## Dominion Parliament

Redistribution Bill Introduced in the Commons by Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The Measure Criticised -- The Premier Replies to Sir Charles Tupper.

Ottawa, May 20 .- The government Relistribution Bill was introduced yesterday in the House of Commons. Its pro- and return each one member. with the strenuous opposition of the each one member.

Base of Representation.

In rising to propose the first reading of the bill the Prime Minister announced tricts will return one member. that he did so through the absence of the Postmaster-General, Mr. Mulock, with the object of expediting the public usiness, and in order not to disappoint the very legitimate impatience of the public with regard to the measure. He would say at once that the object in view was not to make a total redistribution of the electoral districts. The government had deemed that it would not be xpedient at this time to do more than to undo as far as possible some of the glaring violations of a principle which was universally held to be a fundamental principle of representation in country-representation on the basis of municipal county organization. It was within the memory of all that principal was first interfered with large extent in the redistribution of 1882. The action of that day constiuted a violation of the principle which had prevailed up to that time, main-Conservatives and Liberals

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RY DISPUTE.

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There were many reasons why the municipal county organizations should be preserved as the basis of representation and on this point he could not do better than quote the opinion expressed by Sir John A. Macdonald in the first redistribution of 1872, when he said that was desired as much as possible to keep the representation within the county, so that each county which is a municipality of Ontario should be repre-sented, and when it became large enough it might be divided into ridings. That rule was followed at Confederation, and the case of its infraction, in 1882, in the three constituencies of Bothwell, Cardwell and Monck, the experiment had not proven a success. Sir John had further remarked that it was dvisable that counties should be kept ntact as a means of guarding against he introduction of the American plan caucuses and wire-pulling with the end that counties should refuse men whom they did not know. From the visdom of Sir John Macdonald's remarks of that day nobody would be thought dissentient. Though in 1882 this principle had been departed from :5 aid not appear that Sir John had himself gone back on his views, and Sir Wilfrid felt that to-day the country would le prepared to come back to the adoption

The Guardian Principle

Another principle, Sir Wilfrid thought. should prevail whenever a redistribution of constituencies was to be made. According to the constitution it becomes an obligatory duty of Parliament after new census to make a redistribution. This duty being imperative, it becomes ost important Parliament should adhere to the well-known principles hitherto alid down and accepted when it be omes the duty of Parliament to interfere in any way with the representation. The just principle which the government would lay down was that municipal county organizations shall be the basis of representation and that consequently county boundary lines should not be interfered with. If the population of a county should become so small acording to the development of population in other counties as to no longer justify its representation by one mem-In all of these cases county lines were Ephrem d'Upton, St. This was a case, however, which he Christine, cognized was not likely to happen oftwo of the three members the division the county of Yamaska. should take place by judical decision and authority

Exceptions in Ontario.

After these preliminary observations the guiding principle upon which the vernment acted, the Prime Minister ve the following list of constituencies sent: Ottawa, Carleton, Addington, Durham, Frontenac, Glengarry, Gren-ille, Halton, Hastings, Kingston, Lan-Leeds, Lennox, Addington, Nipis Northumberland, Peterboro, Prince Edward, Renfrew, Russell, Stormont d Cornwall, Victoria and Waterloo. hese remain undisturbed.

In the remarks of Sir John Macdonld's quoted above, he had said that ounty lines had been interferred with three instances at Confederationirdwell, Monck and Bothwell. One of hese (Monck) has already been redisributed and it is now proposed that ardwell and Bothwell shall disappear, d with these West Ontario. It is o proposed that Middlesex, which now urns four members, shall only have ree, which at the time shall be reaced by giving representation to the inty of Dufferin and to the electoral istrict of Parry Sound and two addinal members to Kent.

Mr. Bergeron-That will be three Sir Wilfrid Laurier—Yes, that takes at part of Bothwell. The bill proposes

To give these representation the details would have to be as follows—tak-ing the changes just indicated: The electoral district of the city London will consist entirely of London and return one member.

Changes in Ontario.

