Taft, Senator Aldrich, and Speaker Cannon, it was decided to call the extra session of Congress for the purpose of revising the tariff, on March 15. When official announcement to the House was made by Mr. Payne today, there was no discussion as to the probable length of time that will be required to enact a tariff bill.

GERONIMO IS DEAD

War Chief of the Apaches Carried Off
by Pneumonia.

Lawton, Oklahoma, Feb. 17.—Geronimo, the noted Indian chief, died of pneumonia today in Fort Sill, where he had been confined as a prisoner of war for a number of years. He will be buried in the Indian cemetery near the fort by the Christian missionaries, having professed religion three years ago. Geronimo, war chief of the Apaches, was captured with his band at Sisseton Canyon, Arizona, 22 years ago, having slain, according to Gen. Nelson A. Miles after a 3,000-mile chase.

GUGGENHEIM ILL.

St. Louis, Feb. 18.—Daniel Guggenheim, head of the American Smelting and Refining Company, who was reported ill in Mexico several days ago, stopped in St. Louis on his way to New York, but remained in his private car while his father had been slightly indisposed while in Mexico from overwork and the climate, but that he had recovered.

ANDELL RESIGNS.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 18.—James Burrell Andell, LL.D., submitted his resignation of the presidency of the University of Michigan yesterday, to take effect June 1, and the board of regents accepted the resignation and offered it to Dr. Andell at a salary of \$4,000 a year, together with the continued use of the president's mansion on the university campus.

You don't stand to lose anything. Why not make an effort to win part of that \$30? Look on Page Five. You will be adding votes for The Advertiser's Trip all the time.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—SNOW.

FORECASTS.
Toronto, Feb. 18—3 a.m. cloudy, with light snow or rain.
Friday—Southeast winds, with occasional light snow or rain.

TEMPERATURES.			
Stations.	Today.	Yesterday.	
London	34	40	28
Victoria	44	40	28
Calgary	16	4	6
Winnipeg	12	16	10
Perry Sound	4	0	28
Toronto	24	12	30
Ottawa	14	12	20
Montreal	4	12	20
Quebec	2	10	18
Father Point	2	10	18
Vancouver	4	12	20
Medicine Hat	6	10	20
Edmonton	6	10	20
Calgary	6	10	20
St. John	4	14	24
Halifax	14	24	24

Minus (—) means below zero.
The pressure is highest over the Ottawa Valley and Atlantic States.
A moderate disturbance is moving toward the great lakes from the westward. The weather is decidedly cold from Eastern Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, and comparatively mild in the Western Provinces.

BOUNDARY TREATY
TO STAND OVERU. S. Senate Will Take Up the
Waterways Agreement at
Next Session.

New York, Feb. 18.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: "It was formally announced in executive session of the senate yesterday afternoon that the Canadian boundary waters treaty would be permitted to remain on the calendar until next session. This, of course, is due to the opposition of Senator Smith, of Michigan, and to the feeling not only that no time remains for a protracted debate on the convention, but that Senator Root will be able to defend it against amendment better than anyone now in the senate."

NO PRISONERS IN
POLICE COURTPolice Magistrate Love Had a Holiday
Today.

For the first time in a year no prisoners were in the cage, and no names were recorded in the book at the police court this morning.

"Not a thing doing," said Magistrate Love. "Everybody must be getting there has been no arrests in 38 hours," said the sergeant in charge.

MR. JOHN POLLOCK
HURT BY FALLAccident to a Local Electrician While
at Work Yesterday.

Mr. John Pollock had a close call today being seriously injured yesterday afternoon while taking down an electric fan in the City Hotel dining-room.

Mr. Pollock is an electrician, and was standing on top of a twelve-foot stepladder, when it spread just as he had got the fan loosened. He fell with the heavy fan on top of him, and sustained painful injuries to his back and legs, which will prevent him from working for several days.

MR. VICTOR MITCHELL
DENIES THE STORYDid Not Tell Blight & Fielder That the
North End Sewer Would Be Easy.

The city will not likely be sued for that bill of Blight & Fielder's, amounting to \$2,332, it is said.

It will be recalled that the contractors struck some bad digging while constructing the north end sewer. As a result of this, they claimed that they had lost money, and put in a bill for the above-mentioned sum. They alleged that Mr. Victor Mitchell, who was then employed in the city engineer's department, had told them that it was sandy soil, with few boulders.

