

MAYOR ELLIS EXPLAINS SITUATION AS TO POWER

per lords, and the opposition leaders' persecution reiterated the forecast with even added emphasis. "If he did not believe," Mr. Balfour concluded, "as he firmly did believe, that no bill in this kind could possibly become law without the profoundest modification, he would look forward to the division on the third day of the session. His apprehension was, he honestly confessed he felt on the present occasion." Nothing else can be understood from these words than a plain intimation that the bill, in any shape resembling that in which it left the house of commons, will not be passed without the country being afforded an opportunity to pass its verdict upon it. This was admitted by Mr. Stirling, the minister in charge of the bill, who spoke the last word of the debate, "I am," he said, "had spoken." If they had known of what was going to happen to it elsewhere. He had no such knowledge. The responsibility rested with others."

Notwithstanding the concessions made to Roman Catholic sentiment, the third reading was opposed by the Irish Nationalists. Mr. John Redmond, who voiced their opinion, declared that, while the measure was a step in the right direction, it was not the sanction of a large party majority, as an attempt at a national settlement of the education question, and, above all, of the religious difficulty, it would go up shorn of that moral weight and authority which could be obtained only by the satisfaction, or at least, the acquiescence of the great majority of the community. He had hoped that his party would be at one with the Liberal party in opposing the house of lords if it at all went against the principles of the bill; but now they were told that their only hope of safeguarding the Catholic interest lay in the amendments proposed by that house. Since the bill was introduced, the declaration was made it had been announced that a bill amend-

The Irish administrative system, acceptably to Nationalist opinion, will be introduced next year. Whether this will be successful as a means of preventing Irish opposition to the education bill is very doubtful, and the political situation invites the inference that before this question is settled there will be some sharp passages between the Nonconformist and Nationalist parties, unless some method can be discovered for adjusting their all but irreconcilable differences.

The educational position has been given a sero-come turn by the judgment of the court of appeal holding that the act of 1902 did not compel school authorities to pay for religious

instruction out of the rates, but raising it an open question whether it is optional for them to do so. As the ground for the decision is that such payments are illegal without full public control of catechism and dogma it would appear to leave the authorities with no discretion of power and to restrict their duty to that of providing instruction only. This judicial pronouncement, therefore, absolutely removes the nonconformist grievance which led to the "passive resistance" movement and to the agitation resulting in the bill now before the house of lords. If sustained by the law lords as the supreme appellate court, the decision will place the Church of England in a worse position than it would occupy should the bill become law and, indeed, render the

remedial measure unnecessary so far as its chief controversial feature is concerned. As yet the upturn is too recent and staggering for political opinion to adjust itself to the new situation, and its effect on the parliamentary future of the bill can hardly be gauged.

IN THE DARK.

The Ottawa Journal is angry with The World because the latter exposed the possible alliance between the Ottawa electrical ring and the City of Ottawa, to the end that the price of power should be kept up to a certain rate for the benefit of the Bus Company. The Journal's dislike for The World does not prevent it from agreeing with The World that no agreement should be entered into by Ottawa that "will tie the city down to maintaining present rates for any long term of years." It might serve the purpose of the principle of municipal ownership as the Ottawa

Journal would send a commissioner to interview the members of the hydro-power commission on the matter. "This is a pleasant excise for Mr. Ross to undertake. The World but it would be more to the purpose if he made sure that he was in possession of all the facts before he recorded. As it is now, he is in the same position as the gentleman of Biblical cognomen when the light went out.

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Fines on British Motorists.

London, Aug. 11.—Nearly \$55,000 in fines were paid by British automobilists during the year ending June 30 last.

The number of prosecutions during the year was 1159, and 1015 convictions were fined, making the average fine paid about \$11. In 1246 cases the prosecution was for exceeding the speed limit, and in 100 cases the magistrates for trial on serious charges—

—injury to pedestrians, thru negligent drunkenness while in charge of an au-

**Narrates Proceedings to Show
That There Has Been No Agree-
ment With Company.**

Ottawa, Aug. 11.—(Special.)—In regard to the article in The World concerning the position of affairs as between the city and the Ottawa Electric Company, Mayor Ellis makes the following statement:

"I am staggered to know where The World got the information upon which they base their comment. The alleged facts are absolutely incorrect. I can only suppose that some good (?) friend of mine in Ottawa loaded up The World and that an outside paper was chosen

because the local paper with knowledge of the situation and facts would publish it. It looks as if the opponents who have left nothing undone to discredit Mayor Ellis are still at the same work. It seems too bad that the mayor and council have not yet admitted the mayor and council, which have so far successfully fought the Ottawa Electric and maintained the advantage won by the city. This can only be the result of such statements, and are the only things which would tend to make the municipal undertaking a failure. The mayor and council have not yet entered into the mayor and council with the Ottawa Electric, after having been promised that the mayor and council power commission that relief would be granted. On the face of it, that is as much as they could do. It was only yesterday that the mayor and civic representatives were assured that they were assured of relief. It must be clear that with the mayor in Toronto yesterday, and The World publishing

