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SITUATION IN QUEBEC

Langelier Backed Up by All the Old Liberals.

TIME IS A GREAT HEALER

And Desperate Measures Will be Necessary to Rally the Bolters.

Le Soleil's Article Has Caused More Consternation Than the Langelier Interview—Tarte and Blair to be Thrown Out if the Kickers Carry Their Point—Further Utterance by Mr. Langelier—Drummond Road Scandal and Montreal Harbor Affairs—Montreal News.

Montreal, Dec. 13.—(Special.)—It would be impossible for the most lively journalistic imagination to ever estimate the gravity of the political situation in this city and Province. It turns out that the Langelier matter was preconceived and backed up by every old Liberal in the Province, and if Parliament were in session the Laurier Cabinet would not survive 24 hours. As time is always a great healer, no doubt desperate measures will be adopted in order to rally the regiment of bolters to the main army. The Soleil's article has even created greater consternation in the Ministerial ranks than the Langelier interview itself, and at the time of writing Sir Wilfrid cannot tell who is true to him and who is not. The Prime Minister has been at the St. Lawrence Hall all day, but he will not be interviewed. The fact of the matter is the smouldering embers of discord which have existed in French Canada since the formation of the Cabinet have suddenly broken out in a fiery flame, and the terrible mob howling for the blood of Louis XVI., Marie Antoinette, the Duchess of Lamballe and Madame Elizabeth was never more savage than these French Liberals who, with much greater reason, demand the political heads of J. Israel Tarte, A. G. Blair, R. Dobell and Charles Fitzpatrick.

Apart from what is really known, the most threatening rumors are afloat and eagerly seized upon by the kickers. It is whispered that documents will be published in a week's time that will drive Tarte and Blair in disgrace from public life. It is also said that a letter of most serious importance, which Sir Adolphe Chapleau, in an indiscreet moment, penned to his friend, Mr. Tarte, has fallen into the hands of the enemy, and will be given to the press in a few days. The old Liberals would have probably borne up a few weeks longer and aired their grievances at a caucus of the party at Ottawa should not Hon. Messrs. Patterson and Tarte made that dreadfully foolish expedition at Spencerwood. That, in fact, was the straw which broke the camel's back. Of course they all deny that the question of coalition was discussed, but it is known to every politician in the Province that Tarte, Chapleau and Postmaster Dansereau have been in thorough accord ever since the general elections, and that most of the Lieutenant-Governor's personal chums worked against Premier Flynn at the last local contest.

Mr. Langelier Again Heard From.

Mr. Francois Langelier has again been heard, and here is what he says: "Some of my friends fear I made a mistake in speaking out as I have, and say that I am bound to suffer for it. I may suffer—I probably shall—but I am not unused to it. I have made no mistake. I did not speak in my own interest, but to save my party, and it would have been too late to do that in a couple of months' time. Had that coalition scheme gone through it would have meant the wreck of the party. It is all very well for Sir Wilfrid to say that there was nothing in it. He knew nothing about it. It was not his work. It was being engineered by Tarte. When parties were actually sent to some of our friends to ask them if they would support an alliance between Laurier and Chapleau, it was necessary to speak out, and to speak at once, irrespective of my own personal interests.

"I have been told," said Mr. Langelier, "that The Gazette hints that I could not have sold my house to pay my share of the $10,000 note made and discounted to me in the election expenses of 1891. The circumstances of this particular note are quite well known to a number of people. It was made by Mr. Pacaud, and the three other names upon it were those of Mr. Mercier, Senator Pelletier and my own. It was well understood that it would be paid by us if not otherwise taken up. My share of it was paid by Mr. Bilodeau, as I had no money, and it was to repay him that I was compelled to sell my house."

The Anti-Tarte Campaign.

