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ASQUITH OPPOSED TO WOMAN SUFFRAGE BILL

Will Resign Leadership If Colleagues Have Not Confidence in Him.

BILL WOULD CREATE SIX MILLION NEW VOTERS

Premier Denies that Parliament has been Neglectful of Woman's Interests—Demand for Vote not Universal

London, May 6.—Opposing the Women's Suffrage bill in the House of Commons today, Premier Asquith said he would resign if his colleagues in the cabinet ever suggested that they did not feel justified in following a government the head of which was opposed to them.

When the debate was resumed this afternoon the Premier defended the government's course, saying it was consistent with the best traditions of British statesmanship. He regretted that he found himself at variance with his colleagues on the question, and greatly he would regret severing himself from the prosecution of other great causes. He would lay down his office if his colleagues ever suggested that they did not feel justified in following a government the head of which was opposed to them.

"They never did," declared the Premier, amid cheers.

Mr. Asquith said the bill created six million new voters and it never been approved by the existing electorate. He continued:

"Would our political fabric be strengthened, would our legislative fabric be more respected, would our social and domestic life be enriched, would our standard of manners—and by manners I mean the old-fashioned virtues of civility, courtesy and independence of the sexes on one another—be raised or refined if women were given the vote?"

Cries of "of course they would," were raised on all sides of the house. The Premier strongly denied that parliament had been neglectful of the interest of women and said he saw no evidence that the British women as a whole wanted the vote.

Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, supported the bill. He said there was ample evidence that a very large section of the women of the country had shown by constitutional means that they favored the enfranchisement of their sex. Militancy he characterized as "the inconsiderate and criminal conduct of a small body of representative individuals with whose outrages the law had dealt and ought to deal severely."

Lord Robert Cecil, advocating the bill, contended that to vote against it because of militant outrages would be utterly illogical and unworthy of the high standard or intelligence claimed by the members of the House of Commons.

A motion to read the bill was carried 266 to 219.

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The Bill was rejected by 266 to 219.

NEW REGULATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES

Will Come Directly Under Dept. of Immigration—New Settlers Will Be Given Fair Treatment.

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, May 6.—Hon. T. W. Cresser, as acting Minister of the Interior, has obtained an order-in-council bringing all employment agencies having dealings with immigrants directly under the immigration branch of the department. Such agencies are to be licensed annually by the department; the license to be revocable on the order of the superintendent of immigration. The new regulation provides against false representations by the employment agency as to labor opportunities, also requires each agency to keep a record of the business done with immigrants, and requires that no position be offered except on a written order given within two months by the prospective employer.

The charge for each position supplied is limited to a dollar, and the agency is forbidden to charge more than the actual travelling expenses. The penalty for a violation of these regulations is a fine of \$100 or imprisonment for three months.

This action has been taken following numerous complaints of unfair treatment of immigrants by some employment agencies. The department investigated these complaints and proved them to be well founded.

HON. MR. WHITE TELLS OF THE WORK OF MINT

Finance Minister Expects Mint Will Handle all Canada's Gold.

AMERICAN SILVER HAS BEEN DEPORTED

Since Arrangement Has Been Made With Banks New Brunswick Has "Sent Back" \$72,000 of American Coins.

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Ont., May 6.—At the opening of the House this afternoon, Hon. Frank Cochrane confirmed the report that P. P. Gustus has been appointed general manager of the Intercolonial mint.

Hon. Mr. White then moved the second reading of the bill to amend the Mint Act and in so doing gave further details of the operation of the mint, and of gold and silver production in Canada.

"The total gold production of 1912," he stated, "was \$12,500,000; British Columbia \$5,000,000; Ontario, \$1,740,000. The mint pays for \$12.25 per ounce of standard fineness. The silver production of Canada was \$1,900,000 ounces, valued at \$19,000,000. Of this Cobalt supplied 29,000 ounces. The mint purchases 685,000 ounces of silver from the United States at 59.2 to 64.5 cents an ounce, and 70,000 ounces from Cobalt at 59.2 to 63 cents an ounce.

