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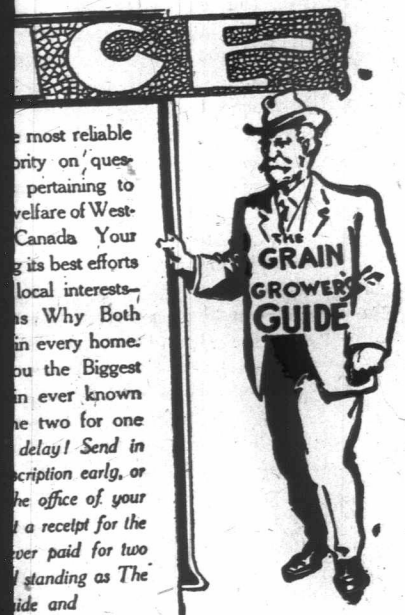
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race" and forbids issuance of licenses
to those of the Caucasian race. In
view of what took place in 1899
and the movements made by the
Premier and Attorney-General, it is per-
fectly fair to assume that the gov-
ernment knew all along that it was
putting legislation on the statute book
that would be disallowed if precedents
are to hold good.

It was stated by both the Premier
and Attorney-General that even if dis-
allowed, the spirit of the act would be
lived up to. How this can be done if
the act is put out of business was not
explained.

Married in Haste

Providence, R.I., March 7.—Wearing
a broad wedding band of gold and a
large diamond engagement ring, Miss
May Boler, 21 years old, until re-
cently employed in a department store
of this city, tonight claimed Philander
C. Knox, Jr., 28-year-old son of the
United States secretary of state, as
her husband.

"We were married in Burlington,
Vermont, Sunday evening at 7 o'clock,
by a minister," she confessed to a re-
porter, after having maintained silence
for four hours under a volley of en-
quiries.

The first revelation today of the ro-
mance proved rather disconcerting to
young Knox. News of his efforts to
obtain a marriage license in Vermont,
and New York states, and in Mon-
treal, Que., preceded his return, early
today, after a three days' absence. Re-
siding to tell Principal French, of the
Morris Heights School, where he was
a pupil, whether or not he had been
married, he was confined to his room
at the school, and when he per-
sisted in his refusal, several hours later,
he was dismissed from the in-
stitution.

With James E. Gillen, a youthful
friend of Knox, the young woman, who
says she is Mrs. Knox, Jr., returned
to Providence, in company with the
son of the secretary of state. She
says that she did not know the name
of the clergyman who officiated or
even of the street that the parsonage
where she said the ceremony took
place, is on. She refused to recount
any details of her romance or of the
wedding trip.

RUTHERFORD STILL LEADS

Government Sustained by
Three of a Majority—
Charges Made Against
Boyle—Cross is Back.

Edmonton, March 11—"I have no
need in the papers the report that I
had resigned. I want to deny that
report. I still occupy the state of
first minister, and I hope to occupy
this chair for some time to come. I
have accepted no resignations. All
the government portfolios are filled
with the exception of that of minister
of public works, and I expect to have
that filled in a short time."

In these words did Premier Ruther-
ford warmly deny in the legislature
this afternoon the report that has
been circulated to the effect that he
was on the verge of resignation, and
the Rutherford government was on
the eve of collapse.

The reply came in answer to the
continued questioning of the junior
member for Calgary, Mr. R. B. Ben-
nett, as to the reports in the press
and on the streets.

Premier Rutherford in his remarks
continued, after further questioning
by Mr. Bennett:

"I stated that we have a govern-
ment and will continue to have a gov-
ernment. I cannot prevent the junior
member for Calgary talking. My gov-
ernment have twice been endorsed by
the people, while the junior member
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The Wanderer Returns

And the wanderer returned. If one
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might make an analogy with the case
of Brother Johnsons feline pet, and
say that the cat came back.

"This morning just after sunrise, a
whisper came up over the hill that
Hon. C. W. Cross had risen early and
had been seen to look over at the
parliament buildings quite in the old
familiar way. This was followed by a
few minutes later by a breathless
messenger, who reported that the pre-
mier had rested somewhat better than
usual, and that, too, without taking
the sleeping powder, and directly be-
fore breakfast had closed his copy of
Bourinot, which for some days had re-
mained open at the chapter, "How to
resign, if you are a premier?" and had
instructed the hired girl to hide it
away where he wouldn't likely stum-
ble on it for a day or two. Then came
a courier riding hard, saying that Mr.
Cross was moving in the direction of
the legislative halls, and after this
there were many confused rumors.

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ernment, led by Hon. W. S. Fielding
and Hon. Wm. Pugsley, want this bill
to go through; the Opposition say nay.
It is F. F. Pardee's bill to incorporate
the St. Lawrence Transmission com-
pany, which the Opposition claim is a
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