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PREMIER ROSS SCORES THE OPPOSITION AT INGERSOLL

Answers the Corruption Cry and Also Shows Record of Conservatives to Have Been One of Mistakes.

CHALLENGES ISSUED TO ONTARIO OPPOSITION

Progressive Policy of the Liberal Government Outlined—Premier Says People Can Have No Confidence in Whitney and His Followers—A Large Gathering.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ingersoll, Jan. 5.—The Liberal Association of Ingersoll tonight had as its guest Hon. George W. Ross, Premier, of the Province, who addressed a meeting in the town hall in the interests of Mr. W. A. Dowler, of Tillsonburg, the Liberal candidate for South Oxford. The Premier arrived from London on the Grand Trunk flyer at 7:30 o'clock, and was met at the depot by a large gathering of his friends, who, carrying torches and headed by the Foresters' Band, accompanied him to the hall. The reception accorded the leader of Ontario's progressive Government was most enthusiastic. When he arrived at the hall, he found the building packed to its utmost capacity, and as he mounted the platform the audience cheered and cheered, and gave other evidences of satisfaction at having him favor the town with a visit. The Premier was in fine form, and delivered a most vigorous address, in which he dealt with the corruption cry, issued challenges to the Conservatives, and also reviewed the record of the Ontario Opposition—the party of mistakes—in a most convincing manner. The chair was occupied by Dr. Mackay, ex-M.P.P., of Ingersoll, and among those on the platform were Col. Munro, of Embro, the Liberal candidate for North Oxford, and Mr. Dowler, who is opposing Mr. Donald Sutherland, whom the Conservatives elected in 1902, largely owing to the apathy of the Liberals.

The Old Horse Will Win.

On opening the meeting, Dr. Mackay took occasion to refer to the cartoon of the Toronto News, "Thirty-two Years in the Saddle." "It does not appear to be a very good horse now," said Dr. Mackay, "but these people forget that their horse is of the very same age. The horse depicted in the cartoon of the Toronto News is a horse that has never lost a race. The horse of the same age, belonging to the other party—the decrepid horse—has never won a race, and we believe that on this occasion when the two horses get into the homestretch, we will find the old reliable horse once more winning by a good large majority. You see we do not change our riders every few years. In the Province of Ontario we have had splendid men in the saddle—Sir Oliver Mowat first, Mr. Hardy next, and the greatest Roman of them all—Hon. G. W. Ross. What do we find about the poor, old nag that has never won a race? He has no less than three who would like now to be the leader, riding the old horse—Whitney in the saddle, Nesbitt on the rump, and on the neck, because he has considerable of it himself, we find Mr. Gamey. Don't you think that with such a tremendous weight, that there is no danger of our horse losing the race?"

A Good Record.

Mr. Malcolm Schell, who carried South Oxford for the Liberals in the Dominion election, was first introduced, and in opening his address, he spoke of the pleasure he felt at being able to join in the welcome to the Premier. He believed the people would rally around Hon. G. W. Ross in this fight. A great deal had been said about the corruption said to prevail in this country. A great deal had been directed against the Liberal Government of this Province, but, Mr. Schell was glad to say that not a single charge of corruption had been laid at the doors of the Administration and proven. There had been the most searching criticism year after year during the 32 years of Liberal government, but there was not a single instance, wherein the Government was shown to have been recreant to the trust reposed in it. The Government had a record which it might be proud of. The more that people looked on the public questions and the more they studied the record of the Liberal Administration, the more convinced would they be that the Liberals are deserving of continued support. Mr. Schell said that the way in which the Liberals had fought to defend and retain the rights of the Province entitled it to a further expression of confidence. Mr. Ross had demonstrated his ability as a statesman. As one considered the work he had been doing for the people, he must become convinced that the Liberals are the proper persons to hold the reins of government. They had shown their special regard, not only for the agricultural interests, but also the interests of the people of the cities and towns. Touching the question of finances, briefly, Mr. Schell compared the position of the several Provinces, drawing particular attention to the fact that Ontario was not only out of debt, but had a very substantial surplus. Quebec, on the other hand, had an enormous debt, while New Brunswick and Nova Scotia each had debts of over $3,000,000. "I say when a government so well administers the affairs of the people as a whole," said Mr. Schell, "and yet has never been compelled to come to you for a dollar, I think it deserves the hearty support of everyone." Mr. Schell said that the acts of some of the overzealous workers were to be deplored, and were deplored, but he pointed with pride to the fact that not a single corrupt act had been brought to the door of the Government. What was the state of affairs on the other hand? asked Mr. Schell. It is true that the corruption shown to have been practiced in the ranks of the Conservatives was not only as extensive, but was infinitely more widespread. Mr. Schell prophesied victory for the Ross Government on Jan. 25.