Hamilton, and return two members. The electoral district of the city of Toronto will consist of the city of To-ronto, and will be divided into four elec-toral districts, each to return one memtoral districts, each to return one mem-

and the territorial district of Parry a peculiar condition. An elector in the Sound will each be an electoral district city of St. John has two votes. He

passage through the House, meet districts, which districts will return ral districts, one for the city and one

The counties of Kent, Huron, Bruce, Gray, Middlesex, Simcoe, Wellington to change the constitution of the electerday's sitting in committee to amend the and York will each be divided into three total districts as they now exist until Exchequer Court Act. Sir Mackenzie Division of Counties.

into ridings provides for the appointment of the House, and, above all, to the of a board of commissioners to consist country. of at least three judges of the Supreme THE BILL ORITICISED. Court of judicature of Ontario, who will be appointed by letters patent and Sir Charles Tupper Is Abus've, and divide Toronto and each of the counties affected into the ridings. The commissioners in making the divisions will consider the distribution of population actual that it was quite impossible to deal at any cording to the last Dominion census, minuteness with the hill at this stage. the public convenience and such divisions He had expected that the Prime Minister as may appear to them the best calculated to do substantial justice.

In the case of the death or resigna-tion or refusal of any one to act, a successor will be in a like manner appointed. The divisions are to be completed within a time to be limited by letters patent, and the commissioners will report the divisions to the secretary of state, making a separate report in each case. The bill is not to come into force so long as the present parliament

Sir Charles Tupper-But the judicial arrangement applies to this bill.

The Prime Minister—Yes, it is part of this bill. Each report shall be signed by the commissioner or in case of disagreement by a majority of them, and majority report will be the report of the commissioners. Each separate report will be published in the Canada

The Province of Quebec. In regard to the province of Quebec it is not proposed to make any altera tions in the representation as it exists to-day, except in so far as is neces-sary to bring back the different muniprairie and Napierville. Mr. Bergeron-But under the new pos'tion had charged that the Liberal party

franchise act the Indians have no right had obtained power by corruption, and The Prime Minister—They have no use of money, private and public right to vote, and I do not think that Sir Charles Tupper—Hear, hear.

Caughnawaga where it belongs. river opposite thereto, is transferred from Missisquoi to St. Jean and Iberville, to which it belongs for all pur-

poses, municipal and judicial. The parishes of Notre Dame de Stanbridge and Notre Dame des Anges de Stanbridge, together with the island opposite in the Richelieu river, are transferred from St. John and Iberville to Missosquoi.

The parish of St. Pie is transferred from Rouville to Bagot. from Bagot to Richelieu.

transfered to Drummond and Arthabaska.

The parish of St. Nazaire and St. ber, then the government held that that Christine as municipally constituted county should not be separated piece- shall be included in the electoral district meal, but it should be annexed to the of Bagot, and that the lectoral district neighboring county, as was done in the as reconstituted shall consist of the cases of Cornwall and Stormont, Lin- town of Acton, the village of Upton and oln and Niagara, Chambly and others. the parishes of St. Andre d'Acton, 'St. Helene, not interfered with, and these, the gov- Hugues, St. Loboire, St. Pie, St. Rosrument considered, were precedents alie, St. Simon, St. Theodore d'Acton, which could with advantage be adhered St. Dominique, St. Nazaire and St.

The parishes of St. Guillaume d'Upton The principle which Sir Wilfrid and St. Bonaventure d'Upton are transaid down was that whenever a county ferred from Drummond and Arthabaska which up to that time had been entitl- to Yamaska. This is done because the e member became entitled to parishes for federal purposes belong to

The parishes of St. Eulalie and St. Samuel will be and form part of the electoral district of Nicolet. All that part of the township of Stanford, to wit:

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In Prince Edward Island. Coming down to province of Prince Edward Island, the following arrangement is made to provide there, as elsewhere, the county lines. There will be sist of the county of Prince, and re-The electoral district of the city of turn two members. Queen's will consist Hamilton will consist of the city of of the county of Queen's, and return two members. King's will consist of the county of King's, and return one mem-

New Brunswick. With regard to the province of New Brunswick no changes are contemplated
The counties of Dufferin, Haldimand, with the exception of the city of St. Lincoln, Peel, Welland, and Wentworth John, which, as everybody knows, is in votes first for St. John, and then he visions were fully explained, and from the tone of the Opposition criticism it ton, Norfolk, Ontario, Oxford, Perth county of St. John. It is proposed to do was apparent that the measure will, in will each be divided into two electoral away with this, and to have two electofor the county of St. John.

