

LANCASTER COMPARES THE SENATORS TO OLD LADIES

Member Thinks the Senate is Utterly Useless Body

One or Two Others Agree With Him, While Many Do Not

Colonist's Explanation of "Forged Telegram" is Rather Amusing

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—The common-sense part of today's session in a listless discussion of the old subject of senate reform. Mr. Lancaster, who owns the upper house a grudge for having twice killed his favorite legislative bill, advanced his resolution providing for reform of the senate by the heroic measure of abolishing it entirely as being unnecessary and expensive luxury. He was supported by H. E. Miller, on the moral side of the house, and by Dr. Barr, on the opposition side, but the majority of speakers favored the retention of the senate under some sort of a new constitution designed to bring it more in touch with public opinion. After several hours of argument, pro and con, the debate was adjourned.

The Forged Telegram

There was another chapter added to the incident of the forged telegram when, at such a figure in the British Columbia general election, one of which so much has been heard. Mr. Borden read to the house a statement sent to him by the manager of the Victoria Colonist, designed to show the Colonist management from blame for the forgery. This statement, however, was not read to his confession made by some unknown person at Bishop Perrin, of Victoria, bears on its face its own commentary and makes the situation, possibly, even worse for the newspaper. It is obviously does not explain the forgery as it appeared in typewritten fac-simile in the Colonist itself, that Mr. Borden's reading of the letter was with broad smiles by the whole house.

Borden Brings it Up

Before orders of the day Mr. Borden brought it up on a question of privilege. He said: "I have already mentioned this matter to the house, and I promised that any further information that came to me rather than a blessing, and it should be no longer tolerated. The debate was adjourned by Mr. Gervais.

To whom it may concern:

After hearing a full statement in the nature of a confession from the man who altered the telegram sent to this city by R. L. Borden, so that the telegram was read to the public and published as a basis of untruth, I have been requested by this man to make public the fact that this telegram was handed to him by the telegraph editor of the Colonist at a public meeting. That instead of going directly to the meeting he went to an office, copied out the telegram, where it came to the hands of those in charge of the meeting and was read to the public and published. The man guilty of this act had no conscience or confidence. No one knew of his act or had any reason for suspecting him, and the only reason for making this public is to remove all suspicion from the management of the Colonist newspaper and from the members of the executive of the Conservative party, at whose meeting arrangements were made for depositing their deposits into a government account at a higher rate of interest.

