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We have dismal fancies of things that never come to pass; most of our troubles are nothing more than nightmares that are gone with the waking hours.

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The same act of God that shut Noah and his family in the ark at the same time shut the world out; the approval of right is at once the condemnation of evil.

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## STAGE SET FOR THE NAVAL CONFERENCE

### BITTER WEATHER NEAR THE ROCKIES

#### Blizzard Takes Toll Of Life In Mountain States

**Cold, Death And Privation Follows In Wake Of The Worst Storm In Years—Serious Loss Of Live-stock.**

(Special to The Guardian)

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 18.—Cold, death and privation stalked hand in hand over the southwest today as the van of a blizzard slowly making its exit from the northern rocky mountains states roared out over the Gulf of Mexico. Temperature records of decades fell in a dozen states and fourteen lives have been taken. Approximately fifty persons were believed marooned in snow-drifts dumped over the north by the most severe storm of years. Telephone and telegraph wires were down and highways impassable, hampering rescue operations. Serious loss of live stock was feared from the sheep country of Wyoming to the cattle ranches of Texas. At Shamrock, Texas, 140 persons were fighting against death by cold and starvation. They went there expecting to find work on a projected railroad only to find that construction will not be started until spring. Welfare organizations of the town of 5,000 persons were swamped by demands upon them. In Wyoming, which bore the brunt of the storm yesterday more than a score of persons were unaccounted for on snowchoked highways. An interstate bus was marooned between Salt Lake City and Wyoming and could not be located. In outlying districts fear was felt for the safety of many sheep herders and their flocks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—Extreme cold gripped the Northwest States today, but California experienced relief from freezing temperatures with a general rain which has ever brought danger of starvation to nearly 1,000 cattle in the northern part of the State.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

- Carnival Cornwall Rink, Monday 20th. Prizes given for best costumes. Admission 20 cents. 1111-1-16-41.
- Annual meeting of Cornwall Egg Circle will be held in Cornwall Hall, Monday Jan. 20th, at 7.30. 1929 Bonus will be paid. 1150-1-18-21
- Annual Meeting Kensington Driving Association in King George Hall, on Tuesday, January 21st, 1.30 P. M. 1143-1-18-21
- Annual meeting of Cornwall Egg Circle will be held in Cornwall Hall, Monday, Jan. 20th, at 7.30, 1929. Bonus will be paid. L. McLaren, Sec'y. 1150-1-18-21
- Buying Hogs, Sheep and Lambs at Kensington every Thursday forenoon. Alden Moss. 8342-10-21-Montreal.
- At Victoria Rink on Monday, Jan. 20th, Alberton Regals vs Victoria Unions. Come and see last year's champions of the A. E. McLean's League meet the Unions. Admission 25 and 35 cents. Skating after match.

#### Retired



C. A. E. Colwell, president of the Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada has retired from active service after being on the road for more than 42 years.

#### TODAY CLOSING BY-ELECTION CAMPAIGN

(Canadian Press)  
HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 19.—Tomorrow will close the by-election campaign in Halifax. On Tuesday morning voters of the city and county went to the polls to choose between Dr. George H. Murphy, candidate of the Conservative Government, and Robert E. Finn, the Liberal nominee. With but one day remaining in which to persuade the electorate either to support Dr. Murphy and restore the Government majority or to enjoy the Premier E. N. Rhodes, at the last session, or choose Mr. Finn and create a stalemate at 21 members for each party, speaker excluded. Leaders of both parties spoke in the constituency on Saturday.

#### Egg Farm Loses 2,000 Laying Hens

(Special to The Guardian)  
BRONTE, Jan. 18.—A large pen with 2,000 laying hens at the Krug Egg Farm near Bronte was completely destroyed by fire last night. The origin of the fire is as yet unknown, but it is thought to have started from the heating plant. The fire was discovered by Henry Brown, night watchman about 9.30 p. m. Bronte and Oakville fire brigades responded to the call, but were unable to save the buildings. There are altogether 8,000 hens on the farm, but the brigade was able to save most of them. The hens which were destroyed by the fire were of the best British Columbia laying grade and the loss while heavy is covered by insurance. The farm, run by a company recently organized by Walter Krug, was carrying on a very successful business which will be some what disrupted by the loss of such a large number of poultry. The firm however still has three quarters of its stock left and plans to replace the remainder as quickly as possible.

#### DEFINES IDEA OF EMPIRE DEMOCRACY

British High Commissioner Makes Important Statement of British Policy.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Jan. 18.—(By The Canadian Press)—The guiding principle of the British Empire is the principle of democracy applied not to a single nation only but to an aggregation of states scattered over the world. This was the theme elaborated by Sir William Clark, British High Commissioner to Canada, speaking tonight before the Canadian Society of New York.

"In matters of high moment such as the issues now before the nations of disarmament and of politics leading up to the pacification of the world," Sir William said, "the Empire, speaking with the separate but united voices of its member-states, speaks with far greater force than in earlier days when Great Britain spoke alone on behalf of the whole."

