DRURY DECLARES NO CLASH WITH THE LABOR MEN

Claims Report of His Speech Was Deliberately Misrepresenting All Way Through.

Toronto, Ont. Dec. 5—The suggestion that I said that the perpetuation of the union of the U. F. O. and Labor Parties is not in line with public opinion is entirely contrary to facts," said Premier Drury yesterday in refuting the report of his speech in Chatham, Friday night, as published in the morning papers.

Following is Mr. Drury's statement:

The report of my remarks and the inference attempted to be drawn from them are absolutely misleading and untrue. What I said, in substance, was that the farmer-labor party in Ontario which had begun by the desire of two classes in the community to get adequate representation and which had unexpectedly been called upon to take the responsibility of government now represented the views of thousands of people who belong to neither of these classes and that if we are to continue we must of necessity broaden out and take in other people of like minds.

In doing so, I added, even the name of the party would probably have to be superseded and if I were to suggest a name I would suggest the name of the "Peoples' Progressive Party." There was not one word uttered by me that would give ground for the statement that the two parties were otherwise than in perfect harmony. The suggestion that I said perpetuation of the union is not in line with public opinion is entirely contrary to the fact.

"I notice that all the Toronto papers Saturday morning contained an identical report, plainly originating from the same source and evidently designed to misrepresent what I said."

Italian Arrivals From Old Country

One Decorated by King of Italy—Another Bound West—Third Brings Bride.

Included in the list of third class passengers which arrived in St. John on Saturday night from Le Havre by the C. P. O. S. Melita were a number of emigrants from Italy who had served with the Italian forces during the recent European war, and among them was Antonio Notechekni.

Decorated by King.

This man is a former resident of Rome, and served with the 7th Artillery campaign in all its engagements against the Austrians. He was wounded in three battles, on the last of which occasions he was decorated by the King of Italy. Three of his brothers were killed during the war; and he hopes to make a profitable living as a coal miner in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, for which city he left late last night.

Another Warrior.

Another former member of the Italian forces who has come to seek a new home in America is Michael De Sangelo, who saw two years' service with a machine gun corps. Michael was born on the River Piave, in the district where the war at one time raged at its worst, and his people were forced to leave their home as the result of an Austrian attack. During his period of service he was with the Italian army for a considerable time in the Alps. He lived and owned a farm in Italy prior to the war, and purposes to become an agrarian in the Canadian West.

Possibly the most interesting of the arrivals on the Melita who had seen active service was Bucco Cioni. He first came to America about fifteen years ago and lived for eleven years in Pittsburgh, Penn., and is now accompanied by his bride of several months who is a strikingly pretty Italian maiden. Bucco Cioni left the United States, where his family are engaged mostly as coal miners in Pennsylvania, and joined the Italian army. Two of his brothers were wounded while serving with the American army although he himself, escaped without a casualty. After the signing of the armistice he married and is now bringing his bride to Pittsburgh to live with his people. She explained through an interpreter that all her people resided in Italy and she was very skeptical as to whether or not she would like her new environments. They left St. John yesterday evening on the C. P. R. special which conveyed all the third class passengers of the Melita.

Presented With Purse of Money

Rev. H. E. Bennett Remembered by Mission Church Congregation.

As a recognition of his splendid work at the Mission Church and as a mark of their regret at his departure Rev. H. E. Bennett, was last evening presented with a purse containing a substantial sum of money. In the absence of Rev. J. V. Young, who was prevented through illness from being present, Colonel E. T. Sturdee made the presentation on behalf of the congregation. There was a large congregation present who adjourned to the school room after the evening service. Colonel Sturdee, after giving a message from Rev. J. V. Young, Priest in Charge of the Mission Church, regretting his absence and speaking in appreciative words of the work and worth of Rev. H. E. Bennett, told of the great regret of the Mission Church congregation at the departure of Father Bennett. Colonel Sturdee said that Father Bennett was held in high esteem ad that he would be followed by the good wishes of the people of the church for success in his new work.

