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MAJORITY

Premier Oliver's Government Is Returned to Power With 24 Members Out of 47 Seats in House—All the Cabinet Ministers Carry Their Ridings-Big Cities Go Strongly Reform.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 2.-Canadian Press.—The Oliver Government has been returned to office, but with a victory by carrying both Delta riding, greatly reduced majority in the British his home constituency and Victoria Columbia elections held yesterday. Re- where he was returned at the head of turns received up to an early hour this the list. morning assure the election of 24 Liberals out of a House of 47 members. minister of works, experienced a close The Conservatives are conceded 15 seats while the remainder of the seats are distributed among Independent Liberals, Conservative, is only a few votes behind Independents and Labor. There are two the minister. In Vancouver the Libdoubtful seats, which Liberals claim erals have captured five out of six

seats. Mrs. Ralph Smith headed the It is regarded as certain that the poll, and Mr. Bowser leading for the government will have a safe working sixth seat. Joseph Martin, K. C., whom many majority. The Liberals are claiming Fort George, where Major H. G. Perry predicted would secure one of the local is leading his opponents. Final returns seats, and not run as well and was 2,000 votes short. The Conare yet to be received from Atlin. Libservatives have won Richard, Yale, erals are also expecting to wrest the Ominica, Dewdney and Clocen from the sixth seat from Hon. W. J. Bowser, Liberals, and seats in Victoria and Al-Conservative leader, on the absentee couver and Fernie; Socialists, Comox, berni. Labor captured South Vanvote. He is leading J. P. Dougherty, and the Independents, North Van-

CHILDREN

IN LONDON FOR

Woman of Means Scours the

Institutions of City

WITHOUT AVAIL

Library in Vain Attempt

to Secure Youngster.

Not one little boy or girl in the

whole of London to be adopted. Is it

ADOPTION NOW

BARON DESBOROUGH

Premier Oliver himself led the van o

All the ministers carried their con-

stituencies, although Hon. Dr. King,

contast in Cranbrooke, where Cavan,

London, Dec. 2.—Reports that Baron Desborough had died suddenly last evening at Birmingham, which were published here this morning by the London Times, proved to be incorrect. It is authoritatively stated that he is in the best of health at his home at Taplow Court; and that he has not visited Birmingham.

Drives to Western University

recently possible? A woman of means recently went to every institution in the city where children are sheltered, to adopt a child, without success. After to adopt a child, without success. After scouring the city, someone suggested that she try at the Infants' Home on St. James street, which by the way is out of existence now, and is used as an annex to the Western University.

Driving up to the building in her motor car, the lady mounted the steps and rang the bell. "I want to adopt a child," she said. The person answering the door who had been busily engaged with books a minute before, looked bewildered until it dawned upon her that before the building was used as the university library, it was an Infants' home. She informed the lady of this fact, who stepped back into her motor car with a disappointed expression on her countenance.

SENATE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS PLACING

U. S. Body To Consider Extension of Rural Credits.

Washington, Dec. 2.-The placing of a tariff on wheat imports is one of the subjects to be discussed by the agricultural committees of the Senate and House when they meet in joint session Young English Movie Star Is this afternoon to consider possible\relief measures for the agricultural situation. Further extension of credits to farmers and amendment of the federal farm loan act to permit short time loans a to death in a fire which swept through a five-story apartment house this morning at 29 West Fifty-zeventh street. Miss Lescomb came to the United Russia it was said, also might be suggested.

DENIES HE IS DEAD

Miss Carli, who, after this action, was entered had moved to Toronto, declared that Fortin had persuaded her to give up her position in Montreal and prepare for their marriage, which, she said, he fixed for the autumn of 1919. Afterwards, she said, he had taken back his promise.

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Turkish Nationalists Assert
They Will Not Crush

promise.

Mr. Justice Lafontaine in finding for the plaintiff, said it was quite a legit-imate thing for her to bestir herself towards marrying the defendant.

OF WHEAT TARIFF FIVE BURN TO **DEATH IN FIRE** AT NEW YORK

Among the Victims.

New York, Dec. 2.—Marjorie Lescomb, a young moving picture actress, and four unidentified persons, were burned to death in a fire which swept through

YOUTH PLUNGES FROM LINER IN MID-ATLANTIC TO SAVE CHILD

Toronto, Dec. 3 .- A special dispatch to the Star from Quebec says: "When the liner Minnedosa was in mid-Atlantic between Liverpool and Quebec, a nine-year-old girl, who, with other children, was climbing on the railings on the port side, fell overboard.

