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## McCALL BILL REACHES UNITED STATES SENATE

**Democratic Opposition Threatens Passage of Measure, Unless an Extra Session Comes to Its Rescue—Senator Bailey Attacks Free Wood Pulp Clause as Class Legislation in Favor of Wealthy Publishers.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Opponents of the Canadian reciprocity agreement attempted to put a quietus on legislation on the subject when the McCall bill to carry out the provisions of the agreement late to-day was reported "without recommendation" from the senate committee on finance. So far as the present session of congress is concerned they took a long step toward accomplishing their purpose.

As only a few days remain to put the bill thru a hostile body, the speeches against it were accepted generally as its death knell, until a resurrection should come in an extra session.

Senator Bailey, the Democratic leader, expressed the opinion that the best interests of the agriculturists would be served by the defeat of the bill. The Texas senator said that while the agreement admitted wheat and cattle free, it retained the duty on flour and beef meat.

"Civilized people eat flour and not wheat, beef and not cattle," he said. True it was, he continued, that the agreement provided for free wood-pulp, but this change in the tariff laws would mean the loss of almost \$500,000 of revenue to the treasury annually.

He had been informed, he said, that this change would be worth \$5,000,000 to the newspaper and magazine publishers, but for himself he could not consent to a measure which gave such a preference to the rich as against the poor and needy.

Senator Hale concurred in all that Mr. Bailey had said and added that while the bill had been reported without recommendation, the committee had done so in the face of the fact that an unquestioned majority could otherwise have been had for an adverse report. Coming to the consideration of the bill on its merits Mr. Hale said:

"It is my understanding that the bill will take its course in accordance with the feeling and desire of the senate, whatever that may be. If the senate does not choose to take it up, that course will be within its clear right, and any effort on the part of anyone, of whatever authority, to drive the senate now or at any time, would be an assumption of power which would be unwarranted."

Senator Stone of Missouri, minority member of the committee, announced his intention of supporting the measure on the ground that it would be in the line of wise and progressive statesmanship.

The bill went on the calendar, where it is subject to consideration whenever the senate may decide to take it up.

### FIREMEN HURT IN COLLISION

Hose Wagon and Street Car Crashed Together on Queen Street.  
Hastening to a Dominion messenger service call to 455 West King-street, occupied by the Toronto Pharmaceutical Company, No. 6 hose wagon collided with an eastbound Queen-street car near John-street last night, and firemen Joseph Waterman and Percy Cleland were hurled to the pavement. It looked like a disastrous mix-up for a few moments, and a nearby physician was summoned to attend the injured men, who were carried back into the station. Waterman was the more severely hurt, but not seriously. He has an injured back and a bruised knee. Cleland only got a shaking up. There was no real fire. False alarm.

### PERHAPS A SKYSCRAPER UP-TOWN.

The recent sale of the lot (60 x 126 to a lane) with four stores on Yonge-street (Nos. 460-2-4) turns out to have been to Charles C. Cummings and associates, who gave Toronto the Lumsden building, corner of Adelaide and Yonge. The price is reported at around \$150,000, or about \$2500 a foot. The lot faces the centre of the mysterious purchase of the two blocks on the east side of Yonge north of Carlton, and the price therefore looks reasonable in view of the possibilities. The corner lots of this block are held at \$5000 a foot. Mr. Cummings admitted that the above were about the facts and further that if they did not sell at an advance they might put up an office building somewhat after the Lumsden one down town. According to Mr. Cummings before long it will be more retail up town and more financial lower down the street. He said further that he had satisfied himself that the finest department store in the world would be opposite his recent buy.

### Kicking Over the Pail.

GALT, Feb. 24.—This evening Rev. R. E. Knowles delivered his lecture "Reciprocity and Romance" in the Knox Church lecture room to a large audience. He said:

"I think we as a nation have much more to lose than the Americans, but of course there are many things to be considered. The one thing we should demand is plenty of time and consideration, lest we should now kick over the national pail that it has taken us forty years of commercial conflict with the republic to make so full that it surprises them even more than it does ourselves."

### NO MOTIVE SHOWN YET FOR KENORA MURDER

Two Witnesses Testify to Facts of Killing—Inquest Adjourned a Week.