The matter was laid over by the board of works some time ago, and Mr. Mitchell was communicated with. An answer was received yesterday afternoon, in which Mr. Mitchell declared that he told Blight & Fielder that the sewer lay through sand and gravel.

As a result it is not thought likely that Blight & Fielder will press for the payment of this money.

THE FISHERIES TREATY

Favorably Reported to the United
States Senate.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The senate committee on foreign relations today forwarded a favorable report on the Newfoundland fisheries treaty. An effort will be made to have the treaty ratified at the present session, but it may go over until the special session.

MOORE HELD FOR TRIAL

He and Another Man's Wife Attempted
To Get Into the States.

Detroit, Feb. 18.—John Erwin Moore, a Canadian farmer, formerly living near Springfield, Ont., was arraigned in the United States district court yesterday and held in \$500 bail to appear for trial in March. Moore, it is alleged, began to try to win the wife of the Englishman, presenting her with a gold bracelet on the first day of her employment. Matters continued for a time until the husband began to suspect his wife and Moore; then there was a scene. The husband wanted his wife to go back to England, but being infatuated with Moore, it is said, she refused, and the husband left for his old home with one of his children.

Moore then sold his farm and started for the states. He was stopped by the Detroit emigration office and sent back. He made a second attempt to get into this country through Port Huron, where he alleged the woman was his cousin. He was indicted by the grand jury, of which Rev. Red Stuart was foreman.

FOUR CHILDREN DROWNED.

Norwood, R. I., Feb. 18.—While standing hand in hand on Sand Pond last night, four children were drowned, when the ice gave way, and several persons who attempted to rescue them narrowly missed being engulfed in the icy water. The dead: Ranshilda, Lillian and Amel Hanson, and Joseph Johnson. All were under 15 years of age.

TAX RATE MAY
BE INCREASEDDemands From Civic Bodies Will
Be Heavy This Year.HOSPITAL AND
FIRE DEPARTMENTItems Will Show a Big Increase Over
the Figures of 1908.

None of the committees have taken up the estimates for the year, as yet, and little information can be gleaned as to the probable tax rate for 1909.

There is an impression about the city hall that the rate will be increased last year, when it was 22½ mills. The debenture rate last year amounted to 6.58 mills on the dollar, and this year there is every probability that it will reach at least 7 mills, perhaps a trifle more.

The public school rate was 6.441 mills in 1908, and will be increased to at least 6½ mills on the dollar. The rate for the Collegiate Institute was last year 1.44, and will be 1.50 this year, a slight raise.

It will not require much more than usual for the Public Library, but one-half mill must be laid aside for that purpose.

These estimates account for 15½ mills on the dollar, and this does not make any allowance for general expenses or the running of the city. Last year 7½ mills were utilized in general expenses, and that sum will be increased somewhat this year.

More for the Hospital.

Victoria Hospital will need fully \$8,000 more this year, perhaps, than last year.

This is due to the increased cost of management, the addition of the isolation hospital, and other expenses. Last year, the sum of \$31,000 was given to the institution, and the aldermen do not look for any less than a request for \$40,000 from that quarter.

The Fire Department.

The fire department will cost considerably more, fully \$10,000. This is due to the expense of running two new halls, with an increase of the brigade from 20 to 40 men, with cost of salary, suits, etc.

It is more than probable that the water commission will charge for water for street sprinkling. This will take \$4,000 from No. 3 committee.

Board of Health.

The board of health estimates will be much larger than usual, the outbreak of smallpox costing the city a few hundred dollars.

The board of works has a lot of work under contemplation, including a system of storm sewers in the east end. The finance committee will have to spend more money this year than last, and there will be an increase all round in general expenses.

So it seems more than likely that there will be an increase in the tax rate.

If there is not, there will have to be a general slaughter of the estimates.

REAL ESTATE IS
NOT DEPRECIATINGQuite a Few Transfers of Property
Are Taking Place in
London.

Somewhat varying opinions are expressed regarding the real estate and house-renting situation in the city at the present time.

Some dealers state that business is bad, although practically all admit that there are quite a number of empty houses in the city.

Some of them have been empty for some time.

Transfers of property have been fairly numerous, and prices paid show that real estate in the city is not in any way depreciating in value.

While there have been no very large sales, business has been steady, and the real estate men say they have no "kick" coming in this department of their business.

That the farmers have had a good year is indicated by the fact that all payments are being made promptly, and dealers report that many farmers are buying more land and increasing their farms.