A youth named Ronald Webb, formerly of Castleton Road, Walthamstow, England, immediately jumped, fully tween 40 and 50 feet below. He swam for the drowning and held her up until, as they were almost sinking, are rescued by one of the ship's boats.

They were brought aboard terribly exhausted, but both recovered from the effects of the immersion, and the following day Webb was presented by the captain, on behalf of the passengers, with \$100. Webb was patrol leader of the 80th Walthamstow Scouts and a second lieutenant in the 7th Battalion County of London Cadets. He recently won the cadet officers' open boxing competition at the National Sporting Club, London."

Stage Hands At Toronto Theatre Dig Up Earth

BELOW AUDITORIUM

Excavations Will Be Continued Until Entire Area Covered.

THINK DIFFERENTLY NOW.
Toronto, Dec. 2.—Police authorities here are satisfied that the body of A. J. Small, missing since a year ago today, is not and never was buried under the Grand Opera House which the theatrical magnate conducted for many years previous to the day of his mysterious disappearance. Following an anonymous claim, the detectives, for the fourth or flith time in eight months, yesterday had excavations made under the auditorium of the theatre, but a thorough search falled to discover any trace of the missing man.

It is understood that Ambrose Small's secretary, John Doughty, who is in Jail on remand till Monday, to answer the charge of stealing the \$105,000 recovered in his sister's house this week, has made no further statement regarding his former employer.

Toronto, Dec. 2 .- The city edition of the Mail and Empire says today: An indication of the trend of police thought in connection with the inexplicable disappearance of Ambrose J. Small, the Toronto theatre magnate, is shown by the fact that stage hands employed at the Grand Opera House dug in the soft earth under the theatre yesterday under the direction of Detective Sergeant Austin Mitchell, in an effort to locate Small's body.

They Will Not Crush Little Republic.

HOSTILITIES SUSPENDED

Fighting Ceases Through Intervention by Bolsheviki.

Tiffis, Dec. 2.-Armenian forces have een driven eastward by the Turkish Nationalists until the region they hold is entirely outside the traditional boundaries of Armenia. As a result, Ar-

menia is reduced to a little Caucasus republic, such as was created by the Germans and Turks during the war. It comprises the districts of Erivan, Novobayazet, 30 miles to the northeast of that city, and Etchmiadzin, the ecclesiastical capital of ancient Armenia, located about 25 miles north of Mount Ararat.

Turkish Nationalists have occupied districts just to the west of this region, holding Kars, Alexandropol and Surmalou.

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Hostilities between the Armenians and Turkish Nationalists have been suspended through intervention by the Bolshevik Government at Moscow, and hopes are entertained that further bloodshed may be averted. Conditions, however, are frightful in the district held by the Armenian forces. One hundred thousand refugees, in the last stage of destitution, are traveling through the sncw in all directions, and the Armenian Government is unable to provide housing or food pending the arrival of grain promised by the Russian Bolsheviki.

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The marale of Armenia's shattered army is very low, while the Turks, by contrast, are well disciplined and equipped. Reports that Soviet Russia is in disagreement with the Turkish Nationalists are accepted as true, and it is said Moscow views unfavorably the Turkish advance into Armenia.



A rare picture of Mrs. Ambrose Small, Miss Madeline Small, the missing Small, taken alongside the Pyramids a few years ago, while touring Egypt.

Wrong Number of Automobile Wired All Over Country.

NOT FAULT OF POLICE

As Mistake Was Made by the Owner of Car-Bank-at

The original requisition was sent to the committee by the board on March I, approved and passed by the city council. Later it was found that the amount allotted to the Knollwood school to the Ealing school was insufficient, and the board saked permission to transfer \$16,000 of the amount allotted to the Knollwood school to the Ealing school. This was granted, and the revised bylaw was passed by the council in September. "Then followed the suggestion that the bylaws for the high school and public schools debentures be consolidated only, according to reports, to be again committee yesterday. "On the strength of the authorization by the city council of the bylaws in March, \$15,000 for Colborne school south; \$6,000 for Simcoe street school, and \$31,000 of the Ealing school appropriations have already been expended," said Mr. McElheran. THATC ASSAULT STANDED FOR OF THEIR COUNTRY WOMAN IS VICTIM

morning at 25 Winnett street, Annie McAvoy, an aged lady, being the victim, her condition being reported at the hospital this morning to be critical.