Mr. White stated that the refining at the mint would be enlarged and he hoped that in a few years the mint would be able to handle the entire gold supply of the Dominion. The demand for silver in Canada, however, was not likely for a considerable period to meet the supply. Since the arrangement was made with the banks for the deportation of American silver, Mr. White stated \$6,097,000 had been sent back to the United States. The cost of the transaction was highly profitable. Of the total amount of silver deported \$2,200,000 went from Ontario; \$1,584,000 from British Columbia; Manitoba, \$780,000; Quebec, \$760,000; Alberta, \$323,000; Saskatchewan, \$180,000; Nova Scotia, \$82,000 and New Brunswick \$72,000.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier urged on the finance minister the desirability of retaining all our silver in Canada.

Mr. White assured the opposition leader that the matter had been under consideration. There were difficulties, however, especially the lack of a sufficient market in Canada. There was no difference of opinion as to the desirability of the steps.

In reply to J. J. Hughes, of Prince Edward Island, Mr. White stated that the coinage of British sovereigns had been allowed to fall off since we had our own gold coins.

The bill was given a third reading. The house went into committee on the grain act.

SPEAKERS AT THE SCHOOL FOR CLERGY CONCLUDE LECTURES

Interesting Addresses Were Given Yesterday—Conference on Parochial Missions Held Last Night.

Special to The Standard.

Windsor, N. S., May 6.—This morning Canon Vroom gave his concluding lecture on "Liturgical Principles." The points covered were the daily office of the church, the order for morning and evening prayer daily to be said and used throughout the year, the Divine Office as distinguished from the liturgy. Every clergyman, said the lecturer, is solemnly bound to say these offices daily, not merely for his own sake, but as representing those who cannot join with him. Distinction between the introductory part of the service and the office proper was shown. Canon Vroom referred to the lack of the modern belief, which made it necessary to openly reject the creed instead of silently assent to the service of the church.

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This Time Hon. Mr. Hazen Caught Him at Game Of Falsifying.

MAKES CHARGE IN THE COMMONS

Concern Pugsley Boosted as Example of Profitable Shipbuilding was Really in Bankruptcy and Sold at Sacrifice—The Naval Debate.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., May 6.—The discussion of the Naval Aid Bill was resumed for the first time in a month this afternoon and W. M. German of Wexford, the first Liberal speaker, came forward with an amendment to the second clause of the measure which provides for the appropriation of \$35,000,000 to be expended to increase the effective forces of Britain on the seas.

Apparently Mr. German had endeavored to combine two separate speeches on the subject. First he argued, and the money for the augmentation of the imperial fleets should be voted under the Laurier Naval Service Act, which provides for a Canadian navy and declared the Borden Naval Aid Bill absolutely unnecessary. He concluded, however, by moving an amendment to the measure which he had condemned as unnecessary.

His amendment called for the striking out of the clause providing for an appropriation of thirty-five million dollars for the purpose of immediately increasing the effective naval forces of the Empire and for the substitution of the following "tison appropriation, from time to time, voted by parliament, there may be paid, from and out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada, not exceeding thirty-five million dollars for the purpose of speedily increasing the effective naval forces of the Empire."

Hints at Senate Action.

He contended that under Mr. Borden's plan the governor-in-council, and not parliament, would control the expenditure, a needfully affirming that a necessary Canadian assistance in building a navy would be her own men, maintained by her own parliament and floating in the waters surrounding the Dominion. He was confident that the senate would throw out the present bill.

"Red Michael" Confounded.
When the debate was resumed, Hon. W. T. White recalled the assertion made by Dr. Michael Clark of Red Deer that he had read a garbled report of a speech of Mr. Churchill. The Finance Minister, in view of Dr. Clark's statement, read the exact language of the First Lord of the Admiralty as given in his report.

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FREDERICTON MAY GET A NEW INDUSTRY

H. P. Timmerman Has a Proposition to Submit—I. C. R. Employe Meets With Painful Accident.

Special to The Standard.
Fredericton, May 6.—H. P. Timmerman, industrial commissioner of the I. C. R. of Montreal, is here in regard to some industrial proposition which, if they go through, will bring a big industry to Fredericton.

Dr. T. J. Bourque, M. L. A. for Kent, and his daughter, Miss Marguerite, are in the city.

