UNIONISTS GAIN IN POPULAR VOTE

But Not Enough To Change Character of Representation—Only Three Seats Gained Out of 460

OVER TWO-THIRDS OF ELECTIONS HELD

Timothy Healy Defeated By Regular Nationalist—Wild Riots Occur in Different Parts of Ireland

LONDON, Dec. 9.—More than two-thirds, or 460 members, of the new House of Commons have been elected, and the political parties stand practically as they were at the dissolution of parliament. The Unionists, who last week expected to gain at least 20 seats, thus far have secured but 3 from their opponents. The standing of the parties tonight is:

Government coalition: Liberals 163, Nationalists 53, Laborites 29, Independent Nationalists 6; total 251.

Opposition: Unionists 209.

Liberal gains 14, Unionist gains 21; Labor gains 4.

Outside of the defeat of Timothy Healy, Independent Nationalist, in his old constituency, Louth, which is attributed to Cardinal Logue's prohibiting priests participating in the election, today's results did not produce any surprises, unless it was in the failure of the Liberals to recapture Dentbigh. The result in this Welsh borough is characteristic of the whole election. W. Ormsby-Gore won the seat last January by eight votes, and today he increased his majority by one vote, although the polling on both sides fell off.

Mr. Frewen has offered his seat for Cork to Mr. Healy, but Mr. Healy has declined, for he intends to try to upset the election in Louth of Richard Hazelton, Nationalist, alleging illegal practices on the part of his opponent.

Two members of the cabinet, Premier Asquith and Reginald McKenna, first lord of the admiralty, were involved in today's contest, but the outcome in Mr. Asquith's constituency will not be known until tomorrow. Mr. McKenna obtained re-election in Monmouthshire North.

Vote Falls Off

The Liberal majorities in Lancashire continued to fall today, without, however, any increase in the Unionist vote, which shows that many Liberal supporters are staying away from the polls. The Unionists consider this the first sign of a wholesale desertion of the government, and that the next time the deserters will vote the Unionist ticket.

The most optimistic Unionists now have no hope of making serious inroads on the government majority.

Their leaders insist, however, that the election was unnecessary, that the result practically amounts to a vote of lack of confidence and that with the Nationalists and the Laborites exacting the fullest price for their support, it will be impossible for the cabinet to remain in power. To this the Liberals reply that the Unionists, after the January election, insisted that the government had received simply a mandate on the budget and that the election was not decisive on the question of the status of the House of Lords. Now, they add, both parties have placed the House of Lords in the forefront, and even a reduced coalition majority will justify them in proceeding with the vote bill and if necessary in asking King George a guarantee to insure its passage.

The Unionist successes in Lancashire caused great satisfaction to the Unionist weekly newspapers, but they bemoan lack of Unionist success in London.

The Saturday Review says: "London City was carried by corruption."

Such charges seldom are made concerning English elections, though candidates directly or indirectly spend great sums of money.

The polling tomorow will be brief. Only thirteen constituencies are to be called on to choose members, and in only half of them will the result be known tomorrow night.

Riots in Ireland

Riotous scenes are taking place in many of the Irish towns. As the result of riots at Thurles tonight, John Dillon was unable to leave town and had to remain hidden, as a crowd remained in the roadway to the railway station to waylay him. The trouble commenced at a meeting addressed by Mr. Dillon which the O'Brienites tried to break up. The police had to make several charges with batons to quell the fighting.

In another election riot at Thurles, ag., O'Brien candidate, Mr. O'Dwyer, was struck on the head with a bludgeon, and addressed a meeting with blood streaming from his face and head.

Serious disorders occurred at Belfast tonight. The streets were full of political paraders and crowds of roughs resorted to stone-throwing. Hundreds of windows were broken.

Unionist Gain in Votes.

Twenty-two pollings held yesterday which were not declared last evening are now complete. They show two gains for the Unionists and one for the Liberals. Eighteen of the above 22 pollings were in England, Scotland and Wales. The Unionist polls shows considerably less decline than that of the Liberal-Labor vote, but the latter say it is because it includes Welsh seats such as Merthyr-Tydvil, which is always the biggest Liberal poll in the kingdom, and Mid-Glamorganshire, where the Unionists did not even make a contest, leaving the field to the Laborites against the Liberals. But even in Merthy-Tydvil the Liberal vote fell from 15,499 in January to 13,841, while the Unionist poll increased from 4,756 to 5,277. Taking the aggregate poll of the eighteen seats, the Liberal-Labor vote of 127,618 in January fell to 115,357 yesterday. The Unionists poll of 85,608 in January in the same constituencies fell to 80,661 yesterday.

