

**BUILDING**  
**KING EDWARD**

Storey Structure to  
losed in Before  
March First.

The weather for building  
the second construction  
establish probably a Cam-  
for rapid winter building  
of the new King Ed-  
The eighteenth and top  
steel frame was put into  
the last week, and the  
ll be roofed in another  
ricked in less than six  
the present. The brick  
up six storeys, and six-  
ave been laid. The lay-  
ors as the steel frame  
has enabled the other  
low in order, and thus  
electric wiring and a let  
fitting has been installed.  
has been made on the  
partitions.  
is divided up a court  
and west, which will be  
the light space opening  
street will not be roofed.  
of steel were used in  
The Dominion Steel Co.  
act for erecting the steel  
building will be opened to  
time for the exhibition  
just.

**VIST BREAKS LEG.**  
ter, aged 39, of 50 Howitt  
ter, a fracture of the left  
knee on Saturday after-  
ing hockey on Grindler  
taken to his home in the  
ice and later to the West-  
Hunter received the injury,  
he fell on the ice.

**SS—Take a Joy Ride**  
This Week  
William's  
Amusement Show  
Funniest  
Musical  
Comedy  
Ever

**Boat**  
SEATS THREE.  
**COHAN Presents**  
LOUISE DANFORTH  
**quittal**  
By Mrs. Weir  
in Play (Construction  
Harrigan, Chrysalis, Horne,  
and entire N. Y. Cast.

**NEWS**  
age St. Theatre THIS  
Winter Season WEEK

**THE HOPE**  
Photoplay with an All-  
of Screen Favorites.  
"ADRIAN"  
Official Picture of U. S.  
Lost in Far North,  
and Company. Dancers  
and Tote; Hart and  
and entire N. Y. Cast.

**S UPTOWN**  
WEDNESDAY  
THE HULLABLOO  
LIVE OF MUSICAL POWER.  
**LUDEVILLE**

**NTAGES**  
**LUDEVILLE**

**OW PLAYING**  
L & THISTLE REVUE  
L. McCULLOUGH  
HAS SAX-O-TETTE  
and Co. Berger &  
Gray & Allen.  
**MAE MARSH**  
Little "Fraid Lady."  
Baltimorean. Best  
Professional Trysting. Friday  
Evening, "Mutiny of the Ezel-  
ling."

**TAR**  
**T SWEETIE**  
**GIRLS**  
WITH  
**70" FOX, JOE YOUNG**  
**N and FLO DE VERE**

**YETY**  
MAT. DAILY,  
AND PEARSON'S  
**R PUFF REVUE**

**EB COUGHLIN**  
**LK PEARL**  
**CKING CHORUS**

**D OPERA** Matinee  
**HOUSE** Wed. & Sat.  
\$1.50, Mats., 25c, 50c, 75c.  
**WYLLIES**  
**IN THE WOOD**  
GORGEOUSNESS

**ie Best**  
**Pictures**  
**ME**

**rocess of**  
**YOUTH**  
Furman & Nash  
Hart & Hartley

**NE COMEDY**  
a civilization, after  
Shea's Theatre and

**North Toronto Bungalow**  
\$8,000.  
Detached, seven rooms, bath, hardwood  
throughout, Deep lot, driveway,  
ROBINS, LIMITED.  
West Building, Adelaide 3200.

# Ambassador Geddes' Hurried Trip to England Excites Much Comment All Negotiations for Truce in Ireland Are Dropped for the Present

## AUSTRIAN SITUATION ON A HAIR TRIGGER; WORKERS MAY RISE

Nightly Demonstrations of All  
Classes Against Exist-  
ing Order.