Owes Much to Liberals.

Mr. W. A. Dowler, of Tillsonburg, the Liberal candidate for the south riding, was accorded a most enthusiastic welcome as he stepped forward in response to the introduction of the chairman. He was pleased to be able with the rest of the Liberals to join in doing honor to Hon. G. W. Ross, the most-maligned man in Canada. He thought the people of the Province owed it to the Premier to return him and give him the opportunity to carry out his policy for the development of New Ontario. Mr. Dowler drew the attention of the gathering to an article which appeared in an Ingersoll paper, stating that he had declined to meet Donald Sutherland, the Conservative candidate, on the public platform. From correspondence Mr. Dowler showed that Mr. Sutherland had made the suggestion of joint meetings, but the suggestion came after Mr. Dowler had made arrangements for his own meetings throughout the riding. However, he said he would be pleased to take up the matter of joint meetings, and suggested Norwich and Ingersoll as the most suitable places. To the latter Mr. Sutherland had made no reply. Taking up matters political, Mr. Dowler pictured the extent of Ontario, and made the statement that it was due to the Liberal Government of the Province, to its continued struggles, that the people of Ontario today owned one single tree in the northern part of it. Mr. Dowler also contrasted the educational policies of the Liberal and Conservative parties, and while showing how the course of the former had resulted in the Province becoming famed for its educational advantages, he said he doubted if the people yet perceived what they owed in this respect to Hon. George W. Ross.

Address to the Premier.

Col. Munro, of Embro, the Liberal candidate in North Oxford, was also called upon. He refrained from making any lengthy remarks, giving way to Col. Hegler, of Ingersoll, who presented an address to the Premier. The address told of the many years Mr. Ross had fought in the ranks, and stated that many of the signal successes of the party had been due to his wise counsels and indomitable energy. While it would be difficult to distinguish where his energies had excelled, his great interest taken in the cause of education could not be forgotten. As a wise administrator, he had brought the province into proud prominence and distinction in every branch of the public service, while honesty of purpose, honesty of design and honesty in every department had characterized not only the Premier, but the members of his Government, and every confidence was expressed that the loyalty and enthusiasm of the Reform party will in the present campaign again place Mr. Ross at the head of affairs. The address was signed by George Sutherland, president, and M. J. Comiskey, secretary, of the Ingersoll Liberal Club.

Ovation to the Premier.

Premier Ross was tendered an ovation as he proceeded to respond to the address. He humorously referred to the "cavalry" that had escorted him from the depot to the hall, and said he must confess that being 32 years in the saddle and finding the old warhorse somewhat dilapidated, in the public account, he did envy some of the Ingersoll horsemen and the horses on which they rode. "However," said Mr. Ross, "I am going to stick to my old nag. I am not concerned as to what the result will be. Past experience has given us confidence, even under trying circumstances, and taught us that there is a chance for us. The unanimity in the Liberal ranks, the enthusiasm with which Liberal candidates are everywhere received, and I believe the general confidence at the bottom of it all that Liberals will make no mistake if they return the Government for another term, makes it tolerably certain that the Liberal party will again be victorious. No doubt you will do your duty in South Oxford, although now and again you let a cog slip in this riding. (Laughter). I was quite discouraged when Mr. Mackay was defeated in the last election, but I hope, however, that you will this time return a Government supporter." The chief cause of complaint against Mr. Dowler, the Liberal candidate, was due to his being a lawyer. That, said the Premier, was a particularly common complaint in the case of politicians. The Conservatives did not always object to lawyers. Wouldn't they elect Mr. Whitney in Dundas? Some of their greatest leaders were lawyers. The smartest leader Ontario ever had, according to the Conservatives now—and they said it because he was dead—was Sir Oliver Mowat. Cheap talk about Mr. Dowler being a lawyer and consequently unfit to represent South Oxford, should be dismissed, as it was not his profession that made a man what he was.

