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## British Cabinet Discusses Lords Reform Bill

### Compromise Reached Between Opposing Parties Whereby Greater Power Will be Given to the Lords.

(Special to The Guardian)  
LONDON, July 11.—The full Cabinet met at 10 Downing Street this morning under the presidency of Lloyd George to make a decision on certain aspects of the House of Lords reform problem which may have an important bearing on the result of the next general election, which cannot be delayed many months longer. The Cabinet has been divided on this question for some time past, but your correspondent learns from an authoritative source that a compromise has been reached between the opposing factions, whereby great powers will be granted to the Lords but the veto imposed after Lloyd George's famous campaign of 1910 will remain.

The principal alteration in the composition of the Upper Chamber is the abolition of the hereditary right to sit in the Lords, for the new bill provides that at least a portion of the Upper House shall be selected, although it is not definitely settled what shall be the machinery of choice. The selected peers will then proceed to elect the remainder from among their number, who are distinguished in various walks of life or have performed eminent service to the state. As a result of this the number of the new House will fall approximately below the present membership. It is a foregone conclusion that the new measure will not be acceptable to the peers who desire the restoration of the old veto powers, but the country is overwhelmingly opposed to a reversion to the old position.

## Empire Economic Conference Suggested

(Special to The Guardian)  
LONDON, July 11.—The proposal for an Empire Economic Conference which the Canadian Chamber of Commerce here urged upon Lloyd George in a resolution a short time ago is being taken up in influential political and business circles here.

## France Will Watch Russians at Hague

(Special to The Guardian)  
PARIS, July 11.—France has decided to keep her experts at the Hague until the end of the conference and Russian affairs there, it was announced in official circles today.

## German Collapse is Inevitable Without Moratorium

(Special to The Guardian)  
PARIS, July 11.—Financial chaos and the fall of the Wirth Government may result if the Allies refuse to grant Germany a two year moratorium, the Reparations Commission was informed today by German envoys.

The envoys, Herr Schroeder, Under Secretary of the German Finance Ministry and Herr Fischer, President of the War Debts Commission, warned Allied representatives that Germany would face a crisis similar to that of Austria if forced to pay the fifty million gold marks due July 15.

Reparations Commissioners discussed the German proposition and consulted the leaders of their respective governments. It was generally believed that some form of moratorium must be granted to Germany. The situation created by Germany's request has revived talk of England's proposal for an international financial conference, in which the United States would be included. The purpose of the conference would be for discussion of inter-allied debts.

## Mullingar Alone In Hands of Rebels

BELFAST, July 11.—National army troops now occupy all the towns and villages in the Irish Midlands, except Tullamore, in King's County, where, according to a Mullingar despatch today, the hotels are being asked to supply meals to nearly 200 insurgent soldiers daily, and the supplies of food, fruit, merchandise and tobacco are being commandeered. All the newspapers destined for Tullamore, the despatch said, are burned by the Republicans and the only news the residents receive is that so many hundreds of National troops have been captured or killed, or that Major General McKeon or some of the other National leaders have been taken.

The despatch added that a large party of Republican prisoners had been sent from Mullingar to Mount Joy prison under heavy escort.

OLD LETTERS ARE VALUABLE  
Look up your very old letters. The old used postage stamps are valuable. Send me one of each kind you find and I will make you a cash offer for all you have. Do not remove the stamps from the envelopes. Geo. H. Hakes, 290 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

## Verdict Delivered in Rum Robbery Case

### Hennessey is Acquitted and O'Brien and Essery Found Guilty of Theft. The Complete Disappearance of the Mysterious Motor Truck Evidently Used to Carry Away the Booze Commented Upon by Chief Justice Mathieson in His Jury Charge. Mystery Surrounding Man in Grey Clothes and Green Hat Increased by Further Testimony Yesterday Morning.

The trial of Edward Hennessey, 7th and 4 a. m. of the 8th of June, had been broken and entered, charged with shop-breaking and larceny was concluded at Supreme Court before the Chief Justice and jury yesterday afternoon.

At 3.50 p. m. the jury retired after hearing the summing up by counsel for the defense and Crown and receiving His Lordship's charge. At 4.25 they brought down the following verdicts:

Hennessey: Not Guilty.  
O'Brien and Essery: Guilty of stealing.

In discharging the jury from the present case His Lordship thanked the jurors for their careful attention during the whole case and stated that the verdict brought down was entirely in accord with the view of the Court.

