LORD OXFORD'S one moment (as was the case in 1906) seem to more or less pictures que adventure. There could This is no time for leaving it. A living party FAREWELL.

LEADERSHIP.

THE FUTURE OF LIBERALISM.

Liberals of Scotland were on the platform. come a Liberal? Because, both on its con- policy, was in this (the only true and signifi- for an independent Liberal Party, and don't The hall, which accommodates 3,000, was structive and its defensive side, Liberalism cant sense) a united party.

Greenock Liberal Association, who presided, said that to some extent the character of the life-breath of the Liberal faith. (Cheers.) meeting had been changed in the last 24 hours. the belief, however, that Lord Oxford's voice unless he is at liberty to combine with his fectly free to vote against us when they pleased, so effectively done in the past at the times of have a common interest. Nor is there real Budget of 1909. The Coalition which I formed greatest danger. (Cheers.) The chairman proceeded to pay tribute to Lord Oxford's character and services to the country.

rousing cheers and the singing of "For of all. It is of the essence of national and he's a jolly good fellow," said:—

I am here to-night in fulfilment of an en- | you should have an open market, the free ! gagement of old standing. It was with peculiar | influx and efflux of commodities for exchange, pleasure that some months ago I accepted an an unrestricted field for individual energy, ininvitation to come, first because it is always dividual enterprise, individual initiative. a gratifying thing to me, after long years of close acquaintance, to feel myself once more face to face with my old friends of the Scottish Liberal Federation, and next because the meeting was to be held here in Greenock, which is colleagues are under an almost immeasurable debt of gratitude for strenuous and devoted service to our party. (Cheers.)

the date selected so long ago for this gathering Northumberland or Mr. Cook. The good of ever it may cost you for the moment, it is the risk and strain which he could not be asked would be the morrow of my own resignation of all in our view is, in the long run, the good of only way in the long run of securing the respect to face and endure. They who loved him best the leadership of the Liberal Party. You will each; we are all members of one another. It of the country. Those are the conceptions of reluctantly believed that he was right in the believe me when I say it is not a light thing, was for that reason, amongst others, as I the principles of Liberalism and the functions course he was taking. to be done precipitately, without the fullest | shall show you in a.moment, that the general of the Liberal Party in which I was brought | reflection, and that it is a thing necessarily to strike of last summer was a negation and be done with the utmost reluctance, to abandon | defiance of the fundamental articles of the | ship I have sought to put into practice. a post of such honour as the leadership of a Liberal creed. great historic party. I have set out in the |. The appearance of the Labour Party on the | letter which most, and probably all, of you scene has done nothing to invalidate, or to

uphold the Liberal flag. (Cheers.) A Scottish Member

the leadership had to come, there could be no great productive industries which depend for with the reform of the Second Chamber. and heartily endorses the hope that the truce more appropriate place than at a meeting of their efficiency on the free play of initiative It contemplates that as a thing to be done which has lasted four months will become a Liberal delegates from all parts of Scotland. and more a class organization, an expression make, as it has made, Liberal legislation party be attained." The whole of my House of Commons career and embodiment of what is called "class- possible. Take the years between 1906 and was passed as a Scottish member. I never consciousness." That again was significantly 1911. The Liberal Party in the earlier years stood or sat for any constituency in my native | illustrated in the general strike, which was | had an overwhelming, and in the later years a country, but I was for over 30 years the repre- directed by organized Labour, and which was perfectly adequate, majority in the House of sentative of an Eastern country, or rather countenanced—it is true, in a somewhat Commons. It came to its legislative duties, kingdom, for such we call it in Fife. shamefaced fashion—by the Parliamentary if ever a political party did, with a decisive When the men of the East thought fit to sever | Labour Party leaders. our long connexion, I turned to the West and let me point out once again that there is no country, and yet year by year measures which between those two willing parties. He hoped on possessing Burnham Beeches and the other lear and trembling with which their guest leadens the control of the companies. He admission. bours at Paisley. I represented Paisley for the strike and the stoppage in the coal trade. The Education Bill, the Licensing Bill, and Home best part of five years, during which I had course adopted by the miners last May, whether Rule—after careful, patient, prolonged diswhat is, I suppose, a unique experience, for I | it was wise or unwise, was perfectly legitimate. | cussions in the House of Commons were sumfought no fewer than four contested elections. They did not break their contracts. They marily rejected, often without serious debate It is a melancholy fact, melancholy to me at simply refused to re-enter their employment on in the House of Lords. That only happened least, that the Scottish electorate. East and new and, as they believed, less advantageous when the Liberal Party was in power. When

of me; but I cherish no resentment. (Cheers.) whether individually or as a body, no offence no electoral mandate had been obtained passed of close and intimate association with the fight- morality. Their case was mishandled through- and without remonstrance. It was a lopsided ing Liberals of Scotland, but admiration and out by blind leaders of almost insensate folly, situation. It was an intolerable outrage against gratitude for their devoted loyalty, their sturdy and they are suffering the consequences of their | democratic principles, and I shall never forget | adjourned until the afternoon to enable the the informed and reasoned political faith which | The general strike, on the contrary, was an | with that measure of the Liberal Party. has always given to Scottish Liberalism a offence of the gravest kind against both law brand and character of its own. Scotland has and morals. It was an attempt to coerce the

address you with the authority of leader, I shall eschew in what I am going to say, as far as possible and as f.r as I honestly can, all matters of controversy, and leave with you a message which I hope may appeal to all my of a more personal character.

