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LOCAL ELECTIONS TAKE PLACE MARCH 3

Legislature Dissolved Thursday and Nominations Feb. 25

Government Betrays Its Weakness by Fixing Gloucester County Polling March 2--Hon. James Barnes Retired from Executive Friday--Opposition Ready for the Fray--Have Full Tickets in Eleven Counties Already.

(Special to The Telegraph) Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 23--The New Brunswick legislature was dissolved by Lieut. Governor Tweed this afternoon, and with it passed a new election. Nominations will be on Tuesday, February 25, and polling day on Tuesday, March 3.

CARLETON. B. F. SMITH, M. P. P. J. K. FLEMING, M. P. P. DONALD MUNRO (Mayor of Wood stock). GLOUCESTER. A. J. STEWART, A. J. WITZELL, J. W. DUMAS. ST. JOHN CITY. W. FRANK HATHWAY, ROBERT MAXWELL, M. P. P. JOHN E. WILSON. CHARLOTTE. GEO. J. CLARKE, M. P. P. W. H. C. GRIMMER, M. P. P. T. A. HART, M. P. P. DR. H. C. TAYLOR. ST. JOHN COUNTY. J. P. MOSHER, A. H. CLARK.

WESTMORLAND. FRED W. SUMNER, Moncton. O. M. MELANSON, Shediac. F. B. BLACK, Sackville. P. G. MARONEY, Melrose. ALBERT. WALTER B. DICKSON, GEORGE D. PRESCOTT. KENT. DR. T. J. BOURQUE, DR. D. V. LANDRY, COL. JOHN SHERIDAN. YORK. HARRY E. McLEOD (Mayor of Fredericton). JOHN A. YOUNG, THOMAS ROBINSON, JAMES K. PENDER. QUEENS. H. W. WOODS, A. R. SLIPP. SUNBURY. J. D. HAZEN, M. P. P. PARKER GLASIER, M. P. P.

FRATERNAL ORDERS EXEMPT FROM NEW INSURANCE BILL

Fielding Announces That Special Legislation Will Be Enacted to Deal With I. O. F. and Similar Societies--Laurier Thinks Better of Promise to Produce Original Documents and His Refusal Brings Down a Storm of Protest from Opposition Ranks.

(Special to The Telegraph) Ottawa, Jan. 23--Ralph Smith, in the house today, read a despatch from Victoria (B. C.), headed "Up to the Dominion," in which it was stated that Premier McBride said that Lieut. Governor Dunsmuir was merely an agent of the Dominion government and it was because of that the Natal Act was withheld.

entered into between a supply company and the C. P. R. and Lieut. Governor Dunsmuir. He said the attorney general of the province of British Columbia, W. J. Bowser, the man who drew up the contract between the C. P. R. and the man Gotch, who brought in all the Orientals that had caused so much disturbance. Gotch was Bowser's client. On the eve of the last general election Bowser gave out the information contained in this contract to a conservative newspaper, the organ of the C. P. R., and attributed it to the Grand Trunk Pacific that was going to flood the country with Orientals. The Liberals were declared to be behind this contract. Later on Bowser, as attorney general, brought in a Natal act which was to have for its object the shutting out of the Japanese, but by a cleverly worded clause this bill was so prepared that it would not interfere with any one entering the province.

Fraternals Clause Dropped. Hon. W. S. Fielding moved the second reading of his insurance bill and referred it to the committee on banking and commerce. In doing so, he said that an arrangement had been reached with a delegation representing the Independent Order of Foresters that the clause affecting fraternal associations would be held over after the bill came before the committee. The Foresters had arranged to convene a special meeting of the supreme court in June next when the whole matter will be discussed. Time was asked to permit this being done and he (Fielding) agreed to do this, so that the fraternal association clause would be struck out and a bill would deal with them later.

Mr. Fielding-I quite concur in that motion to go into supply. Duncan Ross Charges. Duncan Ross referring to MacKenzie King's report on Japanese immigration pointed out that the whole trouble on the Pacific coast was caused by the contract

MAY TEST LORD CURZON'S RIGHT TO SIT IN LORDS AS IRISH PEER

Dublin, Jan. 23--The Dublin Gazette, an official paper, in announcing tonight the fact that Lord Curzon of Kedleston received a majority of the votes at the recent election for a representative peer of Ireland, studiously refuses to commit itself to the statement that he has been elected and apparently recognizes the possibility of a contest by placing on record the fact that Lord Ashburn was second in the race.



LORD CURZON OF KEDLESTON

It has been suggested that the eligibility of Lord Curzon for this office possibly would be questioned, but at the time his candidacy was first launched he announced that he had taken a high legal opinion on this point. He asserted tonight that his failure to qualify for admission to the roll of Irish peers was due to a technical omission, to which his attention had not been called, and which in no way debars him from election as a representative peer.

YORK COUNCIL WANTS REFORMS

Unanimous Resolution That Government Take Over Telephone Lines

PULPWOOD EMBARGO

Members a Day for Export Duty--Farmers and Unitmen Finish Profitable Convention; Many Practical Papers Read and Discussed; Officers Elected.

(Special to The Telegraph) Fredericton, Jan. 23--The York county council finished its business this afternoon and adjourned sine die. Several matters of considerable importance were dealt with at the closing session and evoked considerable discussion. Warden McNally and Councillor Sterling and Brewer were appointed delegates to the municipalities convention to be held here during the next session of the legislature.