An I. C. R. section man, Peter Moran of Upper Blackville, met with a painful accident on the Canada Eastern express en route to Fredericton today. He had one of his hands caught in the door of the smoking car and two women passengers had narrow escape from serious injury.

The I. C. R. police department was notified of the affair. The line to be Wm. Shearson has arrived from Woodstock to open a public training stable at Troutling Park.

NAVY BILL BLOCKERS WILL ATTEMPT TO FORCE CLOSURE

Then They Will Whine of "Gag" and Endeavor to Have Senate Liberals Kill the Measure Framed to Aid Britain in Emergency.

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Ont., May 6.—An opposition caucus was the first result of the return of the four Liberal champions to Toronto. The caucus unanimously decided to insist upon the application of the closure.

It became perfectly apparent before the end of the day that the heart-searching council of Ontario Liberals in Toronto, of which the arena meeting was the outward and visible accompaniment, brought small comfort to the men who have stood between Canada and the defence of the Empire on the sea. Sir Wilfrid Laurier went to Toronto to find out, with the aid of special trains, what Ontario Liberals thought of his naval policy. He found out, and today the opposition looked as if it had seen its grand mother's ghost. Sir Wilfrid was not in the least deceived by the big turnout for his evening meeting. He had had such receptions before in Toronto, and he has not come back to Ottawa thinking this one meant anything more than painstaking organization.

The opposition will go on talking in the house until the closure is applied. They will then utter the word "gag," a number of times and call upon their friends of the Senate to throw out the Naval Bill. They began today. Their desire to have the bill gassed under closure will be gratified probably before the end of the week.

The Liberal senators are talking of doing what the commonsense Liberals want them to do but they are not a unit. Some of the more prominent and responsible Liberals in the upper house are known to be averse to being made "gag" by the blockers in the commonsense. They realize that their action, if they kill the Naval Bill, will react upon the senate, without the least hope of bringing about a dissolution, and this prospect does not look to them like good business.

A considerable number of their colleagues are, however, eager to frustrate the will of the commonsense majority in the House of Commons, whatever the consequences to themselves. The blockers in the commonsense are endeavoring to keep them in that frame of mind.

Another shot through the abolition of the strikers, in a number of foreed hundreds to free. The police took twenty-two prisoners, ten of whom were hurt, three seriously.

Of the policemen injured in this battle, David Tompowsky sustained a fractured skull. He was hit with a brick and his condition tonight is serious. Another was shot through the abdomen. A specialist ordered the police to "shoot to kill at the first sign of a riot. Protect yourselves and protect property," were instructions.

Several other clashes occurred between the strikers and the police and in these several persons were slightly injured.

MONKTON HAS RETURN FROM GREENLAND

\$8,000 BLAZE

I. C. R. Oil Shed Burned—C. P. R. Telegraph Wires Down and Communication by that Company Cut off.

Special to The Standard.
Moncton, May 6.—The blowing of the wind from the fire bell again tonight, giving the impression that an extensive conflagration was in progress.

The fire proved to be in the oil shed west of the round house. The flames leaped high in the air, but there was no wind, and as the building was isolated there was at no time any serious danger of the fire spreading.

The C. P. R. Telegraph poles and wires, which passed near the old shed were destroyed, and telegraphic communication by this company was shut off. The oil warehouse is a total loss, estimated at about \$8,000.

It is reported that about two hundred and forty gallon barrels of oil were destroyed in the I. C. R. oil house fire tonight.

ST. JOHN SHOULD GET SHARE OF BUSINESS

Special to The Standard.
Montenegro is to be informed that the international squadron blockading the Montenegrin coast has been instructed to arrange with him the immediate evacuation of Scutari by the Montenegrin troops, according to a Vienna despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company. It is not stated whether international troops are to occupy the city.

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COMPULSORY EDUCATION DISCUSSED IN EVENING.

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TOM BARRETT GOT HIS MAN IN BOSTON AFTER ONE ROUND

All Maritime Fighters Showed Up Well—Barrett Whips the Vancouver Man in the First Round.

