

WEATHER.

GENERAL INFLUENCE—Intense secondary...

FORECAST—Strong south-westerly winds...

MINUTE—Sea rough, outlook—unsettled.

DETAILS OF YESTERDAY'S WEATHER BY METEOR. NEGRETTI AND CO. 29, 12, 2 P.M. 29.23, 6 P.M. 29.20, 10 P.M. 29.15.

COMMODITIES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12. The market for commodities...

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 12.

The Liverpool market for commodities...

WINNERS, Jan. 12.

The winners of the various races...

SHIPPING NEWS.

Shipping news for various ports...

£10,000,000 ADVANCE IN COAL EXPORTS.

VIGOROUS TRADE SPURT.

FOREIGN MARKETS FOR IRON AND STEEL. 1929 FIGURES.

A VIGOROUS trade spurt, with coal exports soaring and a round figure jump of almost £8,000,000 over the previous year's exports...

There was a substantial increase in both imports and exports in 1929 over those of 1928. Imports rose by £25,992,649 and exports from £733,379,050 to £739,344,967, an increase of £5,975,917 over the previous twelve months.

OUR COAL CUSTOMERS. Sweden's imports of British coal rose from 1,530,753 tons in 1928 to 2,335,555 last year. Holland's increase was nearly 1,000,000 tons, and France took 1,345,543 tons, or nearly 1,000,000 tons more than during 1928.

Among the important items in the returns which show the most considerable increases in the value of exports are iron and steel, electrical goods and apparatus, leather manufactures, and vehicles, including locomotives, ships, and aircraft.

NAE LUCK ABOUT TO-DAY!

THE THIRTEENTH IN A "13 YEAR."

LOOK OUT!

To-day is the 13th, the first unlucky day of a specially ominous year.

You know, of course, that 1930 is ill-fated right from the start because it makes 13 when added together. Astrologers and horoscopes are also calling it "an event," and are as excited as the Astronomer Royal before an important eclipse.

Only four times this century have we had a "13 year," and last century there were also four. But 1930 is the last. Few will ever see another, as the next does not arise until 2023.

"TO MY DAUGHTER—A SHILLING."

RICH JEW'S RESENTMENT IN HIS WILL.

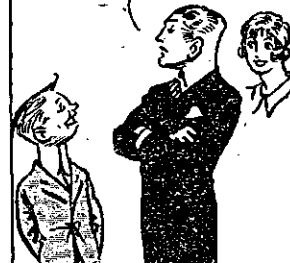
A Willing widow with two daughters and one son will receive one shilling from the estate of her father, an eighty-nine-year-old Manchester Jew, who left £30,000.

She is Mrs. Hart, of Holland-park, London, N.W. Her father was Mr. Haym Marco Besso, of Manchester. His fortune has been bequeathed largely to Jewish charities.

"My father was a strong-willed man," Mrs. Hart explained to a "Daily Express" representative, "and insisted that we should follow his wishes in everything. He wanted my daughter Gladys to keep house for him and when she became ill and I brought her home he was annoyed. He must have been nursing his resentment since that time, and cut me off accordingly."

OFFICE HOURS.

YES, I'M A SCOTSMAN AND PROUD OF IT, TOO!



REALLY! DID YOU EVER HEAR THE STORY OF THE SCOTCHMAN WHO LEFT HIS CHANGE ON THE COUNTER?



NO—I CAN'T SAY I HAVE!



DON'T WORRY—NEITHER HAS ANYBODY ELSE!



MYSTERY DOCUMENT IN GERMAN FORGERY TRIAL.

DICKENS PICTURE.

LETTER FROM FRIEND OF DEAD ARTIST.

Strube's account—published in the "Daily Express" on Saturday—of how Walter Barnard, the aged artist, who died after being knocked down by a tramcar, presented him with a miniature of Charles Dickens, has elicited the following letter from Mr. Nathaniel Myers.

