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PREMIER SORRY FOR SINS OF LIBERALS NO MERE MAN PERFECT SINCE THE FALL

Pleads at Napanee for a Strong Majority, But Does Not Refer to Hossack Arraignment And Denies Acquaintance With Cap. Sullivan.

Napanee, Dec. 20.—(Staff Special.)—Hon. G. W. Ross opened the provincial campaign in the opera house here to-night. The building seats 600, and it was comfortably filled. The premier received an attentive hearing, but the audience was far from demonstrative; indeed, it was quite cold. The cheers were few and far between and anything but hearty. A few mottos were hung on the walls and the platform was decorated with flags. There were seats on the stage for forty or fifty people, but only a few were occupied, mostly by women. Besides the address of the premier, the evening was occupied with short speeches by the chairman, W. S. Herrington, the Liberal candidate in Lennox, M. S. Madole, and E. J. Pense of Kingston.

Mr. Ross spoke about two hours, which he devoted to answering the criticisms of his opponents. He announced that he would at Barrie on Friday night make a full exposition of the new Liberal platform constructed for him by the Liberal convention held in Toronto a few weeks ago. It had been charged that the Liberal party had been in power too long. He humorously referred to the caricature representing the government as a broken-down war horse, by declaring it to be an animal that had never lost a Derby, altho it had had a few falls in unimportant steeplechasing events. Moreover, the opposition war horse had never won a race. The jockeys were frequently changed with no result, and the grooms, such as Gamey and Dr. Nesbitt, had not been able to get him into shape.

Usual "Tu Quoful" Regomber.

If there had been scandals during the Liberal regime, what about the McGreevy scandal, the Curran bridge scandal and others he could name? It was true that in 1896 the Liberals had said it was time for a change in the administration of affairs at Ottawa, but they had been able to make out a case. The opposition in Ontario had entirely failed to make out a case for a change of government. The opposition had been obstructive rather than constructive, and had not risen to the proper idea of the importance of developing the latent resources of the province.

The 5oo loan was defended by Mr. Ross on the ground that it had revivified a moribund industry and made Canada independent of foreign countries in the manufacture of steel rails. Reverting to the electoral crimes he insisted that none of them had been proven against the government. He deplored the fact that these crimes had been committed by Liberals by some foolish men, but he denied personal knowledge and said he had not sent out these men to do their nefarious work, nor had the Liberal organization so far as he was aware.

Claims Some Credit.

The Liberal convention had put itself on record as opposed to electoral corruption, but the Conservative conference had done so. After traversing a considerable field, the premier claimed credit for being the first premier to institute proceedings against the men reported for electoral crimes. These offences were committed during the regime of the late A. S. Hardy, but it was not till Mr. Ross came into power that any of the offenders were sent to jail. There were several reasons why justice failed in some cases, and he made the most of them.

The Conservatives had been too hasty in prosecuting the Soo workers, and if they had left it to the attorney-general's department these men would have been tried before this. The government should not be held responsible for the cruise of the Minnie M. In recalling the offences of his opponents, Mr. Ross referred to the conspiracy hatched in Montreal to defeat the Laurier government in the late election. The Conservatives had no claim to the government benches on the ground of electoral purity. The Liberals were not perfect, but if there was to be a change who would replace them? Mr. Ross touched briefly on the Conservative policy enunciated at the conference and claimed that it was largely a stolen policy, and the plank relating to temperance was so meaningless that it might be adopted by the inmates of the Central Prison.

E. J. B. Pense, candidate in Kingston, spoke briefly and expressed the pleasure it was for the followers of Premier Ross to pull him thru with his narrow majority. We are up against the most insidious cries, he said, referring to the ballot box frauds. This thing had been charged against the whole Reform party of the province, but I ask you to look over the evidence and see if there is any stain that you should blush for. While there have been indefensible acts on the part of a few, nothing exists against the party as a whole. In only one place in the whole County of Frontenac could they get a man who would handle a bogus ballot box. The Toronto World pictured Premier Ross, he continued, as a man who had a guilty knowledge of the crimes committed on behalf of the party, but the people of the province would resent that.

M. S. Madole, the Liberal candidate, declared that his opponent misrepresented his views on certain questions. He was opposed to bonuses, but would support the building of a railway into the new sections of Ontario, to be owned by the people and leased. The time had come when the railways should give back in the way of taxes at least a portion of the money they have received from the province. He favored a reduction of the indemnity paid to members of parliament, and would say

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TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Church union committees, Knox Church, 10.