## FUSION WITH GERMANY

Vienna, Jan. 17.—Aside from the  
demand for the right of collective  
bargaining there has been a further  
manifestation of the ever-increasing  
agitation for fusion with Germany, in  
the opinion of foreign observers in  
Vienna. This movement has been  
markedly recrudescing lately, numer-  
ous public meetings being held and  
there being much discussion of the  
situation in the newspapers. Another  
factor which is acting as propaganda  
for the fusion idea is the failure of  
the so-called Goode plan for reparations  
and of the big powers to refrain  
from the country and rehabilitate in-  
dustry.  
Meantime, as the value of the  
crown decreases, prices are on the in-  
crease. Clothing and other necessar-  
ies are utterly beyond the reach of  
the masses. The rates of the unem-  
ployed are supplemented daily, while  
the presses continue their enormous  
output of paper money, which day by  
day becomes more worthless. The  
words of an allied diplomat here the  
situation today is on a hair-trigger  
and over all hangs the threat of the  
working men to turn things into their  
own hands on Jan. 20.  
Nightly demonstrations of all the  
strata of society against the existing  
order are being held, although up to the  
present there have been no serious  
disorders or clashes with the police.  
Apprehension of another cabinet  
crisis is expressed openly in official  
circles, in which it is probably an-  
other attempt will be made to form  
a coalition government. Finally this  
it is reported that Schober, police  
chief of Vienna, will be asked to  
head a non-partisan government from  
which all the political elements will  
be excluded.

## EXPLOSION CAUSES DUNDAS ST. FIRE

Occupants of Building Rush  
to icy Street in Night  
Clothes.

Occupants of the building at 868  
East Dundas street were early this  
morning driven to the icy streets in  
deathly, and were forced to seek shel-  
ter with neighbors when fire broke  
out on the top storey of the building.  
The fire was caused by a coal oil stove  
exploding, and the total damage to the  
building and contents was \$1,400.  
The top floor is occupied by Sir  
William Walton. Loss to the contents  
on this flat was \$200. The contents of  
the floor below, occupied by a Mrs.  
Thompson, a war widow, suffered to  
the extent of \$200 by the fire.

## WOULD UNIFY QUICKLY THE NATIONAL LINES

Winnipeg Thinks Crerar and Fol-  
lowers Will Call for More  
Speed.

Winnipeg, Jan. 17.—There are signs  
here that when Hon. Mr. Crerar and  
his followers get to Ottawa they will  
press for an early and complete con-  
solidation of the Grand Trunk and the  
other Canadian National Rail-  
ways not only in the west, but in the  
east, by which both great economies  
and improved services may be achieved.  
All unnecessary trains, stations, un-  
necessary officials to be turned in at  
more effective work.

## DRASTIC STEPS IN CORK IF DISORDERS CONTINUE

London, Jan. 17.—In a letter to the  
deputy mayor of Cork, relative to the  
request to remove martial law, Major-  
General Sir Edward Strickland, the  
British commander in Munster, says  
the present state of affairs in Cork  
cannot be allowed to continue, and that  
he will be compelled to take such drastic  
measures as may seem necessary to  
make the lives of the crown forces secure  
from assassinations and cowardly at-  
tacks, says The Daily News. The latter  
adds, however, that General Strick-  
land will be ready to give all possi-  
ble consideration to the request if he  
sees signs that the inhabitants are  
willing to assist him.

## WANT RAINCOATS IN CHINA.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 17.—(By Cana-  
dian Press.)—The Canadian trade  
commissioner in Shanghai reports a  
large demand for raincoats in China.  
The military style with belt is most  
in vogue.

## Cattle Embargo Remains Pending Expert Advice

London, Jan. 17.—The ministry of agriculture has issued a report  
on Lord Lee's reply to the deputation which recently urged removal of  
the embargo on the importation of Canadian stock cattle. Lord Lee  
said that altho the ministry, of which he is president, endorsed Cana-  
da's clean bill of health, other countries were concerned besides  
Canada, and if legislation to this effect were passed, it would be  
impossible to limit its application to Canada.  
Responsible agricultural bodies, he added, opposed the removal of  
the embargo, and pending the decision of expert bodies engaged in  
examining the question, it was inopportune to remove the embargo.

## SOLUTION IN SIGHT OF HOLLAND MURDER

Say Montreal Police Chief Holds  
Special Information in  
Reserve.

## WARNING TO THE MANAGER

Montreal, Jan. 17.—(Can. Press.)—  
It is believed that the Chief of Detectives  
LePage holds the solution of the murder  
of Wm. A. Holland, manager of the  
stock brokerage firm of MacDougal  
Bros., who was shot and killed  
last Friday here, and that he will not  
divulge its nature until the accused,  
Major R. M. Griffith, is brought to  
trial at the next term of the court  
of king's bench. This is the state-  
ment made today by a man in close  
touch with events that preceded the  
actual shooting.  
Chief LePage, at the inquest Satur-  
day, indicated that something was  
being held in reserve when he asked  
Coroner McMahon not to press him  
too closely for information at the in-  
quest.

