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PREMIER WHITNEY A DICTATOR BLOCKING NEEDED TAX REFORM DEMANDED BY HIS OWN PARTY

Opposition Leader Rowell in Vigorous Speech Attacks What He Terms "Autocratic Assumption" of Premier—Drove Thirty-Four Miles to Address Large Meeting—Appeals For Rule by People.

(By a Staff Reporter.)
 BRIGHT, Ont., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Why are we forced to obey the autocratic assumption of a dictator? asked N. W. Rowell, K.C., leader of the Liberal opposition in Ontario, at a meeting here, which is the north wester town of his own constituency. In a terse speech he assailed Sir James Whitney for what the speaker termed his reactionary methods on the question of assessment reform, and declared the writing was on the wall for all opponents of needed tax reform.

Mr. Rowell drove thirty-four miles in almost zero weather to keep a deferred engagement with his electors who live in part of the riding. The first seventeen miles were covered in a blinding snowstorm, when the journey had to be postponed at the eighth mile for half an hour, and refuge was sought the residence of a hospitable farmer. A large crowd attended the meeting, and by the interest shown in the question demonstrated that it is receiving attention. He deplored what he characterized as the tendency of the present administration to belittle self-government and to hold back reforms for no particular reason. "Why cannot we have this legislation in this province?" he asked. "Why cannot we have it?" he reiterated, amid applause.

"Cannot we manage our own affairs? Are not we supposed to legislate for ourselves? The reasons are that we have a dictator who is determined to force his own whims and fancies upon us but has no ear for public needs. How long are the people going to stand by? We have never been subjected to such systems since the days of the family compact."

Local Option in Taxation.
 He urged another demand for local option in taxation, saying that the government had no right to say absolutely how the money should be raised when it had nothing to do with the spending of it.

"Good roads are of no more value to the progressive farmer than to the man who pays no attention to the improvement of his property," he said, "but the man who is enterprising enough to derive all the profit procurable out of his possessions is taxed on a higher basis for their upkeep than the farmer who is indifferent."

"Is this state of affairs fair?" he questioned. "Why should these discouragements exist when there is no necessity for them? They could be removed."

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THOUSANDS HEAR MESSAGE OF SALVATION

Miss Evangeline Booth's Visit to Toronto Marks an Epoch in the History of the Salvation Army in Toronto—Massey Hall Crowded at Meetings.

Miss Evangeline Booth, commander of the Salvation Army in the United States, last night held the attention for an hour and a half of more than four thousand people in Massey Hall, and delivered a message of salvation that was possibly the most powerful and passionate ever heard in Toronto.

In the course of her address Miss Booth used as many modulations of her voice as any. At the end of her message 30 persons acknowledged that they had softened to her touch, and as the big gathering left Massey Hall these 30, in answer to her call, worked their way to the front of the building and there, beneath the platform and the massed bands of the Toronto division, they knelt upon chairs and sobbed for comfort.

Only the most skeptical, cynical and depraved could have attended the evening meeting and have remained unmoved. Sometimes kneeling with head and hands uplifted, and sometimes in a sitting posture, with head bowed, the noted Salvationist told of the unlimited possibilities of the power which raised John B. Gough from the gutter and had turned John Bunyan from the most blasphemous living creature to the author of the "Pilgrim's Progress"—the power which could save the vilest sinner "on the trap-door of hell." "That's the teaching of our Salvation Army in a nutshell," cried the speaker, with a characteristic slap of her hands.

"Compassion" embodied was the subject Miss Booth chose for her evening meeting, and in connection with this subject she read from the Bible the following verses: "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, neither is His ear heavy, that it cannot hear." The subject was the best she could have chosen. It provided her with ample opportunity to speak with her customary effectiveness. Commissioner David M. Rees of the Canadian Army acted as chairman, and Col. Pugmire led the singing.

The evening meeting was the second Commander Booth had addressed in the city, and the fact that she was not exhausted at the end is proof that

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Navy Discussion Shelved

OTTAWA, Jan. 18.—(Special.)—The cabinet met practically all day Saturday, but Premier Borden had no announcement to make at its close.

