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Asquith To Move Home Rule Bill Rejection

Gives Notice of Action on Second Reading—London Times Says Carson Defeated—Suggestions as to Possibilities.

(Canadian Press.) London, March 12.—Hon. Mr. Asquith is given notice that he will move rejection of the home rule bill on second reading. The notice reads: "The House declines to proceed with measure which is acceptable to no section of the Irish nation, which denies national unity by setting up two legislatures and executives with co-ordinate powers, and which would indefinitely postpone the establishment of a parliament for Ireland."

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This charming photograph, taken at Clarence House, London, shows Lady Patricia Ramsay (Princess Patricia) and her little son. It is the first picture taken of them.

CREW OF MAID OF LA HAVE SAVED

Captain Hays and Five Men Reach New York

Picked Up by the Adriatic—Vessel Set Afire—Ships Watch Out for Nova Scotia Trawler.

New York, March 12.—Captain Hays and five men of the crew of the British three-masted schooner Maid of La have arrived here today on board the White Star line steamship Adriatic, from Southampton. On March 10, about 740 miles off the coast of Nova Scotia, the schooner was set on fire by a trawler. Captain Hays and his crew were rescued by the Adriatic, which was on a voyage from Southampton to New York. The schooner was bound for St. John's, Nfld., for Bahala with a cargo of fish. From February 14 to March 7, the schooner was in the hands of the trawler, which was a German vessel. The schooner was set on fire by the trawler, and the crew was rescued by the Adriatic. The schooner was bound for St. John's, Nfld., for Bahala with a cargo of fish. From February 14 to March 7, the schooner was in the hands of the trawler, which was a German vessel. The schooner was set on fire by the trawler, and the crew was rescued by the Adriatic.

ASK COMMISSION ON LIQUOR LAW IN NOVA SCOTIA

Social Service Congress Committee Told That Effective Measures Will Be Taken.

Halifax, March 12.—At last night's session of the Social Service Congress, Rev. R. H. Ross reported that a committee which had reported upon the liquor problem in the province, had received assurances from Attorney-General Daniels that the government would take effective measures to deal with the drink traffic.

Endorsement of Minahan in Australia as Sydney Candidate Said to Be Cancelled.

London, March 12.—The labor party has cancelled its endorsement of Mr. Minahan as the party candidate for Sydney in the forthcoming state elections, for asserting that preparations had been made for declaring Australia a republic if the second conscription referendum and carried, and for signing a pledge favoring the unconditional release of prisoners, says a despatch to the Times from Sydney.

TWO DIE; OTHERS BECOME BLIND

Albany, N. Y., March 12.—A mysterious malady which has caused the death of two prisoners in Dannemora prison caused five to become blind and twenty-five partially to lose their eyesight within the last week is reported by the superintendent of the prison.

BURGARS ROB KING CHRISTIAN'S VILLA

Copenhagen, March 12.—Burgars have ransacked the villa of King Christian, situated on the Skov, Jutland. Silverware and antiques valued at several thousand kroner were stolen.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, a Halifax newspaper man, "you are informed that the requirements for social prominence in that city are listed as the ability to dance—the latest dances only; the ability to talk fluently on the latest make of car; and to play the latest thing on a piano. How is it with you?"

"Well," said Hiram, "a \$600 fur coat helps some. A photograph, with the latest records on it, is a must. If it costs about \$400, of course, as the Halifax feller says, 'a car. You know we don't judge people like we do critics. We judge a critter from the hide in, but people from the skin out.' 'The nimbler dollar is a great thing—' isn't it?" said the reporter. "It's well named the almighty dollar. The feller that's got his pockets full don't need no keys. The doors just fly open when they see him comin'. If you're rich in pocket you kin be poor in heart 'n' get by. That's an old story, but we don't get no chance to forget it. But don't it beat all how everybody's spendin' money these days? The world's gone crazy on it. An' some people that ain't got the money, or want to spend it fer somethin' else, jist walks into a store 'n' helps themselves."

"The reformer," said the reporter, "is advanced Bothevism. 'We will all be doing that when the new civilization comes to effect.'"