C.M.A. luncheon, W. K. McNaught in "The Dumping Clause," McConkey's, 1.

Board of Trade council, 3.

Ontario Women's Medical College annual meeting, 4.30.

Board of education, special meeting, 4.30.

Toronto Driving Club, dinner, King Edward, 7.30.

Labor Temple opening, 8.

Rev. Cornelius Woelfkin, at Walmer-road Baptist Church, 8.

Theatres—See public amusements.

WHAT PREMIER ROSS SAYS.

I don't want to stand as leader of a party staggering under a weak majority.

War horse as good as ever and had never lost a Derby, tho now and then it had stumbled in a steeplechase.

Opposition deserved credit for some resolutions, but had no constructive ability.

Conservatives had proved no corruption against the government.

"I confess with sorrow and regret that some Liberals have been guilty of corrupt practices. We have sinned and are abundantly sorry."

He was sorry the West Elgin ballots were inadvertently burned, because it left suspicion and gave his opponents a large mouthful of vituperation.

"I don't say we are perfect; there's no mere man perfect since the fall."

Conservative platform is largely stolen from Liberal party.

Burns' anniversary suggested democratic character of Ontario government.

BRITT THE VICTOR IN 20 ROUNDS BATTLING NELSON LOST DECISION

Native Son Had Slight General Advantage Thruout—Dane Was Always Forcing the Battle, But Frequently Failed to Land—Enormous Crowd Saw the Contest.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—A $35,000 audience was jammed into Mechanics' Pavilion to-night, when Jimmy Britt of this city and Battling Nelson of Chicago fought in what was virtually conceded to be a contest for the world's lightweight championship. The belief that Joe Gans, the colored pugilist, who recently retained the title by securing a decision over Britt on a foul, is probably unable to reduce to the lightweight limit, accentuates the fact that the winner of to-night's battle will be looked on as the legitimate champion of the lightweight division.

Never were two athletes more perfectly conditioned than Britt and Nelson, when they ceased their long and arduous course of training, and each was the personification of confidence when Referee Billy Roche beckoned them to their corners, and the bell summoned them to action.

No fight since the Jeffries-Fitzsimmons affair was decided has brought so many strangers to town. From New York, from Philadelphia, Butte, Omaha, Seattle, Portland and Los Angeles, fight lovers were gathered in liberal numbers. From interior California points, they flocked to the ringside, and when the main event was started the vast hall was packed from pit to dome. So great was the crush in the galleries that later in the evening the promoters were ordered by the authorities to release the overflow by permitting hundreds of spectators of that section to invade the main floor, where they were unceremoniously relegated to the rear pocelions of the building, and from which but little of the night's entertainment could be observed. At 9 o'clock the house was completely sold out, and it was found necessary to instal additional seats to accommodate the crowd.

The principals left their training quarters at 4 p.m., and after a rest of two hours, proceeded to Corbett's resort, where the weighing-in process took place at 6 o'clock. Both men failed to tilt the scales at 132 pounds, the stipulated weight. It was the opinion of those present that Nelson was the lighter by at least a pound.

Great Betting Incident.

The crowd that congregated about the Corbett resort, as Britt and Nelson attempted to enter, was so great that it was only by the free use of policemen's clubs that they entered. Betting has been brisk all day. In the morning bets were registered at 10 to 7, with Britt the favorite. Later on, however, owing to the volume of Nelson money and the reluctance of Britt's supporters to speculate at what they termed unreasonable and disproportionate figures, the price advanced a point, with the local lad holding the top end at 10 to 8. Even at this price, the Britt coteries did not loosen their purse latches until evening, when, realizing the futility of hoping for a more lucrative price, they poured their money into the poolsellers' boxes in large bunches, which was covered with avidity by the loyal Nelsonites. So great, in fact, was the influx of Nelson coin at this stage that the odds were forced up another notch. At 7 o'clock the odds favored Britt at 10 to 9, and these quotations prevailed for an hour. Still the flow of short-end wagers flowed in, and at 8 o'clock the betting was at even money, which was the ruling price up to ring time. It was reported that Battling Nelson had placed about $1500 to $2000 on himself, at odds varying from 10 to 8 to 10 to 9. Britt, on the other hand, placed but a modest sum on his own chances of winning, being content to strive for the purse and glory which victory would bring.