"What have we to deal with?" asked the Premier, continuing. "A great many unpleasant things have been said against me. That gives me very little concern. Harsh things were said against Sir Oliver Mowat, who is now being caonized as a great staesman." From the Mail and Empire, the speaker quoted from a very bitter article attacking Sir Oliver, and then Mr. Ross added: "The glowing eulogium of Sir Oliver, published by the press when he died—imagine it being said about me when the saddle is empty. We are face to face with that sort of thing now. It is not a new thing. Some Liberals may have the idea that the leaders in those days were above reproach, even by their opponents. Not so. What was said of them is said of me. As

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BRITISHERS ATTACKED

Moorish Insurgents Attack Consul's Residence at Tangier.

Tangier, Morocco, Jan. 5. — The British consul's residence outside the city was attacked by insurgents during the night of Jan. 4. Guards drove the attackers away.

MR. FIELDING LEAVES ROME

Will Visit Florence, Venice and Back to London.

Rome, Jan. 6.—The Canadian Finance Minister, W. S. Fielding, and his party left Rome today. They will stop a day in Florence and a day in Venice, will reach Vienna on Jan. 10 and arrive in London Jan. 15.

FATAL RUSSIAN RIOTS

One Cossack and Six Strikers Killed in Street Fight.

Baku, Caucasus, Jan. 6.—An encounter between strikers and Cossacks took place at Balakhany, Trans-Caucasus, yesterday. Six strikers and one Cossack were killed and many persons were wounded.

$2,000 PER FOOT

Record Price Paid for Twenty Feet at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 6.—Negotiations are under way for the sale of 20 feet of Portage avenue frontage, opposite the new postoffice, at the record price of $2,000 per foot. The purchasers are Winnipeg capitalists.

PEACE FOR MOROCCO

France and the Sultan Settle Their Misunderstanding.

Washington, Jan. 6. — France and Morocco have settled their recent misunderstanding, and the French minister at Tangier is proceeding to the court of the Sultan for an audience. This news comes to the state department in a cablegram from the American vice-consul at Tangier, who also says that no foreigners will leave the capital in view of the outlook for peace.

STANDARD OIL AND 'FRISCO

Big Corporation Endeavoring to Monopolize the Lighting.

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—The Chronicle today says: The entire stock and control of the San Francisco Coke and Gas Company has been purchased by the Standard Oil Company. The amount of money paid for the concern is not stated, but it is said to have been a good round sum.

This is construed to mean another contest for the control of the lighting of San Francisco, the opposition company, the San Francisco Gas and Electric Corporation, being placed, it is said, in a position where it must either sell out or fight.

RESCUED FROM THE SEA

Crew of Canadian Schooner Picked Up by German Liner.

New York, Jan. 6. — Six men of the crew of the little Lockport, N. S., schooner Julian H. Archer were brought here today on board the steamer Prinz Adalbert, having abandoned their vessel on Christmas Day after a terrible two weeks' experience in a prolonged winter gale. They were rescued from their sinking craft by the German steamer Nubia, bound from New York for the Orient, and were transferred to the Prinz Adalbert a week ago. All the members of the shipwrecked crew apparently had recovered from their hard experiences when they arrived here today.

MR. MACKAY'S NOMINATION

Indorsed by Big Liberal Convention at Owen Sound.

Owen Sound, Jan. 5. — Hon. Alexander Grant MacKay, Commissioner of Crown Lands, was for a third time the unanimous selection of the North Grey Liberals. The town hall was filled to the doors with what was without doubt the most representative delegation ever gathered in Owen Sound at a political convention. The hall was not elaborately decorated, but the importance of the event was given significance by an arrangement of flags and banners, on which the following mottoes were conspicuous: "Remember Ross," "MacKay for North Grey," "Keep Ontario in the Lead," and "The Ross Government and Progressive Ontario."

CZAR DECIDES TO CONTINUE WAR

Result of the Cabinet Council at Which the Emperor Presided.

London, Friday, Jan. 6. — A dispatch to the Express from St. Petersburg says that at the meeting of the council, presided over by the Czar, it was decided to continue the war with renewed energy. Gen. Kuropatkin will be reinforced by 200,000 men before the end of February. The transport capacities of the Trans-Siberian Railway will be increased by the use of a new type of car. It was also decided to recall Admiral Rojestvensky immediately.