His Reply

In reply Rev. Mr. Bennett said how greatly he had valued the association with Rev. J. V. Young and paid a high tribute to him both as a priest and as a man. While returning to his own home Father Bennett said he regretted leaving the many good friends he had made in St. John and the Province. The Mission Church and its congregation would always have his prayers.

Rev. H. E. Bennett leaves shortly to be Assistant Priest at St. Jude's Church, Birmingham, England. At last evening's service he took the opportunity of bidding farewell to all present and thanking them for their kindness to him while in St. John.

FARMERS MUST SELL OR QUIT THE LAND

Washington, Dec. 5 — Unless they are aided over the present period of price depression, thousands of tenant farmers in Nebraska will be driven from the land, Governor McKelvie, of Nebraska, declared yesterday before the joint senate and house agriculture committee. Edward D. Chassell, of Chicago, secretary of the Farm Mortgage Bankers' Association of America, asserted that the crops now in the hands of the farmers ought to be financed so the farmers, instead of the speculators could get the profits.

GROCERY IS BURNED

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 5—A small building owned and occupied by Moses L. Tracey as a grocery store was destroyed with its stock of groceries by fire early this morning. Mr. Tracey was partially insured and places his loss at about $1,000.

Basketball Games Saturday Night

Five Hundred People Witnessed Seniors, Intermediates and Girls in Matches.

That basketball is fast winning its way into the hearts of St. John fans was indicated by the record-breaking crowd of some five hundred people, who packed the Y. M. C. I. last Saturday night during the City Basketball series.

The Results

Every one of the three games played furnished plenty of excitement. The Senior game went to the Y. M. C. A. Seniors, who took it from the Trojans by a score of 35 to 22. The Y. M. C. I. Girls defeated the Germain Street Baptist Girls by a score of 3 to 2 in a very close contest, and St. David's trimmed the Germain St. Boys in the Intermediate game, 13 to 11, after five minutes of over-time playing.

The Girls' Game

The girls' game, the first of the evening, was closely followed from start to finish. Both teams were rather timid in the opening stages, which was, perhaps, due to playing before so large a crowd. Once settled down to the game, however, the girls demonstrated their aptness, and showed a marked improvement since their last match together.

Their line-up follows:

Y. M. C. I.	Germain St. Baptist
Forward	
Miss F. Higgins ..	Miss M. MacAuley
Miss C. Callaghan,	
	Miss D. Stewart (Capt.)
Centre	
Miss M. Floyd (Capt.),	
	Miss G. Marshall
Guard	
Miss Z. Higgins.....	Miss M. Brown
Miss C. Nugent.....	Miss M. Lewis

Miss K. Flood and Miss G. Ready played spare for the Y. M. C. I., going on in the second half. Mrs. H. J. Sheehan chaperoned the girls, and the game was refereed by N. Nixon.

Miss Flood scored on a field goal for the Y. M. C. I., and Miss Nugent converted a foul. Both points for the Germain St. Girls were on fouls, Miss MacAuley and Miss Stewart each scoring one point. The losers scored in the first period, and the winners in the second.

Senior League

The Seniors' game was the closest and hardest fought game of the season. The checking was close, and the combination at times faultless. The players evinced a desire to rough it up at times and the play became ragged as a consequence.

Willett was knocked out for a time during the game, but quickly revived.

The crowd, of whom the High School boys formed a large contingent, showed a marked favor for the Intermediates, who they rooted to the limit. The High School yell was heard several times during the game with marked effect. Banners, and class and club colors were also much in evidence.

The teams lined up as follows:

Y. M. C. A.	Trojans
Forward	
Margetts	Shaw
Willett	Urquhart
Centre	
Smith	Malcolm
Guard	
Nixon	Kerr
Marshall	Cross
Spare	
	MacGowan

The Intermediates

The Intermediates were leading at the end of the first period. Urquhart scored four field goals and Shaw one. Cross converted a foul. Smith scored ten field goals for the Seniors, and Margetts converted two fouls.

