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Tomorrow's Weather—Decidedly Colder.

SAD, SAD, IS THE STATE OF
BONAR LAW AND COMPANY

Melancholy Days These in the Unionist Camp What With Internal Dissension and No Prospects of Return to Power—
Last Week in British Politics as Seen by
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[Special to The Advertiser by T. P. O'Connor, M. P.]

London, Jan. 11.—For several days this week it looked as if the Unionist party were breaking all to pieces. Few of them even entered the House of Commons, and even the home rule bill was left to be discussed by William Moore, one of the Ulster Unionists, who, seated alone and still snorting fire and flame, though with manifest depression of spirits, seemed like the last of the Unionist Mohicans.

Melancholy Law.
The melancholy and long hatched face of Bonar Law, Opposition leader, grew daily longer and more melancholy, and he also seldom visited the House of Commons. He was allowed to sit for hours alone, without the cheering presence of a single one of his fellow-leaders of the Unionist party, when he did attend. In the meantime, this grim, melancholy silence in the House of Commons was in great contrast with the deafening and horrid din of the rival newspapers, J. L. Garvin, of the Pall Mall Gazette, continued to hurl epithets at Lord Northcliffe and the Morning Post and Daily Express foamed at the mouth over the proposal to drop food taxes, while Lord Northcliffe, in the Daily Mail and Times,

went on his way with his characteristic serenity, not replying to the insults, but sticking obstinately to the cry that the food taxes must be dropped.

Derby's Ultimatum.

Lancashire added to the confusion of the situation by sending a deputation to Bonar Law, headed by such a powerful leader as Lord Derby and demanding also the dropping of the food taxes, if Lancashire was to be saved from the Liberals and free traders.

It became evident to even the most fiery food taxer that things could not go on, and that a compromise and truce or open fighting and destruction remained as the sole alternatives of the Unionist leaders.

It also was evident that in spite of the fulminations from Austen Chamberlain and the whole Birmingham school that the free traders formed the overwhelming majority of the party, and that they must get some concession.

All this led up to a compromise which is deliberately ambiguous, allowing both sections to claim a victory. The food taxes are not dropped, but they are not to be imposed without two preliminary conditions—first, a demand from the colonies, and second, their

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DR. DONNELLY, OF TOLEDO,
NOT OF FAMOUS FAMILY

Son of Late William Donnelly Says He Never Heard of the Ohio Man.

Dr. Peter Donnelly, of Toledo, who was drowned yesterday when he drove his automobile over the end of a wharf, and who is claimed in the "dispatches" as a son of Pat Donnelly, of Wallaceburg, a member of the famous Donnelly family of Biddulph, which was nearly wiped out on the night of Feb. 4, 1880, is no connection with that family at all, according to James Donnelly of the Brunswick Hotel, this city.

Donnelly, late of Appin, Ont., and a nephew of Pat. He claims that he has no cousin by the name of Peter Donnelly, and never did have. He had never heard of Dr. Peter Donnelly until he read the dispatches about his tragic death.

He claims that Pat Donnelly's son was named John, and that he is at present in St. Catharines, Ont., and was seriously injured in an automobile accident in that city about a year ago, and has been temporarily deranged ever since.

Dr. Peter Donnelly is not known in this city, and as far as can be learned here he has no connection whatever with the famous Donnelly family of Biddulph.

DUCHESS SHOWS
MUCH IMPROVEMENT

Physicians' Bulletin Says She Is Free of Pain and Discomfort.

A VEXING INCIDENT

His Royal Highness Explains to Montreal's Mayor Misunderstanding Over Inquiries.

[Canadian Press.]
Montreal, Jan. 11.—The following bulletin was issued at 12:50 p.m. today: "Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught, passed a somewhat better night, and is comparatively free from pain and discomfort. There has been considerable improvement in the condition of the duchess during the past 24 hours, and it is hoped that her royal highness' convalescence, though necessarily slow, will be uninterrupted."

(Signed):
"E. S. WORTHINGTON,
"A. E. GARROW, M.D.,
"W. W. CHEPMAN, M.D."

Montreal, Jan. 11.—The last bulletin issued from the Royal Victoria Hospital yesterday evening, in which the condition of the duchess of Connaught was said to be improved, led to a distinct lessening of the apprehension manifested by the royal party and the many friends of the duchess here this morning.

