

ASQUITH ANNOUNCES FAILURE TO END THE MINERS' STRIKE; WILL PUSH THE BILL THROUGH

British Premier Visibly Affected Today When He Informs Commons That Conferences Have Proved Fruitless.

REASSERTS HIS DETERMINATION NOT TO INSERT THE SCHEDULE

The Situation Throughout the United Kingdom Grows More Appalling Hourly, and Distress Is Terrible—All Trains Will Be Stopped By the End of the Week.

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 26.—In a short speech in the House of Commons this afternoon Premier Asquith confessed the Government's failure to terminate the coal strike as follows:

"We have done our best, with perfect thoroughness and impartiality, and it is with profound disappointment that I have to confess to the House that all our labors have been unavailing."

The Premier made a final appeal to the disputants.

"If at this time our parties cannot come to a reasonable agreement on a matter of relatively small proportions, they will have a very serious account to render to the country. The Government has done all it can."

Premier Asquith's idea is that once the principle of minimum wage has been established by the law there will be better basis for a compromise between the disputants.

The Premier told the House of Commons again this afternoon that the Government could not consent to the insertion of any figures in the minimum wage bill, but at the same time he was sorry that an agreement had not been reached between the employers and the men, outside of the minimum daily rates of \$1 25 for men and 50 cents for boys.

Premier Asquith, who was obviously laboring under tense emotion at the failure of his efforts, closed his brief remarks almost inaudibly.

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 26.—The coal mine owners of the South Wales coal district have become tired of the continued conferences with the members of the cabinet and the miners. They left the council chamber at the foreign office at 4 o'clock this afternoon, showing every evidence of being disgruntled.

"We have chucked it," said one of them, "because the miners are constantly meeting our concessions with new demands."

Premier Asquith, however, still clings to the shreds of his optimism.

"It is not yet beyond the range of possibility that an arrangement may yet be come to by the parties outside of the minimum wage bill," he told the House of Commons this afternoon. At the same time Mr. Asquith announced his determination to push the bill through all its stages today.

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Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Huron



MRS. RICHARDSON

Cuts taken from Photos by Frank Cooper Studio and Edgar J. Sanders. The Honorary President of Huron Diocesan Branch, Woman's Auxiliary, is Mrs. Williams, wife of the Bishop of the Diocese. Mrs. Williams takes an active interest in all affairs connected with the Auxiliary. Tonight she is holding a reception at Bishopstowe for the delegates in attendance at the convention. Mrs. Williams was constituted a life member of the general board in 1911.

MRS. WILLIAMS

Mrs. Sage, wife of the rector of St. George's Anglican Church, West London, has been the able president of the Huron Diocesan Auxiliary since 1905, being elected to the office upon the resignation of Mrs. Baldwin, wife of the late bishop. Prior to that time (from 1896), Mrs. Sage performed the duties of diocesan treasurer. The estimable way in which she presides over the gatherings held year after year in Cronyn Hall, has won for her the admiration and hearty approval of all the members.

MRS. SAGE

Mrs. (Archdeacon) Richardson, of Broughdale, is one of the oldest active members of the Huron Diocesan Auxiliary since its organization in 1886. For many years she was president of Cronyn Memorial Church Auxiliary, and now holds that office in the Branch of St. John's Church, London Township. Mrs. De la Hooke, of Princess Avenue, and Mrs. Richardson are the vice-presidents of the Diocesan Board.

LONDON CLERGYMEN FAVOR PUBLISHING MARRIAGE LICENSES

Think It Would Be a Move In the Right Direction.

Although the majority of the local clergy regard as an absurd law the amendment to the marriage laws, where it is proposed to fine a clergyman performing a marriage when one or the other of the parties to be married is intoxicated, those seen by The Advertiser today were unanimous in the opinion that the present marriage laws are in need of investigation, and that several improvements could be made.

TRAGIC IF HE DOESN'T GO SOON.

By John T. McCutcheon.

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MR. CHARLES A. ROSS GOING TO HAMILTON

Manager of the Dominion Bank Is Succeeded By Mr. E. Bowker.

Mr. Charles A. Ross, manager of the local branch of the Dominion Bank, is leaving shortly for Hamilton, where he will take over another branch. He will be succeeded here by Mr. E. Bowker, of Edmonton. The changes will go into effect in the next few days.