Prior to the main event, Tom Moran and Frank DeDalle of the United States army met in a four-round contest, at 130 pounds, while George Herbert and Jim Haywards (colored) entertained the crowd in a scheduled eight-roun go.

DeDalle was given the decision over Moran at the end of four rounds of tame fighting.

In the second preliminary George Herbert was given the decision over Jim Haywards at the end of the eighth round.

Gans to the Winner.

A message was read from Al. Herford, manager of Joe Gans, offering to match the colored man with the winner of to-night's contest.

A cheque of $2500 it is said has been deposited with a local sporting man to clinch the match. Herford stipulated that Gans would make 133 pounds at 6 o'clock.

Young Corbett also issued a challenge to meet the winner and claimed that he has a verbal promise from Britt to give him another chance in the event of the California winning.

Britt's seconds were Spider Kelly, his chief adviser; Frank Rafael and Tiv Kreling. In Nelson's corner were Ted Murphy, who acted as the Dane's counsellor; Eddie Santry, Rawlide Kelly and Smiling Metzger.

9.40 p.m.—Nelson was first presented as "The Chicago Cracker-Jack, the hardest nut in the profession."

His reception was generous. Britt was then presented, and, as expected, received a great ovation. Billy Roche of New York refereed the contest. A challenge was read from Jabez White of England, at 133 pounds ring side. Jimmy Gardner also sent a challenge to the winner.

When Young Corbett entered the ring to issue his challenge he was tremendously cheered. He shook hands with each of the principals. The crowd yelled "Speech."

When Young Corbett entered the ring to friends for their cordial greeting and promised that he would give a good account of himself when he entered the ring again.

Britt, as usual, looked nervous as he sat in his corner. He had both arms encased with tire tape. Nelson sat in his corner chewing gum, and looking confident. Nelson had on green trunks, while Britt wore white trunks with green ribbon. Both men looked as if fit to fight the battle of their lives. After being photographed, they were sent to their corners.

and both men adopted their famous crouches.

Round One.

Britt missed a left hook for the body and a similar attempt was neatly blocked by Nelson, as was a right hook for the wind. They went to a clinch and broke very cleverly. Nelson's first lead with left was short, and then Britt drove a straight right to the body and ducked a left counter for the jaw and they clinched. Britt then hooked his famous left again to the body and they clinched again. Mixing it, Britt missed left for the body. The gong rang with both men in another clinch. It was Britt's round. Nelson did not land a blow in this round, but acted entirely on the defensive.

Round Two.

Nelson crouched low and Britt missed left for the body and they clinched. Britt missed left for the body and right for the head and once more they clinched, neither one inclining to break. Both missed left for the body. Nelson forced Britt into a neutral corner, but Jimmy wriggled out without damage. Britt then drove a straight right over the heart and received in return a right hook to the jaw. Nelson blocked straight left and right for the jaw, and the referee separated them from a clinch. They fought carefully at close quarters, neither man landing. Britt continued to back away and Nelson put his left to Britt's jaw. After a clinch, Britt missed right swing for the body, but the gong rang. It appeared that Britt was holding on unnecessarily, and there was some hissing as the men went to their corners. There was not much damage done in this round. Nelson, if anything, had a slight advantage.

Round Three.

Britt missed left swing for the jaw, and Nelson blocked left for the body. Nelson forced Britt to the ropes, but the Californian got in a good right to the stomach and received a light return. They mixed it and Britt missed several lefts and rights for the body. Nelson then began the same tactics which characterized his battle with Corbett and Britt broke ground. Britt drove his left hook to the body, and they mixed it, Britt receiving left jab in the face. Britt staggered Nelson with right to the stomach and left to the jaw, but in a rally Nelson swung left and right to the face. Britt then swung left to the head and hooked right to the jaw. Britt rocked Nelson's head with a terrific right swing as the bell rang. Britt walked coolly to his corner as also did Nelson.

Round Four.

Britt swung right to head and missed right hook for the body. They went to close quarters and indulged in ineffectual swings. Britt sent Nelson's head back with right swing, and moment later planted his left to the face. Britt then cleverly ducked left and right and right uppercut for the jaw, and a clinch followed. The crowd yelled, "Break them away!" Britt ducked a straight left for the head and got away from Nelson, who followed him about the ring. Nelson missed both left and right swings for the jaw, and then a right swing caught Britt's mouth and a left swing reached his ear twice in quick succession. Britt missed right and left, and the bell rang with the men in a fierce embrace, from which the referee separated them. Honors were even.