No rational observer believes that Liberalism and branch with promptitude and with no unis, or is likely to become, an extinct or a neg-certain voice. There is a tendency, I regret to ligible factor in our national life. The fortunes see, to look back upon the general strike as a

organized life of a political party.

VITAL LIBERAL IDEALS.

means two things—the preservation and extension of liberty in every sphere of our national life, and the subordination class interests to the interests of the community. Those two ideals were and are the Liberty (as I have often preached), in our Lord Oxford was the man of the hour, but understanding of it, means Liberty in its posi- We had one cause—Home Rule—put by Mr. they were saddened by the fact that his speech tive as well as in its negative sense. A man is Gladstone in the forefront of the Liberal prowould be of a valedictory nature. They had not free unless he has had the means and opportunities for education. A man is not free they had a common interest. They were perwould still resound over the country as it had | fellows for any lawful purpose in which they | as they did on the second reading of the famous freedom in industry if it is carried on under in 1915, and to which I invited not only conditions which are injurious to those whom a Unionists, but Nationalists and Labour men, man employs, or with whom he works, or to the health and well-being of his neighbours. The pose than the effective prosecution of the war. Lord Oxford, who was received with liberty of each is circumscribed by the liberty industrial liberty, in a country situated eco- of the Protectionist Government, which had nomically and geographically like ours, that

THE GENERAL STRIKE.

will have read this morning the reasons which render obsolete, the mission of Liberalism. led me, after most patient and careful delibera- There are, no doubt, some political and social tion, to take so serious a step, and I am not changes for which we could work side by side mately the leader, of the Party, there are two depress but stimulate and encourage going to repeat them to-night. I am much with, at any rate, a section of Labour, just as or three controversies in the domestic sphere touched by the expressions of regret which there are some for which we could work side which it has been my fortune to have a more are coming to me from all quarters, of which by side with the more progressive and broad- or less controlling part in, and which I will Oxford rose to reply. The audience stood up not the least moving come from old opponents, minded among the Conservatives. Labour recall to your recollection. The first is the and sang "Will ye no' come back again " or their living representatives and successors, rueans very different things to the different fiscal controversy, in which I encountered a and at the close Lord Oxford said: "I can with whom in days gone by I have clashed wings and platoons of the heterogeneous army very formidable antagonism, and which ended only say that I thank you from the bottom swords on many a battlefield. It is, I need which for the moment marches with uneven at the General Election of 1906 in such a of my heart." not tell you, a supreme satisfaction and solace steps under the Labour flag. But in the two staggering blow to Protection that it now to me to-night to have around me on this vital matters to which I have just referred its creeps about under modest and belittling pictform those captains of the hosts, lieu- diverse sections are one and all at issue with pseudonyms. (Laughter.) tenants, and staff efficers who, whether in Liberals. The socialization or nationalization victory or defeat, have always helped me to of production and distribution and the extinc- which cost us two General Elections, and ended tion of what is called Capitalism—by whatever in the passing of the Parliament Act. name the ideal, and the process for its attain- Parliament Act, as I need hardly remind with Lord Beauchamp's remarks at Hendon preach again peace and again peace. He was while Sir George Hume had worked many years and he rejoiced that in this select band their guest, had been enrolled. (Cheers.) ment, is called—would starve the resources, you, does not pretend, indeed it ex- on the subject of Liberal unity, thanks his Let me say also, if the time for laying down and, in time, drain away the life-blood of the pressly disclaims any intention, to deal lordship for publicly expressing his views, and enterprise. And Labour is becoming more quite independently. But it was needed to permanent peace and the complete unity of the

West, has twice shown that it had had enough | terms; and in so doing they committed, | the Tory Party was in power things for which | I feel nothing, as I look back on all those years | against the rules of law or the canons of | through the House of Lords without difficulty | to my dying day that my name was associated

done a lot for me. It was the avenue which led to the leadership, and it is only fitting it should be in Scotland that I hid the leadership. It threatened, in the supposed interest should be in Scotland that I bid the leadership of a particular class of workers—a class relatively. It threatened, in the supposed interest struggle, begun exactly 40 years ago this of a particular class of workers—a class relatively bigh up, both as regards wages and the supposed interest struggle, begun exactly 40 years ago this of opening of the programment of the pro worst paid, who, but for the spontaneous uprising of the vast majority of the nation in their defence, would have been cut off from the spontaneous in their defence, would have been cut off from the spontaneous in their defence, would have been cut off from the spontaneous in the spontaneous uprising of the vast majority of the nation in the spontaneous by the electorate of the country, upon the statements of national and international train was specially stopped for five minutes to allow the large crowd which had assembled to allow the large crowd which had assembled to greet him.