FACTORY SITES ARE IN DEMAND

Mr. J. Grant Henderson Is Open to Receive Locations.

Mr. J. Grant Henderson, commissioner of industries, is anxious to find out where some available factory sites and floor space are to be had. "I wish the real estate dealers and other property owners would get in touch with me," said Mr. Henderson. "At the present time I have not much information on the subject and I wish all those who have any would forward it to me. There are always inquiries for factory sites, and floor space, and if we have the location, price, etc., at hand, it will greatly facilitate negotiations."

NO ONE LOVES MR. FRED FULLER

Colored Gentleman Will Seek Fresh Fields and Pastures New.

Fred Fuller, a colored gentleman, who completed a twenty-one-day sentence at the county jail yesterday morning, was arrested again last evening, charged with intoxication. Fuller pleaded to be allowed to go today, so the magistrate granted his request. The understanding that his name goes on the Indian list. The prisoner asserted that no person loves him in London, so he will leave for other parts.

John Harding, whose name is on the probation list, was found drunk last night and was sentenced to pay \$10 or serve one month this morning.

THE SENATE AMENDS THE QUEEN'S BILL

Clause Inserted That Meets Objections of Jewish Citizens.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, March 26.—The bill to nationalize Queen's University was amended in the Senate private bills committee this morning in regard to the wording of the Christianity test clause, so as to practically meet the objections raised by the Jewish objectors. The amended clause reads: "The trustees shall satisfy themselves of the Christian character of those appointed to the staff."

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND MILD.

Today—Southerly winds; light rain or snow in some localities tonight.

Tomorrow—Westerly winds; fair and milder.

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
LONDON	32.5	13.5	Snow
Victoria	56	39	Cloudy
Calgary	66	24	Fair
Winnipeg	34	12	Fair
Port Arthur	28	18	Fair
Park Sound	20	6	Cloudy
Toronto	26	18	Cloudy
Ottawa	26	4	Fair
Montreal	34	10	Clear
Quebec	26	0	Clear
Father Point	2	2	Clear

The weather continues cold from Ontario eastward, and comparatively mild in the Western Provinces.

"Banish the Bar" Will Be Liberal Temperance Policy

Leader Rowell Has Urged It Upon Followers—Said That Liberal Caucus Will Accept It at This Afternoon's Meeting.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, March 26.—The Liberal caucus here this afternoon will accept Leader Rowell's abolish-the-bar programme.

The matter has been under discussion since the opening of the session. Mr. Rowell has strongly urged a banish-the-bar policy. It is known that he will have the almost unanimous support of the Liberal contingent in the Legislature.

CHICAGO PACKERS NOT GUILTY IS VERDICT OF THE JURY

Decision Given After Seventeen Hours Consideration.

[Canadian Press.] Chicago, March 26.—Not guilty was the verdict with the jury returned today in the trial of the Chicago packers accused by the Government of violating the criminal sections of the Sherman anti-trust act.

The verdict was returned before U. S. court after the jury had spent over seventeen hours. The packers have been on trial for many months charged with a combination in restraint of trade. At the defendants were in court when the verdict was read. Each defendant smiled, and some shook hands with their attorneys. The courtroom was crowded.

The verdict came as a surprise to many who had been watching the case and had feared the 19-hour wait meant a long-drawn battle in the juryroom. The verdict was handed to the clerk of the court by J. E. Harvey, the foreman of the jury. It read: "We the jury, find the defendants not guilty."

27TH ANNIVERSARY OF RIEL REBELLION IN THE NORTHWEST

Death Has Riddled the Ranks of 7th Battalion Which Went to the Front.

Today is the 27th anniversary of the outbreak of the Riel rebellion in the Canadian West, which a short time later resulted in the departure for the scene of action of the Seventh Fusiliers of London, many of whom are still scattered about the country, some retired, others active and mightily prosperous. The uprising was first considered a matter of moment on March 26, and on April 7 the men of the then Seventh Battalion departed from London to take part in the campaign. A number of the officers have passed to the great beyond during the past few years, including Major McMillan, paymaster of the regiment, and afterward judge at Cayuga; Chaplain Ball, father of Police Magistrate Ball, of Woodstock; Quartermaster-Sergeant J. B. Smythe, afterwards known more familiarly as Squire Smythe; Lieut.