Round Five.

Britt was short with left hook for the body, and they clinched. Nelson forced Britt to the ropes, but failed to connect. Nelson kept boring in, but they clinched. The crowd yelled itself hoarse to "Break." Britt shot his left to the face, and then put a right to the head, while Nelson blocked a straight left for the face. Britt then hooked his left to the wind, and Nelson drove his right and left hard to the body. Britt hooked a hard left to the jaw and missed a left for the face. Britt shot his left hard to the body, and missed two similar attempts. A moment later two left hooks found resting places on the Dane's body, but apparently had no effect. The gong changed at this stage. Britt having just a shade the better of the round.

Round Six.

Britt missed two left swings for the head. Then he sent a tremendous left hook to the body, and another attempt was equally successful. They stood apart, and Britt once more sent his piston-red left to the body, and followed it with left to the jaw and a left hook again to the body. Nelson kept boring in and missed a vicious left for the body. Another attempt succeeded, and he landed two lefts to the face, for which he was rebuked with two straight rights to the body and a tremendous right swing to the jaw. The Dane continued to bore in and Britt missed a left swing for the jaw. Britt blocked a clumsy attempt with the left for the jaw, and Britt tried with left for the body as the gong sounded. It was Britt's round. Nelson kept boring in and forcing Britt about, in nearly every instance the Californian sending Nelson back with well-placed blows.

Round Seven.

Britt rocked Nelson's head with a vicious right swing to the jaw, and a left uppercut for the jaw was blocked. A clinch followed, and Roche separated the men. Britt caught Nelson again on the jaw with a right hook, and in the mix Nelson put a left to the body and two left uppercuts to the jaw. They were in a vicious mix when Britt drove a straight short-arm left to the face and followed it with terrific right and left swings to the jaw. They

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DOESN'T KNOW THE "CAP."

Mr. Ross said that some of those who had been guilty of corrupt practices were entire strangers to him. He had never seen "Cap" Sullivan. He had seen Frank Sullivan once when some one had pointed him out. He had never seen Robert Sutherland. These men never went on their mission of corruption on behalf of the speaker, and they had never gone on their mission, as far as he knew, on behalf of the Liberal organization. It was untrue that he had guilty knowledge of these nefarious practices. If you are going to dismiss the Liberal party, asked Mr. Ross, who are you going to put in our place?—Premier Ross at Napanee.

JAPS SEIZE BRITISH SHIPS CAPTURE RUSS COMMANDER

The Nigretia Had a Large Quantity of Contraband of War on Board.

Tokio, Dec. 20.—The Japanese protected cruiser Tsushima seized the British steamer Nigretia, bound for Vladivostock, at Ulsan, Korea, yesterday. An examination of the Nigretia's cargo showed that she had a large quantity of contraband of war on board. She was sent to Sasebo for trial before the prize court.

It is reported the Nigretia had on board officers and men of the Russian torpedo boat destroyers who escaped from internment at Shanghai, and were attempting to regain the Russian lines.

RUSSIAN COMMANDER THERE

Shanghai, Dec. 20.—There appears to be no doubt that the commander of the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi, who has been interned here since his vessel arrived after the battle between the Russian and Japanese fleets off Port Arthur on Aug. 10, took passage on the steamer Nigretia, bound for Vladivostock. The commander carried valuable charts and documents.

BRITISH STEAMER CAUGHT.

Tokio, Dec. 20.—The British steamer King Arthur was captured while attempting to leave Port Arthur yesterday by the Japanese guardship Asagiri. It is understood that the King Arthur took supplies to Port Arthur. She had on Russian naval officers, who were attempting to join the Russian second Pacific squadron. The King Arthur was taken to Sasebo for trial.

LIST OF JAP CASUALTIES.

Tokio, Dec. 20.—Imperial headquarters to-day published a list of 26 officers killed and 44 wounded, presumably during the recent attacks on a certain fortress. The fortress referred to is undoubtedly Port Arthur. The manner in which the despatch is filed indicates the strictness of the Japanese censorship over press despatches.

TO ATTACK RUSSIANS.

London, Dec. 20.—The Daily Mail's correspondent at Hong Kong says he has learned on trustworthy authority that a powerful Japanese squadron of battleships and armored cruisers is proceeding south, accompanied by 15 colliers, and transports, to attack the Russian second Pacific squadron.

