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R. AND O. ALLOWED TO ADD FIVE MILLIONS TO CAPITAL PARTY LINE DRAWN IN VOTE

Maclean Amendment to Give Railway Commission Supervision, Defeated by Vote of Seventy-Four to Thirty-Six—Finance Minister Says Issue Doesn't Concern Public.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—(Special).—By a vote of 74 to 36 the house today voted down the Maclean amendment to Mr. Levesque's bill authorizing the Rideau and Ontario Navigation Co. to increase its capital from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

The negative vote, headed by the prime minister, came entirely from the government benches. Indeed, for some reason the Conservatives made it a party matter, and those who voted at all voted against the amendment.

The feature of today's debate was the somewhat reactionary pronouncement delivered by the minister of finance. Mr. White took the position that the government had no right whatever to regulate the capital of the Rideau and Ontario Navigation Co. He was inclined to admit that some regulation might be proper in the case of railway companies, but declared as a general principle that the public had no concern with melon gittings so long as the stock was not sold below par.

Major J. E. Currie of North Simcoe gave the house much valuable information respecting the great steamship merger and the sudden rise in lake, river and ocean freight rates. He predicted that the Furness interests would seize control of the Rideau and Ontario Navigation Co. at the annual meeting, to be held next Wednesday, and would thus control rates from Fort William to Liverpool. With in the past year, he said, the rates upon wheat from Fort William to Liverpool had been increased 11 cents a hundred pounds, and the rates on flour from \$1.60 to \$1.80 a barrel. The debate in the house for some time, was also participated in by Hon. William Pugsley, Hon. H. R. Emmerson, Mr. Carvell (Carleton, N.B.), Mr. Bristol (Centre Toronto), Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux and Postmaster-General Pelletier.

Vote Not an Index. The sentiment of the house with respect to progressive legislation along the lines of the Maclean amendment is not accurately measured by the vote this afternoon. Many Conservative members voted against the

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RAISE PRICE IF CEMENT DUTY IS REDUCED

General Manager Jones in Letter to Finance Minister, Declares Intention to Squeeze Consumers if Industry is forced to Meet Competition of United States.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—(Special).—Finance Minister White tabled today voluminous returns showing the correspondence between the government and all persons interested on the subject of the recent cut in the cement duties.

At the time of the proposed cut a strong protest was filed by the independent cement makers, which claimed that they were selling cement at \$1.25 a barrel which had cost \$1.24 to manufacture. The cement merger interests protested that the scarcity in the west was entirely due to lack of transportation facilities. The company is building new mills in Manitoba, Ontario, and the Maritime Provinces, and its capacity for the year 1913 will be ten million barrels. The total consumption of cement in Canada for 1912 was eight million barrels.

Mr. F. P. Jones, general manager of the company, has written to the finance minister protesting against the duties being again reduced, and in the course of his letter says: "The present policy of the Canada Cement Company was formed and adopted with the belief that the policy of the government was to give the cement industry in Canada adequate protection. If the cement industry is not to be protected, it will be placed in a dangerous position, and if it can exist, will only be able to do so by changing its policy, and on every occasion, and in every market obtaining the highest possible price for its product."

Mr. Jones also stated that the price in Duluth exclusive of sacks is \$1.40 per barrel, so that, should we be forced to change our policy, we would advance our price practically all over the country from 30 to 50 cents per barrel.

DOCTORS WOULD FORM SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF PROFESSION

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—(Special).—While in committee of the whole tonight, the house considered the bill incorporating the "Canadian Medical Protective Association," introduced by Dr. Chabot, the Conservative member for Ottawa.

Mr. Henderson (Halton) declared that he was not quite sure what the society was being incorporated for. He had received representations from his constituents about the bill, and, therefore, desired that it be held over for a week until he could make some further enquiries about it. He said he did not approve of parliament making the rules of societies laws. He also thought that there might be some religious idea behind the society.

Mr. Maclean (South York) said he also had received representations from his constituents and agreed with Mr. Henderson that the bill should be further considered.