Mr. Myers gave evidence at the inquest, during which it was stated that the miniature was Mr. Barnard's most treasured possession, and that he had had Dickens set to him for it.

Mr. Myers writes—

To the Editor of the "Daily Express." Sir—May I try to impress on you that the miniature found on the old gentleman was the original for which Dickens set?

He had told me that Mr. Strube had been very kind to him, and had given him a copy of this miniature, and had given it to Mr. Strube. I am sure the old gentleman was much too fond of the original to have parted with it to any forger.

NATHANIEL MYERS.

PREMIERLAND BOXING.

Two twelve-round bouts were decided at Premierland last evening. Mick Dryden (Newcastle) being fortunate to gain a points win over Tommy Kirk (Nottingham) and Billy Edmonds (Leicester) outpointing Steve Merritt (Hullington).

STATE "SECRET" PUBLISHED.

GERMAN GENERAL'S LETTER.

SIR H. DETERDING'S DENIAL.

"Daily Express" Correspondent. BERLIN, Sunday, Jan. 12.

THE mysteries grow more perplexing every day in connection with the trial now proceeding in Berlin of nine Georgians and Germans who are accused of forging Soviet banknotes with a view to overthrowing the Soviet power and regaining independence for Georgia.

The week-end has brought one alleged revelation, and two flat denials. The "revelation" was made by the Communist newspaper "Izvestia," which professes to reveal the contents of the document which was read when the court was cleared.

"UNCROWNED KING."

This document, according to the newspaper, was a letter written on the official newspaper of the 7th Command of the Reichswehr, and signed by General Kress von Kressenstein, the commanding officer. The newspaper states that it was General von Kressenstein who introduced Karamitzi, the "uncrowned king of Georgia," and the leader of the accused men, to the late General Hoffmann, who has been frequently mentioned as taking part in the conspiracy against the Soviet.

The newspaper goes on to allege that General Stokes, who commanded the British troops in 1919 during their occupation of Georgia, took part in a number of secret conferences at which were present General Kress von Kressenstein, as well as Karamitzi and other Georgian emigrants.

The Ministry of Defence, in answer to these statements of the newspaper, has issued a demand declaring that relations between General Kress von Kressenstein and the British General Stokes were not of the nature described by the "Izvestia."

STORIES OF GREAT PICTURES

IN THE ITALIAN EXHIBITION.

No. 11.—"The Cavalier in Black," by G. B. Moroni.



Moroni, painter of the celebrated picture "The Train" in the National Gallery, was the inventor of a tradition in portrait painting that appears in "The Admiral," by Velasquez, in the National Gallery and in Sargent's full-length of Lord Ribblesdale. He died twenty years before Velasquez was born. Moroni worked at Bergamo, and Titian so much admired his skill that he used to recommend people to be painted by him when he had no time to paint their portraits himself.

This picture (in Gallery VI.), with another called "The Cavalier in Pink," is lent to the exhibition by Count Moroni, of Bergamo, a descendant of the artist.

sent two of its officials to Munich to negotiate with Ukrainian emigrants. The second demand comes from Sir Henri Deterding, who is at present at St. Moritz. The oil magnate, interviewed by telephone, declared that he had never heard of the conspiracy against Russia until he read the reports of the trial in the German newspapers and found to his amazement that his name had been dragged into it.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR EXILES.

THE LORD MAYOR HEARS A SERMON IN FRENCH.

The Lord Mayor of London, Sir William Waterlow, who is descended from a Huguenot family of exiles from France, attended in state yesterday morning a special service at the Eglise Protestante Française in memory of the Huguenots.

The large church in Soho-square was crowded. The French Ambassador, M. de Fleurbaey, attended, and a sermon was delivered in French by M. Georges Laugel, Pasteur of Paris.

The French Protestant Church was established by royal charter of Edward VI. in 1550, and at the end of the service a copy of this charter was given to the Lord Mayor.