Yesterday there was a Liberal gain of one seat in Lincolnshire, and a Unionist gain of one seat in the Darwen division of Northeast Lancashire. The Unionists also gained a seat in the Altringham division of Cheshire. At the January election the Liberals elected Sir W. J. Crossley from this district by a majority of 901.

Timothy Healy has lost his seat from North Louth, Ireland, which division he represented for eighteen years. This is a loss of one seat for the Independent or O'Brien Nationalists. At the last election Healy was returned by a majority of 99. Yesterday, Hazleton, the Nationalist candidate, beat him by 488. This Nationalist gain of a seat equalizes the loss of Roche's seat in Cork City. Maurice Healy, who defeated Roche is a brother of Timothy.

Sir Edward Grey, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, was re-elected from Berwick, which he has represented in Parliament since 1885. His majority was 1,836. In the election last January he was returned by a majority of 1,663.

Thursday's Polling.

Yesterday's pollings follow:

Glasgow, Tradeston—Corbett (Liberal), 4,811; Main (Unionist), 2,137. Unchanged.

Glasgow, College—Watt (Liberal), 6,281; Glyn (Unionist), 5,832. Unchanged.

Glasgow, Blackfriars—Barnes (Labor), 4,162; Constable (Unionist), 2,814. Unchanged.

Northampton (two members) — Smith (Liberal), 6,189; McCurdy (Liberal), 6,026; Parker (Unionist), 4,886; Collier (Unionist), 4,551. Unchanged.

Pontefract—Booth (Liberal), 1,679; Shaw (Unionist), 1,627. Unchanged.

Stockton-on-Tees—Samuel (Liberal), 5,519; Richardson (Unionist), 4,840. Unchanged.

London University—Horsley (Liberal), 1,857; Magnus (Unionist), 2,579. Unchanged.

Essex, Malden—Jardine (Liberal), 4,693; Flannery (Unionist), 5,886. Unchanged.

Monmouth District—Haslam (Liberal), 6,154; Hargreaves, Unionist), 5,056. Unchanged.

Derbyshire, West—White (Liberal), 4,564; Kerry (Unionist), 5,624. Unchanged.

Norfolk, Mid—Lester (Liberal), 4,308; Boyle (Unionist), 4,348. Unchanged.

Lancashire, North—Hulme (Liberal), 6,185; Ramsbottom (Unionist), 6,052. Unchanged.

Perthshire, West—Barbour (Liberal), 3,637; Tullibardine (Unionist), 4,027. Unchanged.

Worcestershire, Droitwich: G. C. Lyttelton, (Unionist); majority, 72; no change.

Inverness Burghs: J. A. Bryce, (Liberal): majority, 555; no change.

Monmouthshire, North: Right Hon. Reginald McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, (Liberal); majority, 3,136; no change.

Gloucestershire, Cirencester: Beyfus, (Liberal), 4,007; Bathurst, (Unionist), 4,788; unchanged.

Bedford, Kellaway, (Liberal), 2,774; Attenboro, (Unionist), 2,754; Liberal gain.

Lincolnshire, Louth: Davies, (Liberal), 4,260; Breckenbury, (Unionist), 4,158; Unionist gain.

Lancashire, Darwen: Hindle, (Liberal), 8,188; Rutherford, (Unionist), 8,384; Unionist gain.

Rutlandshire: Emery, (Liberal), 1,367; Gretton Unionist; Unchanged.

Londonderry: Leslie, (Liberal), 2,310; Hamilton, (Unionist), 2,414; Unchanged.

Belfast: Devlin, (Nationalist), 4,543; Smiley, (Unionist), 4,080; Unchanged.

Unopposed

The following members were elected by acclamation yesterday:

Galway, North: R. Hazleton, (Nationalist).

Galway, South: W. Duffy, Nationalist).

Galway, Connemara: W. Mulley, (Nationalist).

Durham, Chester-le-Street: J. W. Taylor, (Labor).

Durham, Mid.: J. Wilson (Liberal).

Monmouthshire, West: T. Richard, (Labor).

Worcestershire, Evesham: R. M. Eyres, (Unionist).

Denbighshire, West: Sir J. H. Roberts, (Liberal).

Ross and Cromarty: J. G. Weer, (Liberal).

Kildare, North: J. O'Connor, (Nationalist).