Dr. Chabot, in explaining the bill, said that the society was being formed primarily to maintain the dignity of the medical profession. The society would protect the public against quacks, he declared. It would also protect members who were unfairly attacked.

The bill was finally laid over for a week.

ROBT. H. MATSON DIED AGED 71

He Was One of the Most Successful Old Time Insurance Men in Canada.

Robert Henry Matson, one of the most successful "old line" insurance men of Canada, died at an early hour yesterday morning at the home of D'Arcy Hinds, his son-in-law, 78 Indian Road crescent. Mr. Matson had retired from active business four years ago, and went to Galt to live. Six months ago, while visiting in the city, he became ill and from that time until his death he was confined to his bed.

Mr. Matson was born in the north of Ireland 71 years ago. His father was a civil engineer and emigrated to Canada with his family when Robert was still a boy. The family settled in Caledon Township, Simcoe County, but when the boy grew up he entered the insurance business. In 1899 after being in the business for 42 years, he established the National Life Insurance Company, with the late H. S. Howland. He was managing director of the National Life for six years, and then had to retire on account of ill-health.

Mr. Matson was a member of Ashlar Masonic Lodge, and a member of the Anglican Church. He leaves a widow, a son, J. S. H. Matson, proprietor of The Victoria Daily Colonist, the Vancouver News Advertiser, and The Nanaimo Herald, and three daughters, Mrs. F. J. Dixon, Mrs. D'Arcy Hinds and Miss Bertha Matson.

Mr. Matson will be buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The funeral will be private.

CALLED BEFORE BAR OF HOUSE

R. C. Miller, Montreal, Must Explain Certain Business Dealings With Dominion Government.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—(Special).—The house of commons today upon the motion of W. S. Middlebro (North Grey) adopted a resolution directing R. C. Miller of Montreal to appear at the bar of the house on the 18th inst. at 3 o'clock p.m. and then and there to answer certain questions which the said Miller did refuse to answer upon his examination as a witness before the public accounts committee.

It appears that Miller was president of the Diamond Light and Heating Company from 1907 to 1911, and during said period procured business for the company from the Dominion Government which amounted to \$117,000. In order to get this business, he assured the company that money had to be used and upon this account drew from the company \$41,026, for which he rendered no account. Litigation has been pending between the company and Miller, the company seeking to make him account for this sum.

Reasons For Refusing. At the last session of parliament the public accounts committee subpoenaed Mr. Miller and asked him about his transaction with the government. He protested that he spent the \$41,026 in order to obtain the business from the government, but refused to say to whom he paid the same. He will be commanded by the house next Tuesday to give this information and may be committed for contempt if he refuses to answer. Miller has based his refusal to answer the questions put to him by the committee by pleading, first, that it will injuriously affect him in litigation now pending in the courts, and also upon the ground that none of the money so paid by him was paid to any senator, member of parliament or government official.

This is the first time any one has been summoned before the bar of the house since 1906, when Mr. Ernest E. Cinqmars was charged with contempt of the house of commons by Hon. Geo. E. Foster. In that case a newspaper article contributed to Le Presse newspaper by Mr. Cinqmars dealing somewhat severely with Mr. Foster was decided to be objectionable, and the writer was censured.

MILLER WILL ATTEND.

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—C. H. Stephens, K.C., who is acting for Mr. Miller, of the Diamond Light, Heat and Power Company, stated tonight that his client would be in Ottawa tomorrow to comply with the order issued by the house. Mr. Stephens stated that Mr. Miller had nothing to fear from such appearance.

WELL KNOWN LAWYER PASSED AWAY MONDAY

Ira Standish Was Ill Only a Few Days and Death Was Sudden.

Ira Standish, the well-known member of the law firm of Standish & Snider, died yesterday at the family residence, 29 Warren road. He was at his office a few days ago and the news of his death, after a short illness, came as a great shock to those who knew him.

