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**Liberal and Irish Leaders Unite to Defeat the Tories.**

**While Ireland Remains Quiet, Having No Opposition to Nationalists in 78 Constituencies in 102, the Liberals Talk to England—Winston Spencer Churchill Makes An Interesting Pronouncement on the Question.**

London, Jan. 6.—Ireland's fate in the present election fight raises an interesting problem. While the Conservatives are doing their utmost to foment a feeling in the country against the Liberals on the ground of their home rule tendencies, a tacit agreement, it would seem, has been arrived at between the Liberal and Irish leaders to defeat the tactics of the Conservatives. Ireland itself remains quiescent.

Michael Davitt, speaking at St. Helens last night, said: "Ireland is in a state of amiable political calm. In no less than 78 out of her 92 constituencies, not a Conservative candidate nor any foreign labor candidate intrude his political nose." While the Irishmen are thus avoiding any excitement of public feeling, the Liberal leaders are speaking also in one voice to the effect that home rule is impossible in the next Parliament, in fact that it is impossible at all until the country has had a general election. This giving a special mandate on the question, Mr. Russell, President of the Board of Education at Bristol, and Winston Spencer Churchill, at Manchester, both last night expressed this view. Mr. Churchill making this interesting pronouncement on the question: "Time has largely vindicated the views held by Mr. Gladstone in 1886. While there never was a time when the nature of the great mass of opinion is arrayed against anything like the nature of a startling plunge in the Irish policy, there never was a time when a greater number of sensible patriots were prepared to give fair and unprejudiced consideration to Irish affairs, to admit that a working system of Government prevails in Ireland, and to approach without prejudice one of the most difficult but the most attractive of the hidden of British statecraft."

**Calls It Dishonest.**  
T. P. O'Connor, speaking at Liverpool, said that the attempt of the Conservatives to say that the issue before the country was home rule, and not the fiscal question, was contemptible and dishonest.

The persistent abstention of John Redmond, the leader of the Irish Parliamentary party, from participation in the campaign, is the subject of much comment.

John Morley, Secretary for India, speaking at Arbroath, Scotland, last night, said that personally he believed the only effective method of reform for Ireland would be an elective representative body which would control the financial affairs under the direction of the Imperial Parliament. However, he added ready to co-operate in any scheme involving a less radical measure if it could be shown that such a scheme would assure the reforms needed.

David Lloyd-George, president of the Board of Trade, speaking at Cardiff last night, quoted from the Board of Trade returns which have not yet been published. He said these returns would show that the exports of manufactured goods by the United Kingdom had increased enormously.

Since 1903, when Joseph Chamberlain made the country was going to the dogs, the increase in manufactured goods exported, had amounted to \$175,000,000. Mr. Lloyd-George said the returns would show that the United Kingdom exported more manufactured goods than Germany and the United States together.

**Britain in Morocco.**  
The Standard this morning says it learns that Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Secretary, has formally announced through diplomatic channels his intention to carry out the policy of his predecessor, Lord Lansdowne, with regard to Morocco. "Therefore, the paper adds, the apprehensions entertained abroad concerning the attitude to be assumed by Great Britain under the Liberal Government has been removed with satisfaction to the interests concerned."

**AGAIN ADJOURNED.**  
**Welsh Proceedings at Calgary Await Arrival of Mr. Whyte.**  
Calgary, Alta., Jan. 6.—For the third time the attorneys representing J. S. Edwards in the trial proceedings brought against Robert Edwards of The Eye-opener, asked and secured an adjournment of a week.

The case has now been pending more than a month and the High Court has issued a subpoena for William Whyte, second vice-president of the C. P. R. The case cannot go on until that official comes to Calgary, when the defence has declared its purpose to enquire into the instructions issued by Edwards during the election.

Edwards has absolutely refused to retract.

**Petition to Save Patrick.**  
Albany, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Governor Higgins received yesterday the expected petition for the exercise of executive clemency in the case of Albert T. Patrick, the New York lawyer, confined in Sing Sing Prison, under sentence to life in the week beginning Jan. 23, upon conviction of the murder of the aged millionaire, Wm. Marsh Rice. Governor Higgins said last night that he would consider the petition with the utmost care.

**Will Make Statement.**  
Winnipeg, Jan. 6.—Hon. F. W. Haultain promises to make a statement as soon as the full returns from Manitoba and other ridings are received. "Until then there is no need to battle with air," he says.

**Found Frozen.**  
St. John, N. B., Jan. 6.—The body of an unknown man was found frozen in the ice at the rear of Dunn's Pork Factory, Fairville, two miles from this city, yesterday afternoon.