The Czar and the council were unanimous in declaring that the closing of the war would now be compatible with Russia's dignity, and the determination was expressed to continue hostilities until the Russian arms achieved a decisive victory.

Registration of Voters Commenced This Morning

See That Your Name Is On the Municipal List Or Else Register at Once.

The impression prevails in some quarters that persons who registered in October last for the Dominion election will not have to do so again to enable them to vote in the Provincial contest on Jan. 25.

Such, however, is not the case, as their names do not appear on the lists to be used this month, and in order to exercise their franchise they will have to register.

Those who are entitled to vote in the municipal election would do well to examine the list and satisfy themselves that their names are on. If they do not appear on the list they will have to register before they can vote.

ELECTORS SHOULD TAKE NO RISK IN THE MATTER.

If you had to register in October last, it will be necessary for you to do so again. If you are entitled to vote at the municipal election, examine the lists. If you do not, you may go to the polls, only to find that your name has been omitted.

Do not take any chances.

REGISTER! REGISTER! REGISTER!

EVERY BRITISH SUBJECT, WHO IS 21 YEARS OF AGE, AND WHO HAS RESIDED IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO ONE YEAR, AND IN THE CITY OF LONDON THREE MONTHS, IS ENTITLED TO A VOTE.

Call at the Liberal Club rooms, or telephone 781, and ascertain if you are on the list.

Where to Register.

The city is divided into six districts for the purposes of registration, as follows:

1. All that part of Ward 1, lying north and east of the River Thames, at the City Hall.

2. Ward No. 2, at Smith's carriage shop, corner of Richmond and Maple streets.

3. All that part of Ward No. 3 lying west of Adelaide street, at 241 Colborne street.

4. All that part of Ward No. 4, lying west of William street to Central avenue, and north of Central avenue, to the city limits, at Harding's hall, corner of Piccadilly and Colborne streets.

5. All that part of Ward No. 3 lying east of Adelaide street, and that part of Ward No. 4, lying east of William street and south of Central avenue, at the East End Hall.

6. All that part of Ward No. 1 lying south of the River Thames, over Shaw's grocery, corner Wortley road and Craig streets.

The hours for registration are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., from 2 to 6 p.m., and from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Registration Begins.

Today the registration of voters for the provincial elections which are to be held on Jan. 25, commenced, and up till noon the result was about equal to the registration of the first half day last fall, not many voters putting in an appearance to register.

Of course, workingmen find it almost impossible to leave their employment to go out to register, but as the booths are open in the evening, they will be then afforded an opportunity of placing their names on the voters' list.

Up till 1 o'clock the voters registered in the different subdivisions were as follows:

Subdivision 1	36
Subdivision 2	29
Subdivision 3	9
Subdivision 4	16
Subdivision 5	18
Subdivision 6	11

WHITNEY AND LICENSE LAW; CONDUCT CONTRADICTS WORD

The Toronto Globe yesterday published the following editorial:

No editorial references would in all probability have been made in these columns to the Napanee liquor case, had not Mr. Whitney endeavored to convert the matter into a grievance, and thereby invite discussion of it. We want to say in the strongest way possible that there is no desire on our part to pry into the larder or the cellar of any public man, or to help the public to do so. There was a political principle involved in the incident, but as its discussion might bear the color of spying on private habits, the Globe was quite willing to forego the opportunity of pointing out a glaring inconsistency on Mr. Whitney's part. Mr. Whitney appears to be determined to have it discussed, however, and if we preserved silence it might be interpreted as an acknowledgment that in publishing a report of the conviction of Mr. Conger, the proprietor of the Paisley House, on a charge of selling liquor to Mr. Whitney and others after hours, we had been guilty of an impropriety.

Mr. Whitney endeavors to make it appear that the sole purpose in reporting the case was to bring out the fact that he drank whisky. There was no such purpose. Mr. Whitney has never made any concealment of the fact that he is not a teetotaler. It would be a piece of impertinence to inquire whether he is or not. Under ordinary conditions the fact that he had purchased liquor during prohibited hours might be a matter of little significance from a public point of view. But are the circumstances ordinary?

