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BRITAIN'S POSITION IS THE STRONGEST IN THE WORLD, SAYS MAN WITH THE DUSTER

Economically and Otherwise She Stands Four Square to All Winds of Calamity, and Proposal That She Ask United States to Cancel Debt to Latter Held to be Contemptible—The Republic Would be Affected Seriously by Any Considerable Upheaval in Fortunes of Other Great Nations.

Special Cable to St. John Journal
By "The Man With a Duster"

Author of "Mirrors of Downing Street."

London, Nov. 1.—In the midst of a tempest which threatens to overthrow civilization, one country stands four square to all winds of calamity. This is Great Britain.

Across the Atlantic, geographically far removed from the storms of Europe, the United States of America are trembling under the same gale which sweeps through the eastern hemisphere, shaking the greater part of it like an aspen. Americans possess nearly all the gold of the world, but their finances are unstable.

Their territory is vast, but many of their chief industries are dependent on the products of other countries. Their population is enormous, but it lacks the cohesion of ancient loyalties, unity and the inspiration of a common language. Their prosperity is declining; their security is a delusion; their independence has never existed. Any considerable crash in the fortunes of the world would be more disastrous for the States than for the British Empire.

The proposal that we should go cap in hand to this anxious and imitable republic, obsequiously asking it to cancel our debt, is as contemptible in wisdom as it is shameful in morals. That such a suggestion could ever be hinted at by responsible British statesmen is evidence of the lunacy with which we are governed, and the unprincipled character of those who govern us. It is not for Great Britain, standing like a rock to sue for favors from any country in the world. Further, those "favors" would not only be a source of irreparable humiliation to our children, but even a blow to our commerce.

For the United States, in their industrial and domestic life, have urgent need of many products which our traders can supply them with—jute, tin, tea, coffee, rubber, bark, palm oil and nitrate—although our subtle, sophisticated statesmen cannot believe so obvious a platitude, it would benefit British commerce to cancel the debt of the Allies—it would not benefit that commerce to be forgiven our debt by the United States. That is the firm conviction of men who understand world trade, and who appreciate the moral basis of credit. Men who smile at the fear that America may beat us off the seas and drive us out of the markets of the world. They say Great Britain has nothing to dread from American ambitions, and that the commercial integrity of the British Empire is transcendently greater than that of the United States.

But the confidence of my authorities rests in the hope, first, that the British Government is at last coming to its senses, second, that the contentment and its own security manifested by many of our working classes won't much longer pass either for sanity or valor.

These are the conditions of our imperial survival, first, the government must reduce taxation and the limit of national expenditure to the bare minimum and spread the payment of the war debt over a period of years; second, it must keep itself entirely out of the sphere of commerce and reduce the salaries and lengthen the working

SCHOOL BOYS IN SERIOUS QUARREL

One Now in Hospital Hovering Between Life and Death as Result of Wounds.

Special to The Journal.

Calais, Me., Nov. 1.—Gerald Ryan, a sixteen year old school boy, son of Thomas Ryan of this town, is hovering between life and death in the Calais hospital as the result of a quarrel with Raymond Card, thirteen year old son of Lincoln Card. During the dispute the two and one half inch blade of a knife was driven into young Ryan's neck above the right collar bone and close to the throat, severing the internal jugular vein. Young Card is at liberty under \$4,000 bonds pending the outcome of Ryan's injury.

THE ROUT OF LABOR FEATURED THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN ENGLAND

London, Nov. 2.—The rout of Labor was the feature of the municipal elections in a large number of boroughs through England yesterday (Wednesday) up to an early hour this morning the returns were incomplete, but it is significant that in ten of London's twenty eight boroughs, the completed returns show that Labor lost 149 seats which had previously been held by Laborites, in some instances their representation being completely wiped out.