Sir William subscribed to the language of General Jan Christian Smuts, former premier of South Africa, who, speaking a few days ago in Canada had said that while for the last 10 years the task had been to elaborate the freedom of the dominions, the next 10 years would be devoted to perfecting the unity of the commonwealth.

"Unity is essential to the well-being of the Empire," Sir William continued. "There can be no misconception now as to where, when critical issues arise, each and every member of the autonomous Empire stands. But if the voices were not united, if our several peoples followed each their own way without regard to the other members of the commonwealth, only weakness would ensue."

First and foremost in the endeavor to preserve unity was the need for a large measure of inter-consultation. With this in mind, the British Government decided to send their first High Commissioner to Canada.

"I can only say," Sir William went on, "that my experience of a very happy year suggests that this is in-

#### Oldest Canadian



Johnny Minard, West Oxford, Ont., who is 104 years of age and declares he is the oldest living native Canadian.

#### Did Them Up "Brown"

(Canadian Press)  
STRATFORD, Ont. Jan. 18.—When the authorities obtained a master key today and opened the deposit boxes in the office of Alderman Tom Brown lawyer charged with theft from clients, it was ascertained that bonds and other securities to the value of \$47,000 were missing. Among these are the securities of the Pomeo Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows listed at \$17,000. Another item was that of a widow client who reported securities to the value of \$7,000 missing.

#### British Minister Facing Greatest Task Of Career

His Duty To Guide Labor Party And Govt. Through Difficult Session and Provide Stimulus To Nations Re Naval Armament Reduction.

(Canadian Press Cable)  
LONDON, Jan. 18.—Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald is figuratively girding his loins to face one of the greatest double tasks that has ever burdened the shoulders of a British Prime Minister in late years. Parliament opens on Tuesday in the same buildings where the great five-power naval conference opens at the same time. It will be his duty to guide the Parliament Labor Party and the Government through a difficult session of Parliament, handicapped by a slight majority which was cut to a minimum of eight votes a month ago and at the same time provide the stimulus to the nations assembled in an attempt to limit and reduce naval armaments. The double task would be too great even for Mr. MacDonald's broad shoulders and energetic Scots character if he attempt-

#### 3 MILLION LBS. NEW ZEALAND BUTTER DUE

Cargo Is For Sale In Maritimes—Further Decline In Prices For Eastern Canada Butter Is Expected.

(Canadian Press)

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 18.—Large ly influenced by arrivals, past and pending of New Zealand butter, wholesale product closed last week here at from 37 to 37 1-2 cents per pound, showing a drop of half cent. Trading was fairly quiet to the retail trade. Solids were 40 cents a pound and prints 41 cents. The scheduled arrival at Halifax at the end of this week of a New Zealand boat carrying 140,000 boxes containing 8,000,000 pounds of butter for Eastern Canada, is expected to result in a further decline in prices. The price of storage eggs is heading upward, while fresh eggs are becoming cheaper here. Storage grades are now quite scarce, while the fresh egg-supply are rapidly improving. Fresh specials bring 62 and 63 cents a dozen and fresh extras 60 a dozen. Storage extras are quoted at 51 cents a dozen; storage firsts at 48 and storage seconds at 45 cents a dozen.

Potato prices fell somewhat. New Brunswick Green Mountains are quoted at \$1.90 to \$1.95 and Quebec's at \$1.85 to \$1.90 per ninety pounds in bulk, in car lots, ex track here. Poultry was steady during the week.

The Latvian ports of Riga and Ventpils have been chosen by the Soviet Government as the operating base for its Baltic Sea merchant fleet.

#### ALL DELEGATES TO THE PARLEY NOW IN LONDON

Young Italian Minister Full of Hope That Financial Burdens On Naval Ships Will Be Lowered.

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, Jan. 18.—London is the rendezvous of spokesmen from the chief naval powers who are here to go into conference next Tuesday on the problem of lessening the burden of naval craft. The circle of delegates was made complete today with the arrival of the United States delegation who landed at Plymouth this morning. The Americans were warmly greeted at the port and also on their arrival in London this afternoon. Soon after reaching London, Secretary of State Stimson, Chief of the U. S. Party, called on the British Premier at 10 Downing Street and was in conference with him for three hours. He declined to disclose what had been the subject of his talk with the Premier. Beyond saying that the talk was "pleasant and not interrupted except by a nice cup of the Prime Minister's tea," he offered no information about it and success-

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#### MONCTON HAS \$25,000 FIRE

(Canadian Press)  
MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 18.—Fire early this morning broke out in the Imperial Block, Main Street, causing damage estimated at \$25,000. Fifteen tenants and the Imperial Theatre, suffered from the fire in varying degrees. The building, which is owned by the Metropolitan Stores of London, Ont., sustained the greatest damage. The fire swept through the hallways of the second and third floors, reaching the roof before firemen got it under control.