In the second half the lead went to the Seniors, Willett and Margetts scoring four field goals, and Smith two. Margetts also scored two fouls. Malcolm, Kerr, Urquhart and MacGowan each scored a field goal for the Trojans during this period. Urquhart scored on two fouls and Malcolm on one. The game was refereed by H. Morton.

The Intermediates

The Intermediate teams were very even matched and played fairly good combination at times. Five minutes' overtime was necessary to decide the score. The teams and score were:

St. David's.	Germain St. Baptist
Forward	
Purman	Fritz
Porter	Filed
Centre	
MacGowan	Davidson
Guard	
Sterling	Dalton
Christopher	Belding

The Intermediate game was refereed by Ray Pendleton.

Five Suspected Thieves Arrested

Police Magistrate Ritchie will have a very heavy docket to handle this morning. In addition to five drunks who spent last night in the cells at police headquarters, Marcus Blackman will appear in court on a charge of creating a disturbance in the Union Depot.

One man was arrested on suspicion of theft during the week-end, namely George Curtis and he will answer to the charge this morning.

James Calloum and Alexander Leger, will also face Magistrate Ritchie to plead to a charge of having acted together, assaulting and attempting to commit robbery.

Alfred George Donnelly and Theodore Vanotti, were arrested on suspicion of acting together, breaking into and entering the Ideal pool room.

WHISKEY ONLY TEN CENTS PER QUART BY SEA

Boy Made Small Harvest With Rush Order Business After Schooner Wreck.

SEA CAST UP 140 CASES OF THE BEST

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Special to The Standard.

Eastport, Me., Dec. 5—Haig & Haig for ten cents a quart! A quart, mind you, not a drink!

Booth's Old Tom Gin—practically an obsolete beverage in these United States for the past seventeen months and more—at the same incredible figure!

Hennessy's Three Star Brandy, Jamison's finest Irish Whiskey, Canadian Club and other brands, the mere sight of which would make the average American think that Time had turned backward in his flight—all these blessings for a pair of nickels!

And it's absolutely true, too—needless to say—that the bargain sale is all over and the impromptu liquor dealer's stock entirely exhausted. How the buyers are feeling is quite another story.

Empties at Eastport.

No, these marvels did not come to pass in this city, though it's a safe bet that many of the purchases made at this most extraordinary clearance sale have already found their way into Eastport and that some of them have already been consumed here. The empties in the alleys today are ample evidence of that.

But the never-to-be-forgotten 10-cents-a-quart liquor was actually sold within four or five miles of Eastport, just over the Canadian border, by a quick-witted small boy who argued that whatever he fished out of the Atlantic ocean was certainly his own property and to be disposed of as he saw fit. His father might not feel the same way about it, so he shall be nameless.

The 10-cent sale, marvelous as it was, is only one incident in the flood of liquor which has deluged these shores in the past two days. And all because a little gasolint-propelled craft, bound from a New Brunswick port for some sheltered nook along the Maine coast, ran on the ledges off Spruce Island, N. B., some eight miles down the bay from this frontier city.

The craft in question, treasure ship that she was, carried no less than 140 cases—1680 bottles, to be exact—of genuine foreign liquors, all of the finest brands, valued at about $7,000, or at an average of $50 per case, cheap enough to those accustomed to pay the prices asked—and received in American cities today.

Rush to Save Liquor.

The little craft struck the ledges off Spruce Island at high water and down she went, with her precious cargo. Some of the cases were broken open and quantities of bottles floated to the surface, with the result that the nature of the vessel's treasure store soon became known to the Canadian fishermen from the adjacent settlements, who flocked to the scene in large numbers.

Before many hours had passed the tidings had spread to Eastport and all of the thirsty ones who could get a boat hastened down the bay to see what they could salvage. In many instances whole cases, quite unbroken were fished out, while in others the floating bottles were seized eagerly.

Canadian fishermen who loaded their craft with whiskey, gin and brandy distributed many bottles free among their neighbors, as few cared to take chances by selling the liquor, since its sale is quite as illegal in New Brunswick as it is in the United States, although possession and transportation are within the law there, as well as importation from the "wet" provinces.