YOUNG CANADIANS SHOULD STAY IN THEIR OWN LAND

St. Catharines, Ont., Nov. 1.—That young Canadians should stay in their own country was the advice urged upon students of Ridley College by Sir Auckland Geddes the British Ambassador to the United States, in an address at noon, today, delivered during the course of a visit to his son, who attends that institution.

TO PROBE INTO HAPPENINGS AT SWIM HANGING

All of Horrible Details to be Investigated by Commissioner's Court.

22 WITNESSES HAVE BEEN SUMMONED

One of the Official Hangmen Will be Present at Hearing.

Special to The Journal.

Woodstock, Nov. 1.—All of the hor-

EARL OF DERBY



British Minister of War.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN MARRIAGE LAW MAY BE OUTCOME

Interesting Case Brought Before Supreme Court of Ontario by Toronto Lawyer.

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 1.—Possibilities of new developments in the Canadian marriage law are contained in an interesting case which is to be brought before the supreme court of Ontario by Meyer Rotstein, a young Toronto lawyer.

The action seeks an alternative to expensive divorce procedure by asking the provincial court simply to declare annulment of marriage. Back of such petition stands the constitutional problem which has existed since Confederation—the question of state rights, involving division of power between federal and provincial authorities.

The plaintiff in the case is a young woman married in 1920. Two weeks after the marriage the husband was taken to a hospital for the insane and has been confined by the provincial authorities ever since. Mr. Rotstein seeks to claim that the defendant was insane at the time of the ceremony, and that the marriage contract should therefore be declared invalid.

The difference between divorce and annulment is that where divorce presupposes and seeks to break a legal marriage, a petition for annulment, such as in the present case, assumes that no legal marriage has existed.

"My client has no money," Mr. Rotstein explained today, "and divorce by parliament is therefore barred, as it is to very many people in poor circumstances."



BENNIE SWIM

Who was hanged at Woodstock October 6 under most revolting circumstances.

rible details and revolting happenings connected with the execution of Bennie Swim, which took place at Woodstock, October 6, will be reviewed before a commissioner's court, appointed by the local government to conduct an investigation into the bungling affair. In this city tomorrow, J. Bacon Dickson, of Fredericton, is the commissioner, and he will begin taking evidence at 10 o'clock, twenty-two witnesses having been summoned to appear and give evidence. It is expected that two days will be consumed in hearing witnesses.

Among those who will be present is Executioner Gill, who performed the second hanging after the first.



SHERIFF FOSTER

The storm centre of criticism over a bungling execution.

one, performed by a man giving the name of Doyle, had failed to kill the victim.

This community has not yet recovered from the shock sustained when it became known, on the morning of October 6, what a mess had been made of the Swim execution. Opinion is divided here as to who should bear the responsibility for the bungling affair. Sheriff Foster has been severely criticized for permitting a hangman, admittedly drunk, to perform the task assigned to him. On the

OBSERVANCE OF ARMISTICE DAY IS REQUESTED

Two Minutes of Silence in Memory of Those Who Died in Great War.

URGED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL

Who Hopes It Will be Made as General as Possible Throughout Dominion.

Ottawa, Oct. 1.—(Canadian Press)—His Excellency the Governor-General, Baron Byng of Vimy has received a message from His Majesty the King, expressing the hope that the two minutes of silence in memory of those who gave their lives during the war, will be observed throughout Canada on armistice day, November 11, commencing at 11 o'clock in the morning.

In a communication to the Prime Minister the Governor-General hopes that the people of Canada will join with His Majesty in making the observance a reality. The two minutes of silence is endorsed by the Prime Minister, in a statement issued to Canadian Press tonight.

"On behalf of the Government," Mr. King states, "I desire to express the hope that the observance of two minutes of silence at 11 o'clock on the morning of November 11, as requested by His Majesty the King, and to which His Excellency, the Governor-General has referred in the accompanying communication, will be made as general as possible throughout all parts of the Dominion."