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Was able to put Home Rule, thrice approved by the electorate of the country, upon the statements of national and international train was specially stopped for the party, the country that the statements of national and international train was specially stopped for the party to allow the large crowd which had assembled to a old followers. I shall speak first upon the function work and robbed of their means of livetions and future of the Liberal Party, and I lihood. It was, as it seemed to me, the first shall then ask to be allowed to add a few words duty of Liberalism not to parley and falter, not to wait upon events, but to condemn it root

of the Liberal Party may fluctuate. It may at | trivial and transient incident—a shortlived and | Party less essential to the country than it was.

seem to be so battered and mutilated as to be always understood them to be, among the first templating the condition of either of the two on the verge of annihilation. But there is only principles of Liberalism, how are they to be other parties. It is as necessary now as ever one way in which it can ever be killed, and carried out in the only concrete method which to work for an independent Liberal Party that is by suicide. And even then its principles our democratic government allows—party Don't let us hope to restore its fortunes by would survive, and before long find a new and organization? We hear a great deal these days | thinking of ccalition. Coalition government fitting incarnation. Let me say a few words about the virtues and the necessity of unity. was necessary in the war, and I should no more first upon the principles themselves, and then | Unity, I agree, is important; for effective and | blame Mr. Lloyd George for having formed a upon their embodiment and working in the successful party working it is essential; and Coalition Government in 1916 to carry on the I have worked for it in our party since long war than I should blame Mr. Asquith for before many of my latter-day critics were born. having formed one in 1915 with the same But if unity is to be more than a hollow and purpose.

Unity is important, but not less—in some ways even more—important is independence. Our relations with the Irish Nationalists were never those either of coalition or dependence. gramme 20 years before—in which we and After the General Election of 1923 we had to choose between continuing the term of office just been heavily defeated at the polls, and allowing a Labour Government to take its place: We chose the latter course. that to have been a wise and statesmanlike step; it gave the country under safeguarding conditions a foretaste of what Labour in office really meant, and it in no way compromised It is in the same large sense that you must | the freedom of the Liberal Party—as it would understand our other root principle—the have done if, as I see is now suggested, we

THE PARLIAMENT ACT. that I have been one of the leaders, and ulti- | could lay down the task of leadership and not

Another was the long and bitter struggle

HOME RULE.

ment to Ireland. It was the Government of high sense of confidence in the wisdom. that in my lifetime Liberalism has ever passed

through—Donald Maclean and I not only raised our voices in protest against the iniquities and stupidities of the policy of reprisals, but I remember well here in Scotland. at Paisley and elsewhere, amidst the derision of the leaders and rank and file of the Coalition, I pleaded for the grant to Ireland of what has been since conceded, the status of Dominion. The name Unionist has been made I am not going to keep you any longer. Men come and go. As one of our poets has said:--

"Wave following wave departs for ever, And still flows on the eternal river." Liberalism, supported by the opinion of the and its honour unsullied.

LORD GREY ON THE with acclamation. FUTURE.

MORE COALITION.

Viscount Grey said:—

ship. How great that loss is can be measured appreciation of the fine and devoted service out controls was the subject of a case at by the strength and unanimity of the tributes he has rendered to the Liberal Party and the Brighton, in which the Recorder there had paid to him by the Press of all parties to-day, nation. It also expressed the earnest hope reserved his decision. The present case was The other feeling, and the one on which I that Lord Oxford's health may be maintained brought by arrangement really to decide prefer to dwell, is that of gratitude to him for and that he may be spared many years to conhis services to the party and to the country. tribute still further to "the advancement of (Cheers.) In high places he has always up-held the dignity and uprightness of public always be associated." He has never sought credit for himself when things went well. He has always been prompt and generous to accept responsibility THE CAIRO-KARACHI AIRCRAFT. when things were doubtful or difficult. He has never done anything, however covertly, to belittle or disparage a colleague. He has ordered by Imperial Airways for the Egyptnever struck one single blow which the most India service is now being tested at the De sensitive political opponent could feel to be Havilland Aircraft Company's aerodrome at unworthy or unfair. That is a fine record Stag-lane, Edgware, and Imperial Airways for him, and a fine example for those who their monthly bulletin state that, judging by come after him. We are glad to know from the tests, it surpasses in performance the him that, though he lays down the leadership, expectations of the designers. It is fitted with his pre-eminent gifts will still remain an asset three Bristol Jupiter radial air-cooled engines. It is nited with likely that the player would win.

I rejoice to think that and has a top speed of 125 miles an hour and likely that the player would win. it makes no severance between him and me. For 17 years out of the first 20 of our Parliamentary life we sat side by side on the same beach and near to each other. We found ourselves in the same position again, though it be in the House of Lords, and not in the House of Commons. We shall work for the Liberal Party together, side by side, as loyally as in those old days. (Cheers.)

be so strong as to be able to defy any conceiv- not be a worse example of distorted political will always in the long run rise above internal able hostile combination. At another moment, as after the "Coupon" Election of 1918, it may lift these are, as I and, I hope, you have about the Liberal Party reassure himself by con-

In the old days—as lately, indeed, as my own youth—political thought and public life were crudely and sharply bisected. A man without reserves. Every resource—moral, in
Where crudely are constructed and without reserves. Every resource—moral, in
Was over we felt how undesirable coalition had been desirable and was over we felt how undesirable coalition had been desirable. Lord Oxford and Asquith last night was either a Liberal or a Conservative. There tellectual, material—must go into the common been. The coalition election of 1918 wrecked addressed a mass meeting in Greenock might be transient excrescences and eccentri- stock. The Liberal Party, which it was my the Liberal Party, and the Conservative Party cities, but there was no real tertium quid. privilege to lead in the years which preceded put an end to coalition in 1922 because the war, though it contained many shades and they felt that coalition was wrecking their Liberal Federation. Most of the leading choice so offered, did an intelligent man be even varieties of opinion on specific points of party. That is why I say, "Let us work