LORD GREY COMES IN FEBRUARY

Vice-Regal Party Will Attend R.C.Y.C. Annual Ball.

His Excellency the Governor-General, Lord Grey, and Lady Grey, will visit Toronto in the latter part of February.

An acceptance has been received by the secretary of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of an invitation extended to the vice-regal party to be present at the annual ball, which will be held on Feb. 22. The function will take place probably at the King Edward, and will be made the most brilliant affair the club has ever undertaken.

His excellency has also consented to become a patron of the club.

NO SANTA CLAUS FOR HER.

Mother Tries to Kill Daughter Because She's Poor.

New York, Dec. 20.—Because she could not buy a Christmas present for her 3-year-old daughter, Mrs. Metzger of Jersey City to-day tried to cut the little girl's throat. The child's screams attracted neighbors, who rescued her, after she had been badly injured. The mother then tried to kill herself, but was prevented. Mrs. Metzger was arrested and the child was removed to a hospital, where, it is said, she may die. The father had been out of employment for some time.

CANADIANS AT YALE.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 20.—The Yale University catalog for this year shows that the total student registration is 2996, with 391 officers and instructors. Canada has thirty students enrolled and Japan nineteen.

Spike Sullivan Won at Montreal.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 20.—A fast fight took place here to-night between Spike Sullivan of Boston, former lightweight champion, and Dude Kennedy of Philadelphia, and the referee awarded the decision to Sullivan at the end of the 11th round.

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Diamonds, Electro Plate and Paintings by Auction.

The great auction sale of forty thousand dollars' worth of diamonds, electro plate and paintings will be continued this afternoon at 2.30 at Nos. 87 and 89 East King-street. Some rare bargains were obtained yesterday. The sale offers a grand opportunity to parties in want of Christmas presents, as every lot offered is sold without the slightest reserve whatever. This is no ordinary sale of gems, it is the largest and best collection of diamonds ever offered by auction in Canada. Seats are provided for ladies. Mr. Chas. M. Henderson will conduct the sale.

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THE MERRY MONARCH.

King For a Day.

RUSSELL'S SAFETY LETTER BERTHIAUME'S SMART MOVE

He Must Have Handed a Copy of it to Some one to Square Himself With Sir Wilfrid.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—La Presse announces to-night in a two-line notice that Thomas Cote has ceased to be an editor of the said paper. When seen to-day T. Cote asserted that he was tired of being subjected to every kind of courage since the new management has taken hold of the paper.

Mr. Cote has an eye on the mandate for Gaspe constituency when the Hon. R. Lemieux will have to make a choice between Nicolet and Gaspe, his old division. Unfortunately a protest has been lodged by Conservatives against the solicitor-general as to his election in Nicolet and prevents him from safely resigning now from either seat.

At present Mr. Cote is at sea. In fact he never knew a word of what would happen later when he entered La Presse. There was a touch of family romance in his entering the Berthiaume concern, but romance vanished before the cold Russell's money combination with Dansereau et Berthiaume. Mr. Cote was completely left over, and all rigmarole about his strenuous resistance to Conservative efforts is all a ghost story. Mr. Cote was not handling a bit of editorial stuff. Mr. Helbrouner, editor in chief, was the only man having authority in the matter.

The handing out for publication to The Globe correspondent of the letter from Russell to Dansereau stating the safety bargain as to the Liberal party in the election fight seems to have been a clever move from Hon. Mr. Berthiaume when he went to Ottawa to meet Sir Wilfrid Laurier after the result of the contest was clear. Mr. Berthiaume must have handed to somebody a copy of that letter so as to square himself with Sir Wilfrid Laurier and show that he never intended to betray his then friends. How that letter went to The Globe correspondent is easy to imagine.

Light may be thrown on the whole transaction when Mr. Dansereau arrives. He will need to patch up many difficulties, and may succeed in putting his personal stock afloat by producing little bits of interesting evidence.

M. Berthiaume is now here to be seen, and the famous M. Godin, the soul of La Presse, now is dumb as an oyster, but closeted all day with T. Biendieu, manager of the provincial bank and trustee of the French business part of the Russell syndicate.

La Patrie says:

"We do not see why there should be so much mystery around the purchase of La Presse by Messrs. Russell and Graham. In the office of La Presse it is an accepted fact that Messrs. Russell and Graham are the proprietors of the paper. It is also known to all the members of the editorial department that during the last days of the campaign numerous articles hostile to the Laurier government were sent to La Presse but were not published. Messrs. Russell and Greenshields having given their word at the time of the sale that La Presse would not attack the government during the campaign."