## RECREATIONS CURTAILED; YOUTH ENDS HIS LIFE

Leominster, Mass., Jan. 17.—Curtail-  
ment of his recreations, and the effect  
upon his unhappy mind of the sight of  
ropes dangling from a beam were ad-  
vanced today as possible explanations  
of the suicide of Oliver Carter  
Chaney, a high-school boy of 18  
years whose body was found yester-  
day hanging in the attic of a desert-  
ed farmhouse. The boy disappeared  
Saturday afternoon. Companions of  
young Chaney said he had been  
greatly disturbed because he had been  
forbidden to skate or to attend a bas-  
ketball game.

## TRUSTEES ASK ADVICE ON DANCING CLASSES

Rev. H. A. Berli's motion to cancel  
the permits to the parks depart-  
ment for dancing classes in the pub-  
lic schools, came before the finance  
committee of the board of education  
yesterday.  
The committee will recommend  
that the board of education apply to  
Superintendent Armstrong of the  
parks department on the dancing class  
situation.

## GOVERNMENT SEEKING NEW MEANS OF REVENUE

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TUESDAY MORNING JANUARY 18 1921 41ST YEAR—ISSUE NO. 14,678 TWO CENTS

## ALL NEGOTIATIONS FOR TRUCE IN IRELAND ARE DROPPED FOR THE PRESENT

## TORONTO TAXPAYERS KEPT IN IGNORANCE OF EDUCATION PLANS

Trustees' Budget Was Pre-  
pared Five Weeks Before  
Election Day.

## ESTIMATES LOCKED UP

Toronto taxpayers were delibera-  
tely kept in the dark respecting the  
board of education's 1921 budget for  
five weeks before election day.  
The lists of requirements were  
completed and officially signed during  
November.

Copies were typewritten at the  
board of education's administration  
building by the clerks there on No-  
vember 24.  
The officials supposed that the pub-  
lic would be taken into the confi-  
dence of the retiring trustees upon  
the authorities' plans, and that the  
electors, as requested by Mayor  
Church would be able to consider  
public school finances with the facts  
before them.  
Worked at High Pressure.  
One clause in an official report  
showed the high pressure at which  
the outgoing trustees had sped up.  
Under construction—Additional  
standard class rooms, 59.  
Manual training classes, 11; do-  
mestic science rooms, 11; addi-  
tional kindergarten rooms, 9, equal to 18  
standard class rooms, and three  
assembly halls.  
The result of the attempt to save  
the day by those who kept the elec-  
tors in the dark, by ordering the  
budget estimates locked up until  
after the election, is a cause of  
amusement among the new trustees.

## DUBLIN RAID ENDED, TROOPS WITHDRAWN, BUT GUARD IS KEPT

Party of Men Preparing Am-  
bush Surprised, and  
Many Captured.

## INCENDIARY ARRESTS

Dublin, Jan. 17.—The barricades and  
the troops cordoning a wide area in  
north Dublin were removed this after-  
noon. Sentries were posted on roofs  
of houses and armored cars patrolled  
the neighborhood during the with-  
drawal.  
An appeal against the infliction of  
the death penalty on Joseph Murphy  
was heard before the court of appeals  
today. Decision was adjourned until  
January 25, and the execution of the  
prisoner postponed until January 27.  
The law courts lie within the area  
which is surrounded by the new mili-  
tary cordons. It is understood the  
courts were included in the area be-  
cause the military had received in-  
formation indicating that Sinn Fein  
contemplated a raid in order to release  
Murphy.  
A detachment of soldiers from the  
Essex Regiment, says an announce-  
ment from general headquarters, to-  
day surprised a party of men pre-  
paring an ambush at Milmoogues  
County Cork. There was an exchange  
of firing and twenty-five civilians were  
captured. The troops suffered no  
casualties.  
Alleged Incendiaries Arrested.  
London, Jan. 17.—Six men were ar-  
rested this morning in connection  
with the attempt to set on fire the  
premises of the Vacuum Oil Co., at  
Wandsworth, last Saturday. The police  
allege that it is their belief one  
of the prisoners is the virtual leader  
of the so-called Sinn Fein terrorist  
gang in London. They assert that a  
large collection of papers and docu-  
ments seized indicate the connection  
of the arrested men with the Sinn  
Fein movement.  
The London Times says there is  
good reason to believe that the three  
prisoners will be made the subjects of  
another inquiry by another commis-  
sion, which is about to be appointed.  
Police Station Attacked.  
Cork, Jan. 17.—A large body of men  
attacked the Tuckey street police sta-  
tion this morning. They were repulsed  
however, after a fight with bombs, ri-  
fles and revolvers lasting a half-  
hour.

