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### Asquith's Vote in Paisley Elections

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
LONDON, Feb. 25.—Asquith polled 14,694 votes against 11,840 for J. M. Biggar, Labor candidate, and 3,778 for J. A. D. Mackean, Coalition.

### COLBY SUCCEEDS ROBERT LANSING

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Bainbridge Colby of New York who was one of the leaders in the Progressive Party under Theodore Roosevelt will succeed Robert Lansing as Secretary of State.

### SOVIET GOVT. AT PIEVE DI SOLIGO

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
LONDON, Feb. 25.—Workers at Pieve di Soligo, Italy, have seized the municipal buildings and proclaimed a Soviet government, according to a Home despatch to the Central News which says fighting has taken place between the workers and Carabinieri in which many were wounded.

### General Strike Declared at Naples

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
LONDON, Feb. 25.—A general strike in sympathy with the striking metal workers has been declared by the labor chamber at Naples. Disorders have also occurred at Vittorio and Montebelluna.

### AS BUSY EYES SEE IT ALL

WHOLE EARTH IN SIGHT.

Canada, the Empire and The World in General Cut Down To A Column.

The Army and Navy Veterans of Windsor have received their badges.

The Galt Brass company has adopted the plan of group insurance for their employees.

New uptown quarters are being provided for the Stratford Victoria Order of Nurses.

Railway lines running north and south from Stratford are completely blocked with snow.

The re-organization of the 21 Regiment (Despatch Rifles) is to be undertaken at once.

A war is on between the Windsor police and the Ontario License Commission inspectors.

Plans are under consideration for the erection of a \$500,000 Masonic Commerce on Windsor.

Ex-President J. H. Taft will address the Stratford Chamber of Commerce on March 5th.

Cooper Smeaton, the popular N. H. L. official is laid up at his home with the flu.

Fred Atkins a returned Canadian soldier, was found dead in a Salvation Army Hotel in Chicago.

Three bottles of whiskey were found in a club bag of a Toronto man in London and he was fined \$200.

Frank Speed of Owen Sound was arrested at Stratford on a charge of stealing \$50 from an Owen Sound man.

The death has taken place at 127 Dreaney avenue, London, of Mrs. Susannah Kiel at the age of 102 years.

The Windsor armories are to be fitted up with billiard and lecture rooms and gymnasium and a swimming pool.

The gratuity question will be fully discussed at a meeting of the London G. A. C., to be held to-night in Hyman Hall.

### Irish Home Rule Bill First Reading

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
LONDON, Feb. 25.—The Government's bill for Irish Home Rule was presented in the House of Commons today. The measure at once received its first reading.

### Serb Prince Regent and Premier Wounded

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
LONDON, Feb. 25.—An attempt has been made to assassinate Prince Regent Alexander of Serbia and Premier Protitch, according to a Trieste despatch forwarded by the Central News Rome correspondent. Both the Prince Regent and Premier were wounded, the despatch declares.

### Career of the New Secretary of State

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Mr. Colby, the new Secretary of State was a Republican until the famous Bull Moose bolt at Chicago convention in 1912. He had been actively identified with Theodore Roosevelt's candidacy for the Republican nomination for President that year. When Col. Roosevelt bolted the convention, Mr. Colby helped to found the Progressive Party and continued an active leader in 1914 and two years later. After that he identified himself with the Democratic party. Mr. Colby is 51 years of age and has engaged in practice of law in New York for 23 years.

There is more style about some boomerang houses now than there is grub.

A woman will pardon lack of sense quicker than she will lack of manners.

### LESE MAJESTE

Written for The Ontario by Chas. M. Rice, Lawyer, Denver, Colorado.

"Upon what meat doth this our Caesar feed that he is grown so great?"

President Wilson emerged from a four month's illness to dismiss his Secretary of State for interfering in the affairs of State during the president's incapacity to perform his duties as chief executive. The Secretary of State comes second to the President in the Cabinet. In so far as the cabinet was concerned Mr. Lansing was acting president.

The act of the president was potent and highlanded, and will receive general condemnation from all but his partisans.

Mr. Wilson has forgot his place before the people.

He who has preached so much about democracy falls very lamentably to remember that he is the servant, not the master, of democracy.

In this particular case he has acted as if the whole matter was personal to himself. His amour propre was hurt by Mr. Lansing's purported usurpation of the executive's functions.

Stuff and nonsense! It is hard to have Mr. Wilson differential between the White House and his former pedagogic duties at Princeton. What Mr. Lansing did was done with good intent and for the best interest of his country. If he violated a letter of the constitution the spirit of it was upheld.