"All that has happened is this: The mayor was away on three weeks' vacation, and I was in the morning. He found a letter from the Ottawa Electric Company, asking a conference with me. I got up and read it. It was a paper of motion, prepared by Ald. Howell, that the municipal electric commission be empowered to hold such a conference with the Ottawa Electric Company. On Wednesday the conference was held. Up to that time the mayor had absolutely no knowledge from any source of the existence of the Ottawa Electric Company or anybody else that such a conference was being arranged. The decision to hold it was decided to hold it by unanimous vote.

"The next day after the conference

The civic representatives of the municipal commission and pressed for relief, altho the company's representatives had asked the municipal commission to adjourn the application until the conference were concluded. This the civic representatives refused to do. All they would do, after hearing the proposals of the company, was to vote on them.

Another conference would probably be arranged after the mayor returned from Halifax. Any final agreement could not be made without the approval of the council."

The mayor says that it was thoroughly understood between the city representatives and the company that the power of the council would be supplied. This power the city intends to use.

Long List of Sporting Events Contested on Sandbar Saturday.

The second annual "sports day" of the West Point Island Association was a glorious success, and all Saturday afternoon there was keen excitement, while competitors, young and old, in the various events of a long program, contested for supremacy. The games were held on what is popularly known

as "the sandbar." The results of the events are:

Boys' race (10 to 12)—George Dancey 1, Irvine Croston 2, Roy Rittenhouse 3.

Boys' race (12 to 15)—Norman McLeod 1, Irvine Croston 2, Chris Halam 3.

Boys' running long jump (18 and under)—J Jifkins 1, C C Clemens 2, Geo Dancy 3.

Young men's race (16 to 20)—J Jifkins 1, C Clemens 2.

Single men's race—C Williams 1, C Henderson 2, H Smith 3.

Girls' race (10 to 12)—Grace Kirk-

wood 1, Alice Sullivan 2.
Men's running long jump—A B Smith
15.4 ft; R Cooper 14.7 ft; Williams
14.4 ft.
Ladies' egg race—Mrs Best 1, Mrs
Dancey 2, Mrs Rittenhouse 3.
Married men's race—Jifkins 1, Best
2, Lally 3.
Married ladies' race—Mrs Dancey 1,
Mrs Rittenhouse 2, Mrs Hallam 3.
Horseback race—Williams and Hen-

person 1, Friend and Livingston 2.
 Sack race, boys—G Davey 1, R Rittenhouse 2, D Chamberlain 3.
 Girls' race (12 to 15)—Alma Jifkins 1, Ethel Thompson 2.
 Girls' race (8 to 10)—H Davey 1, B Brown 2, E Cooper 3.
 Boys' swimming race (10 to 15)—Michael and Matthew 1, Chamberlain and Hamilton 2, Kirkwood and Rittenhouse 3.
 Boys' swimming race (8 to 12)—Dancey 1, Crofton 2, Chamberlain 3.

Boy swimmers (12 to 16)—C Clemens 1, J Jifkins 2.
Youths' swimming race—C Clemens 1, J Jifkins 2.
Swimming race—Major W. Smith's "Sport" 1, and McLeod's "Prince" 2.
D. Chamberlain was the only one to finish in the tub race.
Single-blade canoes—A Smith 1, A Ridler 2.
Punt race, single sculls—Chamberlain 1.

C. Smith and J. Churchill.
 Boys' skiff race—Hallam 1, Davey 2.
 Single men's skiff—Jifkins 1, Clements 2.
 Single ladies' skiff race—Miss Davey 1, Miss Booth 2.
 Girls' skiff race—Beatrice Booth 1, Ethel Thompson 2, Esther Thompson 3.
 In the extra races for juveniles, the winners were Helen Bram, Dorothy Dandy, Alice Bowman, Mary Wood, Gladys Mann, G. Retain, Bernie Crofton, Ruth Spillane, C. Irwin, D. Code.

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The Col. Stimson trophy for competition by the sergeants of the city corps was won for the third year in succession by the Grenadiers at the 10th Branch. It ranges on Saturday. The Grenadiers were 17 points ahead from the totals of the two previous matches, and gained three more in the final shoot. Strong shifting winds made high scoring very difficult.