The outstanding feature of Mr. Whitney's position on the temperance question has been the arraignment of the Government for its alleged lax enforcement of the liquor law, and a promise that when he had the opportunity he would enforce it rigidly and inexorably. At the Conservative conference in this city on Nov. 24 he put his temperance policy under four heads, namely: 1. Decrease the number of licenses where necessary. 2. Maintain intact and allow no relaxation of the restrictions. 3. Remove the commissioners and inspectors from political and party influences. 4. Enforce the license law honestly and with the whole power of the Government.

He then quoted approvingly these words of a gentleman who had on the previous day told him "the people of Ontario have no idea about the working of this license law, because they have not once seen it properly enforced: if they had they would have been practically satisfied. It has not been enforced, and the people have lost confidence, and because of that people have come to the conclusion that the evil is in the law itself."

At Napanee in the opening speech of his campaign he again referred to the question. He said:

"Prohibition cannot be had in Ontario. It is not a question of whether we ought to have prohibition. If I could by lifting that finger (holding up the little finger of his right hand) abolish off the face of the earth intoxicating liquor I would lift that finger. (Applause.) But I will not run my head against a stone wall, when the only effect will be to raise a bump there. We cannot have prohibition, therefore, I believe the remedy lies in using the powers that we possess, namely, wholesome restriction, decrease in the number of licenses where necessary, removing those charged with the administration of the law from political and party influence, and honestly enforcing the law with the whole power of the Government; and if the law was honestly enforced the people of Ontario would not know the law if they saw it."

He walked from the hall in which these words were uttered and induced a license-holder to sell liquor to him illegally. The point is not wholly that he procured and abetted a breach of the law, but the glaring contradiction which his conduct gives to his words. And now he is going about the country compaining that the officers of the law did their duty and punished its infraction. Hear his explanation made at Cornwall:

"I want to say something regarding what was told to you a few days ago about what occurred at Napanee ten days ago. When the meeting adjourned, ladies and gentlemen, I went from the hall to the hotel. I went upstairs into my room and remained there until the next morning. While in the room I availed myself of my rights and privileges as a guest of that hotel, and I am not here to apologize for anything that I have done. (Applause). It has been said that a party of men were roystering in that house, and that the bar was kept open until morning. It might have been; I do not know. I was not there. I would not soil my lips with the names of the newspaper or the people who have endeavored, with a depravity of mind that is almost inconceivable, to injure a fellow-citizen in reference to this question, as an attempt has been made to injure me."

He disavows any connection with the roysterers down in the bar. Did it ever occur to him that a man in his position, the next man to the Premier in this Province, is under an obligation to set a good example, and that the offense of the roysterers downstairs was only in the extent of their potations, not in the degree of lawbreaking. Mr. Whitney's language quoted above appears to mean that as a guest of the hotel he had a legal right to buy liquor at any hour. It would be idle to argue such a point. Mr. Whitney is a lawyer and knows that his act was illegal.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Snow.

London, Friday, Jan. 6.

Sun rises..7:51 a.m. Moon rises..8:12 a.m.
Sun sets...4:56 p.m. Moon sets...6:12 p.m.

Toronto, Jan. 5—8 p.m.

The excessively cold weather continues from the Ottawa Valley to the Maritime Provinces, temperatures much below zero being generally reported. Light snowfalls have occurred over the lake region, more in the neighborhood of Toronto than elsewhere. In Manitoba the weather is fine and cold.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 40—46; Calgary, 14—38; Qu'Appelle, 2 below—14; Winnipeg, 12 below—4; Port Arthur, 8—18; Parry Sound, 10 below—8; Toronto, 5—14; Ottawa, 14 below—4 below; Montreal, 10 below—6 below; Quebec, 18 below—8 below; St. John, 6 below—zero; Halifax, 4—14.

FORECASTS.

Friday, Dec. 6—8 a.m.

Fresh to strong easterly to northerly winds; temperature about the same, or slightly higher; snow.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	14	14	Clear
Parry Sound	8	0	Cloudy
Toronto	14	8	Snow
Ottawa	—2	—8	Snow
Montreal	—10	—12	Fair
Quebec	—14	—18	Fair
Father Point	—4	—6	Fair

The sign — indicates below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

Light snowfalls have occurred in parts of the lake region. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine. There are indications this morning of a storm forming on the south Atlantic coast, the outlook being stormy from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m Thursday were: Highest, 20.5°; lowest, 15°.