## MAY GO TOO FAR.

**Policy of Repression Is Becoming Offensive to the Russians—No Holiday Spirit Now.**

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6.—The Russians love nothing so much as their holidays but depressed in spirit and purse in these revolutionary days the celebration of the Russian Christmas, on Sunday next, will be a sad one. The streets of the capital have put on a pitiful semblance of holiday attire, but none of the heavy buying characteristics of the prodigal Russians in former days is in evidence, while in the industrial sections, the workmen, exhausted by a long series of strikes and without money for Christmas trees, the green tree and gewgaws were brought into the city by the country people, but the trees remain unbought in the streets.

**May Go Too Far.**  
There are signs that the policy of repression may be carried to a point which is sure to again arouse the resentment and discontent of the classes which shrink from the violence of the program of the "Reds" in St. Petersburg. For instance the wholesale persecution by the police have been succeeded by a particularly offensive measure of the prefect of police which practically gives the Dvorniks or house porters a free hand to search private lodgings for arms and suspicious persons for documents.

Thirty-five arrests were made last night. Among those taken in custody were four Moscow revolutionists, who came here to consult their comrades in this city. They were captured on their arrival at the railroad station after a desperate struggle with the police.

**Moscow Casualties.**  
Washington, Jan. 6.—Advices have been received here from an official source bringing the news from Moscow that a thousand people have been killed there and 3,000 wounded.

**580 Killed and Wounded.**  
Tukovsk, Courland, Russia, Jan. 6.—Five hundred and eighty persons were killed or wounded during the recent revolt here.

**BRITAIN PROVES ALIBI.**

**Fleet At Hong Kong When Sea of Japan Was Fought.**  
London, Jan. 6.—Referring to the statement of Admiral Rojestvensky that the British fleet in far eastern waters intended to crush the Russian fleet in the battle of the Sea of Japan, the Times this morning points out that the British fleet at the time of the battle was at Hong Kong, and that there were only one cruiser and a despatch boat at Wei-Hai-Wei.

**EARTHQUAKE AT THE FALLS.**

**Two Distinct Shocks Said to Have Been Felt in Peninsula.**  
Niagara Falls, Ont., Jan. 6.—It is believed that the Niagara peninsula was shaken by two earthquake shocks on Wednesday, one at 11:30 a. m., and one at 6:55 p. m.

Both shocks were distinctly felt and remarked by hundreds of persons in this city, but as the country for a long distance round of the falls from heavy blasts at the power development works, little attention was paid to them. Many noticed that the shock was different from that usually made by a blast, and that there was a low rumbling noise like distant thunder at the same moment.

West of the city the shock was more perceptible. Doors and windows rattled, and a person leaning against a wall could feel it shake. At Welland, Port Robinson, Fonthill, and Ridgville the tremor was very distinct, and caused some alarm.

Every report from the country west of the Niagara River and south of the Queenston Mountain goes to confirm the earthquake theory.

**IT'S MURDER NOW.**

**Green, the Indian, Dead From the Shot Wound—Gangrene Developed.**  
Brantford, Jan. 6.—Alexander Green, an Indian, who was shot in the shoulder on Christmas by John Hill, another Indian, at the dance at Fairfield Plains, near this city, is dead.

The weapon Hill used was a shot gun filled with bird shot. The wound was several inches long. Gangrene developed, causing death.

Bad blood existed between the two men. Coroner Fissette empaneled a jury and will hold an inquest Jan. 12. The shoulder of the dead man will be cut out to show the jury at the inquest.

Hill now awaits trial on the charge of murder.

**Victim of Cannibals.**  
Liverpool, Jan. 6.—The steamer Olanda, which arrived here yesterday, brought a horrible story of cannibalism in Nigeria, of which Dr. Stewart of the Southern Nigerian Government was the victim.

The doctor accompanied an expedition from the main body, and ran into the village of a hostile tribe. The body when found by the main body had been horribly mutilated, and there was undoubted evidence that it had been partially eaten.

**Cuban Murderers Garrotted.**  
Havana, Jan. 6.—Bonifacio Bepourt, an old negro, and Victor Molina, a mulatto, were garrotted at the prison here yesterday morning.

Both men were regarded as "witches" by their associates. Their crime was the hideous murder of a white baby, whose body was found, smoked and salted, weeks after the crime.

## ...SOCIETY...

Mrs. Edwin Bell gave a small card party yesterday afternoon. Five hundred was played.

Mrs. A. C. Woodward returned today from Toronto, where she has been spending a short holiday visit.

Miss H. Stephens gave a very enjoyable party this week for the "not outs." There were a large number present and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Miss Geraldine Stephenson, who has been spending the Christmas vacation with her cousin, Miss Edith Holmes, King street west, returns to Branksome Hall Toronto, on Friday next.