If the constitutional provisions had been pressed in the case of Mr. Wilson and his long absence from his public duties the placidity of the White House might have been disturbed. Instead the public was exceedingly patient with the sick man.

At one of the gravest hours in the country's experience of the last half century, with a class war threatening and the Wilson international program in suspense, the executive was taken home from a speaking tour dangerously ill. The ignorance of the nature of his ailment. He could not be seen by any one outside his family. Cryptic bills

### Banks to Block Loans for Foreign Purchases

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
OTTAWA, Feb. 24 (Special)—An arrangement has been reached by Canadian banks after consultation with Sir Henry Drayton, to prevent the dumping in Canada of foreign-held Canadian securities which is now being done owing to the exchange situation. The present exchange permits of Canadian investors securing foreign-held Canadian securities at a discount and also gives a handsome profit to the seller. It is believed that for a time at least it will be found difficult for Canadian investors to secure loans from banks to purchase Canadian securities held abroad and which are being placed on the market.

### Big Strike on Paris, Lyons R. R.

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
PARIS, Feb. 25.—Following the decision to call a strike, reached by the delegates of railroad unions at a meeting last night, the Paris, Lyons and Mediterranean Railway was almost completely tied up this morning. All shops were idle and it is expected by this evening the claims of the strike leaders, that not a wheel would be turning throughout the system, would be realized.

### Asquith Elected to Parliament

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
LONDON, Feb. 25.—Former Premier Herbert H. Asquith was elected to parliament from Paisley, on Thursday in the recent by-election, announcement of the result was made this afternoon.

A young highland calls his wife "Birdie" because she is always associated in his mind with a bill.

It was issued by his personal physician and the rest was guess work.

Yet partisanship was forgotten for the time being. The universal prayer was that he might soon be restored. Any thought of enforcing the provisions of the constitution regarding the president's inability, to fulfill his duties was instantly frowned on.

It was a generous attitude to take and maintain so long under so trying circumstances. But it is well to remember that it was not one of resignation to the inevitable, nor was it practiced in the belief that Mr. Wilson was other than human.

The country felt that there should be no scare, and that Mr. Wilson be given every opportunity to recover and resume his duties. If the latter were possible, if not the provisions of the Constitution would be called into play as a last resort.

Unfortunately Mr. Wilson through all, and especially with reference to his latest move against Mr. Lansing has taken the position that he is above criticism and not subject to the interpretations which are placed upon the acts of common mortals. This state of mind does not fit well with his public protestations.

What would Mr. Wilson have had? That the cabinet as a body and the executive officers individually stand by with hand folded and head bowed and wait for Mr. Wilson's reappearance? If Mr. Lansing was guilty of insubordination so were the other members of the cabinet for sitting by him and conferring without leave of the executive.

The Wilson falling is seen in clear manifestation in his attitude to his secretary of State, Mr. Lansing had a mind of his own now and again, and expressed himself at Paris as in opposition to Mr. Wilson.

He was not taken there for that purpose. His duty was to obey and carry around the State papers.

### Commerce Board Chairman Retires

Judge H. A. Robinson Tenders Resignation—Days Work was Halted

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—Judge Robinson tonight handed to the government his resignation as chairman of the court of commerce. For some time it has been expected that Judge Robinson would do so to bring to a climax the conflict which has been waging between the board and the civil service commission. There have been other unsatisfactory conditions surrounding and hampering the work of the court of commerce. The court of commerce has complained for some months that its work was blocked by the delay in the civil service commission in furnishing satisfactory reports to carry on investigations.

### Railway Men Ask Veto

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Railroad labor decided tonight to ask President Wilson to veto the railroad reorganization bill.

### Allied Policy Toward Russia Has Evoked Much Comment

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.—announcement of the Allied policy towards Russia has evoked mixed comment from the London Press. The Times which is a strong opponent of the Bolsheviks, bitterly accuses Premier Lloyd George with having far more than any, sought his own purposes to throw weak, ignorant and reluctant Europe into venal arms of her Bolshevik seducer.

Today's News says new policy bears all marks of compromise. The Chronicle says yesterday's decision embodies big step forward but is masked over evasive expressions. The labor organ, The Herald, exults over the decision, saying action should have been taken a year ago.

### Erzberger Resigns Portfolio

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—Mathias Erzberger, minister of finance, voluntarily resigned from the cabinet today. Erzberger's resignation came as a climax to a day of sensational testimonies in his libel suit against Dr. Karl Helfferich, former minister of the treasury. The nature of this testimony, was considered, left Erzberger no other choice than to relinquish his portfolio.