Can't Occupy Seat.

Leamington, Ont., Jan. 6. — Dr. Hughes, who was elected by acclamation to the mayoralty, has failed to comply with the municipal act in filing his credentials and will be unable to occupy his seat. He will resign from the mayoralty and after filing his qualifications will be re-elected by acclamation, it is said.

BURGLAR SHOOTS SERGEANT NASH

An Officer of Windsor Police Force in Serious State

HAD ATTACKER UNDER ARREST

Would-Be Murderer Runs Into the Arms of Another Policeman and Is Jailed.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 6. — Sergt. Abe Nash, one of the most efficient officers on the Windsor police force, lies in a serious condition at his home on Sandwich street, with a gaping wound in his neck caused by a revolver shot, fired by a burglar, whom he had arrested, early this morning. The shooting occurred about 5:30 a.m. The arrest was made near the waterworks, after an Italian fruit store had been robbed.

Sergt. Nash had brought his prisoner as far as All Saints' Church, within a hundred yards of the city lock-up, when the burglar suddenly turned on him, drew a revolver, and fired two shots, one taking effect in the neck. The officer fell in the snow, while the would-be murderer ran towards the alley in the rear of Windsor avenue. Officer Langlois was at the corner, near Sandwich street, when the shots were fired. He rushed around at the head of the alley and ran into the burglar. The latter shoved a gun into Langlois' face, but the patrolman grappled with him, and, throwing him to the ground, finally succeded in making the arrest. The prisoner was placed in a cell awaiting the serious charges to be preferred against him. His identity is not known to the local officers, but it is believed that he committed all the burglaries within the past few weeks.

WANTED A SAW-OFF

Conservatives of Russell Hopeless of Winning That Seat.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 6. — The Conservatives of Russell, knowing they have no chance of success against Mr. Racine, the Liberal candidate, have asked the Government party to agree to a saw-off. The arrangement proposed is that the Conservatives should put no candidate in Russell and the Liberals should not oppose Mr. Kidd in Carleton County, where it is alleged, the Conservatives also have a sure thing. In this way two useless contests, they declare, would be avoided. The matter was long debated by the Carleton Liberals' convention, and it was decided to reject the offer. It was felt that Mr. Kidd was anxious to have his hands free to go into North Lanark and help Dr. Preston.

JUPITER'S SIXTH MOON LOCATED

Perrine Adds to the Collection Discovered by Galileo in 1610.

San Jose, Cal., Jan. 6. — Professor Perrine, of Lick Observatory, has just discovered a sixth satellite of Jupiter by means of observations with the Crossley reflector. The moon is of the fourteenth magnitude, slightly brighter, and needs a telescope of ten or twelve inches in diameter to observe it. The orbit cannot yet be determined. The satellite is five or six times farther away from the planet than the outermost of the five others. Its period may be from 6 to 8 months. The four very bright satellites were discovered by Galileo in 1610. The faint fifth one was discovertd by Barnard in 1892, with the Lick telescope. The fifth and sixth satellites are of approximately the same brightness.

Preparing Her Grave.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6. — Count Tolstoi's son Leo, in an article upon Great Britain's constant desire to embarrass Russia, declares Great Britain is preparing her own grave and hastening her own end if she forces war with Russia, "as France, Germany and Italy are bound to realize that their interests lie with Russia's."

THE PREMIER AND FAIRBANKS

Not Likely to Meet Until After the Next Session of Parliament.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 6. — There is not likely to be any meeting between Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Senator Fairbanks until after the next session of the Dominion Parliament. Sir Wilfrid will be busy in Ottawa, and Mr. Fairbanks will be very busy at Washington, so that there does not appear to be any opportunity for a meeting in the immediate future.

Manitoba Legislature.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 6.—The Local Legislature will resume its session on Monday next. It is hoped in new official circles that the construction of a railway to Hudson Bay will be brought forward and other items of important legislation introduced.

RUSSIAN TROOPS LEAVE PT. ARTHUR

Prisoners of War March Out of Dalny.

BALTIC FLAGSHIP STILL AFLOAT

Report of Foundering Without Foundation—Japanese Prepare to Refortify the Stronghold.