TO REDUCE CAPITAL.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Dec. 20.—The resolution has been confirmed reducing the capital of the Dominion of Canada Mortgage Company from £250,000 to £218,284, by the cancellation of 30,356 of unissued and 12,360 of forfeited shares.

David Hoskin, F.C.A., Chartered Accountant, 27 Wellington 'st E., Toronto

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STUDENT USED REVOLVER

Son of George Gould Refused to Be Hazed.

New York, N.Y., Dec. 20.—Five sophomores of Columbia University attempted to capture Kingdon Gould, a fellow student and son of George Gould, to-day to haze him. After a chase of a block and a half in upper Broadway, near the university, young Gould turned on his pursuers and waving a revolver warned them to keep away. They kept on and Gould, after repeating his warning, discharged the revolver. Gould then fled to a fraternity house, and the sophomores returned to the college campus, secured reinforcements, returned and blocked both ends of the street on which the fraternity house is located. Hundreds of howling students were on guard. It was stated that Gould's revolver contained only blank cartridges. He was later rescued by his father, who took him away in a carriage under guard of three detectives.

VICTIM OF FOUL PLAY.

Detective Greer Makes a Discovery in London, Ont.

London, Dec. 20.—Provincial Detective Greer of Toronto was in the city for several days last week investigating the circumstances of the death of Clinton Loomis, the circus employe, who was found dead on the G.T.R. tracks, four miles west of Hyde Park, on July 9 last. Forepaugh & Sells Bros.' Circus showed here the day before he was found. There were suspicious circumstances in connection with the case, the man's pockets being found turned inside out. As a result of his investigation here, Detective Greer made the statement that he believed Loomis was a victim of foul play.

SIMPSONS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 20.—A deal was closed to-day by which the Robert Simpson Co., Toronto, take over John Murphy & Co.'s drygoods business, St. Catherine-street, the same to be carried on under the name of John Murphy Co., Limited. Mr. Wood was here to-day and put thru the deal.

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MRS. CHADWICK IN COURT

But Excused From Giving Testimony Because She's Ill.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick was brought into the bankruptcy court here to-day in the bankruptcy proceedings against her, but was excused from testifying because of illness. Whether Mrs. Chadwick will be again summoned will depend on counsel for Receiver Nathan Loeser, whose attorneys are expected to take up the matter. Should Mrs. Chadwick again be brought into court, it is unlikely that she will give any testimony. If she does, it will be against the advice of her attorney, who refuses even to allow her to be sworn as a witness.

Mrs. Chadwick became nervous as the attorneys argued and seemed on the verge of fainting. Soon after the announcement was made that she was excused, she returned to the jail in a carriage.

MORE FOOD FOR POWDER.

Mobilization of 200,000 More Russians Now Announced.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 20.—Mobilization of the reserves has been announced in seven military districts. This is the third and most extensive mobilization of the war and will add about 200,000 men to the army in the far east. It is thought the whole force can be placed in the field by spring, when the problem of food and fuel will be easier met and the transportation of the troops will create less strain upon the trans-Siberian railway. It will bring Gen. Kuropatkin's effective force, roughly estimated, to 680,000.

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DEATHS.

ELLIOTT—At the residence of his daughter, 142 College-street, Toronto, Charles Elliott, in his 79th year.

Funeral at Cobourg on Thursday, the 22nd.

FARRELL—At her daughter's residence, 1656 Bloor-street West, Anne Farrell, in her 86th year.

Funeral on Thursday morning at 8.30 to St. Peter's Church. Interment in St. Michael's Cemetery.

LANGRILL—On Monday, Dec. 19th, 1904, Fanchi Langrill, aged 73 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 33 King-street, Toronto Junction, Thursday, December 22nd, at 2 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

MALCOLM—At the Home for Incurables, Tuesday, Dec. 20, Isabella Gardner Malcolm, in her 74th year, wife of Michael Malcolm.

Funeral from her late residence, 1261 Queen-street West, on Thursday, 22nd, at 2 p.m.

ROBSON—At Toronto, Monday, Dec. 19th, 1904, Margaret Robson, widow of the late Frederick G. Robson, in her 52nd year.

Funeral from the residence of her son, Fred J. Robson, 270 Bathurst-street, Thursday morning, at 9 o'clock, to St. Mary's Church, thence to St. Michael's Cemetery.