The Star correspondent at Quebec wires as follows: I took advantage this morning of the usual Monday influx of the members of the Legislature, returning to Quebec from their several homes, where they had spent Saturday and Sunday, to ascertain the prevailing opinion among them as to the effect of the Langelier episode in their constituencies. In almost every case the reply was that the effect had been very serious and had resulted in bringing the old Liberals under arms again, and that the anti-Tarte movement was once more in active operation. One of the most prominent of the Liberal members of the Legislature spoke very strongly on the subject, and I herewith give what he said in practically his own words. That his name is withheld for reasons easily understood, does not detract in the least from the significance of his utterances. They are the expression of the sentiments of nearly every Liberal member in the Legislature, and I venture the statement that there will not be one to deny that the member in question has voiced the general sentiment:

"There is a new feature being added now to the anti-Tarte campaign," said the member with whom I spoke, "and the Tory alliance in the Federal Cabinet is said to be composed of Messrs. Tarte, Blair and Dobell, who all work together. The two first have the big patronage of the Government, and the latter is given the control of the patronage in this district, which he uses to spite Langelier, Pelletiers and other old-time chiefs of the Liberal party. Some of the Liberals go so far as to say that these men are plotting to destroy the prestige and popularity of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in this province, while at the same time busy feathering their nest.

The Scandals.

"The Drummond County scandal and the Montreal harbor embroglio are both the work of these Ministers. The former deal, if it goes through, will benefit chiefly Eastern Township Tories, although Mr. J. N. Greenshields has been put forward as a Liberal figurehead and will get a commission.

"It seems a strange fatality," concluded the member, "that Liberal leaders will not run their own party. A similar unholy alliance destroyed Mercier. It is well known that the Liberals were in a chronic state of revolt then and blamed the Conservative allies for the scandals of and defeat of the party. We are not going to endure a similar disgrace under the Laurier Government. The war has started against Messrs. Tarte, Blair and Dobell, and we are going to keep it up. The party is behind us and the sooner Sir Wilfrid knows it the better."

The Witness correspondent also telegraphs that in the best informed circles the impression seems to be that Mr. Langelier's explosion has knocked the bottom out of any and every scheme for Sir Adolphe Chapleau's continuance in office for more than a few months longer, when he will go on a long trip to Europe, as well as out of the coalition project which certain Conservatives have been trying to boom for some time past. The Liberals want no coalition and will accept none.

Mr. Tarte's Paper Speaks.

Hon. Mr. Tarte wires the following paper: "Sir Wilfrid Laurier has brought the Liberal party to power at Ottawa for the first time since 1878. The Liberal party is also in power at Quebec, and it seems to me that this result is sufficient to prove that the Premier has ability and savoir faire. It also goes without saying that if Sir Wilfrid had not attracted to his person and to his cause thousands of Conservatives, the Liberals would still be in the cold shades of Opposition."

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

It is feared that Japan's supply of coal will be exhausted in 50 years.

Rev. John Sutherland, formerly of Ripley, Ont., has just died at Kearney, Nebraska.

O. Dugas, drygoods merchant, Montreal, has made an assignment. Liabilities $9000.

Charles Butler, philanthropist and lawyer, died yesterday in New York. His mother was a lineal descendent of Oliver Cromwell.

Theodore Durrant's friends declare that he will not be hanged in January, and that, owing to new developments, he will yet go free.

C. R. Devlin, ex-M.P., Canadian Immigration Agent to Ireland, is at present in Ottawa, having returned to Canada owing to illness in his family.

Mr. J. K. Crawford's barn, four miles east of Thorold, was burned Saturday afternoon, with a lot of hay and straw. Cause unknown. Loss $1000, insurance $1000.

The Cotton Manufacturers' Committee of Fall River, Mass., recommend that the salaries of the treasurers, overseers and others not usually included in cut-downs, shall be taken in in the present case.

A Rat Portage despatch says a move is to be made to divide West Algoma into two Legislative districts, the dividing line to be based on that now subsisting between Rainy River and Thunder Bay district.

The Ward Line steamer Orizaba, which arrived at New York yesterday, brought from Havana 391 bales of tobacco, being the first shipment from that port in many months.

The manufacture of typewriting machines has been so cut into that the $100 machine is probably a thing of the past. It is believed that first-class machines will be available for $50 each in the near future.

Mrs. Jennie June Croly, known all over the United States as a writer and a worker in women's clubs, has been appointed an inspector of Public Schools in New York for a term of five years by Mayor Strong.