> electoral districts, each of which dis- the dissolution of the present parliaconclusion, the Prime Minister jected by the Senate on Thursday. The provisions of the bill in regard hoped that these provisions of the bill to the judicial division of the counties would commend themselves to both sides

Arouses the Premier's Anger.

Sir Charles Tupper followed. He felt would have given to the House his reason for, on this the first time in the hist tory of Canada, following this procedure. The bill seemed to him a confession that the government was afraid to go back to the electorate from whom it had attained office in an accidental way, through appeals to passion and prejudice on the school question. The by-elections, moreover, had been won by fradulent means. North Messrs. A. L. Belyea and Alex. Henderson Huron and Brockville were alike examples of th's fraud. There victory was won by a brigade of ruffians, headed by a minister of the crown. The Liberal party, besides own interests, had adopted a corrupt franchise, and would now foist this other inlu spite of all these efforts, the Liberal party would, he predicted, he swept out of office at the next general election.

The Premier's Reply. The Premier rose to his feet when Sir Charles had concluded. The leader of the county to another. Thus this parish of language so scarrilous as to be unworthy dignity. Lavaltrie, which for all purposes, municipal, judicial and otherwise, belongs to a man to talk as Sir Charles had, who
the county of Berthier, but which by had asked the people of Winnipeg not to the act of 1892 was transferred to L- place power in the hands of a French Assomption, is restored to Berthier. The Canadian and a Roman Catholic. If shame same applies to the Indian village and should show itself upon his brow surely candidate at the general election, and as better than himself. The leader of the op-

had won its by-elections through the lavish affects the case one way or the other, Sir Wilfrid charged that the Conservative by the use of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve but in order to be consistent we place party had itself introduced bills to re- Food. Women made nervous and irritable 25, 27, 28 and 29 Yates St. distribute constituencies in years when by the wasting diseases which drain their The parish of Lacolle, together with there had been no census taken. The just system find new life, new vigor, new ener the islands situated in the Richelien tification for the measure was plain. It gy, in Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food, the was simply to undo a great wrong, done world's greatest blood and nerve builder.

the people of Ontario in 1882. Other Opinions.

Mr. Clarke Wallace contended that the bill was a scientific attempt to destroy the political party to which he belonged. Even the Ontario law d'd not equal it in stifling

public opinion. Col. Tisdale contended that the provision for calling in the judges was a farce pure and simple. The judges could not from Rouville to Bagot.

The parish of St. Marcel is transferred structions, as conveyed in the b'll without acting to the disadvantage of the Conser-The parish of St. Eugene de Gran- vative party. The result, in his constit-tham, now in Bagot electoral district, is uency, would be to endanger his seat. County boundaries should not in any case everride representation by population. Mr. Henderson asked, if, in order to

gain the representation, the judges would be permitted to divide the townships and put the one half in the one riding and the other half elsewhere.

The Premier replied that that was a point he had not considered. The instructions of the judges were general, and cannot but be general. The duty of the judges would be to divide according to the distribution of the population, as determined at the last census, and the convenience of the public. This is the guiding principle they have been instructed to follow. The Premier, in reply to a question by Mr. John Ross Robertson, Toronto, stated

that the question of a unit of population did not enter into the case, as the basis was simply one of municipal and county organizations. Dr. Montague thought if the principle of returning to county boundaries was good

enough in some cases, it would be good enough in all. The Prime Minister-If you want it applied to all, I have no objection. Mr. Bergeron denied that the division of Argentenil in 1885 was a precedent for

this measure. Mr. George Taylor, the Conservative whip, announced that he was ready to s't in the House till Christmas to prevent the government taking the life out of the Conservative party.
Mr. Bennett (East Simcoe)-Was ready to

keep up the fight till the snow flies. Redeeming the Liberal Pledge. Sir Richard Cartwright assumed the post-

tion that the Liberal party in this matter acted upon a mandate from the people. The principle of representation by population was well enough between the provinces, but not necessary to the same extent between constituencies. EVENING SESSION

Devoted to Other Business. At the evening sitting of the House number of private biles passed. On the bill for divorce to David Stock, of Toronto, Mr. John Charlton entered a protest against the mode of granting divorces, and advocated the institution of a divorce

The Minister of Finance introduced his

Mr. Fielding referred to the opening by the Bank of Nova Scolia of a branch in Jamaica. The government had thought it better to deal with the matter in a general act. As the bank is solvent its notes will be redeemable only in the particular colony three electoral districts, Prince will con- in which they are ssued. The bill was referred to the committee on Banking and

The Minister of Railways secured the second reading of his bill to amend the Railway Act, which will be incorporated in the general act, a couple of clauses being placed in all railway bills.