> let us tread the path of coalition again." There is great work to be done by a British | was, he had served under him, and, whatever Government. There are many things which else might be said of him, he was a great the time and the country need, but the Englishman. He bore for many years, under | country does not want Protection, and it does | not want Socialism as interpreted by the programme of the Labour Party—a programme which is made up of formulas, some inconsistent, some incapable of being trans- am bound to admit that his consistent courtesy lated into practice, and some which, if they and consideration, even to those who have were put into practice, would be disastrous. been most bitterly opposed to him, as I was follow a whole variety of vehicles from the coach The Liberal Party is the only one which can in the past, could not have been excelled do the work of the country without diverting | When I left his Cabinet, on questions coninto those errors. Let no present difficulties nected with the Near East, nobody could have divert us into things that we believe to be un- been more friendly or nice than he was to me. into the great motor-omnibus of to-day. sound. Let no passing apparent political Although it was said at the time that I had advantage tempt us into unwholesome com- left in consequence of differences over Ireland, come an attempt to illustrate the development in the recognition lately paid by the King will maintain the respect, and in time win the most loyally sunk all our differences in the with the hand-squirt and the leather bucket, was elected a Fellow of St. John's and became Chief Liberal Whip and M.P. for Greenock, fought throughout the whole world. Mr. drawn fire-engines of the Victorian period to 1875 he became headmaster of Rossall School, carried, expressing regret for Lord Oxford's public sorrows, always behaved himself as a Brigade of to-day.

throughout his Parliamentary career. "IF THINGS HAD BEEN DIFFERENT." supremacy of the general interest over particu- had as a preliminary condition entered into port of the resolution. She said that her father leader of Ulster. This is not the time to go Deputy Harvey Preen, who is at the head of lar interests. It matters nothing for our pure any bargain with them upon matters of policy. was one who would never be an old man. If into that matter, but I may say that my the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs' Committee, is pose whether the class which is seeking for a A great political party which is not for the things had been different, if there had been defence was fully prepared. It was a very hoping, with the assistance of all the authorities privileged or paramount position is great or time being in a majority should never allow real unity behind him, he could have carried simple one. It would have been one of the involved, to give Londoners a procession of small; whether it relies upon birth, or wealth, itself to succumb to the temptation to de- on for many years, giving devoted service to or numbers and organization; whether its generate into a bargaining counter. Inde-I did not foresee, nor did any of you, that | mouthpiece is, for the time being, the Duke of | pendence is essential to self-respect, and, what- | ditions, in the teeth of existing odds, it was a

> .. Sir John Simon, responding to a demand for a speech, said that they had been taking part in an historic occasion, and were witnesses of a scene and hearers of a speech which they would remember to their dying day. It was a fine thing to see how a great man, with Looking back on the time, a very long time, | complete dignity, self-control, and sympathy After Sir Donald Maclean had spoken, Lord

A PLEA FOR UNITY. unanimously by the Executive Committee of to the Worcestershire Liberal Council:-"That this Executive Committee cordially agrees

SCOTTISH LIBERAL CONFERENCE.

Federation, who concluded their annual the great trade unions, which had done Oxford and Mr. Lloyd George. Accordingly duties for the benefit of those concerned. executive committee to formulate a suitable resolution. At the afternoon session this was presented in the following terms:—

"A STEADY COURSE." more permanent facts in the life of the party. always looked to extricate it out of its diffi-During 50 years Lord Oxford had never culties. adjusted his loyal and brilliant service to the Men come and go. The fortunes of parties, but had steered a steady course in his unas I reminded you a few minutes ago, fluctuate | swerving and lifelong devotion to Liberalism. | and oscillate in what often seems a most (Cheers.) His loyalty to colleagues, his capricious and haphazard fashion. The Liberal patience, magnanimity, and unfailing Party has this advantage, an advantage which generosity to friend and foe alike, his inclaim for it as against all competitive difference to ambition and contempt for JAMES WOOD appealed against a conviction parties in the State, that it can point to the intrigue, his integrity and high character, at Marylebone Police Court for keeping and Mr. H. Paul, for the society, said the comrichest record of actual achievement in the marked him out as a splendid example of a using premises for the purpose of unlawful removal of abuses and the extension of freedom, great public figure. It needed no title to gaming being carried on therein. The in securing, step by step, that predominance of ennoble him, for his patent of nobility was Magistrate fined Wood 40s. with 5 guineas would not be able to run their omnibuses in the general over the particular interest, which his character and career. His name would costs. I have described as one of its great principles. be remembered as that of one who kept the Mr. H. D. ROOME, for the respondent magis-You have only to look at the Statute-book to faith, and he laid down his leadership with trate, said that on May 25, Chief Inspector find there written in indelible letters what its dignity upheld, its prestige maintained, Sidegrove visited Funland, Edgware-road, country, really means, and what it can do in Sir John Irvin, of Aberdeen, seconded, and public. The appellant agreed with the increasing the happiness and enlarging the several delegates paid tribute to Lord Oxford. inspector that the machines constituted freedom of the great masses of our citizens. One of them was Dr. Joseph Hunter, of Dum- game of chance, but said he had purchased The measures to which I have just referred, fries, whose name appeared on the original controls to fix to them to make the game to some of us who have part and lot in them, agenda as responsible for an amendment to one of skill. The case for the prosecution and to those of you with whom the future the resolution of the executive expressing was that whether there were controls or not rests, ought to be encouraging and even unabated confidence in Lord Oxford as the game was one of chance. inspiring. Let none of you, and especially Leader of the Party. The amendment ex- | The intending user, he said, purchased let none of the younger among you, be con- tended the expression of confidence to include seven discs for 6d. Inserting one of the tent to think that the mission of Liberalism Mr. Lloyd George. Dr. Hunter said:—"I discs in a slot he released the handle on the is exhausted. The new problems which con- hope we have all forgotten about the motion right of the machine, thus causing three front us, and they are many and grave, are and the amendment. (Cheers.) Had the drums side by side inside the machine to not outside the ambit of the old faith. Keep debate developed, we had not the remotest revolve rapidly. The drums, which were that faith; carry on the torch which we, who intention of questioning the leadership of visible through a glass window, had painted have done our best to keep it alight, hand over | Lord Oxford, but our whole underlying purpose | on them fruits such as cherries, pears, oranges, to your custody. Resist all the allurements was to promote unity of thought and action. and lemons, and crowns, bars, bells, &c. of short cuts and compromises. Look neither I hope we will go forward unitedly, fortified they stopped in certain combinations various mittee of Westminster City Council it is stated to the right nor to the left, but keep straight by the great example this noble man has set." | numbers of discs were returned, there being | that a site for a new library has been secured

