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ASQUITH FORMS HIS CABINET

NEW PORTFOLIOS IN BRITISH MINISTRY David Lloyd George Gets Post of Chancellor of the Exchequer.

London, April 13.—An official announcement made last night of the new cabinet appointments is identical with the forecast by the Daily Chronicle a few days ago.

Perhaps the most striking feature of the new cabinet is the leap of David Lloyd George to the front ranks of public life.

JEALOUS EBREZYS John Dillon Offers Another Explanation for His Mad Crime.

Montreal, April 13.—John Dillon, murderer of Constable Shea, in the general hospital on Saturday.

Returning with the constables, Dillon says, Mrs. Pritchard pointed to the warrant in the hands of one of the constables, calling out to Dillon: "This will fix you. Now you will have to clear out."

It was then that he fired at Constable Foucault, wounding him, and after the first shot fired he lost control of himself and did not care what he did.

BOUND TO 'FISCO. U. S. Battleship Fleet Sails From Magdalena Bay.

San Diego, Cal., April 13.—The Atlantic fleet of the United States navy on Saturday the last leg of its originally planned cruise from Hampton Roads to the Golden Gate.

NIPISSING NOMINEE. North Bay, Ont., April 13.—The Conservatives of the new provincial riding of Nipissing, formerly East Nipissing, have nominated Harry Morel.

"HERO OF CIVILIZATION." New York, April 13.—Hundreds of surgeons and physicians were among the guests who greeted Dr. Robt. Koch, the German bacteriologist.

PARKS BOARD INQUIRY. Toronto, April 13.—Judge Winchester's report in the Parks Board inquiry finds that the evidence clearly established the fact of Commissioner Chambers' inability to perform the executive part of the work required.

CREOSOTE CAUSES DEATH. Mansfield, Ohio, April 13.—Creosote, which Miss Lavinia Brightwell used for an attack of toothache, caused the death of the young woman yesterday after she had suffered great agony.

ROBBERS MAKE BIG HAUL

Break Into 'Frisco Store and Steal Jewelry Worth \$50,000. San Francisco, April 13.—Some time during Friday night, and in the best patrolled district of the city, thieves entered the jewelry store of P. Lundy, 744 Market street, and robbed it of diamonds, watches and other jewelry amounting to \$50,000.

HELD ON SUSPENSION. (Special to the Times). Branford, April 13.—Mrs. Mary Logan, who claims to live in Toronto and London, is held on suspicion in connection with the theft of \$550 in Portland, Ogn.

POLICEMAN IS BRUTALLY KILLED

Crime in Frank, Alberta, is Laid at Door of Thugs. (Special to the Times). Vancouver, April 13.—A special dispatch from Cranbrook, East Kootenay, tells of the murder on Sunday morning of a constable of the Northwest Mounted Police, formerly stationed at Meloid.

FURIOUS WINDSTORM CLAIMS FIVE LIVES. Many Suffer Injuries When Terrible Gale Sweeps Over New York.

New York, April 13.—Five men are known to have lost their lives, a number of boatmen are missing and dozens of persons were injured as the result of a furious windstorm on Saturday.

CANADA TO APPOINT COMMISSIONERS Will Deal With Fisheries Question Under British-American Treaty.

Ottawa, April 13.—"I have just received a telegram," said Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in the House to-day, "stating that two treaties have been signed at Washington between Great Britain and the United States."

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TRAGIC HOUSECLEANING. (Special to the Times). Guelph, Ont., April 13.—Miss Kate Stewart, of Puslinch township, while housecleaning, knocked a loaded gun from the wall. The gun exploded and a heavy charge entered her foot.

Ten Thousand Homeless In a Boston Suburb

Devastating Fire Wipes Out One-Third Chelsea City--Terrific Gale Fans Flames Which Destroy 500 Structures.

DAMAGE REACHES \$10,000,000

Four People Die While Many are Injured in Catastrophe--Devouring Element, Spreading in Ellipse Form, Eats Its Way Through One and One-Half Miles of Public Buildings, Tenements, etc.—Heroic Efforts of Massed Brigades Check Progress.