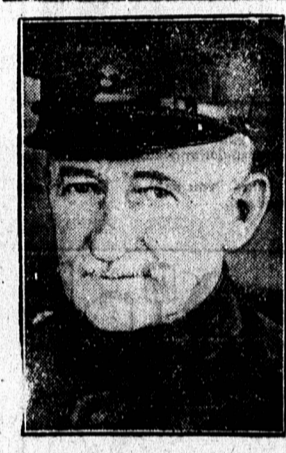
#### The Weather, etc



Fresh westerly winds, fair, stationary or lower temperature.  
Toronto cloudy . . . . . 20-16  
Montreal cloudy . . . . . 2-3  
Quebec snow . . . . . 2-4 below  
Charlottetown cloudy . . . . . 22-14  
Halifax cloudy . . . . . 10-6  
High tide this afternoon at 3.37 and tomorrow morning at 3.34.  
Sun sets this afternoon at 4.52 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.30.  
Last quarter moon Tuesday, Jan. 21st, at 11.43 a. m.  
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

#### Must Not Invite People Into Can. Just To Be Idle

#### Saddest Thing



Brig-Gen Clarence R. Edwards, war-time commander of United States division, who declares "prohibition is the saddest thing that ever happened to America." He believes simultaneous parades through the country might prove effective.

Said Hon. R. B. Bennett, In Course Of Address Saturday Night—Deplores Unemployment In The Dominion.

By Thomas Green (Canadian Press Staff Writer)

KAMLOOPS, B. C., Jan. 19.—Charging that the Dominion Government was an administration of experiment for purposes of expediency, and the assuring of power, Hon. R. B. Bennett here Saturday night concluded his itinerary in British Columbia for his present speaking tour. "The real difference between the two parties," the Conservative chieflain exclaimed "is that we are for a continuity of policy based on principle and the Liberal Government at Ottawa experiments for purposes of expediency and the securing of power." The opposition leader instanced direct changes in policy by the Government for "political expediency." In 1927 Mr. Bennett declared, Liberal members had voted in their full strength against a permanent outlet to the Pacific for the Peace River districts. Liberals were now claiming full credit for the success of the Canadian National Railway, but in 1921, he observed in days of adversity for the system, Liberal members had been critical. Two years ago, the Conservative leader continued, Liberal members had voted in the House of Commons against a Conservative amendment for fair treatment to returned soldiers. Now, he went on, after Sir Arthur Currie and the Canadian Legion had pressed that the benefit of the doubt be given to returned men on applications, they government had indicated its intention of acceding to the demand.

In opening his remarks, Mr. Bennett declared that policies which did not disturb prosperity to Canada as a whole, were not national in character. The Dominion, he went on, with its railways, canals and other public undertakings had facilities to care for 20,000,000 people. "But," the opposition chieflain said, "we must not and cannot invite people into Canada merely to be idle."

Canada today, Mr. Bennett said, was faced with an unfavorable balance of trade. From a favorable trade balance for the year ending November 30, 1928, of \$317,000,000 he declared, the Dominion has now an adverse trade balance of \$38,000,000 for the twelve months ending November 30, 1929. The Government of Ottawa, Mr. Bennett continued, talked about tax reduction, but he observed indirect taxes collected by way of customs under the present administration had increased from \$154-

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#### Parrot Sickness Claims Eight

(Canadian Press)  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Surgeon General Cumming of the Public Health Service reported yesterday a total of about fifty five cases of parrot fever or psittacosis have occurred during the present outbreak in nine States, and that eight deaths have resulted from the rare disease. Dr. Charles Armstrong, public health officer in charge of a nation-wide survey of the disease, said his own check up showed a total of forty "well established" cases of parrot fever, and four others about which there is slight doubt. Public health service bacteriologists, Dr. Armstrong said, are at work in an effort to identify bacteria causing the sickness of parrots.

#### Bail Refused

(Canadian Press)  
REGINA, Sask. Jan. 18.—Harry Bronfman of Montreal was today remanded for trial on three charges growing out of the alleged attempted bribery of Cyril Knowles, former Customs Inspector. Police Magistrate Pickett offered to set bail at \$30,000 but defence counsel refused the offer and Bronfman was remanded in custody. Habeas Corpus proceedings will be taken immediately, it was announced.

#### One Of Greatest Trials In England's History

(United Press Cable)  
LONDON, Jan. 19.—One of the greatest trials in England's history will be the prosecution of Clarence Charles Hatry and three co-defendants on charges of fraud and forgery arising from the crash of the Hatry group of companies last year. The trial opens tomorrow. Losses of nearly \$10,000,000 were incurred by shareholders and members of the associated companies stock market debacle, and members of the London Stock Exchange have formed a pool of \$5,000,000 to discharge the obligations to foreign creditors. The co-defendants are A. E. Taber, John G. Dixon and Edmund Daniels, and with Hatry himself they face fifty two separate charges. Sir William Jowitt, Attorney-General in the Labor Government, will be chief Crown prosecutor.

## BAKE WITH "ROBIN HOOD FLOUR"