Boy Grasps Chance.

Many cases were cast up on the shore along the New Brunswick shore, and one diminutive opportunist, as already mentioned, realizing full well that liquor has a mighty quick sale, especially within a mile or two of the American border, determined to dispose of their contents at the modest rate of a dime a bottle. This stock didn't last long, particularly after the news of the unprecedented Sale-by-the-Sea reached the thirsty city of Eastport.

The youngster wasn't big enough to carry the cases any great distance, the result being that he simply opened them as the sea cast them up, unpacking them, made a counter and got busy.

Word of mouth advertising did the trick for him, and when the last bottle was gone the boy had what seemed like a fortune to him safely stowed away in his trousers pockets.

No one has been caught so far as is known bringing any of the contraband liquor back over the border, but many Eastport citizens who took advantage of the sale decided not to risk anything and resorted to the perfectly safe method—against which no law has yet been passed—of importing liquor into the United States in their own stomachs.

So thorough have been the effects of the Canadian fishermen and of the free lances who went down the bay from this port to salvage all of the wet goods which they could get that it is doubtful if so much as a single case now remains in the hold of the little craft that still lies submerged on the ledges off Spruce Island. There is some hope that the vessel herself may be saved.

FIREBUG TRIES TO BURN BARN

Packed Bag Full of Burning Straw and Thrust it Through Window.

Yarmouth, N. S., Dec. 5.—A daring attempt at incendiarism was perpetrated in this town last night when some person attempted to set on fire a barn immediately at the rear of the People's Theatre and adjoining the home of George T. Grant. The blaze was discovered by a member of the post office staff, who on leaving the office for the night, went out a rear door, and as he did so, detected a strong odor of burning straw or hay. On investigation he discovered that a bag containing some of that material had been thrust through a broken window of the barn and set on fire.

Fire Was Small.

He immediately gave an alarm and the department responded promptly, extinguishing the blaze before any great damage was done. The act was most treacherous as the theatre is only separated from the barn by about a foot and with the exception of the theatre, which is of brick and concrete, all the surrounding buildings, and they are very closely built in that neighborhood, are of wood. The theatre, as usual on a Saturday evening, was well filled. The audience however, was quietly dismissed.

DIED.

REID—At St. John, on Saturday, December 4, Robert C. Reid, leaving parents and one sister. (Boston papers please copy.)

BELYEA—At the residence of Mrs. E. M. Armstrong, Cody's, N. B., on the 4th inst., Margaret Belyea, a former resident of St. John.

STENHOUSE—At Montreal, December 3, Vera May, wife of James G. Stenhouse, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Nevins. Interment at Montreal December 6th.

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RUMOR CHURCHILL TO BE VICEROY OF INDIA

Allahbad, British India, Dec. 5.—According to the newspaper Pioneer, Winston Spencer Churchill is to be appointed vice-roy of India. Mr. Churchill is at present Secretary of War, of the British Cabinet.

Baron Chelmsford is the present vice-roy and Governor-General of India. He was appointed in 1916.

HALIFAX HAS FORTY MILE PER HOUR WIND

Montreal Has Inch of Rain and Another of Snow and Much Wind.

Halifax, Dec. 5.—With the wind blowing forty miles an hour, and rain pouring in torrents, Halifax tonight experienced the worst storm of the season. The storm was so severe that the streets were deserted early, and in the harbor a heavy sea swept over the docks.

Big Storm in Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 5.—Nearly an inch of rain and 1.5 inches of snow fell during the past two days up to eight o'clock tonight, according to the McGill meterological department. The roads on Saturday were frozen over with a solid sheet of ice after the rain. The storm worked havoc with telephonic and telegraphic systems. In parts of the city poles were levelled and wires broken.

THREATENS TO KILL.