There will be no naval talk this week, and there is practically no change in the political situation, at least upon the surface. Tuesday is mentioned as the day when the opposition will hold a caucus to discuss the party's future attitude towards the naval bill, but this by no means is definite according to Liberals who are about the lobbies to-night.

Premier Borden has a slight influenza, and he will likely be kept out of the house for a few days.

TURKEY IS LIKELY TO YIELD TO DEMANDS

Calling of National Assembly Tomorrow Will Relieve Turkish Cabinet of Serious Responsibility—Should Answer Be Unsatisfactory Powers Will Be Consulted.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—(Can. Press.)—The Porte's decision to call a national assembly on Tuesday to take under advisement the Balkan situation probably heralds further concessions on the part of Turkey—concessions which could not be yielded by the cabinet without risking its fall. In any case, the Balkan delegates in London do not believe that the Porte's reply to the joint note of the powers will be such a flat refusal as was foreshadowed from Constantinople.

Yesterday's despatches reported that the Turkish Government had reached a decision not to cede Adrianople or the Aegean islands, but was willing to enter into negotiations respecting those islands some distance removed from the Dardanelles. If Turkey's answer is unsatisfactory, the allies, in deference to Europe, will ask the powers whether they have means to compel Turkey to comply with their wishes. If not, the allies will carry out the plan already announced, leading to the resumption of the war.

Will Withdraw Concessions.
 To such extent, the allies will regard all concessions heretofore made for the sake of peace, either to Turkey or the powers, as void. Thus they will not recognize the undertaking consenting to an autonomous Albania, or the promise of Servia and Montenegro to retire from the Adriatic. Questioned as to the possibility in this case of Austria employing force, the head of the delegations said today:

"We shall see whether the triple entente, and especially Russia, will permit such action on the part of Austria. If we are forced to fight another war, the cost of which is nearly \$1,000,000 daily, we will not abandon territories already occupied unless driven out by force. That would mean a European war. If Austria were permitted to march on Belgrade and to bombard our troops on the Adriatic and we were crushed, we should prefer to become Austrian rather than belong to the Slav race when our mother Russia lacks the force or the will to protect us."

Another Ultimatum.
 The Balkan allies, after considering the whole situation among themselves on Saturday, decided to wait until the middle of next week for the answer of the Porte to the joint note of the powers, and if then the reply was not received or was unsatisfactory, to address a communication to the Turkish delegation in the form of a definite ultimatum, allowing Turkey forty-eight or seventy-two hours for a final decision.

Should Turkey at that time be unable or unwilling to come to the allies' terms, the Balkan plenipotentiaries decided that a rupture of the peace conference was inevitable. Sofia, Belgrade and Cetinje would denounce the armistice, and four days later the war would be resumed.

ALEXANDER MACKENZIE WROTE REMARKABLE LETTER AGAINST COMMERCIAL UNION WITH U. S.

Hon. James Young Makes Public a Document in Which the Pioneer Reform Dominion Premier Severely Arraigned Projected Political Entanglement With Neighboring Republic.

In 1902 the Hon. James Young, late member of the Dominion and provincial parliaments, provincial treasurer of this province, published an interesting and valuable volume of recollections, embracing the story of Canadian Confederation under the title, "Public Men and Public Life in Canada." The book ran out of print several years ago, and in response to continued solicitations has now been re-issued. Mr. Young has added a second volume, giving a succinct account of the stirring events which followed the making of the Dominion. The volumes, he explains, treat of entirely distinct subjects, the first narrating his connection with public men and public life as a journalist, the second giving his connection as a member of the first parliament with all the leading men of confederation during the first twenty years of its existence. As a more complete review of this important contribution to the historical literature of Canada will appear in an early issue of the Sunday World, we propose only to indicate its general character and one or two of its more salient features.