The new Trinity Anglican Church in Mitchell, Ont., was opened on Sunday by Bishop Baldwin of Huron. It is a very fine structure of red brick. Hundreds of people were turned away from the evening service.

At Augusta, Pa., yesterday morning Mrs. E. R. Fredericks used kerosene to light the fire, ran out to alarm the neighbors, and her three boys were burned to death in their bed. Mrs. Fredericks escaped with her baby.

Messrs. S. S. Stratton and R. Ronan of Ottawa have been awarded the contract for supplying the Postoffice Department with mail bags. Their contract, which will extend over a period of four years, goes into effect on Jan. 1.

The Eddy Company of Hull, Quebec, is said to have amalgamated with the Diamond Match Company, and the two companies will, it is stated, control the match trade of the world. Eddy's factory at Hull will be immediately enlarged, and the firm will be in a position to defy all competition.

East Toronto.

Another rousing meeting of the Young Conservative Club was held last evening in Carnahan's Hall. Among those present were: Col. Hazelton of Todmorden, Thomas Patterson of Little York, George May, P. F. Lynch, A. Hunter, Dr. Walters, W. J. Carnahan and R. Letsche of Toronto Junction and Andrew Johnston.

Dr. Walters, who has discharged the duties of president of the club in a most acceptable manner, took the chair. The following officers were elected: president, W. J. A. Carnahan; vice-president, P. F. Lynch; secretary-treasurer, M. J. McMaster; Executive Committee composed of Messrs. C. Blaylock, R. G. Kerr, A. Hunter, W. H. Clay and T. Dudley; representatives of Todmorden, Col. Hazelton and G. A. Moses; representatives from York, J. Patterson and R. Barker.

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Lakeview Hotel.

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Found in a Klondike Mine.

While Mr. S. Smyth of New York was working in the "El Dorado" mine, he unearthed a peculiar stone on which was engraved: "yrt gaH & giaH stocS yekshW lcihw si eht tseb detropmi otni adanaC ot yad. rotciV llienaG, tnegA. It is evident that the inhabitants of Klondike in past ages must have written backwards, nevertheless they must have been a truthful race.

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Is relished by the most of men;
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Mr. E. Sullivan, who always has the latest at his popular cafe, can say that he is the pioneer in introducing "White Horse Cellar," from the wood, into Toronto, and serving it in the stoups so familiar to Auld Lang Syne. Ask for it in the stoup.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 234 King W. Open all night. Bath and bed $1.

ALL IN THE FAMILY.

SIR WILFRID (as the kicking and hammering at the door continues): Oh, dear me, what will our Tory neighbors say?

SHAREHOLDERS ARE ANXIOUS

Another Meeting of Those Interested in the Farmers' Loan.

They Discuss Their Position in Regard to Liability and Pass a Very Important Resolution in Reference to the Appointment of a Permanent Liquidator—Serious Statements in Reference to the Management.

The wisdom and necessity of moving with caution in liquidating the Farmers' Loan & Savings Company was strongly dwelt upon at a large meeting of the shareholders, held in the McKinnon building yesterday afternoon. The unanimous opinion was that if the liquidator attempted to wind up the estate quickly he would lose the opportunity of taking advantage of the general rise in values in disposing of the assets, and increased hardships would be imposed upon the shareholders, many of whom would be ruined, and a panic might be created, resulting in jeopardizing similar institutions. More important, still, the credit of the country, certainly of the city, might be impaired in the British money markets at a time when British capital was looking this way.

Incidentally, the directors of the company and the shares which they hold are as follows: President J. D. Laidlaw 200 shares, J. McKeggie 40, John Akens 300, D. B. Dick 40, Alexander Purse 90, D. Sprague 30. Manager G. S. Bethune held 20 shares.

Completely in the Dark.