THOMPSON—At his residence, 466 Church-street, Toronto on Tuesday, the 20th December, 1904, Robert Thompson, of Robert Thompson & Co., in his 70th year.

Funeral from above address on Thursday, the 22nd, at 2.30 o'clock. Interment in Necropolis.

YOUNG—At his residence, 48 D'Arcy-street, Toronto, on Tuesday morning, Dec. 20th, John Young, Depositary of the Upper Canada Bible and Tract Societies, in his 78th year.

Funeral on Thursday, Dec. 22nd, at 2.30, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

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BITTER FISCAL CAMPAIGN BANNERMAN AND JOSEPH

Liberal Leader Accuses Chamberlain of Using Imperialism to Cover His Acts.

London, Dec. 20.—The political campaign of education on fiscal affairs, which is now being vigorously carried on thruout the United Kingdom, by both parties, while affording little that is new in proposition or argument, shows evidence of increasing acrimony and more personal feeling between leaders.

Mr. Chamberlain, in addressing a public meeting in the east end last week, hit out even more sharply that usual and showed no little feeling in reference to Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the former Liebral leader in the house of commons, who had said of Mr. Chamberlain: "At least he might try to be a gentleman."

Sir Henry to-night made a speech in the same hall and before an audience equalling in numbers and enthusiasm, the one addressed by Mr. Chamberlain the night of Dec. 16. He dwelt at at the outset at some length upon the subject of the unemployed of London, which now threatens to become a serious question, and advocated the government at once inaugurating large works, and thus benefit the state and at the same time afford employment to thousands who now are threatened with starvation.

Sir Henry then began a reply to Mr. Chamberlain, and said: "It is not those who are forever mouthing the word empire and using that word to cover their own shady acts and their own politics, who are the best friends of the empire." Continuing, the speaker challenged Mr. Chamberlain's right to speak for the colonies, and asserted that Mr. Chamberlain spoke only for himself and his "tariff commission," but the self-governing colonies had not authorized him to speak in their name.

FULLER ACCOUNT.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Dec. 20.—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman at a meeting in the east end of London made a counter-blast to Mr. Chamberlain's recent speech. Referring to the latter terming himself a missionary of the empire, Sir Henry said he was under the impression that his countrymen had by this time found out, what he had known for a long time, that it was not those who were ever mouthing the word "empire," and using the word to cover shady acts or doubtful policies of their own, who were the best friends of the empire. Sir Henry went on to quote the words of Premier Reid of Australia to the effect that preference proposals meant "a fresh application of the unwholesome nostrums which within the memory of living men made the rich richer and the poor poorer." This, said Sir Henry, is the sort of authority that the apostle and the missionary receives from Australia.

Summing up the various conjectures Sir Henry said: "We must therefore conclude that Mr. Chamberlain comes here as the practical mouthpiece of the "government." I say it would have been more honest and more in accordance with the traditions of our public life if they had frankly said, as he had said so long ago when criticizing the fiscal proposals, that they were saturated with restriction and against freedom, creating inequality between trade and trade and injustice towards the community of consumers. It was the privilege of monopoly to show jeal-

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WHY SEE FRANKLIN?

Kingston, Dec. 20.—The News and Times states that Col. Sherwood and Detective Cranden visited the home of Returning Officer Franklin of Frontenac and conferred together for some time, going over the election papers. It was shown that Hawkeye did not return to Mr. Franklin the box given him.

Laurier Home for Xmas.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, premier of Canada, arrived in Chicago to-day. He went to the auditorium annex, where he was greeted by a number of friends. He left for Canada at 3 p.m. on the Atlantic Express over the G.T.R.

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FAIR AND COLDER.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—Light snowfalls have occurred to-day in Ontario and showers in British Columbia, otherwise fair weather has been general thruout Canada. Temperatures below zero are reported from Eastern Manitoba and Northern Ontario.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 36—40; Kamloops, 24—28; Calgary, 8—24; Qu'Appelle, 2—30; Winnipeg, 6 below—2 below; Parry Sound, 10—34; Toronto, 17—30; Ottawa, 2—10; Montreal, 6—12; Quebec, 6—28; St. John, 24—34; Halifax, 26—40.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Northwesterly and northerly winds; fair and colder.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Northwesterly winds: mostly fair and colder, with light local snowfalls.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fresh easterly and northeasterly winds; cold, with light snowfalls or flurries.

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