"Yes," said Hiram, "an' after the first grab or two 't won't be nothin' left to the poor folks. They'll be gettin' to go to work agin 'n' make it. Mister, that feller he's got to burn himself out—yes, sir."

BEER AS FOOD

Ontario Professor Speaks Also of Candy for Children—The Smoker's Digestion.

London, Ont., March 12.—"Good fresh beer has considerable food value, being rich in vitamins," said Dr. J. W. Crane in an address to a Western University audience last night on the psychology of the menu, but he added, "the two per cent beer sold here has no food value."

He had at one time advised his students not to be lulled by the soft and weakened digestion, but tests had shown the saliva of a smoker digested starch in connection with charges that certain members of the faculty had been drinking. He declared that experiments show that the average output of work cannot be increased by beer, coffee, alcohol or other drugs.

Candy he declared the best food for children who needed far more sugar and fat than adults. Oatmeal, Dr. Crane asserted, was the cheapest and most nutritious breakfast food. He said that fresh crockers and prolonged boiling destroyed vitamins.

NEW YORK PROBE OF ALLEGED PROTECTION OF VICE BY POLICE

New York, March 12.—Every policeman of the fourth inspection district who has been charged with the protection of vice, embracing the latest addition to the tenderloin, will be questioned in connection with charges that certain members of the force are extracting graft from undesirable resorts. Merchants, bartenders and women will also be witnesses for the grand jury.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis.—The disturbance which was over the southwest states yesterday morning has moved to the Great Lakes, causing snow in northern Ontario and rain in the southern and eastern portion of the province and in Quebec. The weather has been fair and cold in Manitoba and mild further west.

Clearing Colder. Winds increasing to gales from southwest with rain tonight. Saturday, westerly gales and clearing. Turning somewhat colder.

New England.—Rain tonight; warmer in Connecticut. Saturday cloudy and colder; strong southwest to west winds. Toronto, March 12.—Temperatures: Highest Lowest

Prince Rupert . . . 38 46 58  
Victoria . . . 40 46 50  
Kamloops . . . 36 48 58  
Edmonton . . . 40 48 58  
Calgary . . . 20 44 58  
Sault Ste. Marie . . . 20 38 50  
Winnipeg . . . 16 36 44  
Saskatoon . . . 16 36 44  
Ottawa . . . 38 40 50  
Montreal . . . 44 44 50  
Kingston . . . 40 48 58  
St. John's . . . 38 40 50  
Halifax . . . 38 40 50  
St. John's, Nfld. . . 34 34 50  
St. John's, Nfld. . . 34 34 50  
Detroit . . . 52 58 64  
New York . . . 52 58 64

\*Below zero.

Exchange Slumps; A Drop of 7 1-2 Cents

Sterling This Morning \$3.65 3-4—Market Stands Up Well Under it for Time, But Finally Shows Effect.

BONUS DEMAND BY CIVIL SERVICE BUT FIGURE WITHHELD

Known, However, That It Is In Excess of Last Year's

Convention in Ottawa Also Formulates Other Requests to Government, Including General, Permanent and Satisfactory System of Supplementation.

(Canadian Press.) Ottawa, March 12.—Not until these reforms are instituted will classification become satisfactory and acceptable to the service," was the concluding phrase in one of the most important reports submitted to the annual convention of the civil service federation and legislative committee on legislation, which was held in Ottawa yesterday.

The reforms asked for and endorsed by the convention are: 1. An appeal board. 2. That a permanent appeal board be instituted, with finality of decision and power to deal with personal and individual appeals, individuals having the right to appear.

3. That the personnel committees be instituted, such committees to be service committees, departmental committees, or of some other satisfactory nature. 4. That a general, permanent and satisfactory system of supplementation be instituted.

Regarding the bonus, it has been announced that it is in excess of a great deal of last year's government bonus, but until the matter is placed before the cabinet it is the desire that the amount be withheld from publication.

Grievances figured largely at the afternoon convention. They were chiefly from the outside service, and particularly from the marine workers of the Nova Scotia Association complained that their statutory holiday of three weeks and asked the federation's influence in obtaining this.