CHICAGO SOCIALISTS TROUNCED BY POLICE

Army of "Unemployed" Fades Away Quickly in Face of Swinging Clubs

FIGHT SMALLPOX IN ALBERT COUNTY

Churches and Schools in the Area Affected Are Ordered Closed

MANY CASES

TYPE IS LIGHT BUT THE DISEASE AFFECTS LARGE AREA--MAILS AND FREIGHT AND BAGGAGE TO BE FUMIGATED--DR. FISHER TAKES ACTION.

POLICE CHARGE BREAKS UP PARADE

AGITATOR WHO GOT UP THE PARADE ARRESTED--BOSTON CROWD INVADERS STATE HOUSE AFTER WORK, BUT ONLY A FEW WANTED IT WHEN OFFERED A CHANCE.

CHICAGO, JAN. 23--An attempt of the Socialists to bring about a "march of the unemployed" through the downtown streets today resulted in two sharp fights with the police in which the would-be marchers were routed after a number of men had been clubbed.

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LEMIEUX TELLS OF JAPAN'S PROMISE

Will Restrict Emigration to Canada and Prohibit Contract Labor

Minister of Labor Says There Are 25,000 Asiatic Workmen in British Columbia to Compete With 75,000 White Adults--Found Tokio Government Willing to Remedy Conditions, But Sensitive About Discrimination Against Their People.

Ottawa, Jan. 21--Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Canada's envoy to Japan, gave the result of his mission to the house today. After referring to the objects thereof, he stated briefly the cause of the anti-Asiatic agitation existing in British Columbia, and which culminated in riots at Vancouver.

concerned they were not responsible for that influx. No charge of bad faith can be made against them. The emigration companies are chiefly responsible for this enormous increase. The Japanese authorities look upon this emigration to America as an economic loss to Japan, and their policy of colonization abroad is confined to Corea and Manchuria.

It was not until 1905 that Canada became a party to that treaty, as the time for adhering to the treaty had expired. It became necessary to conclude a special convention between Japan and Canada. The convention was signed at Tokio in February, 1906, and the treaty came into effect after the exchange of ratification.

He referred to the anti-Asiatic prejudices in the west, the increased membership of the exclusion leagues at Vancouver, Seattle, San Francisco and the several riots that have taken place during the last few months, which clearly indicate the existence of an organization, the influence of which cannot be overestimated.

It was only after Canada's adherence to the treaty of 1894 between Great Britain and Japan that the question of Japanese immigration became acute. By clause 19 of the treaty of 1894 it was made optional with Canada and other British colonies to adhere to the treaty.

There were 25,000 Asiatics in British Columbia, all of whom are male adults. There are about 75,000 male adults of the white race. So that every fourth male competing for a living in British Columbia is an Asiatic. The reason for effectual restriction is therefore apparent. Men who can work fourteen and fifteen hours a day, who live with frugality, must prove formidable competitors in the field of labor. There is, therefore, a deep seated popular determination in British Columbia to exclude the concentrated masses of the Orient.

From this point Mr. Lemieux next dealt with public opinion in Japan. Being a proud and sensitive people the Japanese cannot admit that racial prejudices will last forever. Japan claims that their standard of civilization is on a par with those of western nations, but what they regard as the crux of their grievance against not only Canada but the United States is that America admits emigrants from Europe and refuse those of Japan.

Mr. Lemieux next quoted the assurance given by Mr. Nouse, counsel general of Japan at Ottawa, before the treaty was entered into that the restriction of emigration would be adhered to.

MCKENZIE KING TO LUNCH WITH ROOSEVELT

Deputy Minister of Labor to Attend Gridiron Club Banquet Also at Washington.

THREE DEAD FROM WOOD ALCOHOL

Saskatchewan Men Stole Bottle of Fatal Liquid from Doctor's Office and Drank It--Another May Die.

RAN FORTY MILES IN A BLIZZARD

Toronto, Jan. 23--(Special)--At 5:30 o'clock this evening, Claude Pearce, of the Irish Canadian Athletic Club, ran up the city hall steps, fresh and lively, having run forty miles from Hamilton in a blinding blizzard, with nearly six inches of snow on the ground in last half of the journey, in seven hours and twenty-nine minutes.

TO CLOSE WINNIPEG GRAIN EXCHANGE

Winnipeg, Jan. 23--The grain exchange will be closed by the government until the courts pass on the charges made against it of combining to depreciate the prices paid to farmers for grain.

YOUNG COUPLE DROWNED WHILE SKATING

Amesbury, Mass., Jan. 23--Lewis Woodman, aged 22, and Miss Blanche Adkins, 16 years old, were drowned today in Lake Gardner. They went skating on the lake this afternoon and when they failed to return home this evening their parents caused a search to be made. A hole was found in the ice and the police, using grappling irons, soon recovered the body of Miss Adkins. The search for Woodman's body was still in progress late tonight.

GRAND TRUNK CLOSING SHOPS FOR TEN DAYS

Toronto, Jan. 23--Three hundred Grand Trunk employees in Toronto were notified today that the shops would close until February 3.

EIGHTY-EIGHT MORE JAPANESE ARRIVE

Vancouver, Jan. 23--(Special)--Eighty-eight Japanese arrived at Victoria (B. C.) direct from Japan on the steamer Iyo Maru yesterday.