The Minister of Finance's bill to amend the Banking Act was given its second reading and sent to the Committee on Banking and Commerce. On motion to go into supply, Sic H'bbert Tupper renewed his request for returns. The House continued in supply till 12:20

a m., passing a couple of items. IN THE SENATE The Senate is responsible for the killing

Nothing in the bill is to operate so as of one more government measure. At yes-Rewell took the position that it gave power to enforce the Expropriation Act as re-The Hon, David Mills, who had charge of the measure, said the bill did not differ in principle from the act as it now stood a Catarrh Specialist can cure it. Dr. bowels were se inflammed that the latter why the Crown should not be able to take property for a term of years or take only limited estate where it was necessary. A long discussion followed, during which the Hon. David Mills regreted the disposition of the House with respect to this

> vote of n'neteen yeas to thirteen nays. The Hon: David Mills then moved that the committee rise. The committee then The Senate meets again on Monday

Appointed Queen's Counsel.

In accordance with the powers vested using public funds and patronage in its in them by the provisions of an act passed at the last session of the legislajustice upon the country. In this present ture, the provincial government have bill Ontario is to be torn to pieces for appointed two additional Queen's Counporty advantage, while Quebec, which sel for the province. The act provides seems strongly Liberal, is left alone. But that two may be appointed on or before the 30th of June.

By this latest act of the government's both a Mainland and an Island barrister attain to the dignity of silk, a scarlet bag, and the prestige which the honor or pos'tion, he found, had already shown brings. Mr. Alex. Henderson, M. P. P., cipalities which had been transferred in this session that he was no longer able of New Westminster, and Mr. A. L. the redistribution act of 1882, from one to discuss, but only to abuse, and to use Belyea, of Victoria, attain to the coveted

tion. Mr. Belyea, as Victoria's police magistrate for a number of years, as a reserve of Caughnawaga, which is Sir Charles Tupper should binsh for the transferred from Chateanguay to Las attempt to fasten charges upon men much Columbia bar, is too well known to call

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On resuming there was a repetition of the scenes. Signor Ferry, socialist, aced the Italian forces in Erythrea, of for some time troubled with an affection fleeing and leaving his troops in the of the heart. Ferry refused to withdraw his lurch. accusation, and in the midst of indescribable confusion the house adjourned.

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W. H. Steves of Steveston Dies Suddenly in This City.

A very sudden death ocurred at the Dawson hotel this morning, William Herbert Steves, of Steveston, passing away under very sad circumstances.

Mr. Steves came to Victoria on Monday accompanied by his wife and two astances leading to the Italian rout children, and took a suite of rooms at mense uproar, and the session was sus- attended the different events of celebration week and seemed to be in the enjoyment of his usual health. He was cused General Baratei, who command- not a strong man, however, and has been

Yesterday he complained of very sharp pains in his side and passed a very bad night. Hot cloths were applied and other expedients resorted to to relieve his pain, with the result that this morning he seemed much easier.

This formoon Mrs. Steves and the children went out for a walk, leaving the husband and father to enjoy the sleep which had been denied him during the night. Returning to the hotel shortly before noon Mrs. Steves found to her great surprise and dismay that Mr. Steves had taken a relapse and was

in a dying condition.

Dr. Earnest Hall was hastily summoned but the sufferer quickly passed away.
The remains were conveyed Hanna's pariors, where the body was prepared for removal to New Westmin-

ster. Dr. Crompton, after an investigation into the cause of death, pronounced an inquest as quite unnecessary. Deceased was well known as the son of founder of Steveston, and as the one who laid out the townsite of that

place. He was still largely interested in real estate there, and has been prom inent for years in all the enterprise with which Steveston has been identified. He was in his thirty-ninth year. The remains will be taken to New Westminster this evening.

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on finance, has issued a call for a meeting of that committee at the Fifth Avenue hotel, New York, on June 9th. The meeting is expected to decide what course the committee will pursue under the resolution of the last session of congress permitting the committee to hold meetings during the congressional vaca-



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