According to the testimony of States Attorney Massachusetts which was given with the utmost reserve and caution, Erzberger had smuggled large amounts of his private funds to Switzerland. Previously, testimonies adduced from Dr. Helfferich involved Erzberger in numerous questionable transactions in connection with the issuance of import and export permits, and otherwise influencing his official position and influence in the furtherance of ventures in which Erzberger was alleged to be interested.

The official statement announcing Erzberger's retirement from the cabinet has his action on his desire to have an investigation concerning his income tax, without reference to or in consideration of his official position. The resignation was tendered to President Ebert, who ordered an investigation of the income tax incident conducted with all possible promptness.

### Fighting for the Sick in the North

DOCTOR'S PARTY HAD TO BE SEEN TO KEEP FROM FREEZING.

Heroic Work of Priest, Doctors and Nurses in Cold North.

Hallebury, Feb. 25.—Dr. Arnold of Hallebury who recently went to the Timagami district in response to an urgent appeal to come to the assistance of the few Indian families scattered through that region, has returned to Hallebury and declares that he found the situation so serious.

In company with two nurses and a priest the doctor's party left the railway in the early morning and after a trip lasting until 4 o'clock the following morning reached their destination. The journey was but 28 miles distant into the wilderness and the party had two teams of horses at their command. In one sleigh were the four travellers while in the other were provisions for the Seattle Indians.

On Timagami Lake heavy snow was encountered, lying between the heavy coating of snow and the ice. This resulted in one team playing out and the abandonment of one of the sleighs. Later on, second team played out and the driver was compelled to abandon the second sleigh and its contents. It was only by chopping the sleigh box into fuel that Dr. Arnold was able to get a fire started so as to prevent himself and his companions from freezing. Several hours passed between the time the driver left and the return of Indians with two dog teams and toboggans together with extra provisions. The priest was placed upon the toboggan one above upon the other while the doctor and another of the nurses travelled on snowshoes to their destination.

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### Today's Subscriptions to Armenian Relief

Mr. Geddes Bradshaw \$3.00  
Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Mills 3.00  
Silent Union Sunday School 23.25  
Total \$29.25

Never judge a man by the silk umbrella he carries; he may have left a cotton one somewhere in its place.

### Wilson's Reply Reaches London

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.—President Wilson's reply to the Allied note on the Adriatic situation reached London this morning. It was delivered to the Allied Supreme Council shortly after noon.

## RITCHIE'S

### THE NEW IN Separate Skirts

It's the unusual attractiveness of these new Dress Skirts that will immediately appeal to you. Many novel treatments are shown in Serge, Taffetas, Fancy Tweds and Novelty Silks in Plain, Striped and Fancy designs. The accordion and box pleated models are especially popular. Prices from \$7.50 to \$42.00.

### New Suiting Coating and Dress Fabrics

Wool Serges shown in an abundance of all wool qualities and new shades, 18 to 22 in. wide, every yard a bargain. Also the new rayon, 30 to 36 in. wide, in all shades, in the best shades of the season, very new and 48 to 50 in. wide, priced \$4.00 to \$7.50 yd.

Jersey Cloth, a new Dress and Suit fabric 54 in. wide at \$5.50 yd.

Suede Cloth, very new, for Suits and Coats—\$6.00.

Broadcloth, in the wanted colors, \$5.00 to \$7.50 yd.

Also extra values in Covert Coatings and New Skirtings—just in.

### In Our North Show Window

You will see displayed a very special value in the new Spring Suiting Fabric, "Tricotine"—all wool quality and best shades; 50 in. wide, and priced very low at \$6.50 yd.

### New Serge Suits—Just In

New Suit Models arriving every day in the Ladies' Ready to Wear section. Come in and have a glimpse at the recent arrivals.

### New Knitted Underwear

Harvey Knit Vests, Drawers and Combinations for the coming warmer weather—some special values.

### New House Dresses

Stylish yet serviceable House and Porch Dresses, made of Prints and Chambrays; new patterns and attractive colorings—\$3.00 to \$5.00.

### New Silk Girdles

In shades of Navy, Brown, Grey or Black, 7 feet long with tassels; very new for Dresses; priced \$1.25.

### New Silk Braids

For trimming your new Spring Suit or Dress; priced 15c to 22c yd.

### New Beads For Trimmings

A large assortment of Fancy Beads for trimming purposes; any desired shade; priced 15c bottles.

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