Mr. Young is nothing if not impartial, contrasting profitably in this with the recently published "Reminiscences" of the late Sir Richard Cartwright. That stout old chief, with vindictive his own course of action at the not-withstanding of his political career, and ruthlessly attacked not only his parliamentary friends but such of his willow friends as managed to incur his displeasure. Mr. Young, however, is eminently fair and appreciative of the better qualities and striking personal characteristics of the eminent statesmen on both sides of the house of commons. His pages are enlivened by many pleasant anecdotes and his descriptions of parliamentary struggles and estimates of the effect of particular speeches of special moment are always picturesque and judicious. Mr. Young has done Canadian good service in re-issuing his previous volume and continuing his recollections down to the beginning of the Laurier administration. In his concluding chapters he briefly records the marvelous growth of the Dominion, notes its future political outlook and its place among the English-speaking nations.

Mackenzie's Letter.
 Among the points that are new and will excite general attention is a hitherto unpublished letter received by

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NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—(Can. Press.)—Additions to the striking revelations of how arson for profit is practiced in this city, furnished by "Izzy the Painter," the convict firebug reformer were made by him today to the district attorney, whose office spent a busy Sunday preparing for the examination of witnesses in the "arson trust" investigation by the grand jury tomorrow when more indictments may be returned.

"Izzy," who is more formally known as Isidor Stein, continues to tell of fires that he made throught the city, giving facts and circumstances with the greatest detail and accuracy, "says a statement from assistant district attorney Weller tonight. The accuracy of so many of Stein's statements, as shown by comparison with the official records, is gratifying to the prosecuting officials as making easier the task of securing necessary corroborative evidence against men "higher up in the trust."

Fires Made to Order.
 Stein, who, according to the authorities, has confessed to setting more than fifty fires, told the district attorney that the vicinity of a fire engine house was preferred as the location of a fire. Mr. Weller's statement said, as when no alarm was turned in, it took longer for information about the fire to get to the fire marshals' office giving time for the actor of gasoline or benzine used by the firebug to disappear.

Stein says that more than 100 people have asked him to make fires for them since he came to this city in 1907, the statement adds. "Stein says that while standing on the street corner, two or three people each day would ask him to make a fire for them." In one case a man told Stein that he wanted to have a fire, but that he could not have it until the following week, because he wanted to move out of his new place. Accordingly the plan was moved out and Stein went ahead.

WILL ASCERTAIN CAUSE OF DELAY

Youth's Life Might Have Been Saved Had Ambulance Been Summoned Earlier.

Walter Beldmire, aged about 19, was found in a room at 85 Wilton avenue yesterday in an unconscious condition. The gas jet in the room was turned on full.

The police ambulance took the young man to St. Michael's Hospital, but he died upon reaching there. The people in charge of the house state that Beldmire came there on Saturday night and rented a room. They did not see him again until he was found.

Some of those connected with the case say that the young fellow was discovered about 11 o'clock in the morning, others hold that it was 2 in the afternoon.

At any rate the authorities believe they could have saved the life of Beldmire even if the ambulance had been called at 3 o'clock instead of 4.

An inquest will likely be held to find out who was responsible for the delay in communicating with the police.

JUAREZ FEARS REBEL ATTACK

Insurrectos Have Large Forces Which Threaten Slimly Garrisoned City—Railroad Lines Demoralized.

EL PASO, TEX. Jan. 18.—(Can. Press.)—After burning many bridges on both railroads between Juarez and Chihuahua City, rebels have permitted the repairing of the telegraph lines. This enables them to use the wires for their own purposes, and at the same time hear all that is transmitted by the federals. No attempt has been made to repair either road.

Apprehension again is felt at Juarez, protected by less than 300 federal troops and practically no artillery. By cutting the Mexican Central Railway, the rebels left the two military tracks far to the south as well as one hundred troops of the Juarez garrison acting as escort for a passenger train. The missing passenger train of last Wednesday arrived safely today at Chihuahua City.

The rebel general, Ines Salazar is on the Mexican Central line midway between Chihuahua and Juarez, says a rebel courier, who arrived here today. It was said that Salazar has more than 1000 men, while other troops are operating along the Mexican Northwestern Railway to take west.