KENORA, Feb. 24.—Following the inquest this morning on the body of Dymtra Pritka, the victim of Wednesday morning's tragedy, John Berillo, the perpetrator of the deed, appeared before Magistrate McLennan on a charge of murder. Crown Attorney McGillivray conducted the prosecution while Mr. J. A. Kinney appeared for the accused. Two witnesses, Pietro Poldero, Italian section foreman, and Mike Powlika, a Galician, who were present at the preliminary hearing yesterday, were examined again to-day, but no added information was given, which would throw a new light upon the motive for the crime.

Mike Powlika swore that he was in the kitchen of the section house on the morning of the tragedy and that Berillo, who would take no breakfast, passed thru the outer room where Pritka was eating his meal, and taking his axe from the wall, carried it to the kitchen, returning with it to the other room, where a few minutes later he heard Berillo say to Pritka, who was still at the table: "You say I will kill Mr. Clark—I will kill you." The blow Mr. Clark-I will kill you. The blow Mr. Clark-I will kill you. The blow Mr. Clark-I will kill you.

Satisfying Berillo that he was not leaving on that score, he made his way quickly to the Robinson farm, some distance off, and gave the alarm.

Another hearing will take place on March 4th, when several other witnesses will be present. Last night Berillo refused his meals, but he was prevailed upon to take a little dinner to-day. The rumors current, and which are credited by several in the vicinity of the late murder, that Berillo is the escaped murderer from Point Du Bois, received little credence at the police headquarters here.

### FIFTEEN BURNED IN MINE.

TONOPAH, Nev., Feb. 24.—Fifteen bodies of miners burned to death in a fire which burned for a time yesterday in the Belmont mine, were brought to the surface to-day.

It is believed that there are from four to eight bodies still in the mine. The last four bodies removed were fearfully mutilated. They came from the bottom of the shaft, which is 1196 feet deep. The fire is out. It did little damage to the mine. Of the dead, six are Americans and the remainder are Slavonians.

### Struck by a Car.

MONTREAL, Feb. 24.—The doctors at Notre Dame Hospital hold out no hope for the recovery of S. Rigleman, who was struck by a car at noon to-day, as he was crossing St. Catherine-street, where Pabst-street intersects the big thoroughfare. The victim's skull is fractured and he lies in an unconscious condition, hovering between life and death.

### A Long Balloon Flight.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 24.—The balloon Miss Sofia, with W. F. Assman and J. M. O'Reilly of St. Louis aboard, ascended 1000 feet at 6.40 o'clock to-night and headed northwest on its long distance flight. The balloonists hope to capture the Lahm Cup.

### Better Pay for Mail Clerks on Railway

Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux Makes Announcement in House of Commons—Special Concession Stamps.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—(Special.)—During the discussion of Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux's postoffice estimates in the house of commons to-night the minister informed J. E. Armstrong that he was preparing a bill which would give Canadian railway mail clerks, stampers and sorters an increase in pay.

Mr. Armstrong pressed the minister for details, but Mr. Lemieux said that while he and his deputy minister had made up their minds as to the amount of increase, the matter had not yet been dealt with by council. The increase, he assured the house, would be a substantial one.

Mr. Armstrong asked if the minister proposed to place the mail clerks under the civil service act.

E. M. MacDonald expressed the hope that the minister had no such intention.

Mr. Lemieux said that a year or two ago he was under the impression that this could be done, but the more he studied the act the less inclined he was to think it advisable. The act was too exact. Under its provisions it would not be possible to deal with the special conditions which exist, more particularly in respect of securing extra help at rush seasons. It was possible that the employees in the postoffices of the larger cities might be brought under the operation of the act.

Mr. Lemieux during the discussion of his estimate also made the important announcement that there would be a special issue of stamps, to mark the coronation of King George. He did not give any details, but announced that a copy of the design would shortly be received from England, and would be submitted to the house.

### COUNT APPONYI'S ARRIVAL

Distinguished Hungarian Hero This Morning—Denies Chicago Story.

