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HON. MR. BECK TO SUCCEED STRATHCONA? Member for London Mentioned for Canadian Commissioner. HON. C. SIFTON IS ALSO NAMED Beck and Sifton Are Horsemen With World-Wide Reputation.

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—The rumor is repeated here that Lord Strathcona will shortly retire as high commissioner for Canada at London. His lordship is in his ninety-fourth year, and although he retains his mental faculties in the fullest degree and is in all respects an extraordinary man, it is said, that he has expressed the desire that the Government should look about for his successor.

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DISAPPEARANCE CAUSES WORRY Woman Who Was to Have Lectured in Brantford Cannot be Found. Where is Miss Lottie Tillotson, a lecturer and entertainer, who was billed to appear at the Congregational Church in this city, December 26, who failed to appear before the audience which had gathered and to whom the church society had to refund the money at the door.

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Fast by His Tongue To Frosty Wagon Rim William Jarvis in Painful Predicament—Small Brother Brought Boiling Water.

ST. THOMAS, Jan. 13.—Not to be dared by his brother to touch his tongue to a frosty wheel rim of a wagon, William Jarvis, of Graven-send will only speak in spots for some days to come. To disprove that he was not afraid, and refute the imputation of his brother that he had not the courage, William touched the wheel rim with his tongue and it stuck. He tried to free his tongue but could not. When his little brother understood that William was there for some period he rushed to the kitchen and brought out some boiling water and tried to thaw him off, but instead scalded William's lips and face. Mrs. Jarvis then came to the rescue, but brought cold water, and succeeded in getting her son and the wheel apart.

CITIZENS PROVE VICTORS OVER STRIKERS A Novel Affair in Leeds, England, Where Council's Terms Are Put in Force

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KILLED ON TRACK ONE MILE WEST OF TOLLGATE Unknown Man, Believed to be a Foreigner, Struck by Train Today.

CALEDONIA HAS DISASTROUS FIRE Plant of Laurentian Milk Co. Completely Destroyed Today. CALEDONIA, Ont., Jan. 13.—The plant of the Laurentian Milk Company, just a short distance from the place was burned to the ground early this morning causing a loss of \$20,000, partly covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is unknown. It had gained big headway before being discovered and the flames licked up the buildings in no time.

PREMIER IS VERY WEAK SAY DOCTORS Little Hope is Held For His Recovery by Announcement To-day MAY NOT SURVIVE PRESENT WEEK OUT Dr. Pyne Says He Has Not Yet Given Up Hope for Premier.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—The inability of Sir James Whitney, Premier of Ontario, to recover the strength he lost in the relapse that he suffered on Sunday, and the announcement from the sick room at the Manhattan Hotel this morning that he was weaker, gave rise to the inference in the minds of those attending him that the Premier had entered upon a phase of the heart trouble affecting him that would end fatally.

UNEMPLOYED WILL BE GIVEN WORK BY CITY Ald. Ward Will Call Special Meeting of Board of Works Re Matter. Ald. Ward, the new chairman of the board of works, announced this morning that a special meeting of the committee would probably be called this week to consider the providing of civic work for the unemployed in the city.

GOING TO ASSIST. OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—The marine department has ordered the Government Steamers Lady Laurier and Lansdowne from Halifax and St. John respectively to go to the assistance of the stranded steamer Cobequid, stranded off Brier Island in the Bay of Fundy.

BERNHARDT IS HONORED NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—From Paris comes the news that at last the name of Sarah Bernhardt has been added to the roll of fame of the Legion of Honor. Her claims have been put forward several times before, but the influence of a strong element in French society prevented the French actress from obtaining the decoration.

Queen Refused Entrance to Museum Because Her Majesty Declined to Surrender Her Umbrella.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Because she refused to give up her umbrella, the Queen of England was refused admittance to Norwich Castle Museum yesterday. Queen Mary was accompanied by the Bishop of Norwich. As it was purely a private visit, no notification had been given. The attendant, failing to recognize the Queen, stubbornly refused to admit her with the umbrella, which she, with equal stubbornness, refused to surrender.

CONTINENT HAS GENUINE COLD SPELL Hard Freezing Weather Extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—The entire continent is gripped in the grip of hard freezing weather with prospects that it will continue another 24 hours at least, and in some sections for a longer period. From the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic Coast decided drops in the temperature were reported last night and early to-day. Even in the South reports indicate a general cold wave, and it is feared that in many places the orange crop will be greatly damaged.

INSTANTLY KILLED. ST. CATHARINES, Jan. 13.—His view obscured by smoke from engines used by the Confederation Construction Company in connection with the construction of the new canal, Felice Quisani, an Italian, was struck and instantly killed near Thorold last night by a Toronto, Niagara and St. Catharines electric car. The victim was walking over a trestle and the car was on him before he had a chance for his life.

STEEL PLANT RESUMES WORK WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 13.—The Riverside plant of the United States Steel Corporation, resumed operations in full to-day, after an idleness of four months. Approximately 5,000 men are affected.

FIVE HUNDRED PERISHED IN EARTHQUAKE Volcanic Upheavals in New Hebrides Reported by Steamer

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OLD MEN AND WOMEN WERE LEFT TO DIE Natives Left Danger Zone in Canoes When Quake Started.

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Sum of \$4500 is Unofficially Announced for Col. Muir's Property. The Courier has been informed unofficially that the award of the arbitrators, Judge Snider, Messrs. A. E. Watts and Pearson for the property of Col. M. F. Muir, required by the Lake Erie and Northern Railway Company, is in the neighborhood of \$4,500.

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Three Men Arrested For Year-old Hold-Up One of Them Dropped a Remark to Acquaintance and It Went to the Police.

BERLIN, Ont., Jan. 13.—The police sprung a surprise yesterday afternoon by making arrests in a daring hold-up case which occurred over a year ago. Three young men, Kuempel, Schiebel, and Wideman, are charged with beating up Conrad Thiel, a pool room proprietor. Thiel, while returning home late at night and carrying with him a large sum of money, was attacked and beaten into insensibility. His cries, however frightened off his assailants, whose motive apparently was robbery. Since then the crime remained a mystery.

TAYLOR PETITION ON ROUNDS TODAY Mr. Cockshutt's Attitude—Refusals to Sign Are Being Made

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—The petition for the recall of James Taylor, M.P., is on its rounds today. It is expected that the petitions will be returned by Thursday of this week, the execution being set for Friday, January 23.

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20,000 ON THE RAID ARE NOW ON BIG STRIKE South African Government Prepared for a General Strike SITUATION IS GROWING WORSE Ballots of Miners and Various Trades Favor Going Out.

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 13.—Quiet prevailed throughout South Africa last night, but this may be the last before the storm, as the incoming ballots from various centres make it practically certain that a general strike will be voted. The ballots received from the miners along the reef all favor a strike, and the various trades, including shop assistants, warehousemen and clerks in Johannesburg, have voted similarly.

A Hopeful Feature The most hopeful feature of the situation to-day is the extraordinary success attending the mobilization of troops. It is estimated that there are 20,000 armed men on the Rand, most of whom have come prepared for the same kind of a campaign which made the Boers so long the despair of the British generals.

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