At Port Arthur, with the Third Japanese Army, via Fusan, Jan. 6. — Only 86 Russian officers have accepted parole.

All the regular Russian troops have marched out of Port Arthur, and will leave for Port Dalny today. Japanese troops entered the city yesterday to keep order. Non-combatants are allowed the option of remaining at Port Arthur.

The Japanese navy is removing mines and Japanese hulks at the harbor mouth.

All the forts have been taken over by the Japanese.

Flagship Still Afloat.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6.—Reports that Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's flagship, the battleship Kniaz Souvaroff, has struck a rock and sunk are unfounded.

Tokio, Jan. 6. — Noon. — The Russian battleships sunk at Port Arthur have not as yet been officially inspected. The portions of those destroyed by the Russians at the last moment seem limited above water. As there are no signs of interior explosions it is hoped that the damage done to them will be repairable. The locks are partially destroyed and filled in, the gates also being damaged.

Tokio, Jan. 6.—Gen. Stoessel and the other Russian officers, who will leave Port Arthur on parole, will return to their homes via Nagasaki.

Chinese With Japs.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6. — A dispatch from Pekin says that the Russian minister there has strongly protested against the participation of Chinese detachments with the Japanese in the fight at Ta Pass, and against the Japanese use of the Miaotao Islands as a naval base.

Returned to Russia.

Moscow, Jan. 6. — A telegram from Gen. Kuropatkin to the Grand Duchess Sergius, who has been active throughout the war in aiding the sick and wounded, states that since the opening of the war, 1,096 officers and 19,615 men have returned to Russia, of whom 529 officers and 5,085 men were wounded, and 5,700 officers and 14,730 men were sick.

There are now 11,000 beds in Moscow for the reception of wounded soldiers, of which 1,813 are occupied.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6. — An imperial decree appoints Vice-Admiral Skrydloff a member of the council of admirals.

Sunk by Jap Shells.

Tokio, Jan. 6, 10:30 a.m. — The navy department announces that the Japanese naval force at Port Arthur has sunk the following Russian war vessels in that harbor: Torpedo boats—The Jetirny, Sisik and Boevoi. The armored cruiser Bayan is lying on the south coast of the harbor severely damaged, and the gunboat Bobr is entirely burned as the result of the Japanese shelling.

Japan Thanks Nogi.

Tokio, Jan. 6. — The Diet, at a special session today, adopted a resolution felicitating the Emperor on the subject of the year's campaigning, climaxed by the fall of Port Arthur, attributed it to his majesty's illustrious virtue, and thanked Gen. Nogi and the third army for their glorious achievement.

Clearing the Mines.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5. — The Japanese naval officers have not examined the sunken Russian warships at Port Arthur, and therefore nothing is known of their condition or possible availability for further service. It is expected that careful examinations of the vessels will be made at the earliest possible moment. The Japanese are keenly anxious to know the condition of the sunken ships, and it is believed some of them are salvable. The Russians ingenuously blocked the dry docks. They towed the transport Amur inside the dock, blew her up, so that she partly turned turtle and sank sidewise, and then they destroyed the dock gate. The Russians surrendered possession of the dockyard and other naval property yesterday and turned over to the Japanese ten small steamers available for immediate use. All the other craft had previously been sunk. The work of clearing away the mines commenced so soon as the Russian charts provided for the capitulation agreement were delivered to the Japanese.

The official figures giving the Russian and Japanese losses at Port Arthur are not yet available. The disposition of the surrendered garrison has not been determined. It is impossible to move the majority of the sick and wounded, who will be nursed at Port Arthur. The care of the many prisoners is a troublesome and expensive task, and it is possible that Japan will arrange later to return them to Russia. The question is now under consideration at Tokio. It is expected that Gen. Nogi will return to Tokio at the request of the Emperor, in which case he will receive a tremendous popular ovation. The foreign attaches entered Port Arthur yesterday.

Situation at Pt. Arthur.

Che Foo, Jan. 5.—10:30 p.m.—Sympathy for the sick and wounded Russians at Port Arthur is widespread, but an idea to care for them at Che Foo, Tien Tsin, Shanghai, Wei Hai Wei and Tsingtau has led to an inquiry which developed the fact that the combined facilities of the places named are equal to harboring only a small percentage of them. Some time ago Russian residents of Che Foo col-

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