

DIARY OF THE MONTH:

1914.
April.
3 Annual meeting of **TEMISKAMING LIBERAL ASSOCIATION** addressed by **HON. H. S. BELAND, M.P.**, and **E. M. MACDONALD, M.P.**
- 11 **HON. E. D. MILLEN**, Minister of Defence for Australia, severely criticizes **ET. HON. WINSTON CHURCHILL'S** recent naval speech, and declares that Admiralty has violated the 1910 agreement with the Commonwealth.
- 13 Annual meeting of **FEDERATED LIBERAL CLUBS OF ONTARIO** at Toronto addressed by **MR. N. W. ROWELL** and others.
HON. E. D. MILLEN, Australian Minister of Defence, upholds the policy of local navies.
- 14 **HON. G. P. GRAHAM** addresses **LIBERAL CLUB OF HAMILTON, ONT.**, on the National Transcontinental report and other questions.
The "W. Grant Morden", **LARGEST LAKE FREIGHTER** in the world, launched at Port Arthur.
- 15 **SIR NEWTON J. MOORE**, Agent General for Western Australia, tells Canadian newspapers that each portion of the Empire should work out its own naval programme.
400 UNEMPLOYED parade **HAMILTON** streets demanding work.
A delegation, 1000 strong, waits upon Dominion Government urging early construction of **GEORGIAN BAY CANAL**.
Enthusiastic **LIBERAL RALLY** held at **KINGSTON, ONT.**
- 16 **HON. RODOLPHE LEMIEUX** addresses Rowell Club, Toronto.
- 17 **COL. ALLEN**, Minister of Defence for New Zealand, declares that the New Zealand Government conceives it to be its duty to **train men for naval service**, not to contribute to the Admiralty.
L. A. DUGAL, M.L.A., presents charges in N. B. Legislature alleging that **PREMIER FLEMMING**, through W. H. Berry, **extorted** some \$100,000 from New Brunswick lumbermen; that **money was paid to PREMIER FLEMMING** and to **H. F. McLEOD, M.P.** for York, N.B., formerly Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, by Valley Railway contractors, and that **money was diverted** improperly from the construction of St. John Valley Railway.
- 18 **Motion passed** in the New Brunswick Legislature for **ROYAL COMMISSION** to investigate charges against **PREMIER FLEMMING** and **H. F. McLEOD, M.P.**
- 20 **5,000 UNEMPLOYED** seek work from the city in Montreal.
HON. SYDNEY FISHER addresses the Montreal Canadian Club on the Underwood Tariff.
- 21 Announcement made that the report of the departmental inquiry into the **HIGH COST OF LIVING** will not be presented to Parliament this session.
- 22 Annual meeting of the **LIBERAL ASSOCIATION** of **VICTORIA, B.C.**
- 23 **HON. SAM HUGHES**, Minister of Militia, lauds military training at a banquet of St. George's Society, Ottawa.
- 24 Great Liberal meeting in **CALGARY** addressed by **HON. DUNCAN MARSHALL** and **HON. A. G. MACKAY**.
Official statistics for 1913-4 show a total **CANADIAN TRADE** of \$1,112,562,107, an increase of \$44,000,000.
- 25 **HON. RODOLPHE LEMIEUX** and **MESSRS. J. A. ROBB, M.P.**, (Huntingdon), **L. J. PAPINEAU, M.P.**, (Beauharnois), and **ANDREW PHILPS, M.L.A.**, address Liberal meeting at **HEMINGFORD, QUE.**
HON. GEO. P. GRAHAM, HON. SYDNEY FISHER and others address Montreal Reform Club.
- 27 James Usher, of the Carpenters' and Joiners' Union, Ottawa, reports **LABOR CONDITIONS** in the city as the **WORST IN 26 YEARS**.
J. T. Foster, president of Montreal Trades and Labor Council, declares that **MANY MEN** of every trade are **OUT OF WORK** in that city.
- 29 Redistribution Bill passed by Ontario Legislature.

THE MONTH IN PARLIAMENT.

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1 **HON. DR. ROCHE** announces that the Order-in-Council prohibiting the immigration of artisans by way of the Pacific has been extended for six months from March 31st, 1914.
DEBATE upon **NATIONAL TRANSCONTINENTAL** report continued by **L. J. GAUTHIER, (L.)**, St. Hyacinthe, **E. M. MACDONALD, (L.)**, Pictou, **G. W. FOWLER, (C.)**, Kings-Albert, and **D. D. MACKENZIE, (L.)**, Cape Breton North.
- 2 **DEBATE** on **NATIONAL TRANSCONTINENTAL** report continued by **HUGH GUTHRIE, (L.)**, South Wellington; **W. H. BENNETT, (C.)**, East Simcoe; **HON. H. E. EMMERSON, (L.)**, Westmoreland; **SIR WILFRID LAURIER**, and **PREMIER BORDEN**; **AMENDMENT** offered by **HON. GEORGE P. GRAHAM** condemning Gutelius-Staunton report as wilfully partisan, miscondemning Gutelius-Staunton report as wilfully partisan, misleading, and wholly unreliable, and censuring the Government for the appointment of such commissioners and for accepting and endorsing their report, **DEFEATED ON VOTE OF 105-67**.

