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# HEAVY REFERENDUM VOTE BEING CAST

# LONDONERS FLOCK TO POLLS 11,000,000 TONS TO CAST REFERENDUM BALLOT; OF SHORTAGE IS BOTH CAMPS ARE CONFIDENT

Many Citizens Have Hard Time Finding Out Where They Vote -"Wets" and "Drys" Working Overtime - Women Scrutineers Keeping Watchful Eyes On Polling Booths.

Today will decide whether Ontario will go "wet" or "dry." In London there is distinctly more interest being advertiser. The result has been that there is distinctly more interest being taken in the referendum than there was in October, 1919, when the last vote was taken. The fact that on this occasion the issue is more clearly defined, and is better understood by the people may account for the fact that popular lethargy is conspicuous by its absence, and that the taking of the vote is the most fruitful topic of conversation around the city today. On street cars, on the street itself, in workshops, and in offices, the chances of the respective parties are eagerly discussed.

One feature of these conversations is that citizens as a rule do not commit themselves in giving an opinion as to how the vote will go, but the man in the street, with a wistful and far-away look in his eye, seems to visualize a dry spell of indefinite duration.

On the other hand, those whose tastes in regard to the weather lie in the direction of a "Scotch mist," have an air of confidence which may possibly be born of faith, but is, as far as can be judged, more probably founded on hope.

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Numerous Calls.

City Clerk Baker and his staff have had to answer unmerous telephone calls in connection with today's voting, and so persistent did these inquiries become at the disposal of the referendum offices if they were prepared to send someone to the city hall to answer the cause of the referendum offices if they were prepared to send someone to the city hall to answer the causes of inade on hor

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If the Spracklin meeting on Sunday night is to be taken as a criterion of public opinion on this atmosphere, the atmosphere of today ought to be sufficient to "dry up every little streamlet that trickles from the hills," as a prominent citizen recently expressed it, for undoubtedly at the Spracklin meeting the optimistic spirit was distinctly in the ascendant. But, all the same, the other side cannot bring themselves to believe that the refreshing showers, more or less spasmodic, which have kept their daily outlook on life from becoming an arid waste, will be forever cut off at their source.

Then, again, there is the citizen who, like that famous historical character, Paul Pry, carries his umbrella of indifference, and does not care whether the prospects are "wet or dry."

At the headquarters of the opposing camps the utmost animation has prevailed since the opening hour in the morning. A visit to the offices of the clitizens was told off to answer the phone and the most casual observer could see that his job was so the whereabouts of the polling places by no means a sinecure. Inquiries as to the whereabouts of the polling places as the two the whereabouts of the polling places by no means a sinecure. Inquiries as to the whereabouts of the polling places as the three to take his lunch. Judging from the amount of therest that is being taken in getting things right, as far as information is concerned the various polling places the scenes are of quite a lively nature, and the lady scrutineers attached to the organization of the referendum committee in the Bank of Toronto Chambers at once demonstrated that the staff were having all they could handle in the way of giving Information to would-be voters, directing their outside workers and answering the position of the polling places had been more widely supplied the percentage of voters who every many the p

Fruit Growers of the District

Spend Anxious Week-

End, However.

SEVEN DEGREES OF FROST

Genial Rays of Sun Dispelling

Sloppy Condition of

Streets.

The snowfall and drop in temperature

which occurred in the London district during the week-end and on Sunday

### NO DAMAGE DONE MORE INCOMES TO TO FRUIT BUDS CITY THIS YEAR

Taxes To Be Paid On Four Million Dollars, Is Prediction.

ASSESSMENT DEPT.

Million and a Half More Than Last Year's Figure, States Official.

A million and a half dollars more of incomes will be taxed by the city this does not seem to have done any serious damage to the fruit trees, or to have year than at any time previously, aceffected to any appreciable extent the cording to those in close touch with the assessment situation. There has

effected to any appreciable extent the prospects of the crop.

The total fall of snow on Sunday was from four to six inches, and for the 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock this morning, the lowest temperature was 25, giving 7-degrees of frost.

This temperature, low as it is, has, as far as can be ascertained, not been severe enough to harm the buds at their present stage of development. The blossom of the earliest varieties of fruities one of the earliest varieties of fruities to come to maturity in this direct, are not yet fully expanded, and therefore the vital part of the blossom has not been exposed. Had the storm come a few days later, the results might have been disastrous so far as early fruits are concerned.

One grower, out Springbank way collected specimens of all the various blooms, and on examination of these could not discover signs of any injure could not discover signs of any injure the vitality of the bud.

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Every Effort Being Made To Make Supplies Last.