The city of Montreal took official cognizance of the illness of the Duchess of Connaught yesterday, when Mayor Lavallée sent his private secretary, Mr. René Bauset, to the Royal Victoria Hospital to make inquiries of the progress of the recovery of her royal highness and also to express the deep regret of his worship and the members of the city council that the Duchess of Connaught had fallen so seriously ill.

Not Out of Danger.
Mr. Bauset in a report he made to the mayor, stated he had gone to the Royal Victoria Hospital, and he had been informed by the secretary of the hospital that the Duchess of Connaught had passed the most comfortable night since her arrival at the hospital, but that the state of the health of her royal highness was none the less grave.

An unfortunate mixup occurred over the inquiries of the mayor about the duchess. It was at first attempted to get information from the Governor-General's party, but no response of the application for news was forthcoming. The mayor's secretary was then sent to the hospital itself.

Yesterday the Duke of Connaught, hearing that the mayor had been making inquiries, sent his secretary, Arthur Sladen, to express his deep regret that he (the duke) had not been informed of the inquiries yesterday morning.

MAY USE STRONG MEANS
TO MOVE THE TURK

Europe May Be Driven to Military and Naval Demonstration.

New York, Jan. 11.—A cable from London to the Herald says:

Despite the "made in Vienna" reports that Roumania is mobilizing and that an ultimatum has been sent to Bulgaria demanding the cession of Silistria within a fortnight, and accompanied by the threat that Roumanian troops will occupy the coveted territory, the demands are not granted, the Standard this morning, voicing the views of cool-headed observers here, says:

"Though the task of the ambassadors of the great powers has been rendered more difficult by the large crop of unfounded rumors concerning the Balkan situation, it is certain that the united judgment of Europe must in the end conquer."

"To insure peace, the opinion in general, however, is that ambassadors must not delay too long in applying adequate pressure at Constantinople, and that if the ally-dubbing which marked the procedure of the powers before the war began, when intervention on behalf of the Christians in Macedonia and Thrace would have averted the sacrifice of millions of lives on the battlefield, it is to be the policy here, the situation will become so serious that a military and naval demonstration will be necessary to convince Turkey that she can no longer defy civilization."

DEATH OF W. J. IRWIN

Carfrae Crescent Man Died at His Home Today.

Mr. William James Irwin, of Carfrae Crescent, South London, died at his residence this morning. Mr. Irwin was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Irwin of this city, and the husband of Mrs. Lillian Irwin, who with an infant son, survives him. He is also survived by three brothers—John, of this city; Anthony of Toronto, and George, of Detroit; five sisters—Mrs. William Bryan, of Edmonton; Mrs. William Duncan, Mrs. Harry Norris, and Mrs. John Enright, of Winnipeg; and Mrs. George Alfred, of this city.

The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

CREW WAS SAVED;

[Canadian Press.]

Booth Bay Harbor, Jan. 11.—The crew of the schooner Silver Star, of Matland, N. S., which was wrecked off Damariscotta, reported here today, and reported the vessel a total loss. The four men were brought ashore by the Damariscotta life-savers, and saved only personal effects. The Silver Star was loaded with general merchandise and was on her way from Boston to Noel, N. S.



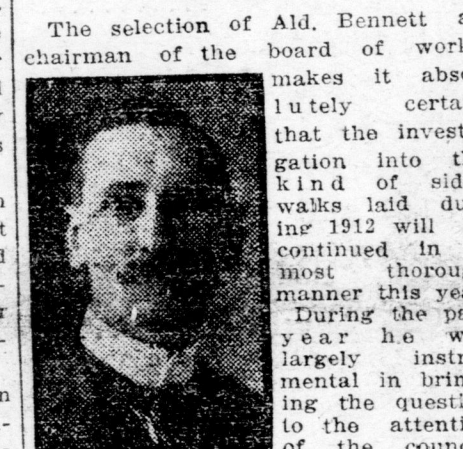
LATE DR. PETER DONNELLY,
Who Met Death in an Auto Accident at Toledo.

ALD. BENNETT
WILL CONTINUE
INVESTIGATION

Sidewalks Laid on the Downtown Streets Are Cracking in Some Places.