Another fact made apparent was that the shareholders are completely in the dark as to how the concern stands. They have been completely ignored throughout, and many of them are unaware how much they are liable for. All that is known is what was contained in the petition for an order for the winding-up of the concern. That petition stated that the total subscribed capital stock of the company amounted to $1,067,250, consisting of 21,145 shares of $50 each. Of these, 10,000 were fully paid-up, equal to $500,000, and 11,145 have 20 per cent. paid upon them, equal to $111,450, leaving 80 per cent. still to be called, equal to $445,800. The liquidator will be appointed on Wednesday, but it is not likely that any statement can be presented to the creditors by that time, owing to the unsatisfactory condition of the books.

Who Will be Liquidator?

Regarding the liquidator, it is hardly likely that any single individual will be appointed. The depositors and debenture-holders are anxious that some trust company should administer the affairs of the defunct company, and their wishes will carry most weight before the court.

Big Interests at Stake.

At yesterday's meeting some 80 shareholders, representing some 8700 shares, were present. Principal Kirkland of the Normal School moved that W. B. McMurrich be an

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Checks are in Evidence.

The new English checks for Christmas are shown in green and cardinal, green and brown, green and silver, green and green and cardinal and black. These exquisitely beautiful fabrics are more delicately blended in sweet concord than anything shown in the neckwear trade in many a day. A noteworthy feature of this holiday collection at Quinn's is the entire absence of the fierce and growling variety.

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DEATH OF MRS. HANNING.

She Was Sister of Thomas Carlyle, the Sage of Chelsea, of World-Wide Renown.

Mrs. Janet Carlyle Hanning, sister of the great philosophical writer, Thomas Carlyle, and the last member of the family of the Sage of Chelsea, died yesterday at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. W. J. Laing, 415 Huron-street, in this city.

Deceased, who was in her 85th year, had long been a resident in Canada, having come to this country in 1851 as the wife of the late Robert Hanning of Hamilton. The latter met with reverses in business and in 1841 came to the New World to retrieve his fortunes. It was not till 10 years later that his wife and children came out to join him, and during the greater part of that period, Mrs. Hanning remained at Ecclefechan, caring for the old mother, whom her brother Thomas loved so dearly.

After Mrs. Carlyle's death, in 1849, Thomas Carlyle received his sister and her children as guests into his own home at Chelsea and they remained with him till they sailed for their new home at Hamilton, Ontario. In the 30 years that intervened before the death of Thomas Carlyle, the famous philosopher remained always the kind elder brother to his young sister, who ministered to her with regularity and affection.

THE LATE MRS. HANNING.

The family resided in Hamilton for over 25 years, and in that city four little daughters grew to womanhood and were married. In 1878 Mr. Hanning died, and three years later came the death of Thomas Carlyle. By her brother's will, Mrs. Hanning inherited sufficient estate to render her independent. She left Hamilton and went to reside with her married daughter, Mrs. Lesslie on her farm near Oakville. Here 15 years were spent, till in April of the present year, Mrs. Hanning came to Toronto and lived with her daughter, Mrs. Laing.

Soon after her arrival in this city, she had a severe illness, from which she never recovered. About ten days ago she was seized with sudden faintness, since when she grew gradually weaker till the end came peacefully yesterday.

Mrs. Hanning's remains will be buried beside those of her husband in Hamilton. She leaves three daughters, Mrs. Franklin of Ripley, Ontario; Mrs. Holden of Hamilton, and Mrs. Laing of Toronto.

Rev. W. G. Wallace of Bloor-street Presbyterian Church will conduct the funeral service at the Huron-street residence tomorrow morning. On arrival at Hamilton the remains will be taken to Central Presbyterian Church, of which deceased had been a member for more than 25 years. Rev. Dr. Lyle will conduct the funeral service.

Every grocer sells Monsoon Tea.

Important Typewriter Patent.

The United States Patent Office on Nov. 30, 1897, issued to the Smith-Premier Typewriter Company patent No. 594,706, which will be far-reaching in its effect upon the typewriter industry, controlling as it does a principal feature of the modern typewriter.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King West. Ladies 75c; gents, day 75c, evening 50c.

MR. ROBERT SIMPSON DEAD.

Passed Away Early This Morning After a Short Illness.