TRAIN SERVICE CUT

Campaign Is Inaugurated to Provide Financial Aid to Miners.

London, April 18.—Government au

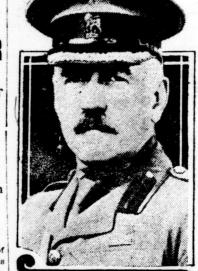
thorities were anxious today to re open negotiations between the miners and the owners of collieries throughout the United Kingdom with the hope bringing about a permanent settle caused the strike of miners on 1. and came near involving Great Britain last week in an epochal industrial crisis. There seemed littl probability, however, that members of the miners' federation of Great Britain would take any steps to meet Govern ment officials or mine owners before next Friday when representatives o British miners will confer on the sit uation in this city.

In the meantime Great facing a serious shortage and every effort is being made to eke out present stocks until some adjustment of the stuation can be made. Beginning to-day train services were curtailed and steps taken to bring to the people a realization that the coal shortage was Coal Porters' Decision

A mass meeting of the members of the Coal Porters' Union was held in Canningtown, a suburb of London and yesterday resolutions were adopted stating that, in view of importation of United States and German coal, the nion would refuse from tomorrow to ninker any fuel loads and also would decline to tranship imported coal. The first decision was taken because since the beginning of the coal strike vessels have been bunkered only for outward eturn trips.

The meeting adopted resolutions of ympathy for the miners, but it is observed in this connection that the coal porters belong to the National Union of Dock Laborers, the secretary of which, James Sexton, member of Parliament, ridiculed in an interview yesterday talk about the miners hav-ing been "betrayed." He declared the Continued on Page Three.

MAJ.-GEN. MEWBURN



Appointed chairman of the parliacommittee to investigate

## Drops Babes From Second Story Into

New York, April 18.—Mrs. Niccoi saved her three babes from possible death by fire today by dropping them, one by one, from the second story of her blazing bedroom in Brooklyn, into the arms of Patrolman Glander. The mother then came down the fire escape just as a spurt of flame shot through the window where she had been standing.

### UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL MAY BE MISSING JEW

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Soring field. Ont. April 18—The Ontario bone dry over the week-end. His addresses a week ago in the three small churches at Dalston, Crown Hill and Edgar created such a good impression that he was invited last evening to speak in Collier Street Methodist Church.

The premier spent the Sabbath at his farm at Crown Hill and before leaving for Toronto today voted to prohibit importation of liquor into the province."

BURIAL AT AYLMER.

Springfield, Ont., April 18.—The church of several of the missing man's friends in this city claim that Schoen of Small. My Schoen's friends in this city claim that Schoen bore a resemblance to A. J. Small.

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The original sword and breastplate used by the immortal Joan of

voyages taking in foreign coal for their Lloyd George in House of Commons Announces That the Germans Are Showing No Indination To Carry Out Obligations With Respect to Reparations, Disarmament or Trial of War Criminals.

> London, April 18.—The German Government, said Premter Lloyd George in the House of Commons today, is still in default with regard to reparations, the trial of persons accused of offences against the laws of war, and disarmament

The Germans, continued the prime minister, have not thus far shown any inclination to advance practical proposals for carrying out the treaty of Versailles in these respects. Therefore, it was imperative for the Allies to confer with regard to the further steps which might be necessary to enforce compliance with the treaty. Mr. Lloyd George's statement was in answer to a question

Commander Kenworthy, Independent Liberal member from Hull, as to whether the prime minister's attention had been called to the pronouncement of Premier Briand of France that France, as the questioner construed it, intended to use force against Germany after May 1, and whether the British troops should be involved in a

### TROOPS MISTAKE COMPADES JAPAN INSISTS FOR SINN FEINERS; TWO SHOT

Limerick, April 8 .- Two members of the crown forces were killed and one wounded in a hotel at Castle Connel, County Limerick, last evening when soldiers arriving at the hotel in lorries soldiers arriving at the note:

are reported to have mistaken some
of their comrades in civilian clothes
already at the hostelry for Sinn FeinNote to American Government

600 ARRESTED IN N. Y. FOR VIOLATIONS OF PROHIBITION ACT

New York, April 18 .- Ten days of police activity in enforcement of the new state prohibition laws have resulted in more than 600 arrests in Manhattan, or enough time if each prisoner is Policeman's Arms indicted and given trial by jury, to occupy the court of general sessions for two years. Chief Assistant District Attorney J. H. Banton declared today. The court of general sessions, before which, under the state prohibition law. all indicted persons must be given trial, normally handles only 300 jury cases a year. Mr. Banton said.