His Excellency, Count Apponyi, formerly Hungarian minister of education, and of world-wide reputation as an apostle of peace, will arrive from Chicago at 10.30 a.m. to-day, to fill his engagement to lecture in the university physics building, on "The Menace of War as Europe Sees It," at 3 p.m. He will be met at the station by Prof. James Mavor and Prof. Ramsey Wright.

Assurance that there was no interruption of Count Apponyi's address in Chicago Thursday night, and that no personal violence was offered him, was confirmed in a message received here to-night from the Hungarian statesman himself. He declared that the rumor concerning disturbances in the meeting was not to be characterized as an exaggeration, but as an absolute falsehood. "Nothing of the kind happened," said the count, "it was a brilliant meeting throughout."

### SOUTH BRANT CONSERVATIVES

Denounce Reciprocity and Elect Officers for 1911.

BRANTFORD, Feb. 24.—(Special.)—South Brant Conservative stalwarts to the number of 400 gathered here to-night at a splendid banquet in Masonic Hall. Hon. Frank Cochrane, Ex-Judge Doherty, M.P., St. Anne, Montreal; W. F. Cookshut, ex-M.P., W. S. Brewster and J. H. Fisher, Brant's representative in the Ontario Legislature, delivered stirring addresses. All parts of the riding were represented and enthusiasm ran high, as telling points were delivered on the recent reciprocity pact with the United States, which would, if adopted, put a crimp in several of Brantford's industries.

At the annual meeting this afternoon the following officers were elected: President, S. P. Fitcher, vice-presidents, A. McEwen, W. H. Scaze; secretary, H. Hawley; treasurer, A. L. Baird.

### HONORED BY ALMA MATER.

St. Joseph's Academy, St. Alban-street, was the scene of a brilliant function on Tuesday evening, the twenty-first of the anniversary of the birth of Cardinal Newman, when the pupils of her alma mater presented Miss Lawler with a beautiful sheaf of St. Joseph lilies and a charming congratulatory address to show their appreciation of her appointment to the Senate of Toronto University. Miss Lawler, who was the valedictorian of her class when she was graduated from her convent school several years ago, wearing the academy colors and her graduation medal, she stood upon the same platform, and made acknowledgment.

### VERY TRANSPARENT



Canada Sees Thru the Reciprocity Offer.

### HOLDERS OF LITTLE NIP Bogus Stock Issue Brings on Crisis VOTE TO DOUBLE CAPITAL

Intervals, but these did not meet the approval of the meeting. The Little Nipissing Company has been kept well in the public eye of late, on account of the fraudulent issue of stock, and the fact that the concern was thought to be in financial straits. It was also known that under the terms of the lease on which the property is held, work would have to recommence within a short time, in order to prevent the claim reverting to the owners, the Peterson Lake Mining Co.

Shareholders commenced to gather in the rotunda early in the afternoon, and soon the room was uncomfortably crowded. Stockholders knew that strenuous steps would have to be taken to prevent their property being taken away from them, and it was a determined body of men that came to order at the president's call.

The chair was taken by the president, T. T. Rolph, who was supported by his fellow directors, Messrs. W. S. Milne and R. G. Hunter. At the chairman's right hand sat J. H. Moss, of Aylesworth, Wright, Moss and Thompson, the solicitor of the company, while in close proximity was clustered a group of legal talent, representing the various factions who have been at war over the affairs of the company. The embargo in Little Nipissing affairs since the discovery of the over-issue of stock, has been a hot one, and it was not surprising to find the meeting developing into a verbal battle. Order was fairly well maintained throughout however.

The auditor's report was that the condition of the books was absolutely deplorable, with 17 books out of 50 missing, altogether, stock transfers gone and pages missing out of records.

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### A VIGOROUS PROTEST

Against Granting "Wide Powers in Railway Franchises."

WINNIPEG, Feb. 24.—A vigorous protest was made by several rural members in the legislature this afternoon against granting wide powers to companies seeking railway franchises in the province. The question arose over a couple of bills of incorporation which came up. The charters in the opinion of several members called for almost every conceivable power. The house, without approving the principle of the bills, finally agreed to allow them to go to the committee, there to be dealt with.