## RABBI HELD UP BY THREE THUGS

Armed and Masked Trio Are  
Frightened Off Before  
Securing Spoil.

Three thugs at 1:30 this morning  
held up a Jewish rabbi at Spadina  
ave. and Cecil st., but the timely  
arrival of two young women frightened  
away the three men, and the rabbi  
was not forced to submit to being  
searched.  
The world, at the time of going to  
press, was unable to secure the name  
of the rabbi held up.  
The three men were armed and  
masked, and had it not been for the  
fortunate arrival of the young women  
the rabbi would certainly have lost  
what money he had on him at the  
time.  
The thugs were apparently on foot  
as no auto was seen.  
BANDITS ROB MESSENGER.  
Detroit, Jan. 17.—Automobile  
bandits held up a messenger for the  
Highland Park State Bank in High-  
land Park, a suburb, late today and  
escaped with a satchel containing  
about \$2000.

## ALBERTA SANCTION

Officials of Farmers' Body So  
Declare—Convention  
Opens Today.

Edmonton, Alta., Jan. 17.—The an-  
nual convention of United Farmers of  
Alberta, which opens here Tuesday,  
will consider many questions of nation-  
al and provincial importance. Resolu-  
tions to be introduced total 200 in  
number. H. W. Wood, president, and  
directors in annual reports to be sub-  
mitted Tuesday will urge endorsement  
of the proposed plan for co-operative  
marketing of wheat.  
Officials' Forecast today. Alberta  
farmers would fall in line with the  
organizations of Ontario and Manito-  
ba and endorse leadership of Hon. T. A.  
Crerar in federal politics. No mem-  
ber of organization entering as a body  
into provincial politics is contained in  
reports of president or executive board.  
Officials of the movement interviewed  
today expressed the opinion that the  
United Farmers of Alberta will not  
officially enter the provincial field.  
Accommodation in the city is already  
taxed, indicating that there will be a  
record attendance of delegates.

## MERGER TALK DOESN'T JUST SUIT HENRY FORD

Montreal, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—  
There is a story here that Henry Ford  
had to borrow millions of money to  
buy out his old partners and that he  
has a scheme to somewhat rearrange  
his finances with prominent New  
York banking houses.  
It is said he is too strong for a Wall  
street group that would like to get  
him into a big new automobile mer-  
ger. He will stick to his old plan of  
financial independence.

## A. W. ROEBUCK AS CROWN ATTORNEY?

Young Toronto Lawyer Said  
to Be Slated for the  
Position.

Arthur W. Roebuck of the firm of  
MacKenzie & Roebuck, has, The  
World understands, the refusal of the  
position of city  
crown attorney, ren-  
dered vacant by the  
resignation of J. W.  
Seymour Corley. He  
is generally regarded  
as an admirable  
choice for the pos-  
ition.  
Mr. Roebuck is  
credited with largely  
being responsible for  
his defeat of Sir  
William Hearst in  
his own riding. He  
spoke there, during  
the last campaign on  
behalf of the labor  
candidate, and labor attributed its  
success to Mr. Roebuck's efforts.

## LLOYD GEORGE CELEBRATES FIFTY-EIGHTH BIRTHDAY

London, Jan. 17.—David Lloyd  
George, prime minister of Great Brit-  
ain, was 58 years old today. He  
has been a member of the British  
cabinet for 15 years and prime min-  
ister since 1916.

## RUSH CALL TO GEDDES TO MEET THE PREMIER EXCITES SPECULATION

Have Exhumed Body of  
Ex-Czar's Daughter

London, Jan. 17.—Bodies sup-  
posed to be those of Grand Duke  
Olga, daughter of former  
Emperor Nicholas of Russia, and  
her maid are aboard the British  
steamer Devonian, which is due  
to reach Egypt at the end of the  
present week. Disinterred at  
Yekaterinburg, the bodies are said  
to have been thru Persia and  
thence to Shanghai.  
Upon the arrival of the vessel  
they will be disembarked and  
taken to the Holy Land for final  
interment.