CIVIL POPULATION IN ASIA MINOR IS ARMED

Constantinople, April 18. - Greek forces in Asia Minor appear to be divided into three groups, none of which is able to communicate with the others, able to communicate with the others, exclusion of the Island of Yap—a questional results of the second of the Island of Yap—a questional results of the Island of Yap—a

# THAT U.S. PROVE YAP CLAIMS

Makes Japanese Position Plain.

REPLY HAS BEEN SENT

Secretary Hughes Declares U. S. Cannot Agree With Tokio's Claim.

island of Yap, the United States Government would have "to prove not merely the fact" that President Wilson made reservations concerning it, but also that the supreme council "decided in favor of those views" the Japanese Government says in a mote under date of last February 26, made nublic today by the state department along with the other correspondence between the two governments regarding Yan.

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Convention Is Opening in Chicago Today.

Washington, April 18.-To maintain

able to communicate with the others, except by sea. These groups are located at Ushak, east of Smyrna; Bruss, near the shore of the Sea of Marmora, and Ismid, almost directly east of this light of the Sea of Marmora, and Ismid, almost directly east of this light of the Sea of Marmora, and Ismid, almost directly east of this light of the Sea of Marmora, and Ismid, almost directly east of this light of the Sea of Marmora, and Ismid, almost directly east of this light of the Sea of Marmora, and Ismid, almost directly east of this light of the Marmora of the United States, died yesterday of pneu which the Japanese delegation in variably maintained a firm attitude by the argument of the United States, died yesterday of pneu which the Japanese delegation in variably maintained a firm attitude by the argument of the United States, died yesterday of pneu which the Japanese delegation in variably maintained a firm attitude by the argument of the United States, died yesterday of pneu which the Japanese delegation in variably maintained a firm attitude by the argument of the United States were here today for the constitution of the Island Oran Association of the Island of States were here today for the constitution of the Japanese delegation in variably maintained a firm attitude by the argument of the United States, died yesterday of pneu which the Japanese delegation in variably maintained a firm attitude by the argument of the United States, died yesterday of pneu which the Japanese delegation in variably maintained a firm attitude by the argument of the United States, died yesterday of pneu which the Japanese were the States were here today for the constitution of the Irish Republic States were on the Prist National Convention of the Irish Republic States were on the program of the United States, died yesterday of pneu wariably maintained a firm attitude by the argument of the United States were here today for the recognition of the Irish Republic States were on the Prist National Convention of the Irish Republic Stat

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RACING MEETS CANCELLED. RACING MEETS CANCELLED.

London. April 18.—(Canadian Associated Press).—Racing, by governmental order, has been abandoned until further notice. This decision has been reached on account of the labor trouble.

Italy, says Tempo.

# One Million Ontario Voters Are Expected to Go to Polls Today; Both Sides Are Working Hard

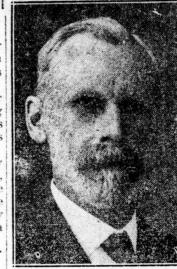
# **OUT CLASSES** 1918, 1919

### Preparations Are Made For **Expected Advance Into** Ruhr Region.

olors the military classes of 1918 and factor in today's result. meet reparation payments, were disdecided upon by this country.

The National Veterans' Union held a meeting yesterday, at which were passed resolutions exhorting young men called to the colors to "respond as valiantly as did their elders in 1914."

R. A. FOWLER, M. P. P.



### Sinn Feiners to Make Another 'Touch' in U.S.

FRANCE CALLS Good Weather Conditions Will Aid in Bringing Out Voters— Women's Ballots Will Be Big Factor in Today's Result -If Majority Vote "Yes" Importation Will Be Forbidden and Sandy Bill To Prevent "Short Circuiting" in Province Will Be Enforced.

> Toronto, April 18.-From almost every point in Ontario came the report of "fair and mild" weather today for the referendum, voting. In the country districts in the southern parts of the province the roads are sloppy. It is rather "hard sledding" for the motors of the modern farmer. However, on the whole, the weather throughout the province, in town, city and country, is one that should bring out a big vote of "Old Man Ontario," and his wife and sisters-and the wife and sisters are expected to be a big

> The vote is definitely and entirely on the question of importa. tion of liquor into the province. If the majority vote is "yes, the Dominion act forbidding importation will become operative on the proclamation of the governor-general, and the provincial measure, known as the "Sandy bill," preventing delivery within the province of liquor manufactured in the province, will also become law. The sale of intoxicating liquor within the province is already illegal, so that the effect of today's balloting will be for a "bone dry" Ontario or with a "no" vote for conditions of importation

## 3 WINDSOR MEN PAY \$2,500 FOR **CARRYING BOOZE**

Austin Moran and Tim Hogan Each Fined \$1,000.