He Was Head of the Great Departmental Establishment at Yonge and Queen-streets—One of Toronto's Merchant Princes—Sketch of the Business Career of the Deceased.

Mr. Robert Simpson, head of the great departmental establishment of Robert Simpson & Co., (limited), Yonge and Queen-streets, in this city, died at 12.30 this morning at his residence, 90 Bloor-street east.

The end was not unexpected, for Mr. Simpson had been seriously ill for several weeks past, and had been attended by Dr. Caven and Dr. Graham.

A very large number of citizens will learn with deep regret of Mr. Simpson's decease, for he was known to all the commercial community and very highly respected, both for his personal qualities and strict business integrity.

Mr. Simpson was in business at Newmarket before coming to this city, nearly a score of years ago. He prospered, and from small beginnings, by indomitable perseverance and personal attention to every detail of the trade, built up the present mammoth concern.

Unostentatious and unassuming, he was a representative of the class of shrewd business men who have been the architects of their own fortunes. By the hundreds of his employees—from buyers down to shop boys—he was respected and trusted. In private life and social circles he was genial and kind, and little did those who but a short while ago saw his robust form and hearty cordiality imagine that ere Christmastide should come the merchant prince would be no more.

Deceased was 63 years of age and came to Canada when a young man. On leaving Newmarket, he started a drygoods store on Yonge-street, just north of Queen-street. In 1881 he moved to the southwest corner of Queen and Yonge-streets, and as business increased took in many of the adjoining stores. In 1894 he erected a colossal building, which was destroyed by fire soon afterwards. Nothing discouraged, Mr. Simpson soon replaced this by the present building.

Deceased married a Miss Botsford, and leaves one daughter, Mrs. Hamilton Merritt.

The immediate cause of death was due to heart trouble, from which he had suffered severely for about three months. Latterly his malady had incapacitated him from business.

At about 9 o'clock last evening Mr. Simpson seemed unusually well, but at 11 o'clock a serious change occurred and shortly after the end came in the presence of Drs. Caven and Graham, and his immediate relatives. The funeral arrangements will be made to-day.

Why Furs are the Ideal Xmas Gifts.

Whatever will contribute to the comfort and pleasure of a person will serve as a perfect Christmas gift. Some people put off buying furniture, or a piano, or some other household article for general family use, until Christmas, and then label it a Christmas gift for a dear member. But if the loved one is to be specially remembered in the glad distribution of Christmas favors, nothing else will quite equal the direct pleasure and comfort which are conveyed in a gift of furs. A fur jacket, cape or caperine, a fur-lined opera cloak, something stylish in any of the fashionable fur neck pieces, or fur gauntlets, a fur cap or a beautiful fur muff. The desired pleasure and comfort exists in any garment, in any fur quality in any of the elegant styles shown at Dineens', 140 Yonge-street, corner Temperance, and whether the gift is desired for a lady, a man or child, or the baby—if it is to be a fur gift, you are sure to find it at Dineens, with Dineens' guarantee of the quality, and at prices always a little lower than anywhere.

GRANTED THE NINE HOUR DAY

And the Threatened Strike of New York Book and Job Printers Has Probably Been Averted.

New York, Dec. 13.—President S. B. Donnelly of Typographical Union, No. 6, at a meeting of the union, held in this city tonight, announced that 65 of the 102 publishers had granted the request of the union for a nine-hour day. Among the publishers who concede to the request of the union were: John Brisbane Walker of The Cosmopolitan, the Martin B. Brown Printing Co., William T. Atkins, New York Clipper, The Illustrated American, Mrs. Frank Leslie, Funk & Wagnall's Publishing Co., Charles G. Burgoine, the Lockwood Press, Nicoll & Roy Co., A. Szer, George P. Rowell and Frank V. Strauss, Styles & Cash, Frank Tousey, The Drygoods Economist and the Williams Printing Co. About 20 book machine offices also consented to a nine-hour day. President Donnelly said that the other offices would doubtless come into the compact and that the impending strike will probably be averted. Further conferences will be held to-morrow with the dissenting publishers, reports of which will be handed in at a meeting of the union to be held to-morrow night.