IS W. J. ANTHISTLE THROUGH WITH CITY?

It Is Said He Will Not Tender This Year for Civic Work Owing to the Trouble He Has Had.



The selection of Ald. Bennett as chairman of the board of works makes it absolutely certain that the investigation into the kind of sidewalks laid during 1912 will be continued in a most thorough manner this year.

During the past year he was largely instrumental in bringing the question to the attention of the council.

Ald. Bennett, insisting that the city be protected in the construction of the walks, it was his insistence, backed by Ald. Richter, that finally persuaded the council to go into the matter.

The preliminary investigation revealed many things that were not to the best interests of the city. City Engineer Brazier continued the inquiry, but owing to the approach of cold weather, it was abandoned for the year. Ald. Bennett will take this matter up at once, and compel the contractor, Mr. W. J. Anthistle, to make good the walks laid by him.

Walks Are Cracking.

From a casual observation of the walks on Dundas and Richmond street it appears that they are not standing the winter weather very well. Although there has been very little frost, they are cracking in places. Particularly on Richmond street, on the west side from Dundas street to Smallman & Ingram's, there is a long crack. It would seem that the foundation had settled, and the top dressing had cracked on this account.

Ald. Bennett on the Job.

"This matter is by no means dead," declared Ald. Bennett. "I took the position that the matter was one for last year's council to settle, but it was not owing to the great amount of work to be done. It will be settled this year, however, and settled right. The citizens are entitled to a square deal, and they will get it if I have anything to say. We are going into this question thoroughly, and we will do so at an early date."

It is probable that Inspector Harry Rymill will be reinstated. Since he was mixed up in the sidewalk trouble he has done little work for the city, but he will be restored to his former position.

It was rumored today that Contractor W. J. Anthistle would not tender for any city work this year. His experience last year was not satisfactory, and a close friend of his stated today that he was through with city work.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—DECIDEDLY COLDER.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—8 a.m.
Today—Mild, with some showers.
Sunday—Fresh to strong westerly to northwesterly winds, turning decidedly colder, with light local snowfalls or flurries.

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

Stations	High	Low	Weather
LONDON	36	24	Clear
Calgary	36	24	Clear
Winnipeg	30	20	Clear
Parry Sound	32	24	Cloudy
Quebec	36	28	Cloudy
Montreal	28	20	Snow
Quebec	28	20	Snow
Father Point	24	20	Snow

Minus (—) means below zero.

No reports from Victoria, Port Arthur or Ottawa.

Weather Notes.
The weather is mild from the Great Lakes eastward, attended by snow and rain, and fine and continued very cold in the Western Provinces.

UNIONIST PARTY AT
SIXES AND SEVENS

One Organ Says There's To Be No Abandonment of Food Tax Plank and Another Says It Is To Be Discarded for the Present.

New York, Jan. 11.—A cable to The Tribune from London says:
The terms of the Unionist party memorial to Mr. Bonar Law are discreetly concealed so that it is possible for both food taxers and free traders to claim the victory. The oracles of the Unionist press are diametrically opposed as to the nature of the proposed compact.

There is to be no abandonment of food taxes, says the Pall Mall Gazette. Food taxes are to be relegated to a second election, says the Daily Telegraph, which invented this alternative to the now discarded referendum.

The immediate outcome is the dropping of food taxes and the indefinite postponement of imperial preference, says the Birmingham Post, which is credited with speaking the mind of the Chamberlainites.

C. P. R. TRAINS CRASHED
TOGETHER IN LOCAL YARDS

A Serious Rear-End Collision in East London at Noon Today—Caboose Smashed and Several Cars Were Thrown Off the Tracks.

A somewhat serious rear-end collision occurred in the East London yards of the C. P. R. at noon today, when regular freight No. 905 crashed into the caboose of extra freight No. 655. The caboose of the latter was smashed and derailed, while a coal car and a box car were also thrown off the rails.

Both trains were proceeding very slowly, being within the yard limits. No. 905 was in charge of Conductor Morgan and Engineer Wilson, and No. 655 was operated by Conductor S. Perry and Engineer Litter. All four are Londoners.

The auxiliary worked for several hours replacing the cars, and in the meantime the main line was blocked.