Miss Eva Thomson, Stanley Ave., entertained, at cards, a number of her young friends on Tuesday afternoon. Misses Winnifred Gray and Laura Phillimore winning the pretty favors.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Verna Heyward, youngest daughter of Mrs. J. M. Pike, Murray street, and Dr. Gray, of St. Catharines. The event takes place on the 18th of this month.

Miss Rena Merritt, corner of Third and Wellington streets, entertained a number of her young friends on Thursday evening. Miss Merritt is an ideal hostess and every one of her guests enjoyed the evening to the fullest extent.

Misses Agatha and Kathleen Manning, who have been spending their vacation at their home on Park street, very pleasantly entertained a number of their friends on Wednesday evening. They resume their studies at the Pines on Monday next.

Much interest is being manifested in the production of "The Magistrate," which will be presented this season by the Macaulay Club. Among the ladies taking part are Mrs. A. C. Woodward and Misses Ruby Gordon, Amy Boles and Nan Bell. Dr. Geo. Mueson, in the title role of "The Magistrate," upon which so much of the interest of the comedy centres, promises to be particularly successful. The genial and energetic doctor possesses admirable histrionic ability and has a splendid conception of this exacting part. The rehearsals are being conducted by Mr. Nichols, who promises the theatre-going public the best local amateur production ever seen in Chatham. Mr. Nichols is a star in this line of work and the people have confidence in his ability.

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## Women in Journalism.

In Paris some patient person has been collecting statistics about women journalists. There are 600 of these, he declares, who live by Journalism in England as against 2,193 in the United States and 1,200 in Germany. Of the latter, 27 per cent deal with literature, 18 1/2 per cent with political economy, 10 per cent with pedagogy, 8 1/2 per cent with science, 7 1/2 per cent with fashion, 5 per cent with history, 4 1/2 per cent with domestic economy, 4 1/2 per cent with housing problems and 3 1/2 per cent with politics. The same statistician asserts that the incomes of these women vary from 1,000 francs (\$200) to 6,000 francs (\$1,200).

**Cocoa Before Breakfast.**  
The woman who is awakened by the first streak of dawn will do well to drink a hot cup of cocoa if many hours are to elapse before breakfast is served. Cocoa furnishes both food and drink and is easily digested by most people. It will relieve any faint feeling and give one the necessary strength to dress. The cocoa may be made the night before and can be heated in three minutes over an alcohol lamp. If the cocoa is made with fresh milk it will keep perfectly overnight.

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## District Doings

## DRESDEN

Jan. 6.—Mrs. Newcombe, of Alvinston, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. Gage.

Mrs. C. Caister entertained her lady friends on Thursday from four to six o'clock.

Those present at the party given by Misses Davies on Thursday evening report a very pleasant time. Among the guests was Dr. Colville, of Tupperville.

Mrs. (Dr.) Wiley also entertained on Thursday evening at a card party.

This week is observed as a special week of prayer by the Methodist church. The services held are very well attended and have been interesting and profitable.

Mr. W. H. Wilson has returned from a trip to Northern Ontario and confirms the glowing accounts of Cobalt's richness. Our American cousins seem to be more allured by its promise than our fellow countrymen.

Messrs. Burnett and Cuthbert have been elected as the new Public school trustees. The by-law for a loan from the town for the purpose of building a new school was badly defeated.

Mr. Wilbur's new brick house is now so far advanced that the workmen can work indoors, although winter weather.

Centre Side Road, Zone.

The Township Hall is hardly big enough for the church goes these days. It is encouraging to see people take an interest in such matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes were the guests of their sister, Mrs. J. Jones, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Tong and family, of London, were the guests of Mrs. C. Macpherson Christmas.

We are very sorry to hear of Miss Bella Tinney's illness. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Robert Tong was in Chatham last Thursday getting presents for the Sunday school scholars, which they were delighted to receive Sunday.

We understand there was an election of officers in the Sunday school Sunday. We still retain our popular young superintendent for the coming year. Mr. Chapman is the new secretary-treasurer. There is also a new organist, Miss Clara Goodyear. The young converts were each presented with a marked Testament Sunday evening, the gift of (Rev.) Mrs. Campbell.

Mr. Isaac Tong, of London, was the guest of his uncle, Mr. Robert Tong, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw, of Kent Bridge, spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. C. Macpherson.

Miss Maggie Scott spent a few days in London the guest of Miss Gladys White.

There will be no Young Peoples prayer meeting next week owing to election going on.

Mr. Crickshanks and sister May spent Saturday in Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. John Behrens spent Christmas with their brother David.

Mr. Geo. Lidster is still drawing gravel for his barn.

We understand Mr. Joslin Lidster has bought back his old home on the 5th concession. Evidently he thinks there is no place like home. After all, we are glad to have him with us again.

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