The general outlook is regarded as bright, and it is thought that when the spring business starts it will be brisk.

BOY OPERATOR
BADLY MANGLEDDrawn Into Machine and Loses
an Arm at the Shoulder.

Guelph, Feb. 18.—While Oswald Bahr, aged about 18 years, was operating a tapping machine at the Standard Pitting and Valve Company's works, he was caught in the belting and drawn into the machine, and terribly mangled before he was rescued. It will take a two-thirds vote to open up the question again, and it is thought that it will be impossible to get this.

Even if the matter is reopened, the city cannot avail itself of the gift of Mr. Blair, and a resolution is being introduced that can be achieved is the defeat of the gift of \$5,000 to the sanatorium.

ALL HOPE ABANDONED.

Newcastle, Feb. 18.—All hope is abandoned of rescuing any of the 100 or more miners entombed by the explosion in a colliery at West Stanley.

Your share of the \$30 in gold is to be had for a little extra work that is to further your own interests, in the Trip to Europe Contest.

THORNLOE GAINS
IN THE BALLOTAnd Another Will Be Taken
This Afternoon By the
Anglican Synod.HOSPITAL AND
FIRE DEPARTMENTItems Will Show a Big Increase Over
the Figures of 1908.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 18.—The special meeting of the Anglican Synod of Toronto, which failed this morning to elect a bishop for the diocese in succession to the late Archbishop Sweetman, though the only ballot taken this morning further evidence was given of gains in strength by Bishop Thornloe of Algoma. The ballot showed a gain of three clerical votes and a loss of one lay vote for Bishop Thornloe, and for Canon Cody, so far the bishop's only real competitor, a loss of one clerical and three lay votes. Another ballot will be taken this afternoon. This morning's vote was as follows:

Bishop Thornloe, 112 clerical and 50 lay votes.

Canon Cody, 59 clerical and 62 lay votes.

Rev. Canon Sweeney and Rev. Canon Tucker each received two clerical votes.

LIBERAL CLUB'S
MOCK PARLIAMENTWill Be Held Tonight in Hyman
Hall.

The mock parliament of the Young Liberal Club will be held this evening in Hyman Hall.

This one promises to be one of the most interesting of the series and is certain to prove most attractive.

Mr. U. A. Buchner, leader of the government, has prepared a list of subjects to be debated, and there should be a good second-hand sofa to be present and bring as many of their friends as possible.

DR. NIVEN WAXES
QUITE HUMOROUSOver the Assertion That Board
of Health Are Looking for
Charity.

The board of health—that is, officially through their chairman, Dr. Niven—are not charmed of the suggestion of one of their members, as contained in yesterday's Advertiser, that some citizens be asked to kindly send a second-hand sofa to the smallpox hospital.

In fact, Dr. Niven got rather sarcastic over it.

"You said the doctor, 'We want second-hand tooth brushes and second-hand gum, anything they have second-hand to send to the hospital.'"

"What about a second-hand kitchen, a second-hand bath-room, and a few other second-hand things?" a spectator asked.

"We are not a charitable institution," said Dr. Niven. "If we get the money we need from the council we will fix things up as they should be."

Of course, he did not know that the suggestion that the public be asked to contribute to the smallpox hospital came from an influential member of the board, and one whose opinion in the recent controversy was accepted.

However, no contributions have as yet come, although it was stated that there would be several sofas and other things forwarded to the hospital. McCullum to be sent to the hospital down the river.

The relief officer does not take kindly to being brought into the controversy, if only to receive gifts and donations.

"What do you want to have anything to do with it," he stated. "It's out of my line."

At the next meeting of the police commission, the police will probably be held very shortly. Magistrate Love will bring up the question of admitting reporters to the meetings.

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GUELPH BUYS FIRE
HORSES IN LONDONBut London Department Is Scouring
Western Ontario Looking for
Animals.

The Guelph fire department bought a span of fire horses from Mr. James McCarty, the horse dealer of this city, during the past week, at a fair figure.

In the meantime, Ald. Garratt and Fire Chief Aitken have been searching the country over for horses for the local department.

They have been to Aylmer, St. Thomas, St. Marys, and other points. While they were searching for them, the Guelph chief comes down and buys a good pair in London.

This has caused not a little comment in the city, and several citizens have spoken of the matter to The Advertiser.

Why Not in London?