## REPRESSION FIRST, THEN NEGOTIATION FOR IRISH TRUCE

Unofficial Dealings Suspended  
and Not Likely to Be Resumed  
for Months.

## HOME RULE BILL BASIS

London, Jan. 17.—Since the sus-  
pension of the negotiations begun by  
Father O'Flanagan there has been a  
complete cessation of unofficial  
dealings for an Irish truce, and it  
is not likely they will be renewed for  
at least two months. During this in-  
terval the authorities in Ireland will  
be permitted to tighten up repressive  
measures and prove their belief that  
Ireland can in this manner be restored  
to order, and the extremists con-  
tained.  
The government view is that no  
body entitled to speak for the Sinn  
Fein has yet come forward to discuss  
matters with the government, whose  
attitude remains unchanged. The  
government declines to discuss the  
claim for political independence  
and a republic has been with-  
drawn and the "Republican army" has  
sundered its arms. Further, the  
government refuses to negotiate ex-  
cept on the home rule bill as a basis.  
On this ground, however, it is gen-  
erally believed, it would be unwise  
to grant complete fiscal auton-  
omy to southern Ireland, if peace  
could be attained thereby.

## U.S. ARMY LIMITED TO 175,000 MEN

Congress Disregards Pershing  
Estimate of 200,000 as  
Margin of Safety.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Congress  
voted today to limit the size of the  
regular army of the United States to  
175,000 enlisted men.  
The senate, by a vote of 41 to 33,  
set aside the decision of last week  
to reduce the army to 150,000 men,  
and then without a record vote adopted  
the original joint resolution of Sen-  
ator New Republic, Indiana, di-  
recting the secretary of war to stop  
recruiting until the army is cut to  
175,000 men.  
The house ten minutes later adopt-  
ed a joint resolution sponsored by  
Chairman Kahn of its military affairs  
committee, also directing the secre-  
tary of war to cease enlistments un-  
til there are not more than 175,000  
enlisted men in the regular establish-  
ment. The house vote was 285 to 4.  
Congress acted in opposition to the  
wishes of General Pershing, who had  
informed the senate committee on  
military affairs that an army of 200,  
000 men constituted the "safety  
margin."

## FADS AND FRILLS DEFEAT SAVE TWO NEW SCHOOLS

World's Disclosures of Tabulated Cost of Proposed Building  
Expenditures Were Very Timely, Chief Inspector States  
—Task of Board of Control in Considering New Esti-  
mates.

Up to date the completion of 33  
class-rooms in one building season  
have been the limit attained.  
On the basis of past performance,  
the controllers are not likely to smile  
approval on a call for \$2,200,000 when  
one million may more than cover the  
running up to over two million dollars.  
Chief Inspector R. H. Cowley of the  
board of education public schools sec-  
tion, said yesterday that The World's  
disclosures of the tabulated cost of  
the proposed building expenditures  
"was very timely."  
With respect to the chief inspector's  
own little list of sites and buildings  
which are vacant or vacatable,  
Mr. Cowley smiled and pointed out  
that it contained more than double  
the additional class-rooms which the  
board's building department had ever  
been able to construct in one year. So  
far as construction is concerned, it  
may therefore be regarded as a two-  
year program. As approved, the  
schedule calls for sixty new class-  
rooms.  
It was first presented to the committee  
as sixty-two.

## TO IMPROVE ROADS IN CITY'S VICINITY

Provincial Minister of High-  
ways Tells Motorists of  
Projected Work.

Promises of a live road program  
around the city of Toronto were made  
by Hon. F. C. Biggs, provincial min-  
ister of highways, at the dinner and  
annual general meeting of the Ontario  
Motor League held at the King Ed-  
ward Hotel last night. In addition to  
a very large turnout of members, re-  
presentatives of over eighty clubs af-  
filiated with the O. M. L. were pre-  
sent.  
The Hon. Mr. Biggs contended that  
the streets connecting with the roads  
leading into the city of Toronto were  
not in their present state capable of  
carrying the tremendous traffic which  
they will have to bear, and that he  
is to appear before the Toronto board  
of control in a day or two and lay  
before them his plans for "a real, live  
road program around Toronto."  
He stated that this need had been  
held up awaiting the completion of  
the recent transportation, "clean-up"  
by the city authorities, but that now-  
thing would now stand in the way of  
dealing with the problem of the roads  
leading into the city.  
For Capital Account Plan.  
The minister came out flat-footed  
in favor of the road roads develop-  
(Continued on Page 7, Column 5.)