A short, stocky, middle-aged man broke into her home, bound and gagged the aged lady, inflicted injuries to her head, and committed the dastardly outrage. Sergt. Borthwick rushed to he scene, and medical attendance was at once summoned, the victim being taken to the hospital.

The police this morning are searching the district for suspicious characters and, have a clue to work on. More or less of a crime wave throughout the city is reported by the department, the outrage in West Brantford being the worst yet reported.

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WORKMEN MISSING, BUT NO TRACE OF BODIES YET FOUND

Search in Wrecked Building At N. Y. Continues.

New York, Dec. 2.-An all-night seats in the Ontario Government.

In Refusing to Sanction Part of Board of Education Bylaw.

REGULAR MIX-UP

Change Was Made at Request of City Clerk and Is Now Turned Down, Says R. M. McElheran.

"Surely the finance committee, nor the city council, intend to repudiate the

CITY OF LONDON IS APPROVED BY LABOR

Increased Provincial Grants to Western University Advocated by T. and L.

FAVORABLE BALANCE

Labor's Carnival Venture Is Proved Big Success-Balance of \$215.

The trades and labor council meeting Wednesday night in the Labor Temple voted to indorse the representations of the city council to the Ontario Legislature in favor of giving London two seats in the Ontario Government of the Contario Covernment of the Covernment The Turkish Nationalists assert they will not crush Armenia, but will grant lenient terms. These terms, however, must be in conformity with Turkish applrations, it is declared. Dr. Alexander Khatissian, Armenian premier and foreign minister, has been appointed a special plenipotentiary to arrange peace terms with the Nationalists.

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Crime At Brantford This Morning.

MURDERED WOMAN

Woman Has Right
To Urge Man To
Wed, Says Judge

Montreal Young Woman Is
Awarded Damages Por
Breach of Promise.

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Jones has been in jail for over a year and was a model prisoner, the only complaint filed being against the quality of the prison fare. It was stated that he had confessed conversion before the execution.

It was last night decided that owing to the unexpectedly large number of delegates attending the convention of the provincial Liberal-Conservative party will again take up the problem of choosing a leader, at the sessions to be held at Massey Hall this afternoon.

Rome, Dec. 2.—Comment on the recent pastoral letter issued by Cardinal Logue, primate of Ireland, to churches there are printed by the Osservatore Romano organ of the Vatican, and it is understood they reflect the views entertained by the Holy See relative to the Irish question. The newspaper calls the cardinal's letter an "act of incomparable moral grandeur," and expresses the hope that it will yield immediate fruit in a generous measure of tolerance. It may result in the possible establishment of new bonds of alliance between Great Britain and Ireland, says between Great Britain and Ireland, says the newspaper. between Great Britain and Ireland, says
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"Repressions and reprisals," the article continues, "with their mournful
consequences, have created a regime
of terror harmful to both sides, because they often mean the shedding of
innocent blood before inquiries can be
made as to the necessity for violence."

THE WEATHER

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours

Only Two Actually Turn Scheme Down — Fingal Church Refused To Give Committee a Hearing.

ing committee, a nearing, and a few others, though approving of the scheme, did not turn out to meet the visiting committee in large enough numbers to take a vote on the question so these have been deferred until a later date when a more representaa later date, when a more representa-tive meeting can be held.

Out of a total of 31 congregations visited in the London Presbytery and Methodist Conference, with a view to adopting the co-operation scheme planned by these two denominations, only two turned the scheme down. These were the Presbyterian and Methodist churches in North Caradoc and Mount Brydges. Fingal Presbyterian church refused to give Rev. J. D. Byrnes and Rv. Mr. Brown, the visiting committee, a nearing, and a few stress was laid upon the fact that of the congregations pronounced them selves willing to make any sacrific tha would make the small churches in the community stronger. The congregations were given a clear view of what it meant by having the small Methodis and Presbyterian churches united, and stress was laid upon the fact that it the co-optation scheme at Methodis the co-opration scheme a does not have to become a Pr or vice-versa.

The scheme will not be put into effect until next June, when a numbe of the Methodist congfregations chang

CONSERVATIVES ARE HAVING HARD TIME SELECTING LEADER

Convention Moves From the Masonic Temple to Massey Hall.