Clare County, West: A. Lynch, (Nationalist).

Queen's County, Leix: P. Meehan, (Nationalist).

Kilkenny, North: M. Meagher, (Nationalist).

Dorsetshire, West: Col. R. Williams, (Unionist).

Michigan Village Burning

KALAMAZOO, Mich., Dec. 10.—The village of London, 15 miles south of here, is burning. A call for the Kalamazoo fire department to send aid was received at 2 o'clock, and a special train carrying a portion of the department has left for that place.

Conduct Their Own Defence

JUNEAU, Alaska, Dec. 9.—Seven men indicted on charges of selling liquor and violating the fishing regulations announced in court today that they did not desire the services of an attorney, and that each would plead his own case. The men said that they had no funds to hire an attorney, and when the court offered to appoint one to conduct their defence they declined the offer. The men made a compact while in jail to refuse legal advice and to conduct their defense without assistance

RED TAPE TIES UP DEPARTMENT

Sir Frederick Borden's Latest Regulation is Freely Criticised by Members—"Pass" Required for Admission

OFFICIALS' TIME SPENT IN READING

Ex-Minister Emerson Among Objectors—Notice of Application for Charter for Inter-Mountain Railway

OTTAWA, Dec. 9.—For the first time on record members of parliament have raised a kick against being provided with a "pass." The explanation of this apparently anomaly is furnished, however, by the fact that in this case the "pass" is regarded as a restriction rather than an extension of privilege. The permit which members thus spurned and derided in open debate in the commons today is a card issued to them by the deputy minister of militia, to distinguish them from callers having books to sell or bills to collect or other business of a purely personal, financial or social character to transact with officials of militia department.

The first note of discontent with this new arrangement was sounded by E. N. Lewis, of West Huron. Other members joined in the chorus of disapproval, and there was a plentiful use of such expressions as "red tape" and "war office methods." What most offended the democratic sensibilities of Mr. Lewis was the last paragraph of the regulations setting forth that the new rules were based upon the regulations of the war office. He was strongly opposed, he said, to the introduction into this country of red tape regular military rules. Canada was spending seven million dollars annually now upon the militia and all it had to show for it was a "frame," and a "frame" only.

Mr. Lewis went on to tell of his troubles this very day with the militia department. He was looking for a certain office and tramped all forenoon around the department without avail. He had looked into many offices, and what did the House think he found? "Every official reading the Ottawa morning paper." Then at half past two in the afternoon he resumed his pilgrimage, but he got no further information. He found officials at that time reading Hansard. At any time, if he were in order, and in sequence of callers with the prime minister of the Dominion and he couldn't see why officials of departments should be so hedged about with ceremony.

Sir Frederick Borden said the new rule was intended to increase the efficiency of the department.

"In all the departments, I believe at any rate in mine, after fifteen years' experience," said Sir Frederick, "I am certain that a great deal of time of the officials is wasted, and I want if possible to take steps to see that the time of the clerks is spent on work. My honorable friend objects to official reading newspapers or his own speeches in the House, but apparently he would not object to loafers going in from the street and wasting their time."

This explanation did not, however, mollify Mr. Emmerson. "What I object to," said the ex-Minister of Railways, "is that you should single out any one or two departments and hedge them around with a sort of divinity which makes them unapproachable."

Dr. Clark said what he and many members on both sides of the House resented was what appeared to be the injurious suggestion that by any possible means, a member of parliament could be mistaken for a money lender.

Sir Frederick Borden promised to amend the orders so that members will not have to produce their "pass," but merely hand in their card or write their name on a piece of paper, to be sent in to the officer whom they desired to see.

Notice is given in the Canadian Gazette of an application to parliament for a charter for the "Canadian Inter-Mountain Railway Company." The project is to build from Coutts, Alberta, southwest to Kishenench Pass, thence westerly in British Columbia and northerly to the C. P. R. at Fernie, B. C. Power is also asked to construct branch lines in British Columbia not over twenty miles in length.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Government of Church to Continue Under Board of Directors As in Mrs. Eddy's Time

BOSTON, Dec. 9.—A declaration that the government of the Christian Science Church under the board of directors will continue according to the idea of Mrs. Mary Baker Glover Eddy was made public today by the five directors, following the first meeting of the board since Mrs. Eddy's death. This statement was signed by Stephen A. Chase, Archibald McClennan, Allison V. Stewart, John V. Dittemore and Adam H. Dickey, who constitute the board of directors.