## REAL WINTER WEATHER.

"Old Probs" report zero weather to-  
day. The sudden drop is very dan-  
gerous if not comforted by wind.  
The Dineen Co. January Clearing  
Sale of Ladies' and Gentlemen's fur-  
ing offer a splendid opportunity of buy-  
ing at lower prices than they have  
been offered for years. A Visit to  
Dineen's, 140 Yonge Street, will con-  
vince you of the astonishing value in  
either Ladies' or Men's Fur Coats,  
Neck Pieces and Muffs, Men's Gait-  
lets Caps and Collars all at clearing  
sale prices.

## SMALL FACTORY

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## Believed That Anglo-Ameri- can Debt and Naval Disarm- ment Will Be Chief Topics of Discussion—Washington Correspondent Thinks Cana- da's Demand for Greater Independence Prompted the Summons.

London, Jan. 17.—Government offi-  
cials are displaying unusual reticence  
concerning both the visit of Sir Auck-  
land Geddes, the British ambassador  
at Washington and Lord Chalmers'  
mission to the United States, which  
has been postponed. The coincidence  
of the ambassador's return with this  
postponement points to the likelihood  
that the question of the Anglo-Ameri-  
can debt will be the chief subject of  
his conferences with the government.  
The visit of the ambassador, which,  
according to reports current here, was  
underwritten on a hasty summons from  
the prime minister, is claiming greater  
attention and speculation. There is no  
question of possible controversy be-  
tween the two countries, which is left  
unmentioned by the United States cor-  
respondents of the British newspapers,  
to explain the visit. It is alleged by  
one correspondent that Canada is  
showing independence, claiming greater  
freedom from the jurisdiction of the  
privy council and a separate legation  
at Washington.  
The same correspondent reiterates  
that the United States statesmanship  
is seeking approach to the Dominion  
on the Pacific question. In this con-  
nection it is suggested that the British  
ministers in London that the prime min-  
ister may be anxious to consult Sir Auck-  
land Geddes at the moment the col-  
onial office is changing hands, follow-  
ing upon Lord Milner's resignation.  
Naval Disarmament.  
What appears to be quite certain is  
that naval disarmament will be dis-  
cussed. There have been conflicting  
reports in recent days, some to the ef-  
fect that the committee on imperial  
defense will decide against the build-  
ing of more capital ships, others that  
no decision has yet been reached. It  
may be supposed that the unexpected  
success of the anti-war candidate in  
the Dover by-election, Sir Thomas  
Pollison, who on January 13 defeated  
Major John Jacob Astor, has had  
some effect on the question of con-  
tinuing on costly naval expenditure,  
but it is generally considered that the  
government is waiting to consult the  
Dominions at the imperial conference  
in June.  
The postponement of the Chalmers'  
mission is not altogether unexpected.  
There had been protests against any  
hasty settlement of the debt question,  
which were fortified by rumors reach-  
ing London that conversion into long-  
term obligations was to have been on  
a basis of 1-2 per cent interest. This  
was a great disappointment, as the  
interest would not exceed five per cent.  
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## TO IMPROVE ROADS IN CITY'S VICINITY

Provincial Minister of High-  
ways Tells Motorists of  
Projected Work.

Promises of a live road program  
around the city of Toronto were made  
by Hon. F. C. Biggs, provincial min-  
ister of highways, at the dinner and  
annual general meeting of the Ontario  
Motor League held at the King Ed-  
ward Hotel last night. In addition to  
a very large turnout of members, re-  
presentatives of over eighty clubs af-  
filiated with the O. M. L. were pre-  
sent.  
The Hon. Mr. Biggs contended that  
the streets connecting with the roads  
leading into the city of Toronto were  
not in their present state capable of  
carrying the tremendous traffic which  
they will have to bear, and that he  
is to appear before the Toronto board  
of control in a day or two and lay  
before them his plans for "a real, live  
road program around Toronto."  
He stated that this need had been  
held up awaiting the completion of  
the recent transportation, "clean-up"  
by the city authorities, but that now-  
thing would now stand in the way of  
dealing with the problem of the roads  
leading into the city.  
For Capital Account Plan.  
The minister came out flat-footed  
in favor of the road roads develop-  
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## REAL WINTER WEATHER.