JAY JUNE ASSESSED \$500

W. H. Furlong, Counsel for Defence, Maintains Shipment Legal.

which were destined to the charge which were destined to the cach fined \$1,000 and costs or six months in jail by Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon in police court this morning. Jay June was fined \$500, with the option of spending three months in jail, and Fred Bennett was allowed to go free. The fines were paid. The liquor was ordered con,scated. W. H. Furlong of Windsor was pres-

Who will introduce a resolution in the Legislature asking that the Dominion Government be requested to prevent the admission of any of the Hearst publications into Canada.

PARLIAMENT
SUMMARY

PARLIAMENT

Ottawa, April 18.—Today is private members' day, and resolutions standing in the names of private members will be discussed when the House meets at 3 o'clock. Afterwards, if private resolutions are disposed of, the House is expected to continue discussion of estimates of the various departments. The Senate is adjourned until Tuesday evening.

W. H. Furlong of Windsor was present in court this zorning, representing the owner of shipment. He said that the men could not have possessed the shipment as it was not their property. The men were charged under section 41 of the Ontario temperance act, which forbids one having liquor in a place other than a private dwelling.

Much Cheaper.

As \$500 was paid to have the liquor trucked form Kitchener to Windsor, Magistrate Graydon did not believe that it was being trucked for any good purpose. He said that it could have been shipped by freight or express much cheaper.

In reply to this, Mr. Furlong stated that the owner, whose name was said to have been Anderson, wanted the inquor as soon as possible, as he thought that the referendum result might prevent him from getting it.

R. G. Fisher, who was prosecuting, said that every opportunity was given the prisoners to present their case, and that if it was opened, he would enter serious objection.

It was acts of this kind which stirred up the feeling that led to the referendum, the court told the prisoners. There dum, the court told the prisoners. There would have been no O. T. A. if it had not been for these things, he added.

The touring car which the men used to transport 25 of the 100 cases was deliged to them after it had been held

ransport 25 of the 100 cases was delivered to them, after it had been held for a few days on order of the customs authorities. It is likely that the truck will also be returned to them.

Mr. Furlong says that at the earliest opportunity he will introduce a motion to guash the magistrate's decision, and will have it served on the magistrate and the party laying the information.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 32; lowest, 26.

ONLY CAPTIVE GORILLA IN U. S. SUCCUMBS TO ATTACK OF PNEUMONIA TOMORROW-FAIR AND WARMER.

Square Garden, where he was appear-during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m.

cloths and administering quinine, but Port Arthur....

Rome. April 18.—Captain Gabriele last week, began its course in the Sen-D'Annunzio plans to return to Flume for one day for the purpose of giving out a proclamation to all Italians, setting forth the poet's views regarding the impending general elections in Italy, says Tempo.

Washington, April 18.—The emergency tariff bill, passed by the House gency tariff bill, pas

Early reports from various points in-dicated quite a large polling of the early morning vote. In the cities this was as might be expected, with the "ninetricts before going down town. At the, last plebiscite on prohibition about 1,200,000 votes were polled on the subject, but at that time there was also a

ed in today's balloting.

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BOTH SIDES CONFIDENT, ndsor, April 18.—(Canadian Pres ight sunshine greeted the voters Border Cities this morning, and a

voters.
Three rooms in the Sandwich Town Hall were being used as polling subdivisions this morning, and a large vote was Continued on Page Three

### **BODY OF EX-EMPRESS** ON WAY TO GERMANY

Former Emperor Wilhelm Is Forced To Remain in

Doorn, Holland, April 18 - The fun-eral train bearing the remains of the late former empress Augusta Victoria, of Germany to Potsdam, left the little station at Maarn, three miles from here, at 7:45 o'clock this morning. to Maarn to see the train depart, but remained at the house of Doorn, in company with his brother, Princes Henry of Prussia. Princess Louise, daughter of the late empress and Gen-eral von Gontard, chief of the house-

night: Highest, 32; lowest, 26.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 36; lowest, 25.

Chicago, April 18.—Sinn Fein sympathizers from all sections of the United States were here today for the opening of the First National Convention of the American Association for the American

High.

Quebec ..... Father Point

Montreal. April 18.—The local Long-boremen's Union have agreed to ac-ept a contract from the Shipping Fed-ration for this season which calls for a ve per cent cut in wages on last year or day work and a corresponding in-rease for night work.

larly, early church-goers experienced a considerable amount of discomfort but as the day advanced conditions be-came more tolerable and today the gen-

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