Mr. Standish was in his 49th year, and had a wide circle of friends and was highly respected among his professional associates. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, from the residence to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

POLICE UNRAVEL MANY PETTY CRIMES

Man Who Passed Bogus Cheques Taken Into Custody, as Well as Suspected Pickpocket and Money Thieves Who Have Been Operating in Toronto.

City detectives arrested six people last night on charges ranging from pocket picking and forgery. It was a general round-up of persons wanted in connection with several cases that the police have been investigating for some time. As a result of these arrests Inspector of Detectives Kennedy believes he has cleared up a few of the mysteries which have troubled the authorities of late.

The inspector received information yesterday afternoon which caused him to send out Detectives George Guthrie and William Young, to Richmond street. The officers returned with Percy Dettlor, who has been sought by the city detectives and county police for the last two weeks. Five charges of forgery face this young man, and additional charges of passing bogus cheques may be preferred.

Dettlor formerly worked for William Fox, a Humber Bay gardener. Before leaving the district he passed a cheque for \$12 on William Clayton, the Lambton butcher, one on Jack Newton for \$12 at the Humber Bay Hotel, and another cheque on a shoemaker. All of the cheques were made payable to Percy Dettlor and signed "William Wright." There was no money to "Wright's" credit at the bank.

It is also alleged that Dettlor succeeded in cashing two cheques in Toronto on unsuspecting people.

Detective Tipton had been tracing the young man for some time, and may bring forward other complaints.

Picking Pockets. When John Jarvis, 41 Nelson street, pushed among the crowd at the coronation

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Knights of Pythias

Amicus Lodge, No. 20, Knights of Pythias will celebrate their 20th anniversary and also the 49th anniversary of the order this evening, in their castle hall, corner Berrill and Richmond streets, by entertaining Grand Chancellor Oscar Rumpel of Berlin, Ontario, and other grand lodge officers, and by conferring the page rank on a class of candidates. There are now 55 grand lodges, 10,000 subordinate lodges, and 800,000 members. There is also an insurance department, a uniform rank, and the Order of Pythian Sisters. The supreme lodge will meet in Winnipeg in August, 1914, which will be their first Canadian visit since they met in London in 1886.

ORDER MARINES TO MOBILIZE IN CUBA

Two Thousand Men Will Be Held in Readiness for Intervention in Mexico—Taft Reluctant to Burden Wilson Administration With perplexing Problem.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—(Canadian Press).—Two thousand American marines from various barracks along the Atlantic coast today were ordered to Cuba, there to be held in readiness for possible use in Mexico. Half of them will leave tomorrow night from Philadelphia on the army transport Meade, already on its way from Newport News for the purpose. The second thousand will start from Norfolk on the naval transport Prairie, which it is expected, will clear Wednesday. The marines will be drawn from the barracks at Norfolk, Washington, Philadelphia, New York, Portsmouth, Boston and Charleston.

Quarantine is the present objective. Continued on Page 7, Column 5.

DIAZ IS STILL HOLDING GROUND U.S. CAPITALISTS OFFER BACKING

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 16.—(By Courier to Vera Cruz, Feb. 17).—Gen. Mondragon, in charge of the military operations for Gen. Diaz, on Sunday morning was confident of the success of the revolutionary movement. He was seen at the arsenal, and had no hesitancy in conducting The Associated Press correspondent about the place. The arsenal appeared to have suffered little from the federal guns. Two shells had penetrated the southern wing of the building, causing some destruction within, but it was said—and reports from the commanders appeared to bear out the assertion—that the number of dead and injured within the fortress was small—less than 100 in all.

The commissary department was well stocked with provisions and the paymaster's department was shown to be provided with funds. The men are receiving two pesos per day, and are said to be contented and in good fighting spirit. Gen. Mondragon gave the information that Gen. Diaz had received offers of money in substantial quantities from persons in the United States.

Forty men of Gen. Blanquet's division, it was asserted at the arsenal, joined Diaz Saturday night. Some of their officers accompanied them, and it was added that deserters from the federal lines entered the rebel positions every day.