Boston, Mass., May 6.—The eliminational amateur boxing champions in the classes from an entry list of 100 aspirants were begun tonight in the preliminary contests of the annual championship tournament were held at Mechanics' Building, where the bouts were staged under the auspices of the Boston Athletic Association, which was crowded. The boxers came from many parts of the country and from Canada.

In the 108 pound class, two youths regarded as strong contestants for the title, S. A. Schaff, of New Orleans, and Frank Eacey, of Toronto, were eliminated, each in three rounds. Thomas L. Regan, a Boston High School champion, national champion in the 115 pound class, won his trial with H. Cline, of New York.

One of the best bouts of the night was that in which Walter Ridge, of Brockton, New England, 125 pound champion, received a disputed decision over Harry Carlson, also of Brockton.

Some of the contests of more than local interest were:

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Leo Katin, of Tennant A. C., New York, defeated John J. Sullivan, of Riverside A. C., Toronto, defeated John Clark, of Brockton, runner up last year, stopped Charles Fullerton, of Boston, in two rounds.

John Noonan of Boston defeated James McDonald of Sydney, in three rounds.

In the 145-pound class, John Smith, Revere, stopped Geo. T. Haller, of Brook, N. B., in two rounds.

Thomas J. Barrett, St. John, N. B., stopped Edgar McCormick, Vancouver, in one round.

LONDON BEATS CUBAN STARS.
London, Ont., May 6.—London today defeated the Cuban Stars, 5-4, being the only team to do the trick since the Islanders struck the Canadian league.

ONLY CHARRED REMAINS OF LONDON CHURCH REMAIN

St. Catherine's Church Set on Fire by Suffragettes.

REIGN OF TERROR IN LONDON YESTERDAY

Police Arrest Woman Trying to Blow Up Hotel with a Bomb—Crowd of Tourists were in the House.

London, May 6.—While the members of the House of Commons were entering Parliament this afternoon to discuss the woman's suffrage bill, newsboys thrust "extras" at them announcing what seems to be the most disastrous work the militant suffragettes have yet accomplished.

St. Catherine's church at Hatcham, in the southeast of London, one of the finest church edifices in the suburbs, caught fire soon after noon in a mysterious way and burned so quickly that only the charred walls and a few of the pews remained after an hour, although the fire brigade worked hard. The fire was watched by thousands of spectators.

Like Seething Furnace.
The interior of the church was like a seething furnace a few moments after the flames were discovered. The roof fell in half an hour afterward and the crumbling masonry seriously injured a freeman.

The church was built in 1852 at a cost of \$60,000. An expensive chancel and stained glass windows were added later.

The heating apparatus in the building had not been used for two weeks, and although the church was usually kept open all day, for prayer, all the doors were found to be bolted when the fire was discovered. The vicar, the Rev. Howard Truscott, when asked about the cause of the fire said:

"I cannot ascribe it to any other cause than these delightful ladies."

Vicar Saw Women in Church.
The vicar visited the church at noon when he noticed three women in the building. He supposed they were praying. He now believes that they arranged the fire and think explosives must have been used because of the rapidity with which the flames spread.

The vicar managed to save the records of marriages and baptisms. Attempted Bomb Outrage.

A mysterious attempt to explode a bomb was made early this morning outside the Grand Hotel, opposite Trafalgar Square, where the suffrage disturbances took place on Sunday. The hotel was crowded with tourists. A policeman saw a woman deposit a can with a lighted fuse in front of the door. He abandoned the bomb after extinguishing it by trampling on the fuse and then pursued the woman. He caught a woman he supposed to be the culprit and who, when brought up in court, gave her name as Ada Ward. Investigation proved her to be a night prowler who had often been brought up in the police court. She denied planting the bomb, which disappeared while the policeman was chasing her.

FIREMAN INSTANTLY KILLED BY A FALLING ROOF.
Binghamton, N. Y., May 6.—In a fire in the Brown block at Union today, William Rodman was instantly killed by a falling roof. Edward Gules was fatally injured, and E. C. Chipman and Fred Ridge were badly injured. All four union firemen were buried under the falling roof. The fire did \$10,000 damage.

OTIS SKINNER SERIOUSLY ILL.
Mr. Otis Skinner, the actor, is seriously ill at Indianapolis, Ind., and will be unable to be on the stage for several weeks.

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