CONSERVATIVE CLUB.

Important Resolution Passed at Last Night's Meeting—O. A. Howland Sends His Thanks.

The recent fight in Centre Toronto has had a beneficial effect on the Conservative Club, the members of which seem to be showing an increased interest in its welfare. At last night's meeting there was an unusually large attendance and much enthusiasm in the proceedings. A letter was received from Mr. O. A. Howland thanking the club for the services it rendered him and the party.

An important notice of motion was put in by Mr. W. B. Newsome, seconded by Mr. J. H. Moothie, as follows: "Resolved, that the Toronto Young Liberal-Conservative Association desires to express its approval of the position taken by Hon. G. W. Ross on the question of preferential trade within the Empire, in his address recently read before the British Empire League, and that we deeply regret that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in the conferences held with Imperial statesmen, should have so fatally misrepresented the sentiments of every intelligent Canadian as to refuse even to discuss with the Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain that most important or all commercial boons to Canada, a preference for our products in the great market of the world."

BICYCLE SADDLE FIGHT.

H. A. Christie Finds a Saddle in the Market and Wants It Out.

In 1895 H. A. Christie, a citizen of Chicago, invented what he called an "Anatomical saddle" and secured a Canadian patent on it, the patent covering a device called recessed plate, constructed to hold the separate pads in position. The Christie saddle was an improvement on the old solid leather saddles, and hundreds of bicycle riders were not satisfied, and everybody asked for a proper hygienic saddle. Scores of mechanics in the bicycle business and many others have brought out as many saddles—but no person apparently hit on the right idea until William S. Smith, formerly manager of the bicycle department of the American Rattan Company, 177 Yonge-street, brought out the Smith Hygienic Saddle, on which he obtained a Canadian patent in January, 1897. The Smith saddle jumped into public favor at once. It appeared that what the great army of bicycle riders wanted. Physicians and those who understood the danger of bicycle riding on account of the saddle at once pronounced the Smith saddle right.

The selling agents of the Christie saddle found on canvassing the trade for 1898 orders that the Smith saddle was well known, and that on a point of preference might have the market. This made it necessary for something to be done or lose trade. Mr. Christie decided to do something, and issued a writ against the Ion Specialty Company, Limited, 58 Yonge-street, the present owners of the Smith patent. The Ion Specialty Company claim that their saddle is not in any way an infringement on the Christie saddle, and at once placed the writ in the hands of Blake, Lash & Cassels, their solicitors, with instructions to defend the action. Evidently the subject of bicycle saddles will be thoroughly thrashed out.

The Ion Specialty Company say that bicycle riders want the Smith saddle, and they must have it.

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BIRTHS.

MAJOR—On the 21st ult., at Maple-avenue Farm, Whitevale, the wife of A. E. Major of a son.

MARRIAGES.

VICKERS—HOWLAND—At 69 St. George street, Toronto, on Monday, 13th December, 1897, William Wallbridge Vickers of Osgoode Hall, barrister-at-law, to Mary May, second daughter of H. S. Howland, Esq.

DEATHS.

HANNING—On Monday, Dec. 13, at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. W. J. Laing, 415 Huron-street, Janet Carlyle, relict of the late Robert Hanning of Hamilton, Ont.

Funeral, private, from the above address, to the Union Depot, at 10.30 Wednesday morning.

Interment will take place at the Burlington Cemetery, on arrival of the train in Hamilton.

WILSON—At Thornhill, on Monday morning, Dec. 13, Emily Peach, wife of John Wilson, in her 43rd year.

Funeral Wednesday, at 2 o'clock, to Thornhill Cemetery.

HAD A SEVERE FIGHT.

Tribesmen in India Cut Off a British Detachment.

SITUATION WAS DESPERATE,

But Finally, With a Rush, the Enemy Was Gallantly Dislodged.

Highlanders Lost Four Killed and Fourteen Wounded, and the Sepoys Suffered—The Vote of the Trades' Unions in England is Almost Unanimous Against the Position of the Employers, and the Trouble is Likely to Continue—General News by Cable.