RAILWAY WILL NOT ARBITRATE MONEY STOLEN AT THE STATION

Such is Opinion of Firemen, But Strike is Not Yet Finally Decided Upon.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—(Can. Press).—In a final effort to avert a strike of their 24,000 firemen, the conference committee of managers of the fifty-four eastern railroads affected tonight held a conference with Judge Martin A. Knapp and W. G. G. Hanger, the federal mediators, and it was understood, made a new proposal which the mediators will carry to the adjustment committee of the Firemen's Union.

The firemen's committee today met the mediators, when a proposal was made, as coming from the managers, but nothing could be learned as to its provisions, or the nature of the firemen's reply. That the managers held another conference is taken as indicating that their first proposal today was rejected. The firemen were still waiting at their headquarters at a late hour tonight to hear the latest proposal of their employers for a settlement, but from the attitude taken by many of the delegates, it was evident that no hope was held out that the railroad managers would agree to their demand for arbitration by a board of three members, as provided by the Erdman Act.

EXPRESS CHARGE ATTACKED BY EMMERSON

Demand for Further Investigation Brings Out Strong Argument in Favor of More Effective Regulation—Cochrane's Suggestion to Await Railway Board's Report Approved.

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—(Special).—At the question hour in the house today, the announcement was made by Dr. Reid, acting minister of trade and commerce, that only one government elevator in the west was yet under construction. That is the one located at Port Arthur, upon 37 acres purchased from the Canadian Northern. The elevator when completed is to cost \$1,175,500.

The house then proceeded to discuss the resolution proposed by Hon. H. R. Emmerson, declaring that in view of the alleged widespread feeling throughout Canada that rates or transportation charges exacted by the express companies in Canada, for the carriage of traffic, are said to be excessive, and in many instances abnormally extravagant to such a degree that it has, in the opinion of very many, become intolerable, it is, in the opinion of this house, desirable that a further inquiry should be had by the railway commission of Canada.

Controlled by Railways. Mr. Emmerson, in support of his resolution, declared that the express companies in this country were all part and parcel of the different railways, the Dominion Express being controlled by the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the Canadian Express, while not actually controlled by the C.N.R., was under the control of the men who controlled the C.N.R., namely Mackenzie, Mann and Co.

The express companies, Mr. Emmerson said, gave the shippers no satisfaction when they lost or destroyed their goods. This was especially true of shipments to the U.S.

Mr. Emmerson pointed out that the Inter-State Commerce Commission in the U.S. had passed some drastic rules in regard to express companies. There were in the States a finely organized express trust which had become a pillar of the worst type.

Big Dividends. He touched at some length on the organization and capitalization of the various companies. He especially called attention to the Dominion Express Company, which had been organized in 1832 with a capital stock of one million dollars. Of this only \$100,000 was ever paid into the company's treasury for stock. Yet the Dominion Express Company had declared a dividend as high as 27 per cent.

After quoting a mass of statistics to show the growth of the express companies' business in Canada, Mr. Emmerson pointed out that they had not increased their capital to meet the demands of this increased business, but still they were able to declare large dividends.

"Those dividends," Mr. Emmerson declared, "are taken out of the people of Canada."

