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PROBS—Moderate westerly winds; fair and mild.

PEERS TO FORCE EARLY ELECTION

Possibility That Upper House May Compel Asquith to Dissolve on Budget Issue.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Prime Minister Asquith's determination to cling to power despite all rebukes and humiliations excites little enthusiasm even in his own party outside his official followers. When a British premier announces that he will stand or fall by a certain measure—in this case the licensing bill and then decides on the compromise attitude of sitting still he can hardly complain if the country at large regards him with some contempt.

It is anticipated that some of the heavy burden of new taxation, which is inevitable, may be of a socialistic nature. The lords, as is well known, always pass finance bills formally and without modification. Their power to amend or reject has not been exercised for generations, just as the sovereign has never used his constitutional right of veto.

NO DOUBT CURRENT KILLS VICTIMS IN ELECTRIC CHAIR

New York State Officials Will Not Permit Experiments to Revive Executed Man.

ALBANY, N.Y., Dec. 13.—Prison officials in New York State will not lend themselves to any experiment which seeks to revive a man executed in the electric chair, such as has been under discussion in New Jersey.

TWO THEATRES OPEN ON SUNDAY

Montreal Managers Test Lord's Day Act by Competing with Moving Picture Shows.

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—(Special).—The proprietors of the Academy and Franciscan, two leading theatres in Montreal, have just opened their doors for Sunday performances as a protest against the moving picture shows running every day.

TAFT POLLED BIG VOTE

Ran Ahead of Roosevelt—By Bryan Stronger Than Parker.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—According to figures compiled by "The New York Times," the vote for Taft in the recent election was 7,659,688, as compared with 7,623,468 for Roosevelt in 1904.

MUZZLE FOR SUFFRAGETTES

Lord Cecil's Bill Provides Penalties for Disturbances of Meetings.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Lord Robert Cecil's public meeting bill aims a death blow at the policy of the militant suffragettes, as it provides, first, that any one at a lawful public meeting who acts in a disorderly manner for the purpose of preventing the transaction of the business for which the assembly was called shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding \$25 and imprisonment not exceeding one month; secondly, that any one offending under this section at a political meeting during the progress of a parliamentary election shall be guilty of an offence.

LUNCHEON WITH THE PRINCE.
 (Canadian Associated Press Cable.)
 LONDON, Dec. 13.—The Prince and Princess of Wales invited Hon. W. S. Fielding to luncheon on Saturday.

Lady Laurier's Auto Destroyed by Fire

Thirty Thousand Dollars' Worth of Cars Lost in Canada Cycle & Motor Co. Garage.

OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—(Special).—Five automobiles, including the motor car owned by Lady Laurier by Lord Strathcona a year ago, were destroyed in a fire on the premises of the Canadian Cycle and Motor Co., on Sparks-street, early this morning.

FOUR CHILDREN ARE CREMATED

Hawthorne Farmer Loses Whole Family in Conflagration Which Destroys His House.

OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—(Special).—The four children of W. J. Scharfe, a farmer of Hawthorne, a small place on the Russell-road, ten miles from the city, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Scharfe House Sunday morning.

FOUND DEAD IN BED

Jury Will Investigate Cause, The Woman Was an Epileptic.

CHATHAM, Dec. 13.—(Special).—The body of Mrs. Reams, a widow, who kept house for a man named John Coogan, was found dead in her bed at 1 o'clock this morning, when Coogan returned from the country, where he had been since Friday.

GERMANY AFTER TREATY

Will Try to Get Arrangement Similar to French Convention.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—A Berlin despatch states that the German Government is awaiting the result of the debate in the French senate with regard to the proposed Franco-Canadian commercial treaty.

CREEMORE MAN KILLED

Fatal Explosion in Mine in Cobalt District.

W. C. Perry, manager of the Pardale branch of the Sliger Sewing Machine Company, received word yesterday that his father-in-law, George Hynes, had been killed in an explosion in Cobalt Saturday.

DUTCH CRUISER CAPTURES PRIZE

Takes Venezuela Coastguard Ship Without a Shot From Venezuelan Land Batteries.

WILLEMSTAD, Dec. 13.—The Dutch cruiser Gelderland came into this port this morning towing the Venezuelan coast guardship Arix, with the Dutch flag flying and a Dutch crew on board.

POWER VOTE AT STRATFORD

Stratford, Dec. 12.—(Special).—At a special meeting of the city council this afternoon, which was attended by Hon. Adam Beck, it was decided to have a bylaw prepared for submission to the ratepayers, providing for 1000 horsepower of Niagara power at a rate of \$2.10 per horsepower, the city to be liable for only \$200 horsepower.

Kaiser Undergoing Sedative Treatment

Retiring William's Excitability is Being Mitigated.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—There has been a good deal of talk in diplomatic and the best informed political circles about the peculiar disappearance of Emperor William.