The scores on Saturday were: —
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45th Highlanders: Staff-Sergt. A. Graham 88, Q.M.-Sergt. J. McVittie 88, Sgt. J. McVittie 88, Sgt. W. A. Elliott 88, Col.-Sergt. H. J. Roberts 88, Staff-Sergt. O. C. Spence 88, Sgt. J. McVittie 88, Sgt. J. Brooks 81, Staff-Sergt. W. D. Davidson 80, Sergt. D. E. Smith 73, totalling 840 yards.

Q.O.R.: Staff-Sergt. A. Rose 39, Sergt. J. P. White 88, Staff-Sergt. G. Haffey 88, Sgt. J. Haffey 88, Sgt. W. D. MacGillivray 88, Sgt. J. Ferris 77, Staff-Sergt. T. H. Webb 67, Sergt. W. E. Norton 16, total, 540 yards.

4th Buffs: Staff-Sergt. J. Smith, shot July 14, were: 48th, 914; Grens, 906; Q.O.R., 730.

4th Buffs' second match, shot Aug. 4, totals were: Grens, 915; 48th, 933; Q.O.R., 761.

4th Buffs' aggregates for the three matches were: Grens. 2,676; Highlanders, 3,656; Q.O.R., 2,095.

4th Buffs' third match, Staff-Sergt. Graham for the three matches was exceptional, 15, Pte. H. Darwin, 53, £275; 16, Pte. P. Farwin, 49, £250; 17, Pte. Briggs, 40, £200; 18, Pte. Beavitt, 32, £160; 19, Pte. W. Boyd, 35, £32; 20, Col.-Sergt. C. Howard, 34, £32; 21, Pte. Burns, 32, £160; 22, Pte. Smith, 31, £155; 23, Pte. Smith, 9, £4; 24, Pte. Shabbeaker, 5, 75c; 25, Pte. Chapman 4, 6c. Three range prizes were won by 4th Buffs, 200 yards, £25; 300 yards, £15; 400 yards, £10. A. Sprinks, 32; 500 yards, A. Sprinks, 31; 600 yards, Corp. Welsh, 50. The 4th Buffs were distributed on the first drill night.

Lance-Corporal E. Sharpe was the best marksman in the 4th Buffs, 15, D. match, winning the Dean medal by a score of 71. Bertram also scored 71, but was not in the 4th Buffs in the 400 yard line averaged higher.

Other scores in Co. D. were: Tansley, 68; 1st Buffs-Sergt. Egan, 88, P. 66, J. Hunter 66, Sgt. H. G. George, Cottenden 52, Capt. McOgilvery 88, J. Innison 49, 200 yards, Sergt. Watson 48, 300 yards, 32, S. Parke, 30, C. Ford 34.

After the regular matches were over, the 4th Buffs were shot by several companies.

averaging 99 (98, 100, 99). In the first match Staff-Sergt. Simpson of the Grens. scored 104, a record performance. Staff-Sergt. Creighton, Q.O.R., who scored 101 and 99 in the first two matches, will not play on Saturday.

The Grenadiers are taking a great interest in rifle shooting, the energy and enthusiasm of Capt. R. O. Montgomerie being a great help in getting out a splendid representation each Saturday. On Saturday last he had 14 men on the range, which was a record until the O.R.A. matches begin on Tuesday, the 21st. The D.R.A. matches begin on Aug. 27, and the O.R.A. matches on Aug. 28.

SHOULD MAKE GOOD.

Let Sandy Bedore Tell of Alleged Sharbot Lake Tragedy.

Kingston, Aug. 12.—Application is being made to the attorney-general by the Chief of Police White of Perth, for a fiat to take Sandy Bedore from Kingston Penitentiary to Sharbot Lake to make good his statements in connection with the death of the two Sharbot Lake men.

governor-general's title will be shot in three stages; the final one on Saturday, Sept. 1.

The team of 12 men from the Highlanders will go to Dundas to shoot against a team from the 77th Regiment.

Some of the Grenadiers held their annual shoot. The first prize, the Beardmore Challenge Cup, valued at \$30, presented by Capt. C. O. Beardmore, and a cake dish, valued at \$10, were won by the 1st Grenadiers, who were won by Corp. W. Walsh with a score of 92. Other winners were: 2. Pte. A. Sprinks, 88, 77-50; 3. Pte. W. D. McEwen, 74, 77-50; 4. Pte. J. McEwen, 74, 77-50; 5. Pte. J. McEwen, 74, 77-50; 6. Sergt. C. Seymour, 70, 77-50; 7. Pte. W. C. Firstbrook, 83, 77-50; 8. Pte. R. G. 67, 74-50; 9. Sergt. J. J. 74, 77-50; 10. Pte. J. J. 74, 77-50; 11. Lance-Corp. J. Virtue, 53, 74; 12. Pte. Morgan, 56, 77-50; 13. Corp. W. A. Nighswander, 56, 77-50.

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