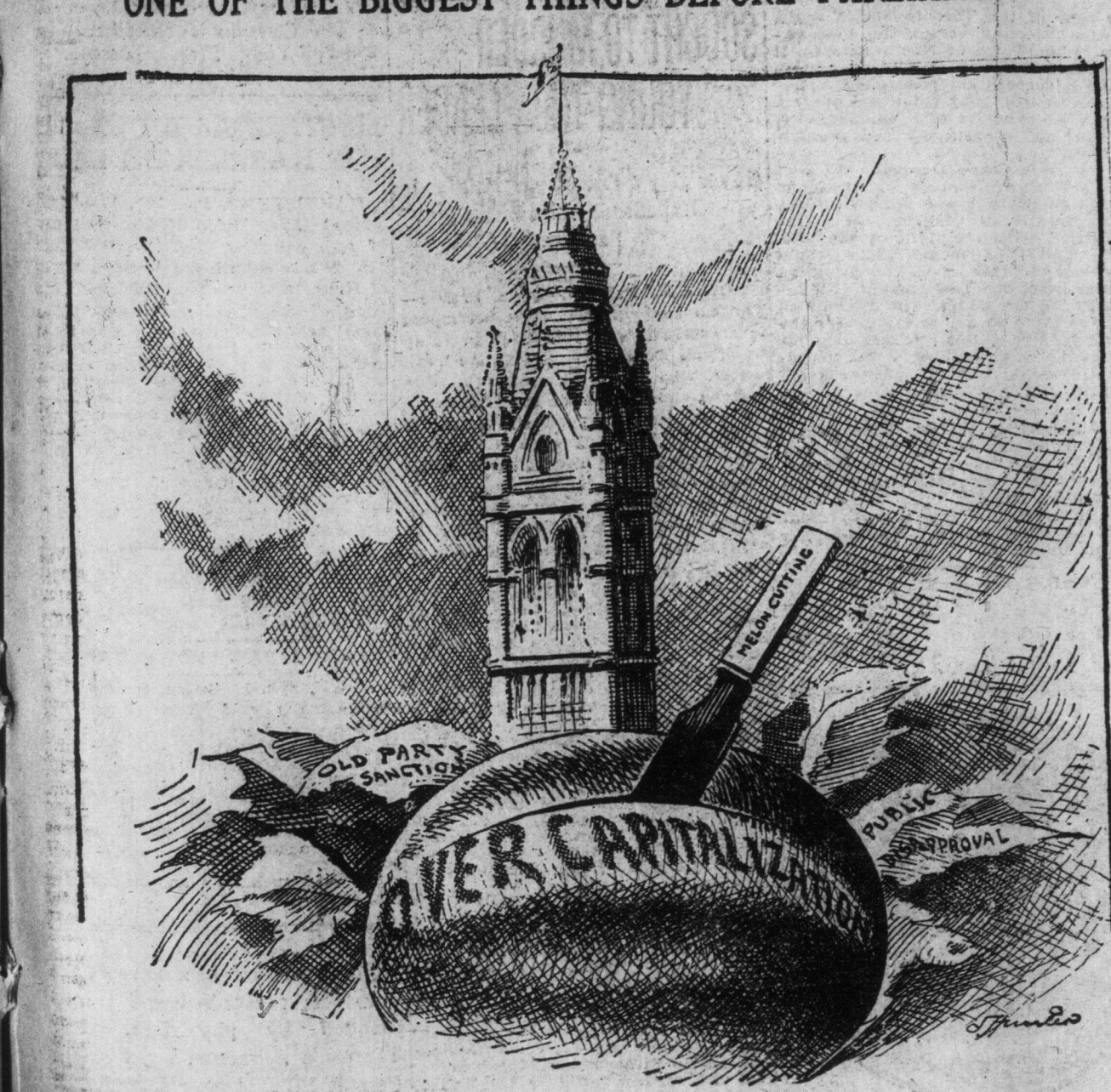
Would Nationalize Companies. Mr. Amstrong (E. Lambton) advocated the nationalization of all express companies. The government, he submitted, should begin at once by doing its own express business on the intercolonial.

Hon. Frank Cochrane, minister of railways, said the investigation carried on by the railway commission into express charges had resulted in no reduction of rates. He assured the house, however, that Chairman Drayton was now at work on the problem and would soon have a report ready. An amendment offered by Mr. Cochrane was adopted to the effect that the house would take no action on the subject until this report had been received. The minister said that personally he would favor having the intercolonial do its own express business, but the government was tied up by contracts with the express companies.

The house adjourned shortly after midnight with the understanding that the naval debate would be resumed on Tuesday afternoon.

Giving a Man Nerve. If you want to know how the loss of a fine woman gives a man nerve when his enemies whisper, "It is his turn now, let us smash him," see John Mason in his latest success, "The Attack," at the Princess. This fine play is from the pen of that masterly playwright, Henry Bernstein, who wrote "The Thief" and other famous dramas that have won an enduring place on the stage of today.

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