CITY HAS FORMALLY OPENED NEGOTIATIONS WITH C. P. R.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OPENS CONVENTION Move To Have C. P. R. Run South to Manufacturing District.

A Special Service Marked the Occasion In St. Paul's Cathedral Today.

SERMON BY THE BISHOP His Lordship of Huron Deals With the Church and the Missionary Spirit.

The formal opening of the 25th annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Huron took place this morning when, after registration of members, a service was held in St. Paul's Cathedral. Bishop Williams preached an able sermon, choosing his text from St. John, chapter four, and part of verse six: "No man cometh unto the Father but by me."

"In none of his recorded sayings does the Lord declare more clearly his mission to the world in these words," said Bishop Williams. "They are in keeping with the claim that he came to the world in the name of God, and as no other ever came to the world, and as no other will ever come again, I would ask you, today, to consider these words in their bearing upon the heathen world and our attitude towards it, and I would ask you to think of them inclusively and exclusively. First of all, inclusively."

Into the Dark Ages. "At first sight they appear to limit the possibilities of knowledge, of light and of truth to him who came to the Father, but I do not think that was exactly in the Saviour's mind when he uttered them. The words really carry us into the dark ages and dark places of the earth, and tell us that wherever in those ages or places the devout aspiration for the unseen, the aspiration towards God, wherever there is the perception of a gleam of light, and wherever there is heroic, self-surrender, self-sacrifice, in consequence of that perception, there is Christ, though his name be not named, and though we see him not, and where Christ is, there is access to the Father. We know that in every nation he that fears God is accepted of him. This inclusive sense of the word shows there is a wideness of God's mercy, and there is no race or people or individual beyond his mercy."

Christianity Stands Alone. "The words also have an exclusive sense. Christ, the Lord, is the one access to the Father. His words are quite explicit. Christianity is not one among many ways of access to the Father. Christ claims to stand alone, and Christianity claims to stand alone. The real tendency of other religions is to lead men away from God rather than to lead them to him."

REPORTED DISASTER IN SOUTHERN MINE Explosion Imprisons Scores in Colliery at Bluefield, West Virginia.

[Canadian Press.] Bluevale, Va., March 26.—Reports have reached here from West Virginia that there has been an explosion in the Jed Mine, and that from 85 to 100 men are imprisoned in the workings. A serious disaster is feared.

Pittsburg, March 26.—It is reported at the bureau of mines here that 80 men were entombed this morning by an explosion in the mine of the Jed Coal and Coke Company at Jed, McDowell County, W. Va.

ROW IN SHORT ORDER OVER A YOUNG PUP

Three Men Were Embroiled Without Knowing What It Was About.

A pup, the chum of a gentleman who drank too freely, was the innocent cause of a row last evening on Clarence street. Last evening a fight resulted in three men being taken to the police station charged with disorderly conduct. The row was allowed to go immediately when it was shown that he was acting the role of peacemaker, while the other two were assessed \$2 each, with the option of ten days in jail by Police Magistrate Judd this morning.

According to the story, William Brennan left his dog on Clarence street while he went into a factory to apply for employment. Two C. P. R. railway men passing at the time looked good to the dog, who started to follow them. One of the men attempted to discourage the canine, but was engaged in petting him before saying farewell when Brennan appeared. A free fight was on before the parties really understood the reason. One of the railwaymen stepped in to stop the trouble and lost his hat in the scuffle. Just as a police officer appeared. This appeared to be good evidence of disorderly conduct, so the policeman took all three to the station. The railwayman was, however, allowed to go, while the others were locked up for the night.

BATTLE IN TURKESMAN

St. Petersburg, March 26.—A dispatch from Kula, Chinese Turkestan, reports a battle between the Government troops from Urumtsi and revolutionary forces near Shik-Ho. The revolutionaries were victorious, and are now advancing on Shik-Ho. The Government troops, according to the dispatch, lost 1,500 killed, 80 prisoners and three guns. The rebels lost 200 killed.

TO LIGHT FALLS.

Niagara Falls, Ont., March 26.—Evan B. Fraser, M. P., will interview Premier Whitney tomorrow in an effort to induce the Government to grant \$50,000 towards the illumination of Niagara Falls.