"The authority given to the board of directors by the church manual remains intact, and is fully adequate for the government of the organization in all its affairs.

"The policy will be the same as when under Mrs. Eddy's direction," the statement says. It continues: "The board is in complete harmony, and hundreds of telegrams and letters received from branch churches and societies throughout the world show that it has the unswerving loyalty and support of the entire denomination."

Yussuff Defeats Bok

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 9.—Yussuff Mahmout, the Turk, defeated Nick Bok, called "The German Champion," in straight falls in a wrestling match here tonight. The first fall resulted from a double-Nelson hold after the men had wrestled 19 minutes, 14 seconds; the second from a bar-arm hold at the end of five minutes, ten seconds.

Young Creel Not Captured

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 9.—Enrique Creel, minister of foreign relations, tonight emphatically denied the report from San Antonio, Texas, that his son had been captured by revolutionists and held as a hostage in Chihuahua. Mr. Creel said: "My son Enrique has been visiting me here for several weeks, and departed today at 8 o'clock for Chihuahua. My other sons have not been molested in any way. The report is absolutely false."

Tragedy in Oregon

PORTLAND, Dec. 9.—Tonight at Forest Grove, Frank Linaker, supposed to be from Menlo, Iowa, shot Edward Naylor, a rancher, inflicting a serious and perhaps fatal wound, and then killed himself. Naylor was brought to this city and placed in a hospital. Naylor states that he was working in his barn when Linaker appeared and commanded him to throw up his hands. Naylor did not obey the command, and made an attempt to reach Linaker, who fired a shot over Naylor's head. Naylor was not deterred by the shot, and a second shot was fired, Linaker then walked some distance from the barn and blew out his brains. Some mystery attaches to the case, for the reason that earlier in the day Linaker had inquired of several persons in Forest Grove for the address of George Naylor, the wounded man's brother. Linaker was identified from papers found in his pockets.

WILL NOW STUDY SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Mr. George W. Perkins Retires From Active Business—Will Seek to Extend Plan of Profit Sharing

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—George W. Perkins announced today his retirement from the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., to devote his time to extending the principles of profit-sharing and other benefit plans for solving the conflict between capital and labor. The announcement, given out this afternoon after the close of business, says in part:

"On January 1, I will have been with the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. ten years, and engaged in business activities over thirty years. I am withdrawing to devote more time to corporation work and work of a public nature in which I am deeply interested.

"In continuing my relations with the industrial and other business organizations with which I am connected, I hope to find further opportunity for extending the principles of profit-sharing and other benefits which science has shown offer a practical solution of some of the difficulties existing between capital and labor.

"At Columbia University two years ago, and at Harvard University last spring, I spoke of the importance of solving the new problems at present facing the country, and which have followed the organization of the great co-operative combinations of capital, and it is my hope that the experience I have had may enable me to contribute something towards the adjustment of those matters, which seem to me to be of the largest consequence to the country."

In recent years Mr. Perkins has represented the firm in the great industrial organizations in which they are interested, and the formal announcement of the firm indicates that his relations to those concerns will continue.

ALASKA COAL LANDS

Donald A. McKenzie, Arrested At Washington, Issues Statement As To His Position

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—That the only legal point involved in his case is the right of an Alaska coal land claimant to agree to sell, or of any citizen to agree to buy, such claim prior to or under the provisions of the Alaska Land Act of 1908, is contended in a statement issued today by Donald A. McKenzie, who was arrested last night on a requisition from Spokane, Washington, and released under $25,000 bonds.

McKenzie was indicted by the federal grand jury of Spokane, with four others, on the charge of conspiring to procure title fraudulently to 2,000 acres of Alaska coal lands in the Katalla district.

The government contends there was violation of the sections of the Act of 1908 prohibiting agreement to buy or sell coal lands prior to the completion of entry.

Mr. McKenzie regards the case against him as virtually a test of the government's position on Alaska coal lands.

Retired General Kills Himself

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Surrendering, it is believed to a fit of despondency caused by protracted illness, Major-General Wallace F. Randolph, U. S. A., retired, veteran of the Civil and Spanish wars, and former chief of artillery, shot and killed himself today in the bathroom of his home here.

Spanish Duke Dead

MADRID, Dec. 9.—Word was received here today of the death near Gejon of the Duke of Ranzares.