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3 **SUPPLY BILL** granting \$52,253,007 passed by Commons.
MR. JUSTICE IDINGTON, as deputy of the Governor-General, **ASSENTS TO 33 BILLS**.
Liberal speakers draw attention to inaccuracies in the **FISHERY BULLETINS** of the Department of Marine and Fisheries; **HON. J. D. HAZEN** promises inquiry.
- 6 **BUDGET SPEECH** delivered by **HON. W. T. WHITE**, showing an estimated revenue of \$163,000,000, or nearly **\$6,000,000 LESS** than revenue for preceding year; a current **EXPENDITURE** of \$126,500,000, or **\$14,500,000 MORE** than last year and a **DEBT INCREASE OF \$19,000,000**, with **HUGE BORROWINGS** during 1913-14.
- 7 **BUDGET DEBATE** resumed by **A. K. MACLEAN, (L.)**, Halifax; increased expenditure, debt increase, and enormous borrowings at a time of financial stringency condemned. Arguments made on behalf of Liberals for free wheat and flour, free farm machinery and other necessary tariff reductions. Debate continued by **H. B. AMES, (C.)**, St. Antoine, and **J. G. TURRIFF, (L.)**, Assiniboia
- 8 **BUDGET DEBATE** continued by **J. G. TURRIFF, (L.)**, and **W. F. COCKSHUTT, (C.)**, Brantford.
- 15 **BUDGET DEBATE** continued by **W. F. CARROLL, (L.)**, Cape Breton South; **O. J. WILCOX, (C.)**, North Essex, and **HON. RODOLPHE LEMIEUX, (L.)**.
- 16 **BUDGET DEBATE** continued by **J. A. M. ARMSTRONG, (C.)**, North York; **A. B. McCOIG, (L.)**, West Kent; **J. W. EDWARDS, (C.)**, Frontenac; **E. B. DEVLIN, (L.)**, Wright, and **J. H. BURNHAM, (C.)**, Peterboro.
- 17 **BUDGET DEBATE** continued by **J. A. ROBB, (L.)**, Huntingdon; **J. A. M. AIKENS, (C.)**, Brandon; **W. A. BUCHANAN, (L.)**, Medicine Hat; **JOHN WEBSTER, (C.)**, Brockville, and **HON. H. E. EMMERSON, (L.)**, Westmoreland.
- 20 **BUDGET DEBATE** continued by **O. TURGEON, (L.)**, Gloucester; **WILLIAM SMITH, (C.)**, Ontario South; **DAVID WARNOCK, (L.)**, Macleod; **W. G. WEICHEL, (C.)**, North Waterloo; **D. B. NEELY, (L.)**, Humboldt; and **W. A. CLARKE, (C.)**, North Wellington.
- 21 **BUDGET DEBATE** continued by **J. H. SINCLAIR, (L.)**, Guysboro; **DR. MICHAEL STEELE, (C.)**, South Perth; **HON. CHARLES MARCIL, (L.)**, Bonaventure; **H. B. MORPHY, (C.)**, North Perth; **ROCH LANCTOT, (L.)**, Laprairie-Napierville, and **W. F. GARLAND, (C.)**, Carleton.
- 22 **HON. GEORGE E. FOSTER** states that the establishment of **SAMPLE MARKETS** has been indefinitely postponed.
BUDGET DEBATE continued by **E. W. NESBITT, (L.)**, North Oxford; **DR. ALFRED THOMPSON, (C.)**, Yukon; **LEVI THOMSON, (L.)**, Qu'Appelle; **DONALD SUTHERLAND, (C.)**, South Oxford; **ROBERT CRUISE, (L.)**, Dauphin; **F. E. LALOR, (C.)**, Haldimand, and **J. M. DOUGLAS, (L.)**, Strathcona.
- SENATOR DAVIS** (Prince Albert) complains of maladministration of liquor laws by the R. N. W. M. P. at Le Pas and urges Government action.
- 23 **SPEAKER SPROULE** rejects petition of **GUELPH TRADES and LABOR COUNCIL** for Government acquisition of C. N. R. on ground that petition involves expenditure of public money.
BUDGET DEBATE concluded by **SIR WILFRID LAURIER, HON. GEORGE E. FOSTER, (C.)**, **DR. MICHAEL CLARK, (L.)**, Red Deer; **H. H. STEVENS, (C.)**, Vancouver, and **G. H. BOIVIN, (L.)**, Shefford; Liberal amendment providing for **FREE WHEAT AND FLOUR, FREE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS** and alleviation of the high cost of living by **CONSIDERATE REMOVAL OF TAXATION** defeated on a straight party vote of 88-46.
- 24 **J. H. BURNHAM, (C.)**, Peterboro, **CRITICIZES GOVERNMENT** for failing to deal with the question of ocean freight rates, and declares that "if a government at any time finds that it cannot do things, it is that government's duty to give place to another."
- 27 **HON. DR. REID**, acting Minister of Railways and Canals, tells the House that twelve **UNITED STATES COAL COMPANIES** have been asked to make offers for the supply of coal for the Government railways for 1914-15.
- 28 **F. B. CARVELL, (L.)**, Carleton, N. B., charges that the St. John Valley Railway, to which a double Dominion subsidy has been given, has not been built up to the standard, and that money has been improperly diverted from its construction; debate continued by **HON. J. D. HAZEN, PIUS MICHAUD, (L.)**, Victoria-Madawaska, **H. F. McLEOD, (C.)**, York, N.B., **HON. H. E. EMMERSON, A. D. FOSTER, (C.)**, Kings, N.S., **O. TURGEON, (L.)**, Gloucester, and **HON. J. D. REID**.
- GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS** for a bond guarantee of **\$45,000,000** for **MACKENZIE** and **MANN** submitted to Parliament.
Government tells **E. M. MACDONALD, (L.)**, Pictou, that the subject of technical education is still "under consideration".
Motion of **W. S. LOGGIE, (L.)**, Northumberland, N. B., for **THE ABOLITION OF THE DUTY** on United States **POTATOES** when the existing American embargo upon Canadian potatoes is removed, thereby giving Canadian producers of potatoes free access to United States markets, rejected by Government on Vote of 60-33.