Simla, Dec. 13.—General Kempster's rear guard, according to official despatches from the front, while transporting a number of wounded, was cut off by the tribesmen on Saturday near Sher-Khel, and was obliged to entrench for the night. By morning there was severe fighting, but the British finally rushed the village and dislodged the enemy. The Highlanders lost four killed and 14 wounded, and there were several casualties among the Sepoys before the rear guard of the brigade was finally relieved.

THE VOTE OF THE UNIONS

Is Almost Unanimous Against the Terms Offered by the Employers.

London, Dec. 13.—The ballot taken by the unions of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers is almost unanimous against accepting the proposals of the employers. The ballot referred to in the foregoing despatch grew out of the formal conference between the representatives of the striking engineers and their employers, which began on Nov. 24 last, and after several sessions was adjourned on Dec. 3 until Dec. 14, in order to allow the delegates of the engineers to submit to the various unions the terms of the masters. The employers through their representatives at the conference declined to recede from their position respecting freedom in the management of their business without the interference of the unions, and emphatically pronounce against a reduction in the hours of labor, on the ground that such a diminution would mean a smaller output and inability to meet foreign competitors. The general impression when the conference was adjourned to allow the ballot was that unless the unions accepted these terms there would be a renewal of the deadlock. The strike began on July 13 last, with a lockout upon the part of some of the engineers, followed by the engineers calling out a large number of men, until about a hundred thousand engineers were thrown out of work. The ostensible reason for the strike was the question of the payment for overtime and incidentally for eight hours per day. The engineers have insisted upon eight hours' work, and that all overtime must count as one and a quarter time for the first two hours and as time and a half after that.

Experienced Fearful Weather.

London, Dec. 13.—The British steamer Bellona, Captain Murray, from Montreal, Nov. 20, for Leith, has arrived in the Tyne, having a heavy list to port. She reports having experienced fearful weather, during which her decks were continually swept by great seas, and many cattle were washed overboard.

DINED AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

The following ladies and gentlemen had the honor of being invited to dinner at Government House last night: Mrs and Miss Anglin, Mr and Mrs Auguste Bolte, Mr and Mrs J L Blaikie, Mr and Mrs D Coulson, Mr A Kelly Evans, Mr and Mrs George Gooderham, Mr and Mrs William Lount, the Hon Mr Justice and Mrs MacMahon, Sir Melville Parker, Lady Thompson, Miss Thompson and Mr John Thompson, the Rev Father Ryan, Miss McLaren, Mr C J Campbell and Miss Campbell, Dr and Mrs J E Graham, Mr Aemilius Irving, Q C, Dr and Mrs J Algernon Temple, Mr and Mrs John Waldie, Mr and Mrs J Herbert Mason, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs Otter, Mr and Mrs Goldwin Smith, Mrs Wyatt, Mr and Mrs Mortimer Clark, Mr and Mrs J J Foy, Dr and Mrs Ross, Captain W F MacDonald, Captain Wilberforce, ADC, David Erskine, Captain Wilberforce, ADC, Mr Tharp, ADC, and Captain Wyatt, ADC.

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Weather Promised.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Edmonton, 40—46; Kamloops, 22—26; Calgary, 18—24; Qu'Appelle, 4—20; Winnipeg, 20—26; Port Arthur, 6—32; Parry Sound, 26—38; Toronto, 34—40; Ottawa, 26—32; Montreal, 28—32; Quebec, 24—30; Halifax, 38—42.

PROBS: Strong winds and gales from the eastward, with rain to day; winds shifting to westerly by night.

Oak Hall's two-fifty trousers are good. They fit properly.

Steamship Movements.

Dec. 13.	At	From
Fulda	Gibraltar	New York
Roumanian	Glasgow	Philadelphia
St. John City	London	St. John, N.B.
Karlsruhe	Bremen	New York
Sylvania	Queenstown	Boston
Goodwin	Hamburg	New York
Elpis	Stornoway	Philadelphia
Westerland	Antwerp	New York
Corinthia	Boston	Liverpool
Glenliven	Barcelona	Quebec
Numidian	Portland	Liverpool