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PLAIN SHEER LAWN, extra fine value, at ..... 5¢
PLAIN SHEER LINEN, extra fine value, at ..... 10¢
PLAIN SHEER LINEN, very fine ..... 20¢
PLAIN PURE LINEN, finest qualities, 25c and ..... 35¢
CROSSBAR MUSLIN ..... 10¢
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I. W. W. ATTACKED BY FRESNO MOB

Crowd Incensed By Permission Given Them to Harangue on Street Corners—Some of Workers Beaten

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 9.—Following an order given by the chief of police to all patrolmen to allow members of the Industrial Workers of the World to speak unmolested on the streets of Fresno, and a statement that the citizens might do as they wished, a large mob gathered in this city tonight about 7 o'clock, attacked and severely beat a number of Industrial Workers who sought to speak, then marched to the I. W. W. camp, outside the city limits, and burned a big tent in which the members lived, together with all the supplies kept there.

The members of the I. W. W. sought to make resistance, threatening to shoot if the mob crossed a certain "dead-line" near the camp, but broke and ran when the crowd of men and boys surged across. Some were forced to flee in their underclothes, carrying their outer garments in their hands.

After devastating the I. W. W. camp, the mob marched back to the city and started for the county jail, where about 50 members of that order are now imprisoned. Hearing of their approach, the sheriff put a heavy guard around the jail to resist invasion should an attempt be made. For the second time in the history of the jail, big double steel doors, which were installed for the purpose of self-protection, were put into use.

When the crowd reached the jail a demand was made for the prisoners but no violence was attempted. The men were finally persuaded to disperse after one on two short speeches had been made to them.

MR. ELLISON HONORED

Responded to Toast of the Dominion at Annual Dinner of London Canadians

The honor of responding to the toast of the Dominion at the annual banquet of the Canadian club in London—held on Wednesday evening last under the chairmanship of the High Commissioner Lord Strathcona—devolved upon Hon. Price Ellison, British Columbia's minister of finance and agriculture, who rose to the occasion in one of the most pithy post-prandial speeches of the occasion. Hon. Mr. Ellison said he was a Manchester man by birth, a Canadian by adoption and a Chamberlainite and Imperialist by choice. Amid much laughter and cheering he said that Canada wanted the Old Country to get a move on. "We don't want to have any dealings with the United States, which made Britain its dumping ground," he added. The preference for Great Britain had been endorsed by all parties and preferential trade was sure to come. The British Isles, he stated, if dropped in Canada would need an exploration party to find them. Englishmen failed to realize that Canada would soon have a population greater than that of the United States. Mr. Ellison devoted the greater part of his remarks to Canada politics and the resources of the country.

BICYCLE RIDERS IN WEARY GRIND

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Far behind the record, eight weary teams were still grinding around Madison Square Garden tonight in the six-day bicycle race. The end will come at 10 o'clock tomorrow night. At 10 o'clock tonight the teams stood: Root-Moran, Fogler-Hill, Hehir-Goullett, 2,180 miles, 1 lap; Mitten-Thomas, Collins-Drobach, 2,160 miles; Cameron-Halstead, West-Demara, 2,159 miles, 9 laps; Rutt-Clarke, 2,159 miles, 8 laps.

The record for the 118th hour is 2,185 miles, 5 laps, made by Demara and Hill in 1908.

Every rider is beginning to show effects of the strain, and only constant urging by trainers and a substantial supply of stimulants keep the men on their wheels. Ever since Wednesday, the contestants have dropped behind the world's record.

Clarke and Rutt are in better condition than the others, and the spectators were calling on them constantly tonight to sprint.

NO FIGHTING FOR WOLGAST TILL MARCH

CADILLAC, Mich., Dec. 9.—Tom Jones, manager of Ad Wolgast, held a conference today with the champion and a physician. The physician took an X-Ray picture of Wolgast's injured arm. This showed that the break five inches above the wrist was knitting. When Jones came from the office he said: "Ad is not going to fight anyone before the latter part of March. That is certain. Ten chances to one he will not fight before May. His arm is healing fine, but the danger of another break is to be feared. We have got to lay down now, but when Ad's arm is better we will meet them all."

WOMEN AS JURORS

Six Are Chosen At Olympia in Trial Of Damage Case—All Are Prominent Suffragists

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 9.—Six Olympia women, all prominent suffragists, were drawn today to serve as jurors on a case to be tried before Justice of the Peace Milton F. Giles, next Tuesday.

The jurors chosen include the private stenographer of Governor Hay, a stenographer of the supreme court, the president of the local humane society, a woman preacher, the wife of the Democratic candidate for the legislature in this district, and the wife of a prominent Olympia physician.