LANCASHIRE LIBERALS' REGRET. One is the sense of loss the party is suffering Party. It placed on record its admiration of people were not using the controls. by Lord Oxford's retirement from the leader-distinguished his long public life, and its the appellant, mentioned that a machine with-

The first of the new three-engined aircraft ind has a top speed of 125 miles an hour and cruising speed of over 100 m.p.h. The aircraft is described by the makers as the De lavilland 66, and will be known on service as the Hercules type.

CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOWS.

One word of counsel I would venture to give Battersea Park and Waterlow Park are now thought they could do it themselves if they as regards the future of the party. What has open, and to-day shows will be opened at had a little practice. The appeal would, therehappened to-day does not make the Liberal Finsbury, Southwark, and Victoria Parks. | fore, be allowed, but without costs.

"A GREAT ENGLISH GENTLEMAN."

LORD CARSON'S TRIBUTE TO LORD OXFORD.

BELFAST, Oct. 15. Lord Carson to-day received the honorary degree of LL.D. at the Queen's University Belfast, the presentation being made, amid enthusiastic scenes, by Lord Londonderry, the Chancellor. Lord Carson was afterwards the guest at luncheon of members of the Ulster Reform Club. Carson said that he had read in the Press that day with the greatest misgivings

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

great difficulties, great burdens of State. Do not let any man minimize the burdens he had to bear throughout the war, continue Lord Carson. When I was in his Cabinet promises, and let no present adversity quell there was not a shadow of truth in the sug- in our fire-fighting appliances. This section to Dr. James's sterling achievements. (Cheers.) our spirits. In that way the Liberal Party gestion, because he and I had equally and also presents certain difficulties. Commencing Dr. James was born in 1844. At Oxford he interests of the prosecution of the war and the procession will proceed by way of the President of the Union. In 1872 he became Mr. W. Collins, son of Sir Godfrey Collins, the great battle for liberty that was being small parish hand-manual, through the horse- assistant master at Marlborough College, in

appreciation for his long services to the country. the same time as I find this announcement in at frequent intervals and those City Guilds St. Asaph. As each of the schools at which the papers, I see there has arisen a certain with which the Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs Dr. James had been headmaster was named controversy by himself as to why he did not are associated will send their Masters and by the Lord Chancellor the old boys associated prosecute me when I was carrying on as the Wardens to escort the Lord Mayor. Mr. with them cheered with great enthusiasm. shortest trials on record, because what I had educational value. charge, whatever it was was formulated against me and I was asked to plead, I would have said: "My Lord, if it is a crime to be born a loyal citizen of the United Kingdom, loyal to the King, his person and his Throne and his dynasty; if it is a crime to be allowed the privilege of having been so born and to maintain that privilege, then, my Lord. I am guilty, and you can sentence me." lost respect for the criminal.

wished the Free State well, he thought it had were present, and with the chairman of of the right of the subject to appeal to his occasion. Majesty in Council before the Privy Council; in London. That privilege was the right of all lis Majesty's subjects, and it was a suicida' , policy on the part of the Free State to go outside of that principle.

LORD LONDONDERRY ON COAL. LORD LONDONDERRY said that when he left The following resolution has been passed the Ulster Government and went to England in no sense a pessimist, and he thought they for London on the County Council and in guest had been enrolled. (Cheers.) would have peace, but when it would come Parliament. At one time he (Mr. McAuliffe) about he was not prepared to say. They had thought of asking the Lord Mayor Rugbeian, supported the toast. He said he

for the benefit of the industries in which they one, was buried long ago. (Cheers.) were interested, for the benefit of the country

Lord Oxford's decision to retire from the that this dispute was drawing to a close, and he open spaces under the control of the com- used to be approached as Headmaster. leadership of the Liberal Party came as a felt that the good sense of the people must mittee. surprise to the delegates of the Scottish Liberal | come uppermost in the end. He trusted that | conference at Greenock yesterday, under the much in the past and had an opportunity of chairmanship of Sir John Anthony. The doing much good in the future, would consider news necessitated the supersession of a resolu- their responsibilities to the community at large. tion and an amendment on the original agenda, When they realized the immense factor which which would have led to a discussion of party | they represented in the life of the people they differences and the relative positions of Lord | would fall into their place and carry out their

MR. LLOYD GEORGE IN DEVON.