FRENCH CLERICAL ORGAN ATTACKS CATHOLIC ORDER

Says Object of Knights of Columbus is to Assimilate to Profit of Protestants.

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—(Special).—La Verite, the extreme clerical organ, has undertaken a campaign against the Knights of Columbus, alleging that this society's real object in being controlled by the Irish-Americans is to assimilate the races of the continent to the profit of the Anglo-Saxon Protestant element.

JAPS HOPE TO DRIVE C.P.R. OFF THE PACIFIC

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)
 LONDON, Dec. 13.—The Edinburgh Scotsman understands the Japanese are about to commence a rate-cutting war against the Canadian Pacific, with the object of driving them off the ocean line.

THE BAIRNS' BANQUET

Christmas Tree and Entertainment
 MASSEY HALL, DEC. 25.
 All Creeds, All Colors, All Nationalities.
 Poverty and Hunger the Only Enemies of the Children.
 In addition to the children, 100 tired mothers will be entertained.
 Donations of clothing thankfully received.
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 Send your donations to The World, or to 258 Yonge Street, J. M. WILKINSON.
 "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

OLD MAN ONTARIO: A Strong Platform, James, if it wasn't for this warped an' wobbly board.



A WEAK SPOT.



PANAMA CANAL MAY BE HISTORY'S GREATEST RUIN

French Engineer Predicts Disaster Unless Site of Gatun Dam is Changed.

PARIS, Dec. 13.—M. Bunau-Varilla, an eminent French engineer, predicts disaster for the great Panama Canal unless the site of the Gatun Dam is changed, he says.

LAWYER EJECTED BY CHIEF

Wild Scene in Kenora Court Room During Trial.

KENORA, Dec. 13.—(Special).—One of the most sensational and disgraceful scenes that ever occurred in a Canadian court of justice was enacted yesterday afternoon during the preliminary trial of the poker players—Martin Schwieg, Samuel Parulubar, George Archambault Jr.—for conspiracy.

CONFLICT OVER AGENCY GOVIN AND LAURIER WAR

Quebec Government Not Getting Share of Immigration From France

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—(Special).—There is a conflict over the official of the federal government at the Paris office and the Quebec Government.

BANQUET TO RUTHERFORD

Referred to as Young Explorer in Realm of Science.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)
 STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Dec. 12.—Dr. Lefler, the well known mathematician, gave a luncheon Saturday in honor of Professor Lippmann of Paris and Rutherford of Manchester, two Nobel prize winners.

AID TO RAILWAYS

Alberta After Federal Bonus for Provincially-Owned Road.

Hon. C. W. Cross, attorney-general of Alberta, left Toronto last night for Ottawa, where it is said he will interview the federal government in relation to the provincial government's policy of railway expansion, which is to be inaugurated at the next session.

NOT PROTECTED

Montreal Woolen Mills Co. Will Go Into Liquidation.

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—(Special).—The Montreal Woolen Mills Co., in business since 1879, on the canal bank, have decided to go into liquidation, claiming that they are not sufficiently protected.

WOMEN PARRED

Montreal Commercial Travelers' Association Held its Annual Meeting on Saturday.

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—The Dominion Commercial Travelers' Association held its annual meeting on Saturday. S. J. Mathewson was vice-president. Motion to admit women to membership was voted down.

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RAILWAY NEED OF GREAT SILVER MINING BELT

World Representative Has Thrilling Experience South of Lost Lake—Finds Trail and Abandoned Tent.

The discovery of Gowganda, with its astonishing deposits of mineral, has unexpectedly brought to a head the necessity of devising a system of transportation which will embrace the entire silver belt from Lorrain on the east to Gowganda on the west, a distance of about one hundred miles.

When the Canadian Northern undertook to extend their line north of Sudbury from Selkirk to Burwash, adding twenty miles of steel to their system, Fate was bringing them within thirty-two miles of Gowganda, and offering to them a field of possibilities such as Cobalt gave to the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway.

Looking out from the north and thru the eyes of men who have spent in that country tens of thousands of dollars in recording fees alone, one great necessity has impressed itself upon me—A RAILROAD IS WANTED, AND IS WANTED QUICKLY. No rapid development can be expected until men mine with the knowledge that their product can be forwarded in proper time to the markets of the world.

My interest in this is not in any way influenced by personal considerations, and I am simply presenting conclusions which followed an extended investigation for the World and its readers. I am not mercenary I can claim less personal interest than was displayed by one of the two boys who were on the ferry across the river at Elk City several weeks ago. The weather had been soft and the ice on the river became too dangerous to walk across.

That night it was freezing and the ice became firmer. A few venturesome spirits the next morning decided to take a chance. The boy stood up in his boat watching the progress of the men across the river. If they fell in the ferry would make money all day, but if they got across safely others would follow and he would be out of business. The boy was an interesting specimen, so deep was his concern for those men.

"Gee," he shouted, "I just know, sum'n um gonn' ter git drowned. My, but..."