FERGUSON FAVORED

George Jones Expiates His Heavy Vote Likely To Be Cast For Him.

> Toronto, Dec. 2.-Brig.-Gen. Ross of Kingston, Hon. G. S. Henry of Toronto, and Hon, G. Howard Ferguson of Kemptviile, Ont., these are the three names which will go before the provincial Liberal-Conservative convention here this afternoon for the selection of a leadr. Twenty-two others were nom-inated this morning, but with-

Toronto, Dec. 2.—When the pro-vincial convention of the Liberal-Conservative party resumed here today it was pretty well assured that the race for the leadership had "narrowed down" to a contest between Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Brig.-Gen. Ross, Hon. George S. Henry, and Dr. Forbest Godfrey, with various dark horses. it is again stated today that W. F. Nickle K.C., is definitely out of the running. K.C., Is definitely out of the running.

There was a clash this morning between the chairman, Joseph Thompson, and Mrs. Winnett, a lady delegate from London. Mrs. Winnett protested very strongly against the number of Toronto men recommended for the organization committee, and demanded that some of the names be withdrawn. Mrs. Winnett persisted in her argument with the chairman and others, who contended that Toronto was really under-represented. Finally the chairman gained the day when the delegates agreed that the convention would have the final say anyway in what the committee did.

PENDING BAIL

BEING GRANTED Windsor Magistrate Transfers Hearing to Higher Court.

OUTSIDE PROSECUTOR

J. H. Rodd, K. C., To Be Relieved of Duties in Case.

Windsor, Dec. 3.—Canadian Press.-Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin was taken t Sandwich jail immediately following the preliminary hearing of the charge against him in the Windsor poli-court. The charges are of "unlawful killing and slaying Beverly Trumble during the course of a raid on the Cha pell House at 3 a.m. on November 6,

Bail application is being made W. C. Lamarche, acting for R. Brackin, M. P. P., counsel for the pri Neither Spracklin, his counsel, W. F. Furlong, nor the acting prosecutor, G. McHugh, made any statement Magistrate Gundy ordered the case to go for a hearing in the superior courat the next session, stating that the charge could not be dealt with by police magistrate. He also pointed the contradictory evidence which habeen heard at the coroner's inquest. A that time the testimony of witnesse clashed on whether or not Trumble hathreatened Spracklin's life with a revolver. The revolver has never beginned and inmates of the Chappe House, which was being raided at the time of the tragedy, denied having seen any weapon. Spracklin and insquad all claimed having seen the weapon, the four officers who accompanie Spracklin claiming they were a threatened by Trumble, who pointed the weapon at them.

Outside Prosecutor.

A letter from Attorney-General WE. Raney, authorizing appointment of a new crown prosecutor, in the case to replace John N. Rodd K. C. we Magistrate Gundy ordered the case i

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OF LOGUE'S LETTER

Believes Pastoral May Lead

Way to Peace in Ireland.

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WANTED IN DETROIT,—William Maesden of Detroit, wanted in that place on charges of jail-breaking and grand larceny, the police say, was arrested in South London by the local detective department on Wedpesday afternoon. He was taken back today by two Detroit officers who arrived to get him.

ONTARIO AND MICHIGAN POLICE FORCES INCREASED ALONG BORDER IN EFFORT TO GET RUM-RUNNERS

New Methods To Be Adopted Will, It Is Expected, Greatly Reduce Illicit Liquor Traffic-Smugglers Can Be Pursued Into Foreign Territory by the Officials of Either Country.

Detroit, Dec. 2.-Additional prohibition enforcement agent will be placed along the border in the vicinity of Detroit an Windsor, it was announced, following a conference yesterday be tween James W. Inches, police commissioner; James W. Jordan chief federal prohibition officer, and W. J. Lannin, superintenden

of the Ontario provincial police. Methods are to be adopted which, it is believed will great! curtail the rum trade across the border, Commissioner Inches sa The officers did not expect to stop the traffic entirely, he adde but hoped to make it so hazardous that rum-runners would ult

mately give up the attempt. The methods to be employed were not disclosed. It has be reported that officers of one country would be empowered pursue rum smugglers into territory of the other. Many of the rum smugglers, it is said, have escaped when officers were force to give up the chase in the middle of the Detroit River.