APPEAL FOR LIBERAL UNITY. older that the State itself. Mr. Lloyd George yesterday travelled to Barnstaple, where he will address a public of the utmost importance that they should work James was at Rugby he had a wonderful gift meeting this afternoon. On the journey from | hand in hand, and that our ordered evolution | of bowling "twisters" in cricket matches. He standard of living, in the industrial scale which I was at the head which, by means, class, and not least the poorest and worst paid, who, but for the spontaneous was able to put Home Rule, thrice approved worst paid, who, but for the spontaneous which he industrial scale which I was at the head which, by means, only, of the Parliament Act, of the most trying crises in our country's history, and have been manifested by Lord Oxford in some changes. Both the City Corporation and the of the most trying crises in our country's history, and have been embodied in statements of national and international train was specially stopped for five minutes.

| Addington groups of admirers gathered at prudence which he has displayed at all times. These changes, Both the City Corporation and the of the most trying crises in our country's history, and have been embodied in statements of national and international train was specially stopped for five minutes.

In a brief address, Mr. LLOYD GEORGE for both were in trouble about bridges and (cheers) and I—for he was the man who rallied and that he will still make available his unrivalled powers said that he had visited that part of the world had been about other things. house, and formerly Master of Marlborough, the Liberal Darty in its world and that he will still make available his unrivalled powers said that he had visited that part of the world and Liberalism. Lord Oxford at last the London County Council was to be and Major H. H. Harry Headmoster of the Liberal Party in its worst and darkest days has always retained in a marked degree the affection. In the days of triumph for their party. Those At last the London County Council was to be and Major H. H. Hardy, Headmaster of trust and confidence of the Scottish Liberal Federation. days would come again, with wise counsel represented in the Lord Mayor's Show, for the Cheltenham, paid tribute to the services Dr. That trust and that affection remain in these trying times and vigorous action. The nation was in sore latest appliances for the procession.

London Fire Brigade was to provide some of its James had rendered in the cause of education. In the cause of education. In the cause of education latest appliances for the procession. trouble and needed the help which Liberalism | latest appliances for the procession. could best contribute to its aid. It was In moving the resolution, the CHAIRMAN therefore essential that they should forget commented upon the difficulty of the situa- personal differences and remember only that the 500 acres there were growing in with which the executive committee national needs. Let them stop snarling. Unity | popularity. had been faced, and added that up to that and action should henceforth be their aim. The point the resolution had met with general Party demanded less strife and more life. approval. In the excitement of the moment | The nation, in its sore travail, expected this it was difficult to keep a steady grip of the from the great historic party to which it had

temptations or the convenience of the moment, SKILL IN AN AUTOMATIC GAME.

A SUCCESSFUL APPEAL.

At the London Sessions yesterday, ALFRED by Lieutenant-Colonel R. H. Tolerton, the

quickly to see the articles on them and there- the lower four will form the library. pressing deep regret at the resignation of Lord stopped too suddenly. When the Chief floor. The architect chosen is Mr.

> whether with controls it was illegal or not. A machine at work was shown in Court. SIR ROBERT WALLACE watched it keenly and cherries. Was that a winner?" (Laughter.) 30, Guildford; December 6, Lewes. The result of three trials was two winning combinations and one losing combination. SIR TRAVERS HUMPHREYS quoted a number | November 16, Winchester. of rulings in other cases and argued that, with the controls, the working of the machines became a matter of skill. There had been cases in connexion with the machines in America and Canada. The controls were in the nature of brakes and enabled the player to slow down the drums and see the articles on them. Thus

not quite agreed on this important and difficult giving access to the window. point. The majority, however, were of opinion that there was an element of skill sufficient to come within the category. It was a pure question of fact and of degree in each case. Some thought there was only a scintilla of skill. others that there was a little more, and some

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L.C.C. TO COOPERATE. For the first time the London County Council

the procession will attempt to show the evolution of road transport in London from the days | night by many old pupils and colleagues in of Elizabeth. The plan presents certain diffi- recognition of the fact that he was recently culties, for it is not easy to secure ancient vehicles. Nevertheless the scheme is taking shape. Londoners will be shown not only the manner in which their ancestors were assisted to move about in the narrow streets of the City, but how goods were carried as well. They Mr. A. L. F. Cook (Master of the Merchant Taylors announcement of the resignation of Lord Oxford from the leadership of the Liberal Party. He had fought Mr. Asquith, as he then

will be reminded of the days of the pack horse and of the "carts, carrs, and carrooms," which in name at any rate, continue to be licensed named by the continue to be licensed of the continue to the con at Guildhall—although is some speculation as to the exact form of a Cheltonian Society), the Rev. Dr. Carroom."