"The impressiveness of the occasion will necessarily depend on the degree to which the two minutes silence is generally observed. To this end the Government desires to invite the co-operation of the provincial and municipal authorities, the press and the educational and religious institutions, as well as of all engaged in industrial and commercial activities. May it be said of Canada that no locality of our vast Dominion was so remote as to have failed in doing reverence to the memory of our country's honored dead."

The communication from His Excellency to the Prime Minister follows: "As I think you are aware I have received a message from His Majesty the King saying that he hopes that the two minutes silence as a mark of respect to the memory of those who gave their lives during the great war, will be observed throughout the empire at 11 o'clock on the morning of armistice day, November 11."

"I sincerely hope that all citizens of the Dominion will join with His Majesty the King in making this observance a reality, and that all work will be suspended during the two minutes set apart for the silence of tribute."

"You will, I am sure, be glad to give widest publicity to this request of His Majesty."

WINDSOR MAY QUIT HYDRO MANAGEMENT

Windsor, Nov. 1.—Windsor City Council is "sitting tight" tonight awaiting the outcome of a letter which was despatched to Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the Ontario Power Commission, this afternoon by the Windsor City Council.

It is contended by the corporation that no financial statement has been submitted by the Hydro-Electric Commission showing that any necessity exists for an increase in the rate of fares here. At its last meeting the Council asked that the proposed increase be deferred until such time as a financial statement was submitted, but this request was not complied with by the Provincial Commission.

A telegram received from Sir Adam Beck on Saturday by the transportation commission of the city, was declared as tantamount to a refusal to grant the request.

another hand, criticism is directed against the physicians who had pronounced Swim dead within five minutes after he had been shot through space at the end of a hangman's rope. Much sympathy has been expressed for Sheriff Foster that he has become involved in an affair which has a disagreeable odor, but, at the same time, it was his duty to see that men of sobriety performed a task which he refused to perform. Sensations are expected to develop from the hearing which starts tomorrow. Nothing may come from it, and it is possible all concerned will be given a clean bill, but the public feel someone blundered, and the one responsible should have that responsibility fixed upon him.

REPUBLICANS ARE CONTINUING TO OCCUPY CLIFDEN

Belfast, Nov. 1.—The Republicans are continuing to occupy Clifden, northwest of Galway, which they took yesterday after a fierce encounter with National forces in which 80 of the Nationals were captured, but they have released all the men taken prisoner with the exception of Commandant O'Malley and three captains.

MUSSOLINI TO RULE WITH THE HAND OF IRON

Displays Firm Intention of Restoring Discipline in All Ranks.

WILL SAFEGUARD LIBERTY OF PRESS

Press Must, However, Give Proof It Is Worthy of Liberty.

Rome, Nov. 1.—Every hour brings fresh action on the part of Premier Mussolini to prove his firm intention of restoring discipline in all the ranks. Replying to congratulations received from the press organizations, the premier declared today that when the present exceptional conditions are over, he intends to safeguard the liberty of the press on conditions that the press proves worthy of liberty, "liberty," he added, "is not only a right, but a duty."

To General Diaz, who is said to have accepted the portfolio of war in order to give Italy one army, Signor Mussolini declared: "We will give Italy a unique army, as we have carried out a unique revolution. Indeed, throughout the ages there never was a revolution like ours in which all public services continued, commerce was carried on, and clerks, workmen and peasants fulfilled their labors."

SEEK TO SECURE EQUILIBRIUM OF GERMAN BUDGET

No Impairment of German Sovereignty Contemplated by Visit of Reparations Commission.

Berlin, Nov. 1.—The Allied reparations commission will occupy itself chiefly in connection with its present visit to Berlin with consideration of means of securing the equilibrium of the German budget, the stabilization of the German mark and with the problem of the floating debt, finance minister Hermes was informed by Louis Barthou, Chairman of the Commission, in the course of their first formal conference today. No impairment of German sovereignty is contemplated by the commission. M. Barthou told the Finance Minister, but he added that the members of the commission counted upon the loyal co-operation of the German Government which would be called upon to give comprehensive replies to specific questions.