Angora, Asiatic Turkey, Dec. 5.—Mustapha Kemal Pasha, the Turkish Nationalist leader today promulgated the following law recently voted by the Angora Nationalist Assembly:

"First—Any person attempting to leave the frontiers of Mustaph Kemal's state shall be sentenced to death. Second—Any person carrying merchandise from the state will be condemned for the crime of high treason."

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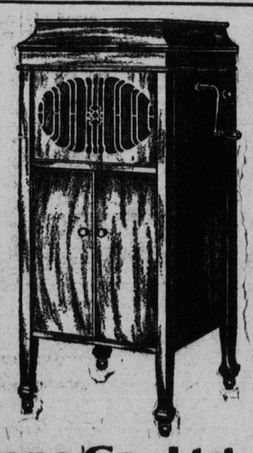

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SUCCESSFUL SALES WERE HELD SATUR

Loyalist Chapter, Co Circle of King's Daug and Cheerful Toilers.

Loyalist Chapter, I. O. D. E their annual Christmas sale on day through the courtesy of F. man, in his store King street. affair was a great success. The was decorations were a speci ture.

Mrs. Hugh Mackay and Mrs. Fowler were conveners of the rating committee. Mrs. Heber regent, was convener of the sa was assisted at the various ta members of the chapter, as fo Baby table, Mrs. F. S. Crosby vener, assisted by Mrs. F. C Sancton, Mrs. Gordon McDonald George Blizard, Miss Catherin Mrs. J. T. Cornell, Mrs. J. L. M and Mrs. R. A. Armstrong; table, Miss Eileen Gillis, co assisted by Mrs. W. A. Lockhar Hegan, Mrs. H. A. Allison, Mis Mrs. John E. Sayre, Miss Knight, Mrs. Colin Mackay an John Belyea; novelty table, M C. Schofield, convener, assis Mrs. William Vassie, Mrs. Porter, Miss Frances Kerr, Mis Misses Emily and Kathleen S Miss McKenzie, Miss Dawson, Whittaker, Miss K. Coster an Hugh Mackay; doll table, Mrs. Desbrisay, convener, assisted H. N. Stetson, Mrs. W. H. Ha Mrs. A. G. Bishop, Miss Blizard Dorothy Blizard, Miss Catherin Avity, Mrs. J. A. MacKeigan an Jean White; home cooking table Clara Schofield, convener, assis Mrs. E. H. Turnbull, Mrs. Schofield, Mrs. J R Thomson, Muriel Sadler, Mrs. R. F. Wrig Mrs. Hugh Bruce. The proce the sale are to be used by the c in their patriotic work.

Comfort Circle.

A successful sale was held Comfort Circle of the King's D ers Saturday morning in the In Theatre lobby under the conven of the president, Mrs. R. C. ton. The proceeds are to be by the circle to provide a Chr entertainment and gifts for the ren of the Free Kindergarten sisting Mrs. Plumpton in cond the sale were Mrs. R. A. McLa Mrs. E. W. Paul, Mrs. W. Mrs. Roy Gregory, Mrs. S. K. Miss Margaret Seely and Mrs. LeLacheur.

Cheerful Toilers.

The Cheerful Toilers Mission of Carmarthen street Methodist held a sale Saturday in the In Lobby. The proceeds will be us mission work. Miss Stella Ear Mrs. Seymour were the con and the tables were pr over by the children as fo Candy table, Ethel Causton, Brindle, Lillian Neaves and Gr Earton; apron table, Gladys B Maisie Edmunson, Lillian Fost Marion Earle; food table, Stell and Marion Earle. The girls keen interest in the work and the supervision of Miss Earl Mrs. Seymour the sale was a s

CALGARY WOMEN AFTER HEARST PAP

Have Begun Campaign to All Hearst Publication That City.

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 5.—Calga be cleared of the Hearst public the endeavors of the Coun women prevail. The cause of state action was an editorial New York Journal which the protested as a malicious attack Canada and Great Britain. The dealers of the city and the publ rary have been asked for the operation in affecting the clear of the publications in the city. press has also been asked to p a full list of the magazines an ers controlled by Hearst.