Sir George Frampton, R.A., S

The horse as the oldest form of transport for Emest Gowers, Sir F. Lugard,

the individual—and John Gilpin will be represented here—will head this part of the procession and will be followed by various vehicles. It is hoped to include a Sedan chair, with the chairmen in period costume and the quaintlypostmen and link-boys. There will School), Mr. J. A. Hawke, K.C., M.P., Mr. W. Graham and the chaise to the growler and the hansom cab. The omnibus will occupy a class of its roposed a resolution, which was unanimously Asquith, whether he had private sorrows or the huge appliances of the London Fire in 1889 he was headmaster of Cheltenham, in

THE LORD MAYOR AT BURNHAM BEECHES.

CORPORATION AND THE L.C.C.

The customary visit of the Chairman and members of the Coal, Corn and Finance Comnever lost respect for Mr. Asquith, and, so far mittee of the City Corporation to Burnham as I can say, I do not think Mr. Asquith has Beeches took place yesterday. The Lord Mayor (Sir William Pryke), and the Chairman of Continuing, Lord Carson said that, while he London County Council (Sir George Hume) made one great mistake in trying to get rid committee planted trees to commemorate the The chairman of the Coal, Corn and Finance Committee. Mr. H. T. McAuliffe, presided at

a luncheon at the Stoke Poges Golf Club. proposing the joint toast of the Lord Mayor the Chairman of the County Council, he said that he believed that toast had never been presented before. The occasion was unique. because the titular heads of the two principal had been given to few and only to men who governing bodies in London were preach | together there. In Sir William Pryke they had | country. He was glad that the profession of the

see the great governing authorities of London Oxford headship. Whatever little rivalry working hand in hand with full confidence in there might be about the different schools, each other. There was at one time a somewhat among the members of that assembly there take its position somewhat seriously and ever school he served, exercised a great and They had, however, come to realize that the memory dear to all who had known him. L.C.C. had very heavy and responsible duties | He was a man who was regarded in the annals to carry out and that its whole time should of those schools, and was recognized by his

great historic body, with foundations almost devoted himself to education. There was room for both bodies, and it was Replying to the toast of his health. Mr. T. H. | the honour he had received as one bestowed

HULL, the Superintendent of the Beeches, said

FOLKESTONE OMNIBUS LICENCES. APPEAL AGAINST COUNCIL'S REFUSAL.

the Cooperative Transport Society, Limited, support Folkestone, against the refusal of the Folkestone Council to grant licences to 16 of their | toast of "The Chairman." omnibuses for ordinary street traffic was heard Ministry's inspector, at Folkestone yesterday. INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED pany's cars were licensed by other neighbourwould not be able to run their omnibuses in future on local street routes within the caused through a number of the company's cars being used for carrying Labour members of Parliament about during the general

The Town Clerk, on behalf of the Corporation, said that the licences were refused on the ground that the company sent in a time- of the Bristol Society of Chartered Accounttable, undertaking to carry it out, and then when the men came out on strike no effort was made by the society to fulfil their obliga-

The decision of the Minister of Transport will be given in due course.

NEW WESTMINSTER LIBRARY

12 or 14 winning combinations. The idea of at the corner of St. Martin's-street and Orange-The resolution was carried unanimously and the three controls, which were little buttons street, between the National Gallery and opposite each drum, was that the user could Leicester-square. The area is 3,450 square feet. Chamber to prepare legislation rather than to stop any drum at the desired spot. He and on it the council propose to erect a buildcontended that the drums revolved too ing of six floors, including basement, of which Western Liberal Federation, at a meeting in fore the operator could not see when to use ground floor will be the lending department. Manchester yesterday, passed a resolution ex- the controls and, further, that the drums and the reference library will be on the first Two feelings dominate us this evening. Oxford from the leadership of the Liberal Inspector visited the premises later, the Prentice, and it is hoped that building operations will begin early next year.

AUTUMN ASSIZES.

holding the Autumn Assizes are announced announcement which had been made of his in the London Gazette:-SOUTH EASTERN CIRCUIT (Second Portion). Party would not deprive the nation of the -Mr. Justice Avory.-November 18, Hert- benefit of those great gifts with which he had when the drums stopped said:—"Two ford; November 22, Maidstone; November been endowed. WESTERN CIRCUIT (Second Portion).—Mr. | "The Institute of Chartered Accountants," said Justice Horridge.--November 9, Bristol; that, although this country was no longer the

JEWEL ROBBERY IN WOOD

by the use of skill and intelligence it was quite High-road, Wood Green, N., and stole articles about a settlement was a person connected with from the window of the value of about £1,000. a political party. He repeated his belief that The thieves forced the front door, which is made with them to test it. On returning Sir of steel, with a jemmy, wrenching off two locks, testing ground for the question whether the ROBERT WALLACE announced that they had and then bored through a mahogany door

HULL TRAMWAY . WORKERS.

The Hull City Council last night passed a resolution instructing the tramways com-These employees number approximately 200. Problems."

-DR. H. A. JAMES.

TRIBUTE OF OLD PUPILS AND COLLEAGUES.

The Rev. Dr. H. A. James, President of St. will cooperate in the Lord Mayor's Show this John's College, Oxford, and formerly assistant master at Marlborough, and headmaster of As already announced, the central feature of Rossall, Cheltenham, and Rugby, was entertained at dinner at the Hotel Victoria last created a Companion of Honour. LORD CAVE (Lord Chancellor and Chancellor of Oxford University) presided, and among those supporting him were:—

> Sir Austen Chamberlain (Secretary of State for Foreign there Major-General Sir

> > (Warden of the Merchant Taylors' Company), and Mr.