HIGH TRIBUTE TO WORK OF PRIESTS IN PROVINCE QUEBEC

Toronto, Nov. 1.—"We sometimes hear Quebec reproached with being slow, backward and priest-ridden," said Hon. L. A. David, the French-Canadian Minister of Education of Quebec province, speaking to the provincial Ministers of Education, their deputies and a number of other educational leaders today.

He first paid tribute to the pioneering work of the French race. Then he took up the allegation of Quebec being priest-ridden. "If the clergy of any country in the world had done as much for their nation as the clergy of Quebec has done for that province, that nation should be thankful and proud," he said.

"If you mean that Quebec is dominated by its priests in a political sense, then I say it is not true. The statement is not serious. I would not trouble to answer it. But if you say that the priests have exerted a leading influence in an educational and a national sense, it is true, and we are proud of it."

PREMIER LAWRENCE ATTACKS ON MINISTERIAL COLLEAGUES AND PREPARES TO HIT BACK

British Political Circles Agog to Learn Cause of the Warfare Between Lloyd George and Sir George Younger Quietly Down—Belief Prevails That Underground Negotiations Are Going on Looking to a Patching Up of Differences—Bitter Personalities Continue.

London, Nov. 1.—(Associated Press)—There has been no development today in the quarrel between Mr. Lloyd George and Sir George Younger, and political circles are agog to learn the upshot of the strange situation. Curiosity is increased by the fact that Mr. Lloyd George, alone of all the party leaders, has not yet issued any election advice. In the meantime, he is confined to his house with a cold. This prevents him from delivering two of his speeches; his condition was improved tonight and he appears confident that he will be able to speak in London on Saturday.

STANLEY BALDWIN



PROVINCE ONTARIO MUST TAKE CARE OF NIPIGON DEFICIT

Levy of \$348,000 on Taxpayers to Meet Power Commission's Setback.

(By J. W. Tyson, Editor Financial Post.)

Special to The Journal.
Toronto, Nov. 1.—With power service on the basis of \$14 per H. P. the cities of Port William and Port Arthur were well provided for, their current and future power supply, when the Ontario Hydro Commission launched the Nipigon development. Recently before the Gregory commission of inquiry into Hydro costs and expenditures, sitting at the behest of the provincial government, it was shown that the Province of Ontario must provide \$348,000 this year to take care of the deficit on the Nipigon enterprise.

This deficit is on the basis that the City of Port Arthur, which would have been served with power at \$14 per H. P. under the contract with the Kamistiquia company, now refuses to pay more than \$20 per H. P. of the \$25 per H. P. being charged by the Hydro-Electric Commission.

ARREST MADE IN ASSAULT CASE ON HALIFAX GROCER

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 1.—Roland Finlay, Dartmouth, was arrested here tonight by Chief Detective Horace Kennedy in connection with the shooting last night of Leslie Corkum, Spring Garden Road grocer. Finlay was apprehended on Market Street and was taken into custody when it was found that he was carrying a fully loaded revolver and answered in a general way to the descriptions of the shooter. Mr. Corkum, the police had not examined Finlay tonight and it was understood that his arrest was part of the "drag-net" tactics which they

REPUBLICAN PRISONERS IN MOUNT JOY PRISON REFRAINED FROM FOOD 36 HOURS

Dublin, Nov. 1.—Frank Gallagher, editor of the official organ of Eamon De Valera's party, has been arrested and lodged in Mount Joy prison. He was formerly editor of the Irish Bulletin. The Republican prisoners in Mount Joy observed the second anniversary of the death of Terence MacSwiney, late Lord Mayor of Cork, by 36 hours' fasting. The irregulars claim that in the week ending October 14, they made twelve attacks on government forces, "resulting in 32 enemy casualties."