Boston, Mass., April 12.—An apparently insignificant fire which started among the rags on a dump in the city of Chelsea to-day was fanned by a northwest gale into a conflagration which obliterated nearly one-third of the city.

Ten Thousand Homeless. Five hundred dwelling houses and public buildings were destroyed. Fifteen hundred families were driven from their homes, and 10,000 people were made homeless.

Four People Perish. Two lives are known to have been lost, and at a late hour to-night it was reported that two other persons had perished, one a woman having shot herself in a frenzy over her inability to save her property.

Wooden Structures Haten Up. A great majority of the buildings were of wood, and were completely destroyed, but structures of other material were almost as quickly and thoroughly incinerated.

Many Churches Guilted. Among the places burned were the Freet hospital, the Children's hospital, the Fitz public library, the Stanistate Polish Catholic church, the Chestnut Street Baptist church, the Central Telephone and Telegraph Company's central office, Austin and Young streets, the Chapin & Soden car shops, Rosenfelt Bros. three-story gar factory, the Tide Oil Company with three auxiliary tanks, the east end, St. Rose's Roman Catholic church a loss of \$25,000; the St. Rosa Roman Catholic school, with a loss of \$30,000; the state armory, with a loss of \$100,000; the Sacred Heart convent, a loss of \$40,000; the Y. M. C. A. building, a loss of \$75,000; the Boston Elevated railway station and barn, a loss of \$80,000; the County Savings Bank, the Chelsea Savings Bank, the Chelsea Trust Company, the Providence Co-operative bank.

Bank Funds Are Safe. The funds of all these banks, with the exception of the County Savings bank are still in the vaults. The money and securities of the County bank were taken to Boston before the fire reached the building.

Path of Flames. The streets which the fire reached included Carter, Daple, Spruce, Arlington, Ash, Walnut, Poplar, Cherry to Broadway. From Broadway the fire spread to Bellingham Hill. From Summer street the fire cut another path through the city, crossing Third street, and reaching Broadway street. The flames reached Broadway, the principal street of the city, at a point between Third and Fourth streets, and destroyed the Massachusetts hall, the Old Fellows' hall and the Bennett block. The flying embers and the showers of sparks were carried across Chelsea creek to the East Boston district, and East Boston engines were obliged to return from Chelsea to protect property in their district.

Area of Devastation. The fire started at the extreme southwest section of the city and cut a path to the end of Maverick street and the extreme southeastern end of the city which borders on Chelsea Creek. This is about one and a half miles from where the fire began. The fire originated in the rear of the Boston Blacking Company's works on West Third street near the eastern division of the Boston and Maine railway in close proximity to the Everett street line. A terrific gale from the northwest, which at times had a velocity of 40 miles an hour carried burning embers and sparks to a score of wooden buildings, most of them of cheap construction.

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SUMMARY OF FIRE

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All the banks, more than three-quarters of the churches, half of the business blocks and nearly all the schoolhouses were wiped out. One hospital and many nurseries were destroyed. In the turmoil many of the sick and infirm found difficulty in obtaining assistance and several of them narrowly escaped. Late in the afternoon the wind had carried burning embers across Chelsea creek and the buildings in East Boston caught fire, but extensive damage was prevented by the prompt and energetic work by the firemen.

Four bodies have been recovered from the ruins.

Rages For Ten Hours. The fire started at 10:40 a. m. and was not under control until 9 o'clock to-night, notwithstanding that half of the Boston fire department's strength and steamers from a dozen other cities and towns went to the aid of the Chelsea brigade.

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ANARCHIST WARNS UNITED STATES

Says Suppression Begets Violence—Calls President a Fool. Montreal, April 13.—City Treasurer Robb has been given instructions by the finance committee to take immediate proceedings against the Montreal Street Railway Company for \$50,000, the amount due on snow removal during the past winter. The company has been disposed to decline full payment on the claim that the work has been done in an extravagant manner.

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