

yesterday, said in referring to the advent of a Labour Government, that the change merely meant that the old country and the old empire will still go on. He spoke of the changes in government as a bloodless revolution, and referring to the fact that some people professed to be frightened by the rise of labour to power, he said. "The least apprehensive was your other guest today, the Prince of Wales. The only exception to him I would make would be to his illustrious and distinguished father. They were the least disturbed of all the people, lest disturbed, because they were most wise. They were wise because they knew their people better than others, because they had long recognized that patriotism, love of the empire, service and duty were not the gift or monopoly of a class or creed, and because they recognized that there were men in more humble circumstances, denied the opportunities of a university education, whose sense of duty and whose love of country were equal to any other type of men. That is why this great change merely means that the old country and the old empire will still go on." Mr. Thomas, referring to his predecessor the Duke of Devonshire, said they both come from a great county (Derbyshire). Politically, they disagreed. "He has done his damndest to unseat me in Derby," said Mr. Thomas, with reference to the Duke. "and he has always realized that it is impossible for me to unseat him. Notwithstanding our political differences and the social difference between us, with all these characteristics, which make us proud of him, when I became his successor in office he unhesitatingly said, 'my service and experience and all that I know are placed at your disposal.' That was characteristic of that spirit, which, not only makes us proud of our country, but which makes us feel that whatever changes, or difficulties there may be, this old country will survive them all."

London, Jan. 30th.—Sugar in stock on the 26th inst., was 46,000 tons. Last year 126,000 tons.

Athens, Jan. 29th.—For the second time since his return to Greece Premier Venizelos became ill today during a heated debate in the National Assembly and was obliged to leave the Chamber.

London, Jan. 29th.—Mr. Philip Snowden, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced today that the Government was not prepared to dispose of its holdings in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company. The Labour Party has always advocated retention of the Government's five million shares in this company, which have considerably gained in value since the Royal Dutch Shell Combine offered the Government 12,000,000 pounds for them. Mr. MacDonald and his colleagues have maintained that the suggested sale would deprive the British Navy of one of its most valuable sources of oil fuel and

would force the country to depend upon the Standard Oil Coy., the Royal Dutch Shell and other foreign companies. The Government declined a much higher offer for its holdings in 1922, when the Anglo-Persian stock had a considerably higher market value.

Washington, Jan. 29th.—Secretary of the Navy Denby announced after today's cabinet meeting, at which the oil lease investigation was considered, that he had no intention whatever of resigning at the present time. "I am so convinced I did the right thing that I would do it all over again tomorrow regardless of the consequences", the Secretary said, "I feel that I carried out the will of Congress and my activities served the best interests of the people. Accordingly I have nothing to regret and no reason to resign."

London, Jan. 29th.—The Prime Minister Mr. MacDonald has announced a conference to meet in London this week for consideration of the boundary question between North and South Ireland, one of the legacies from the preceding Government. Despatches received from Dublin and Belfast today state that both the Free State and the Ulster Government have accepted the invitation and that the conference will be held at No. 10 Downing Street on Friday. Sir James Craig and the Marquis of Londonderry will represent Northern Ireland.

London, Jan. 29th.—There is already a movement on foot to oust Mr. Stanley Baldwin from the leadership of the Conservative Party at a meeting of the Party, which has been called for February 11th, according to the "Morning Post". Although it is asserted that everyone of the elder Conservative statesmen, with scarcely an exception, and the greater leaders and organizers of the Party were dead against the recent election, the "Morning Post" is going to stick to Mr. Baldwin. It declares "if the Party turns away from him because it has had a knock, it will deserve all it will assuredly receive". This statement of the "Post" may be taken to mean that the Conservative Party will descend into further disruption just when there is every opportunity of reforming itself. The "Yorkshire Post" which was Mr. Baldwin's only important supporter outside of London, seems cheerful enough at the Party's prospects. It announces that Conservative candidates already are being chosen for the next general election though it admits that the election may not come as soon as some people expect.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29th.
Flour, (hard winter clears \$1.90.
" " hard winter straights \$5.40
Meal, Kilndried per 100 pounds \$2.20
New Season's Pork per barrel \$37.00.
Heavy Mess Pork per brl. \$26.00
Sugar—Crystals maximum per 100 lbs.
\$6.65
Melasses Sugar 89 maximum 5.62.

Cotton, Middling, Upland, at Liverpool per lb. 19 15-100d.
Exchange, New York and London, 60 days' sight \$4.23 1/4
Exchange New York and London, sight \$4.25 1/2

LONDON, Jan. 29th.
Sugar, Demerara Crystals, nominal per cwt. 66s. 0d.—69s. 0d.
" Muscavado nominal per cwt. 48s. 51s. 0d.
" White Java's cif United Kingdom 30s. 9d nominal.
Demerara Rum per gal. nominal.
Trinidad Cocoa, good middling red per cwt. 52s. 0d.
Cotton, good medium West Indian Sea Island at Liverpool, per lb. 24d. nominal.
Bank of England Rate of Discount per 4

HINDUS TERRORIZED BY NEW ANIMAL SPEED KING.

New York, Jan. 15th.—Springfield W. Meredith, a civil engineer, on his way home from India, says that the natives of Jaipur are in constant terror of a new wild animal they call "bimlani." When the natives hear the "bimlani" calling at night for its mate, they go and hide under rugs and shiver violently. The "bimlani" is described as an animal with a long body, short legs, long ears and brown in color, with broad yellow stripes. The animal runs at such great speed that when one sees it at a distance the "bimlani" looks like a piece of rope flying through the air.—*Boston American*, 15th January.

BOOM MCADOO AS CHIEF OF PARTY MEET.

Democratic Leaders Flock to Washington to Decide on Convention City.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Democratic leaders here to choose a convention city at the National Committee meeting Tuesday, find themselves entangled in a maze of discussion about the choice of a Presidential nominee.

Friends of William G. McAdoo are especially active and promise a demonstration. Supporters of Senator Underwood, of Alabama, are busy presenting his cause, as are others with the interest of favorite sons and potential dark horses at heart.

The New York delegation, which will present the name of Governor Smith, will arrive with Charles F. Murphy, Norman E. Mack, and other Empire State wheelhorses. William J. Bryan, who announced the name of Dr. A. A. Murphy, of Gainesville, Fla., for consideration, is also to be here as an "interested observer."

Hon. S. Cummings, of Connecticut, former national chairman, brought Mr. McAdoo's name before the party chieftains in a formal statement.—*Ibid.*