Before the retirement of the jury His Lordship delivered the following charge:—  
Gentlemen of the Jury: You have heard the addresses of the Council for the prisoners and the counsel for the Crown. You have listened with most careful attention to the details with which the evidence is given and are now approaching the conclusion of the case. It is for me presently to state to you the law which must govern you in your verdict, which both Court and Jury must obey; and to aid your memories, because the case began so many days ago, to give a short review of the evidence given by the principal witnesses.

Now, first, let me take up what the charge is that you are sworn to try. I am reading this from the bill of indictment found by the Grand Jury, and it is within the four corners of this that your duty lies. The charge is that in the City of Charlottetown, on or about the 8th of June, 1922, Edward Hennessey, Daniel O'Brien and George Essery did break and enter a bonded warehouse, the property of His Majesty the King, in his Government of Canada there situated, and two punchcocks of rum, to the value of about \$1,000, then and there being found therein, did then and there steal. You are not concerned about the value, but there is, in this charge which you are trying, the larger offence of breaking and entering and stealing and there is the minor charge of stealing alone, in the event that you would not consider the evidence sufficient to prove the parties guilty of breaking and entering. I am going to give you the statutory definition of breaking and entering. Breaking means to break any part, internal or external, of a building; or to open by any means whatsoever, including lifting, in the case of things kept in position by their own weight, such as any doors, windows, shutter, cellar flap or other things intended to cover openings in a building or to give passage from one part to another. The raising of a window or cellar hatch is breaking and entering. The law does not require that you should make fortresses of our houses or our outbuildings. The law is satisfied if we close them up in the ordinary way. There has been a good deal of examination of witnesses on just how the fastening was made on the door leading into this part of the cellar which was rented to the Customs for a bonded warehouse—about how the screws were put on and so forth—but that does not matter at all. The taking out of any one of those screws, however loose; the pulling out of a staple that you could draw easily with your finger, would establish a case of breaking. Remember the theory is that we are surrounded and protected by those in charge of the enforcing of the law. We are not living in barbarous days when men had to protect themselves by main force, so that, so far as breaking is concerned, you can see how a very little thing would be sufficient to answer that. Was there breaking and entering in this case? The staple was pulled out of the wall, the hasp was forced away from the door and the padlock was lying open on the floor. Without going into further details of the breaking the evidence is clear and conclusive that this store, between the evening of the

## Proposed Changes In Railway Control

### Prominent Officials to Retire and Headquarters to be Established in Ottawa, Montreal and Moncton.

(Special to The Guardian)  
OTTAWA, July 11.—With the purpose of bringing about a change in the management of the Government Elevator System, members of the Board of Grain Commissioners are in the capital today conferring with Hon. Jas. Robb, Minister of Trade and Commerce. The elevators in the past have been under the charge of a member of the Commission. It frequently happened that in the event of appeal from his ruling an elevator manager would sit in judgment as a member of the Commission upon such appeal. It is now proposed that a manager shall be appointed to take care of the elevator systems.

## Insured Must Pay Tax on Policies in Foreign Companies

OTTAWA, July 11.—With the re-constitution of the Board of Directors of the Grand Trunk Railway impending, there is abounding speculation as the changes in the high up positions.

While lacking any official confirmation, it is strongly rumored that there will be an entirely new deal and the President Hanna and Vice President Mitchell of the C. N. R. and President Kelly and President Scott of the Grand Trunk, will all retire.

There is also reason to believe that by way of neutralizing the rival railways between Toronto and Montreal Ottawa will be the executive headquarters of the system, with "Grand Division centres" at Montreal, Winnipeg and Moncton.

Let us see what their intention was. Let us take the position most favorable to themselves. Was an innocent intention that, brought them to Carter's warehouse that morning? They tell you that they are law-breakers, that they were engaged in selling liquor contrary to the laws of this Province; that a man came to see them that evening before and proposed to sell them liquor—ten gallons at \$20 a gallon and that they were to meet him and to take delivery of the liquor in the morning. And then they tell you the story about how they were to have gone to the Gulf Exporters' warehouse to get the liquor but that on the way they were called in, in the early morning, as they were passing Carter's, and in that way they connected themselves with the events.