Among those rejected were the wife of the mayor, the wife of a saloon keeper, and the wife of the county clerk. The six women selected either pay taxes in their own names or as wives of taxpayers. The suit is over a claim for damages alleged to have been sustained by a milkman when contractors improving a street set off a blast, as he alleges, without warning.

The defense is protesting against the female jury, but the plaintiff, the milkman, says he is well satisfied.

Mr. and Mrs. Gervase Wake will shortly leave Victoria for England and will take up their residence near Worcester. Mr. Hereward Wake, who recently met with such a serious accident on the railway, has happily recovered and will remain in Victoria.

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B. C. BOXERS WILL ASSEMBLE HERE

Annual Province Championship Tournament Will Be Held in Victoria Next Month Under J. B. A. A. Auspices

The third annual British Columbia boxing championships will be held in Victoria some time next month under the auspices of the James Bay Athletic Association.

Word to this effect was received yesterday by V. K. Gray, secretary of the J. B. A. A., from H. Gowen, who occupies the same office in connection with the British Columbia Amateur Athletic Association.

In the course of his communication Mr. Gowen says that it is the intention to work up interest in the tournament in Vancouver and that a good number of entries may be depended upon from that district.

With this intelligence to hand the officials of the J. B. A. A. propose acting busy without loss of time. At an early meeting a definite date will be fixed and the necessary arrangements will be made to inform the different local athletic associations of the fact that the provincial championships are to be held in Victoria and that all boxers should begin to train without loss of time.

There are a number of first-class boxe artists in this city who, no doubt, will be out for the titles when the time comes. Off-hand it is possible to mention two or three. First of all, of course, is Joe Bailey, of Victoria West, one of the fastest men of his weight in the ring in these parts. Then there is the man who is being backed by Sammy Dufty and who, though he didn't make a particularly strong showing when he last appeared before the Victorians, is said to have improved much since. Thompson, of the J. B. A. A., is another. The Empress club also has some promising material.

Thus, when the possibilities are considered, there is little doubt but that Victoria will be largely and ably represented in the tournament.

AUSTRIA'S DREADNOUGHTS

Battleship to be Laid Down at Private Shipyard at Fiume—Hungary to Assist in Extensions.

VIENNA, Dec. 7.—It is announced that the fourth of the new Austro-Hungarian Dreadnoughts will be laid down at the Danubius private shipbuilding yard, in Fiumme, which is to be extended for the purpose. According to information from Budapest, the extension is to be carried out with the help of the Hungarian government, which has bought a piece of land adjoining the yard for $400,000 and will lease it to the company at a cost nominal rent. Further space will be gained by filling up a small bay.

The determination of the government to build a third dockyard besides those at Pola and Pola, capable of building the largest size battleships, is evidence that it looks forward to a large increase in warship construction in the Hitherto Hungary has been of the opinion that the larger war vessels should be built in Austria, and it is obviously not be worth while to construct a shipbuilding yard for one vessel. Now, however, that policy of the monarchy is that it should take its place among the other sea powers in the international race for supremacy, building competition, it is determined to have her share of the money spent on the fleet.

TRADE MORE ACTIVE

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Bradstreet's says: Snow or rain, followed by cold weather throughout considerable areas, have tended to stimulate sales of winter goods and wearing apparel, while the approach of the holidays helped business in special lines adapted to that season. Jobbers and wholesalers catering to this business have apparently done a whole, replenishing of broken stocks, giving a slight impetus to trade in durable goods. In regular wholesale trade the approach of the inventory period is made for quietness, and spring business in general is reported of rather a slow nature with conservatism still in evidence for distant dates. Collections on the whole will not class better than fair.

The failures in the United States for the week ending December 8, were 217 last week; 259 in the week of 1909; 298 in 1908; 284 in 1907, and 220 in 1906.

The failures in Canada for the week numbered 32 which compares with last week and 30 for the corresponding week in 1909.

AT VLADIVOSTOK

Tokio, Dec. 7.—A despatch received here from Vladivostok states that a Japanese spy, disguised as a fisherman and using a small sailing craft, has been arrested by a harbor-master, close to the Chamovsky, a highly strategic point in the approach to the Russian Far Eastern stronghold.

The man, believed to be a Japanese officer, was well equipped with photographic and other survey instruments. A short distance away from the place where the arrest was made a Chinese torpedo boat, which on the day of the capture of the small boat in question, instantly put to sea and disappeared. The alleged spy will be tried before a Vladivostok court-martial.