"I do not see why the fire chief could not get suitable horses in London when the Guelph department can buy them here," said a leading citizen to The Advertiser. "The pair that was purchased by Guelph are good horses, and suited the chief down to the ground. I think it is rather peculiar that we have to send men all over the country looking for horses when outsiders come right in here and buy them."

MANAGER HAYS
IN LONDONEast End Yards of the G. T. R.
Inspected.TRACK ELEVATION
AND LEVEL CROSSINGSFigure in the Doings of Party of Big
Officials Who Spent Several
Hours Here.

A party of Grand Trunk officials, composed of President Hays, Chief Engineer Kelly, Superintendent U. E. Gillen, D. A. Mitchell, master of the bridge and building department, Manager Brownlee, Third Vice-President Fitzhugh, Master Mechanic Markey, of Toronto, Engineer Robb, Traffic Manager Loud, and Car Superintendent Coleman, made a tour of inspection of the yards in the east end this morning together with the carshops and roundhouse.

The party was conducted through the carshops by Superintendent Treleven. The carshops have been on short time for some weeks, but Mr. Hays stated that from present indications there would be a decided improvement in the near future.

The party left on a special train at 12:10 for Stratford where the shops are to be opened this evening.

Minute Inspection.

A minute inspection was made of the east end yards by Mr. Hays and the party, with reference to track elevation, and it is understood that Engineer Kelly pointed out the salient features of the problem to Mr. Hays and the other Grand Trunk officials, so that the question can be taken up with Mayor Stevely in Stratford this evening.

A close examination of the Egerton and Rectory street crossings was also made, as they form the chief reasons for the visit of the Dominion railway commission to London next month.

Did Not See the Mayor.

His worship did not know of the visit of Mr. Hays to the city, and did not meet him. They will get together in Stratford at the banquet, and then will talk matters over.

His worship was not informed of the visit, and it was stated that the officials wanted to obtain first-hand information as to exact conditions here before discussing them with Mayor Stevely.

Two suffragettes repeated the tactics employed in the ladies' galleries of the House of Commons some time ago by chaining themselves to a balustrade in the Gallery Restaurant last night in order to interrupt Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, who was to speak at a dinner. The women were gagged, while files were brought out and the chains cut. They were then expelled from the cafe.

The suffragettes failed today in their attempt to present Premier Asquith the resolution adopted at yesterday's meeting of the Women's Political League, which declared for a continuation of the militant propaganda for suffrage.

They first attempted to march in procession, but their line being broken up by the police, they mingled with the crowd of the curious, who had gathered to witness the scene, and sauntered singly toward Downing street.

They then completely blocked all entrances to the thoroughfare, and twenty of the more militant suffragettes, who tried to break through the line of the volunteers, were charged with interfering with the police.

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BERLIN'S STABBER.

Berlin, Feb. 18.—Four more women and girls were stabbed late yesterday afternoon by the unknown criminal who has now committed 29 assaults with a knife in the suburbs of Berlin in the last few days. The wounds inflicted today were not severe. In one instance the stabbing occurred on the stairway of a house in which there is a police station. Many arrests have been made, but the men have been released after proving alibis.

MANAGER HAYS
AT STRATFORDInspects the New G. T. R. Shops
and Will Be Banqueted by
Citizens Tonight.

Stratford, Feb. 18.—The formal opening of the new G. T. R. shops took place today. Mr. C. M. Hays, general manager, with several members of his staff, arrived in the city this afternoon and inspected the works, which were thrown open to the public from 2 to 6 p.m. Large numbers of citizens took advantage of this opportunity to view the up-to-date works, with their splendid equipment. The new additions to the works comprise machine and erecting shop, boiler shop and powerhouse, which have been put up and furnished at a cost of approximately \$1,000,000. This evening a complimentary banquet will be tendered by Hays and staff to the city council and citizens of Stratford.

POLICE BUMPED
BY SUFFRAGETTESMake Valiant Attempt To Get at
Premier Asquith but With-
out Success.

London, Feb. 18.—The Women's Freedom League held a large meeting in London last night, and passed a resolution to keep up the militant campaign for suffrage. Mrs. Pankhurst was delegated to carry the resolutions to Premier Asquith today, forty members in the audience volunteering to form an escort.

Two suffragettes repeated the tactics employed in the ladies' galleries of the House of Commons some time ago by chaining themselves to a balustrade in the Gallery Restaurant last night in order to interrupt Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, who was to speak at a dinner. The women were gagged, while files were brought out and the chains cut. They were then expelled from the cafe.

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