Professor in Synagogue.—Professor Gilbert Murray, speaking yesterday at the Liberal Jewish Synagogue, St. John's Wood, where a special service was held to mark the tenth anniversary of the League of Nations, said that in future it did not seem likely that they could have a little isolated war which would not lead to a large war.

Bishop's Call for Prayer.—A message from the Bishop of Chelmsford calling upon the diocese to lay before God in prayer the appeal about to be launched for £275,000 to build new churches in Essex and to repair Church schools, was read at St. Giles' Church, Colchester, yesterday by the rector, the Rev. E. Hartley Parker.

"I am most anxious," wrote the bishop, "that this should not be regarded as a mere money-raising venture, but as a call from God to undertake a great responsibility. We want prayers in multitudes all over the diocese, and if you will all pray I have not the slightest doubt as to the result."

HANDBAGS BURST IN A WEDDING SCRAMBLE.

ROMANCE OF MAN WHO BROKE THE BANK.

£6,000 WIN.

Crowds of women rushed to escape from the pouring rain into Prince's-road Synagogue, Liverpool, for the wedding of Miss Violet Greenberg, of Stanley House, Anfield, the daughter of a glass merchant, to Mr. Harry Duxton, a Manchester business man who three times broke the bank at Nice in 1928.

Emeralds were broken and the contents of handbags—powder-puffs, purses, and keys—were scattered over the pavement in the rush to gain admittance.

The honeymoon is being spent on the Continent, and will include a visit to the scene of the bridegroom's win of £6,000.

More than 200 letters from women were received by Mr. Duxton when he broke the bank.

His success at the New Municipal Casino he attributed to his policy of doubling up against the bank when his luck set in. His brother persuaded him to quit, and they parted on through a line of bowing officials and players.

The first use Mr. Duxton made of his winnings was to buy a pendant, which he sent to his mother.

RICHMOND PARK TRAGEDY.

The body of a man, later identified as that of Herbert Drevel, of Bournemouth, Twickenham, was found on Saturday in Richmond Park, Richmond.

Close to the body was a bottle which had contained disinfectant.

CLYDESID REBELS DEFEATED.

SUPPORT MOTION REJECTED BY 9 VOTES.

ALL-DAY DEBATE.

MR. THOMAS DESCRIBED AS "COURT JESTER."

NEARLY two hundred delegates attending the Scottish Independent Labour Party Conference yesterday continued for six hours the debate on what has been termed the Clyde rebels' independence action in Parliament, and amid keen excitement rejected a motion in support of Mr. Maxton and his four parliamentary colleagues by 109 votes to 94.

The motion, which was submitted by the Kinning Park branch, asked the conference to approve of the decision of the National Administrative Council endorsing the action of the rebels in the recent debate on the National Insurance Bill, and congratulating them on the stand they had taken.

A direct amendment was also submitted, and during the protracted discussion nearly twenty M.P.s took part, including Messrs. Maxton, Wheatley, Tom Johnston, E. Shiuwell, A. McKinnell, George Buchanan, and Miss Lennie Lee.

STORMY INTERLUDES.

Mr. Dolan, who is chairman of the Scottish I.L.P., presided over the debate after the latter stages, when he, as the principal protagonist of the rebel group, used his prerogative as a member to take part, vacating the chair in favour of Mr. David Hardie, brother of the late Mr. Keir Hardie.

There were many stormy interludes, but no serious uproar. Mr. Bates (Leith) seconded the motion, held that the Government went into office mainly on the unemployment problem, and to-day the position of the workers was worse than under the Tories. All the Government had done was to appoint a court jester in Mr. Thomas.

Mr. Bates said that he was neither a humble propagandist nor a rank-and-file, and a member of Parliament, and he was not acting in any foolish or irresponsible manner. "I have done my best in every possible direction," he declared. He could have put the Government out of office. He knew the Government's position, and its parliamentary and financial difficulties, but he never asked from the Government anything which he believed it would not perfectly possible for them to do.

"You had shoved me up against the guns, and when I looked round there was nobody there," he said.

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