### "BECAUSE"

Premier Roblin Cables His Objections to Reciprocity to London Express. (Canadian Associated Press Cable). LONDON, Feb. 24.—Premier Roblin of Manitoba cables The London Express his objections to the reciprocity agreement in 16 paragraphs, each commencing with the word "because." Amongst the reasons are: "The agreement is not asked for by Canadians; it will injure interprovincial trade; depreciate British capital; impair the value of hard wheat; make more remote the time when Canadian representatives will sit at Westminster to deal with imperial interests along the lines laid down by Chamberlain. The final objection is: 'Because it is in Canada un-British and leads us into ways which we know not, to an end that may be more disastrous than financial loss, namely, the loss in dependence of the Dominion upon the British Empire.'"

### ROCHESTER INCREASES CAPITAL

At a meeting of the shareholders of the Rochester mine yesterday, it was decided to increase the capital stock from \$1,500,000 to \$2,500,000. Of the new stock, 600,000 shares will be issued by the directors to the present shareholders at not less than 50c per share. The balance will remain in the treasury.

### TWO KILLED AND FIVE INJURED

Halifax & Southwestern Train Wrecked—Cars Took Fire and Axes Had to Be Used to Rescue Passengers.

HALIFAX, Feb. 24.—The Halifax and Southwestern train from Idleton for Lunenburg was wrecked near New Germany this evening. Two men were killed and five persons were more or less badly injured. The cars took fire and the passengers were rescued thru the roof, which had to be cut. It was impossible to get out by the door. The accident, it is thought, was caused by spreading rails. The engine and two or three box cars went along all right, but the baggage car and passenger car at the rear jumped and fell over a ten-foot embankment, lying on their side.

In a few minutes after the cars fell over, the baggage car took fire, and the flames afterwards spread to the passenger coach, which held 12 persons. Within the baggage cars were four men. Standing on the outside was Orin Sargent, the baggagemaster. He was thrown to the ground and the car fell on him, causing instant death.

People ran to the baggage car and opened the door. They pulled out three men, and thinking that was all, they diverted their attention to the passengers. One had been left, however, and he perished in the fire that burned the baggage car, if he had not been killed in its fall. His name was Look McLaughlin.

Axes were used and the skylights of the passenger coach were cut away and the passengers pulled out. They were seriously bruised, but none fatally injured.

### OUR LOVE TO MOTHERLAND

Greater Than Ever Before, Says Hon. Adam Beck at London.

LONDON, Ont., Feb. 24.—Speaking on the reciprocity agreement to a large mass meeting of the city hall to-night Hon. Adam Beck, minister of power, had his own opinion as to the direct effect on Canada, but he preferred to leave it to the press and the people to discuss, and to the wisdom of the government at Ottawa. "But I will say this," he said, "we are not inclined to annexation in this country to-day, if we ever were before, and our loyalty to the motherland is greater to-day than ever before, and we realize what she is to us to-day. I am a descendant of foreign parents, and I appreciate the fatherland, more than all do I appreciate the land of my birth and the sovereign who rules over it. Come with me and it will all be well with Canadians, and Canada will always be British."

### Australia Fears Meat Trust.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—A despatch to The Chronicle from Melbourne says the federal minister of trade and customs declares that the Australian Commonwealth will spare no expense to "oppose sinister operations of the American meat trust in seeking to control the Australian trade."

### Drank Carbolic.

WEYBURN, Sask., Feb. 24.—Joseph J. Panek, 39 years of age, from Canby, Yellow Medicine County, Minn., committed suicide here last night by drinking carbolic acid.

### MEN'S HAT DAY.

You may be thinking of a new hat to-day. We can only suggest that when you do purchase a hat you will see it bears the name of a big maker on the inside band. The Dineen Company is sole Canadian agent for Henry Heath of London, England, and Dunlap of New York. All the very latest blocks are now on sale—Silks, Alpines and Derby Hats. Dineen stores is open until 10 o'clock Saturday night.

### A Successful Musical Production.

The "Three Twins," or triplets, as they appear on the stage, provide amusing features enough to drive audiences into fits of laughter. The play which will be seen at the Princess all of next week is a most successful musical production.

**A Hockey Extra of the Sunday World out to-night at 10.30 Get one from the newsboys.**