Two young lads, neither of whom has reached his teens, were arrested and brought before Police Magistrate Judd in juvenile court this morning, charged with shoplifting in downtown five and ten cent stores. The boys pleaded guilty, and were remanded to the care of Inspector Joseph Sanders, of the Children Aid Society, for a week. It is probable that they will be placed in the care of that organization, or sent to Mimico Industrial School.

The parents of both boys claim that they are unable to care for them, and that they are incorrigible.

Inspector Sanders is of the opinion that lads, unaccompanied by parents, should be excluded from such stores in the same manner as children are deterred from entering the moving picture shows.

The temptation placed before the lads is often too great, Mr. Sanders believes, and much pretty pilfering results.

BARBERS APPEAR WELL
PLEASED WITH LAW

Early Closing Went Into Effect For First Time Friday Night.

General satisfaction was expressed among most of the local barbers this morning over the new regulation regarding closing hours. They report that business went on as usual until 7:30 o'clock, when they locked their doors and went home. No rush previous to the closing hour was experienced.

One of the tonsorial artists reported that he had two or three customers come to his shop at a quarter to 8, and wanted attention, but he refused to serve them. One of them expostulated and stated that he had to leave the city within half an hour, but the plea was unavailing and the barber remained firm.

"We are perfectly content with the new conditions," said Mr. John Campbell, president of the association. "I think all the barbers are satisfied with the change. It is time the public were realizing that the barber is only human like other folks and wants the evening hours for rest and recreation."

SEVERE PUNISHMENT
FOR WIFE DESERTERS

Inspector Sanders Feels That the Law Is Too Easy Now.

More severe punishment for men who abandon their wives is advocated by Mr. Joseph Sanders, Inspector for the Charity Organization, who declares that during his experience he has had to deal with very many cases in which husbands forsake their families because they have little or no fear of the law.

The Inspector is now caring for a south end family, consisting of a mother and six children, who are in very destitute circumstances. They were found a few days ago without food or fuel, and were suffering intensely.

It developed upon investigation that the father had deserted his family, and had been haled into police court on a non-supply charge. On order was made for the man to pay a certain portion of his earnings to his wife each week. He has shirked this duty, however, and the mother of the children appears to be of the belief that she cannot overcome her troubles.

This morning a man who is among the large number in London who have been ordered to contribute to the maintenance of their deserted families, called at the office of the police magistrate and declared that he could not keep to his agreement as he could find no employment. In less than a minute, whereupon the caller appeared much perturbed. He declared that he could not earn his board at that occupation, but was advised to get busy. Of course he was not relieved of the responsibility as he desired.

LONDON SHIPPERS SEND
32 FREIGHT CARS DAILY
BY M. C. R. TO CUSTOMERS

No Wonder Businessmen Are Alarmed Over Prospect of Losing the Road—Gives Them Fast Service Through Southern Ontario.

The great importance of the M. C. R. to London is realized by the wholesalers and jobbers of the city. This railway serves, with its connections, all the southwestern counties along Lake Erie and the Detroit and St. Clair Rivers, and opens a fine territory east as far as the Falls. It widens the area of quick freight distribution, and brings to London enormous quantities of trade.

An average of 32 cars of freight a day leave this city over the M. C. R. for distribution in this province.

Where the Freight Goes.
Of these, 13 cars a day are what is termed broken cars. For instance, several of these go over the Courtright division. All the freight in the city for towing along this road is placed in these cars. From St. Thomas west to Courtright, it is distributed the next day, practically an express service for freight.

Another lot of these cars is taken to Essex, for distribution between that town and Wallaceburg. Still another goes to Tillsonburg and the east. And so it is with other branches of the road. The advantages of this method of service these sections are appreciated by every businessman in the city. The goods leave one evening, and are distributed the next.

In addition to broken cars, there is an average of 19 or 20 cars of full loads, travelling over the system. If there is sufficient to fill a car for Windsor, it is filled, and the goods sent direct to Windsor Niagara Falls, or St. Thomas, or to other places.

These goods, too, are delivered the next day. The service is particularly fast and efficient.