I want to say this to you, that when they are explaining and excusing their interference in these unlawful acts of stealing the goods they must be able to give you a lawful excuse. To say that they went there, not for the purpose of helping out the theft but for a different kind of way, is not an innocent excuse. Hennessey tells you: "I went to carry on my lawful business as a truckman," and if you believe that, the excuse is complete. But these men went there to break the law, to buy liquor contrary to the law in order that they might sell it in defiance of the law. There is a vast difference between them and those who fall into crime. It has been the fate of many a man who bore a good reputation that under special temptations he has fallen and there are occasions when men fall that are almost accidental. But when you find men deliberately taking up the breaking of the law as a means of making a livelihood you are dealing with a dangerous class entirely distinct from the person who falls accidentally or at long intervals into breaches of the law. What is the record of these two young men according to their showings? That they have engaged in the liquor business. So notorious have they become that when some person is making inquiries where to find men engaged in that business here, their names are suggested. Now, for men who by their own avowal are law-breakers to come before you with an excuse why they took part in a robbery—to tell you that they came in not to rob but to do some act in connection with their own unlawful business—you have a right to reject their excuse and fall back upon this: "The evidence is that a crime was committed and that you were caught red-handed in it and that your excuse is not sufficient." It is a matter of common knowledge that those men who follow, as these men have been doing, the breaking of the Prohibition Act, as a means of livelihood become dangerous not only in the traffic which they carry on, but dangerous by reason of the fact that they put themselves in conflict with the officers of the law and cause some of the most shocking crimes of violence that have come to our attention during the last few years. When a crime has been committed and when parties are brought before them charged with that commission, will never accept the excuse that they were there for the

## U. S. Railway Strike Developing Rioting

### Curtailment of Railway Service and Mobilization of Troops are Features of Yesterday's Activities.

(Special to The Guardian)  
CHICAGO, July 11.—Increasing disorders, curtailment of train service and additional troops on duty at several trouble centres marked the progress of the rail strike today.

## WARM ADDRESS RECEIVED BY BISHOP O'LEARY

### His Lordship Was Bid Thrice Welcome to the Forest Home of His Parishioners at Lennox Island in An Eloquent Address by Chief John Sark.

Among the parishes visited by His Lordship Bishop O'Leary on his recent Confirmation tour was that of Lennox Island. Upon his arrival he was met by the entire parish and the following address was read to him by Chief John Sark.

Right Reverend Louis J. O'Leary Bishop of Charlottetown.  
My Lord:—  
Your parishioners of Lennox Island bid you welcome to their humble parish. We hail you as the great white Chief, the Gijpatias the spiritual leader of all your people over whom the Holy Ghost has placed you to rule the Church of God. There is joy in the heart of the red man today for one distinguished not only by talents and birth, but also by the high office of Bishop, has come to visit his people. So long as the soul is here, we dare to stand up before Your Lordship, the equal of any man said he was connected, but to another and different place altogether. And they go with empty hands to take away this ten gallons of rum. If that story were more would they have turned out after less than two hours sleep, the two of them, to take home this quantity of rum to carry it, I suppose, on the open street? You have heard something about how this traffic is being carried on. How likely is it that these two men would go in broad daylight for this purpose; and if some other carriage were required, why the two of them? The whole weight of ten gallons would not be more than one hundred pounds. But from what you have heard I think you would be quite well satisfied that it would not be carried home in their hands.

Do they give any reasonable account that the stranger gave about how this rum came to be at Carter's? We are dealing here not with two simple boys. We are dealing with two sharp fellows who have lived in Charlottetown for many years and who had the means of knowing, and doubtless did know just what Mr. Carter's reputation is. I suppose many of you gentlemen with not nearly the same means of knowledge, would at once say: "Carter's for rum? Such a thing is utterly incredible, not to be entertained for one moment!" If that were so, and they found rum there, don't you think, if their intention was honest, that they would be put on their guard at once? Don't you think that they were there because in the interval since the landing of the rum the information that it was there had leaked out? And if it was there it would not be there for sale. From the fact of the rum being stored in Carter's the theory that they were to get their ten gallons falls to the ground at once as absurd.

Follow them through the transaction: what took them out to the bicycle park unless they were going out to aid in a theft of the goods? They knew they were not going to get the rum out of the punchcocks. You get no answer to the question on the theory that they were going to get their ten gallons, but you get a perfectly satisfactory answer on the theory that they were helping out in the theft of the goods and were principals in the theft. Then it is explained and not upon any other theory.

I do not know, gentlemen, that I can assist you any further except by submitting to you a review of the principal evidence. I am not very sure that you require this. Your attention has been such that unless you indicate when I have closed some desire to have these

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Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

THE WEATHER, Temperature, Tide, Moon, Etc.



### CONDENSED SPECIALS

RATES.—10c. per line per day. 3c. per line per day for 3 days or over. 5c. a line per day for 6 days or over. 2c. a line per day for 7 days or over. 3c. a line per day for 8 days or over. 4c. a line per day for 9 days or over. 5c. a line per day for 10 days or over. 6c. a line per day for 11 days or over. 7c. a line per day for 12 days or over. 8c. a line per day for 13 days or over. 9c. a line per day for 14 days or over. 10c. a line per day for 15 days or over.

ROOMS TO LET ON PRINCE St., Apply Guardian.

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