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TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Montreal, Que., Aug. 12th. — Damages set at \$500,000 were caused by fire here this afternoon which destroyed the premises at the corner of Osborne and Mountain Street (opposite Windsor Street C. P. R. Station) of the Ledoux Jennings Carriage Co., Ltd. and which, spreading to neighbouring buildings, including the Bell Telephone Coy's. garage, three dwellings and a hotel, caused great damage. Four men, including two firemen, were slightly injured. Over two hundred automobiles stored in the premises were destroyed. The fire raged nearly six hours before it was finally brought under control.

Berlin, Aug. 12th.—The resignation of Chancellor Cuno and his entire cabinet was accepted today by President Ebert. Dr. Gustav Stresemann, leader of the German People's Party, has been commissioned by President Ebert to form a new Government. After accepting the task Dr. Stresemann had a conference with the representatives of the various parties. Just before Chancellor Cuno called upon President Ebert to submit the Cabinet's resignation, the Reichstag leaders, representing the present Coalition parties and the United Socialists, visited the President and discussed with him the prospects of constructing a Government on a four party coalition basis. This indicated that the United Socialists had arrived at an understanding with the Bourgeois parties with respect to their readiness to enter a cabinet which would accept as a platform the programme of

internal tax and financial measures and other political and economic demands, which the United Socialists put forward in their programme against Chancellor Cuno. The abandonment of the Chancellor by the Socialists was commonly accepted as a concession to their radical following and as a counter stroke to the Communists, who are utilizing the nation's distress as a means of mobilizing the working classes around the Red flag. The four party coalition, which hereafter will occupy the Government bench in the Reichstag, will command a majority which is opposed by only 71 nationalists and communists votes, out of a total of 469. Dr. Stresemann is 45 years old. He is one of the most fluent speakers in the Reichstag and an out and out party man, nevertheless he is regarded as an adept politician. The new Chancellor has been identified with industrial activities. He is the presiding chairman of the German-American Economic League, which is occupied with endeavouring to further trade relations between the United States and Germany.

London, Aug. 12th.—The British reply to the last French and Belgian notes has been completed and was handed to the Ambassadors on Saturday. The whole correspondence of Great Britain with France and Belgium, including the famous draft of the reply to Germany, will be made public on Monday. The new British reply which is a very important document, is about 8,000 words long and goes fully into the whole situation, setting out in great detail and in the plainest language Great Britain's position. For instance, it is understood, it points out that Great Britain has suffered from the European situation since the war just as much as France from the war devastation. Since the armistice it has spent 400,000,000 pounds for the relief of unemployment, all of which is a total loss, while France has spent about as much in restoring the devastated regions and rebuilding industries which are now busily employed. France also will be informed by British law officers of the opinion that the Ruhr occupation is illegal under the Versailles treaty and the note will make proposals for ending the occupation, or determining its legality. The question of the inter-Allied debts also is firmly dealt with. Great Britain tells France explicitly how far it is willing to go to forgive these debts and it is understood that the offer follows very closely the lines of the January

offer, which M. Poincare declined to look at. The gist of the new offer is that Great Britain is determined to get either from the Allies or Germany enough money to cover its debt to America, forgiving the rest of the Allied debt which is about equal to the amount of the American debt, and foregoing all claim to damages it suffered during the war and for war expenditures. France will be told that it must play its part in securing a restoration of the solvency of Europe, if it expects any help from nations which have already recognized to the full their obligations.

London, Aug. 12th.—Canadian Rhodes scholars are prominent in the examination results, although, owing to a larger total entered, Americans predominate in the overseas list. In jurisprudence first class H. P. Binet, New Brunswick, passed as did five Americans. H. V. D. Laing, Nova Scotia, passed second class, with an Australian and a South African also on a list with five Americans. The third class went to E. B. Poblado, Manitoba, with an American next. History. First class, one Australian. Second class, L. A. Mills, British Columbia, and two New Zealanders and two Americans. Third class, W. H. Coates, British Columbia, and three Americans. Humanities. Second class, M. D. C. Tait, Ontario and one Australian. Theology. Five Americans. English and literature. Second class, one American, third class, two Americans and fourth class, one American.

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