The ways and means committee reported that it recommended that the insurance act that women taking out policies do so on the same footing as men.

PROCEEDINGS OF BRITISH COMMONS (Canadian Press.)

London, March 12.—In the House of Commons last night Sir Haakon Grechwood said the government had no objection to admitting the Russian co-operative delegation to the House of Commons. He hoped the treaty would be ready by the end of the month.

The silver coinage bill was read a third time and the veterinary surgeons' bill, which seeks to raise funds for the Royal Veterinary College passed its second reading.

On motion of Lord Bryce, which was ultimately withdrawn, the House of Lords debated the Turkish atrocities and dramatic action necessary at Constantinople. He hoped the treaty would be ready by the end of the month.

IN THE SENATE

Ottawa, March 12.—The resignation of officers of the geological and mines branch was discussed yesterday in the senate. Senator Tassier said that he hoped the government could do something to stop the movement of experts from the mines branch, who were paid higher salaries elsewhere.

Senator Donville thought that if the country let its experts go it might lose a good deal more than the sum required to keep them.

His tribute was paid by Sir James Loughheed and other senators to the memory of Senator Talbot and Senator Bauder, who died during the last recess.

GRANTED DIVORCE THIRTEEN TIMES

Cedar Rapids, Ia., March 12.—Mrs. A. L. Yocum was granted her thirteenth divorce at Boone, Ia., yesterday. The winning of the case against Yocum was the second victory of the kind in this state for Mrs. Yocum. She took her divorce as a matter of fact.

ROYAL GEORGE AT HALIFAX

Halifax, N. S., March 12.—The steamer Royal George, from New York for St. John's, arrived here last night. She will take on 210 passengers, forty-four members of the crew of the Bahemian and ten cars of mail. On board is a party of the American Red Cross, consisting of nine doctors and thirteen nurses, bound to Warsaw.

COOLIES BREAK FROM CAMP AT VICTORIA, B. C.

Two Thousand Chinese Get Away But Many Forced Back at Point of Bayonet.

(Canadian Press.) Victoria, B. C., March 12.—At the point of the bayonet several hundred Chinese coolies who had made a determined attempt to escape from the William Head cantonment yesterday were rounded up by the military guards and herded back within the camp fences. More than 8,000 coolies are at the cantonment and when the riot occurred it is estimated that about 2,000 succeeded in breaking away from the strongly barricaded enclosure.

The guards were insufficient to stem the onrush and the leading forces of the mutiny succeeded in getting out into the surrounding country and scattering before reinforcements could be rushed to the scene and the crowd of rioters forced back at the point of the bayonet into the camp.

The cause of the riot is not known. It was said, however, that the riot had been quelled and that order prevailed at the camp.

CHARGED THAT RICH YOUNG AMERICAN EVADED DRAFT

Banker Says Bergdoll Drew \$50,000, in Court Martial Evidence.

New York, March 12.—Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, a wealthy young Philadelphia, being court-martialed on Governor's Island, charged with desertion from the army in evading the draft law, withdrew \$50,000 from his account at the Tenth National Bank, Philadelphia, between the day the United States declared a state of war with Germany and the time he fled, according to John P. Bauder, president of the institution. Bauder testified yesterday for the prosecution.

TURKS ATTACK VILLAGES OF THE ARMENIANS

London, March 12.—Zetium, Hamit and various other Armenian villages in Cilicia have been besieged by Turkish bands for the last ten days, according to despatches from diplomatic sources. Zetium is in the valley of Aleppo, twenty miles northwest of Marashi, where the recent Armenian massacres are reported to have occurred.

London, March 12.—An assembly of twenty-nine Mesopotamian nobles now sitting in Damascus probably will proclaim Mesopotamia a state and form a joint government with Syria, under the regency of Zeld, a brother of Prince Faisal, of the Hedjaz, according to the Daily Mail's Cairo correspondent.

Washington, March 12.—Recommendations that the United States accept a mandate over Armenia are believed to be contained in a report of an American mission which recently toured that country.