Practically an Express Service.
"We send on an average of 13 broken cars of freight over the line each day, and 19 or 20 cars of full car lots to the places along the line," declared Mr. Thomas Evans, M. C. R. passenger and freight agent. "The broken cars are loaded here, and sent on to the towns along the various branches. Where

there is a car lot for Windsor, for example, it is sent directly through. As I said before we have 19 or 20 such cars each day. The remainder are cars for distribution for the various small places. They leave the night, and are delivered the next day, practically an express service. The wholesalers and businessmen appreciate that, as it means much to them. We serve practically all the southern portion of Ontario, a splendid territory for the business of London."

Mr. J. H. Magliem, Buffalo, general freight agent of the Canadian division, and Mr. Robert Middleton, travelling freight agent, St. Thomas, have been in the city, looking after the interests of the company.

London Shippers Alarmed.
It is no wonder that London manufacturers, wholesalers, jobbers and shippers generally are alarmed over the prospect of losing the M. C. R. connection. In 1896 when the company talked of leaving London, the businessmen of the city united to a man in urging the company to reconsider the matter. Today the situation is again critical. Mr. Ledyard, chairman of the M. C. R. board of directors, is opposed to handing over the hauling of the company's cars between St. Thomas and London to the city or any other concern, and he will not run M. C. R. locomotives over an electrified line.

Leading manufacturers, jobbers and shippers urged that the electrification bylaw be rushed to a vote of the people until some arrangement had been made which would insure the continuance of both the M. C. R. and Pere Marquette services under any change in the operation of the London and Port Stanley Railway. Yet these leading citizens have been abused and denounced as an array of "private interests," and have been accused of insincerity in asking for more time and more information. Things have come to a sorry pass in London when the representatives of the commercial leaders are flouted and derided in this way.

RAILWAY TRAINMEN WILL ASK
FOR MORE MONEY ON JAN. 27

Request Will Be Placed Before 55 Roads East of the Mississippi.

Interest of the members of the Order of Railway Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen is centering at present in the application for an increase in wages, which will be made to all 16 railway roads east of the Mississippi River in Canada and the United States on Jan. 27.

The project has been under way for several months, and a large number of the head officers of the different brotherhoods have been detailed to carry the question to the railway officials at the head offices of the 55 roads on the date named.

No Local Delegates.
No delegates will be sent from London, according to local officers of the brotherhood, but the employees of all the railways running into London will participate in the benefits of the requests of the unions are accorded to.

The question will be dealt with in the same manner as in the case of the trainmen, which led to a strike on the Grand Trunk in 1910.

However, it is said that there is no very strong possibility of trouble in the present instance.

At the time of the trouble referred to, the brotherhoods of the Eastern Association, which comprises all of North America east of the Mississippi River, asked the different railways to meet the standard of wages set by the Baltimore and Ohio Railway. The Grand Trunk would not agree to come up to the standard for various reasons, and the strike ensued.

BEATTIE NESBITT MAY
DIE AT ANY HOUR

All Hope For the Recovery of Farmers' Bank President Given Up.

[Canadian Press.]
Toronto, Jan. 11.—The condition of DA Beattie Nesbitt, president of the Farmers' Bank, is such that it is probable that he will survive today, but his physician intimates that he may die any hour. The former politician and president of the Farmers' Bank is afflicted with diabetes and dropsy.

THIRD MURPHY CHILD
TAKEN VIOLENTLY ILL

Mary, Aged 16, Rushed to Victoria Hospital and Death Appears Imminent.

Mary Murphy, 16 years old, another of the stricken Irish family, of 29 Blackfriars street, West London, two of whom died a couple of days ago at Victoria Hospital, was removed to that institution Friday night, apparently suffering from the same malady.

While John Murphy, father of the children, states that his wife was made irresponsible through grief when she spoke of the food that led to the surprise that putrid faeces had been the cause of the fatal illness, physicians are still of the opinion that ptomaine poisoning caused the deaths of four-year-old Christina and the infant, John, and is now affecting Mary.

She was quite well at the time of the deaths of the other two, but late yesterday was stricken with an illness that showed the same symptoms. Dr. U. E. Bateson was hurriedly summoned, and had the girl conveyed to Victoria Hospital in the police ambulance.

This morning she is quite ill and there is little hope for her recovery.

WOOL AUCTION SALES.
London, Jan. 11.—The first series of the 1913 wool auction sales will be opened on Tuesday, and the closing is scheduled for Jan. 28. Next week 50,200 bales will be offered.