The Lord Chancellor, proposing "Health own showing how the "knife board" developed and Happiness to Dr. James," said that they were met to congratulate him on over 50 years' resignation of the leadership of the Liberal great English gentleman and as a great | The rest of the show will be on conventional 1909, President of St. John's College, Oxford. lines, with boys from the Warspite and the (Cheers.) In the intervals of scholastic work I say that all the more freely because, at Arethusa and the Scouts. There will be bands | they found him for several years Dean of

DIRECTNESS IN DECISION. Cave, proceeding, said that their feelings towards Dr. James were mellowed by time. (Laughter.) He had no doubt that some of those present could testify to the firmness of his discipline. His (the speaker's) old college and University owed to Dr. James debt of gratitude for his wise advice and guidance during the last 17 years. If he were asked to say by which of Dr. James's qualities the had been most impressed, he should point to his quality of directness, the definite character of his opinions and his decisions. (Cheers.) He had never dealt in the fine shades, or in the analysis of tendencies, or the exploration of avenues. Whatever was right the had to be done. Whatever was wrong he fought with all his might. That was the kind the of man they wanted in this country. (Cheers.) It was because of that quality and others his weighty judgment, his high character, and his kindly nature, that all present that night felt for Dr. James not only the awe which

was a natural survival of past years' experience, but also a regard and affection which had grown as time went by. (Cheers.) Concluding, the Lord Chancellor said that membe ship of the Companionship of Honour had rendered special social service to the SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN, as an Old and thrive in and the Chairman of the County Council desired to express the feelings of gratitude. this country unless there were feelings formally to bury a hatchet in Burnham Beeches affection, and veneration which were felt by mutual respect and understanding (laughter) as a mark of the friendly feeling all Rugbeians for their old Headmaster. His between employers and employed. He was which now existed between the two bodies, connexion with Dr. James was not that of convinced that there was a prevailing desire on | Such a proceeding would lack dignity and | a scholar at the school, but when he became the part of parties to come together and to join | moreover, the hatchet, if there had ever been one of the governors of Rugby School. Even then he could not escape from the traditional The Lord Mayor expressed his pleasure at | fear of headmasters, and if he ever ventured

(Laughter.) Dr. James had had a very Sir George Hume said that ever since he remarkable scholastic career. He went to entered public life it had been his one desire to Rugby, and he retired to the dignity of an relationship. It was perhaps was the greatest bond of unity—that they that a new, large body should were there to honour a man who, in whatkeen about matters of precedence powerful influence, and left behind him a be taken up in doing so side by side with the own profession, as one of the greatest and

other authorities of London. The City had its most forceful characters who had ever Mr. E. W. M. LLOYD, formerly assistant Master of Marlborough, recalled that when Dr. Mr. F. Fletcher, Headmaster of Charter-DR. JAMES, responding, said he regarded

on the great profession to which he belonged. and it was on that account he hailed the distinction. Giving some reminiscences of his work as a schoolmaster, Dr. James said that he was a profound believer in religion in the schools none the less because he knew quite well what its necessary limitations were. He knew the unique opportunities which a headmaster had of encouraging the spirit of religion and guiding it into right channels. He was no believer in merely religious senti-An appeal to the Minister of Transport by ment. The School Mission had his hearty LORD LEE OF FAREHAM submitted the

ACCOUNTANTS.

ANNUAL DINNER IN BRISTOL. (FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

BRISTOL, Oct. 15. The members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales, who are holding their autumn meeting in Bristol gathered at the annual banquet at the Royal Hotel to-night. Mr. E. A. HARRIS, president SIR WILLIAM PLENDER proposed "The

Houses of Parliament." Speaking of the shorter speeches and the absence of orations in the Houses of Parliament to-day, he said that that Assembly nowadays wanted delivery of the goods rather than idealism which failed to bring earthly benefits. Vastly more had been done by legislation to alleviate the hardships and make life less drab for the toiling millions lately than in past years. The House of Lords still played an important part in the government of the country, and he hoped an effort might be made to make the House of Lords not a Second Chamber, but a First

THOMAS INSKIP, Solicitor-General. replying, referred to the announcement of the retirement of Lord Oxford and Asquith. He said the House of Commons was more generous than any other assembly in recognizing character and ability. Quick to detect humbug, it was swift to show its appreciation of merit. In Mr. Asquith, as they preferred to remember him, Parliament had a son of the Empire who was always ready to devote his great abilities to the service of the country The following dates and places fixed for and the Empire, and they hoped that the retirement from the leadership of the Liberal

COLONEL SIR FRANK BEAUCHAMP, proposing workshop of the world, we could hold our own against the competition of other countries if employers and workmen pulled together. As long as those two were at loggerheads we should not succeed in solving our difficulties. He felt strongly that, if the employer and his During Thursday night thieves broke into workmen could not settle a question among the shop of Messrs. Hinds and Co., jewellers, themselves, the last person who could bring Government or trade unions should run this

country in future. SIR ARTHUR WHINNEY, President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, replied.

The autumn series of lectures organized by mittee and management to make arrange the Conservative Women's Reform Association ments for the reinstatement of all employees will begin on Monday afternoon, when Sir not re-employed since the general strike. Philip Dawson, M.P., will speak on "European

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