ADRIANOPLE NOT TO BE YIELDED

Porte Willing to Make Other Concessions in Return For Right to Retain City.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 18.—(Can. Press.)—The Turkish foreign minister, Noradunghian Effendi, tonight submitted to the council of ministers a draft of the reply to the note of the powers. It is understood that it insists upon the retention of Adrianople for the following reasons:

First, because the Bulgarian inhabitants are in the minority in Adrianople, not only in comparison with the Moslems, but as compared with other Christians. Second, because of the splendid defence of the garrison. Third, the loss of Adrianople, containing the tombs of the Caliphs, would ruin the prestige of Islam. Fourth, the loss of Adrianople, which is the gate of Constantinople, would endanger the existence of the Empire.

Fresh Sacrifices.
 "The Porte therefore prays," continues the reply, "that the powers take consideration of the vital necessities of the Empire and make with a view to peace. Turkey sincerely desires to find a common ground of understanding and will even consent to fresh sacrifices."

Regarding the Aegean Islands, the reply says that Turkey refuses to abandon the islands near her coasts, but is ready to continue pourparlers respecting the distant islands.

Noradunghian Effendi has instructed the Ottoman ambassadors abroad again to ensure the powers with regard to Adrianople. The superior council of war has handed the council of minister a report on the military situation.

DRUGGIST ARRESTED.

On a charge of performing a criminal operation on an eighteen-year-old girl, Thomas W. Scott, a druggist, with a store at 222 East Gerrard street, was arrested on Saturday night by Detective Bart. Cronin.

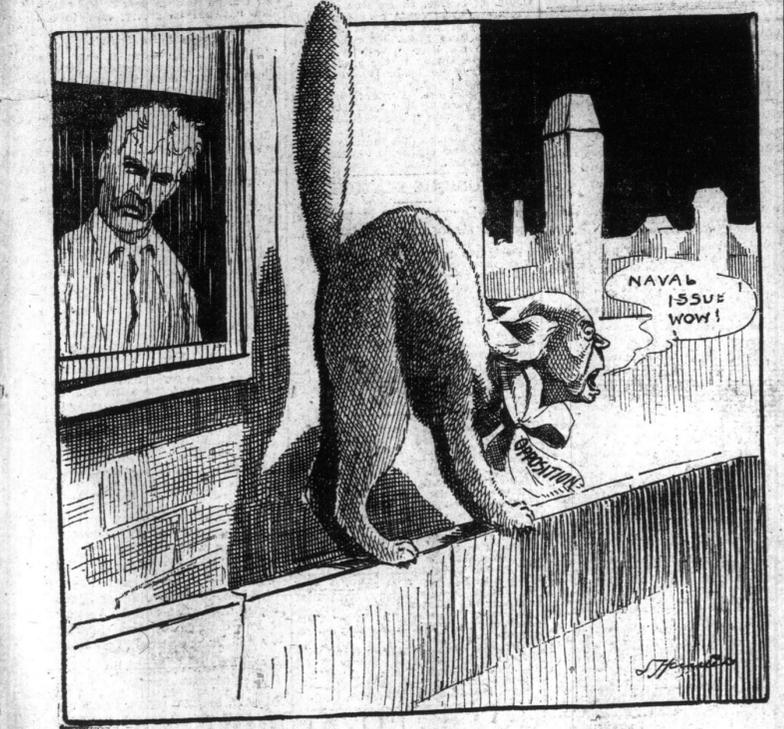
AGAINST CONTINUING WAR.

VIENNA, Jan. 18.—(Can. Press.)—A despatch from Constantinople says that at the council of ministers held Saturday a majority opposed continuing the war.

MORE CHURCHES FOR ITALIANS

Archbishop McNeil Says Two Will Be Built Before the Close of This Year.

Two more Roman Catholic Churches for the Italian population of Toronto are to be built this year, according to the announcement made at the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel by His Grace Archbishop McNeil last evening. His Grace paid his first visit to the church, and was accompanied by Rev. Dr. Kidd, Dean Hand and Rev. Father Longo, pastor of the church, received the archbishop, who addressed the congregation in English and Italian. He complimented the Italians on their industry, and announced that two more churches to accommodate the Italians in Toronto would be built before the close of the year. At the conclusion of the service the president and delegates from the Italian religious and patriotic societies in Toronto were received by the archbishop.



"I heard a voice that cried, Sleep no more." —Shakspeare

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