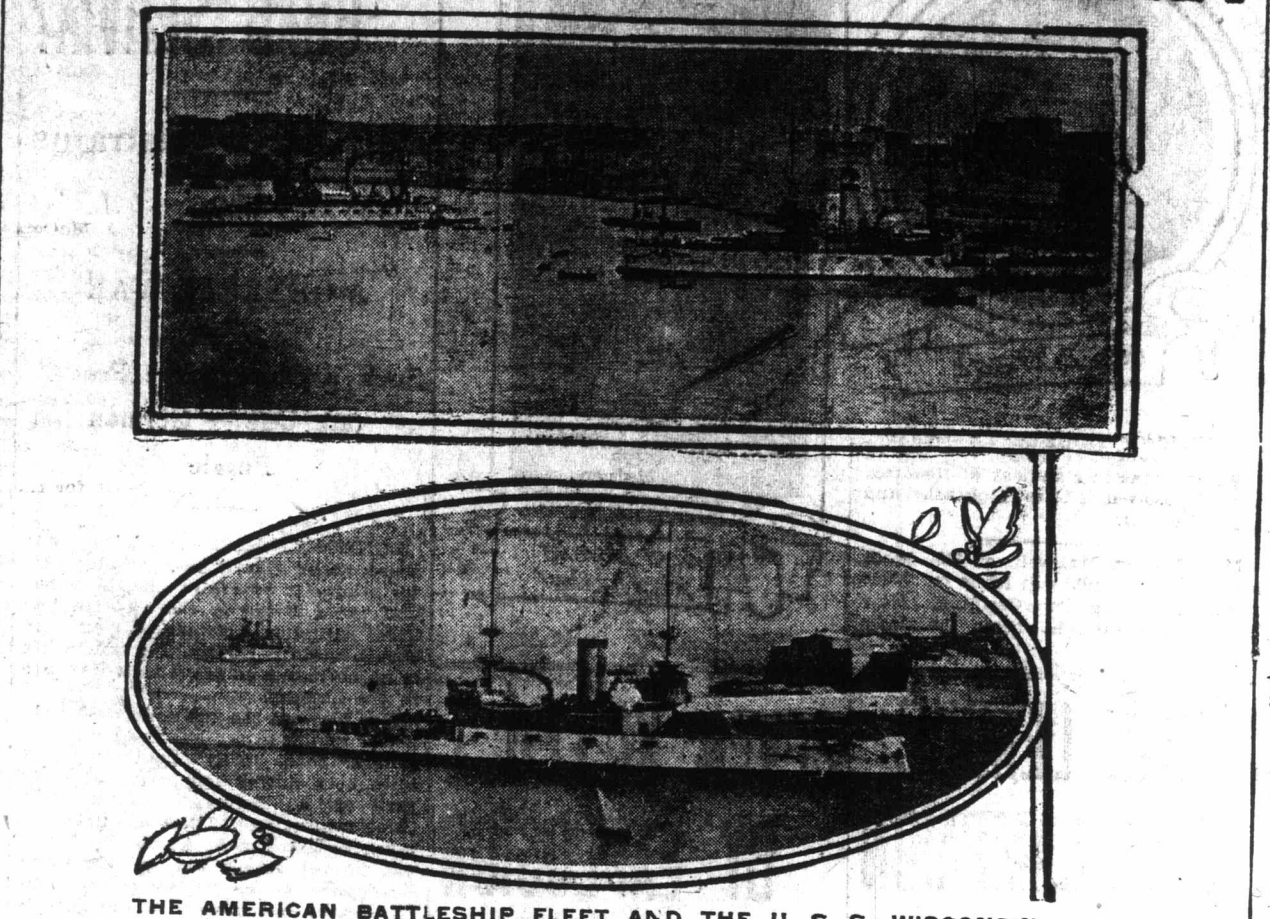
Method to be Adopted

The method which may be adopted will be one whereby for a certain specified period before an election men whose duty makes it impossible to be at home on election day will be entitled to vote. Their votes will be kept in a ballot box, which will subsequently be used by the deputy returning officer without their being present, and by this means ensure that no trace shall be obtainable of the identity of the voters.

THE CORSIANS.

Even today Corsicans wish good fortune to a newly born in the ominous words "May you fall a victim to the pest" had those who perish in vendetta struggles are honored as national heroes.

ROOSEVELT PAYS HIGH TRIBUTE TO MEN OF THE AMERICAN FLEET



THE AMERICAN BATTLESHIP FLEET AND THE U. S. S. WISCONSIN

ANDERSON WANTED THE SEARCH MADE

So Testifies in Downie Case

PRELIMINARY ON Manager of Company Testifies in Robbery Case—Adjournment Made

The preliminary hearing into the charge of theft preferred against W. Herbert Downie, the former invoice clerk of the S. Simms Company, was commenced yesterday before Judge Ritchie.

Downie appeared in court to all appearances supremely unconcerned at the progress of events and but little hurried at the position he occupied in being the centre of interest of all those who thronged the court room.

G. F. A. Anderson was the only witness examined. He swore that it was at his suggestion that the search was made rather than that he interviewed the chief with that express purpose in view.

ALBERTA WHEAT FOR VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, Feb. 23.—P. W. Peters of the C. P. R. is here to arrange terms for the handling of wheat to normal conditions, as shown by special commissions made by the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor.

SAY ENGLISH ARMY EQUALS GERMANY'S

War Secretary Declares 46 Divisions Could be Raised

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Speaking at Newcastle today on the subject of the proposed Imperial general staff for the army, Secretary of War Haldane gave a general outline of the strength of the over-sea forces as contemplated under the Imperial scheme.

BURNED TO DEATH IN A TRAIN WRECK

WILMINGTON Del. Feb. 23.—Seven men were killed or burned to death early today in a head-on collision between an express train and two locomotives on the Pennsylvania Railroad.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST DOCTOR

Dr. Allen B. Cooke's Patient is in a Serious Condition

PREMIER SCOTT IN ILL HEALTH

REGINA, Sask., Feb. 23.—Premier Scott has gone to spend the winter in Bermuda and Jamaica in the hope of recovering his shattered health.

SUSSEX, Feb. 23.—The hearing of evidence of witnesses at the inquest into the death of Ernest Rupert occurred this morning and afternoon proceedings before the coroner's jury today.

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LIBERALS DECIDE NOT TO PUT UP CANDIDATE IN TOROY STRONGHOLD

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LIFE OF TRUST-CURBING LEGISLATION INVOLVED

Re-Trial of United States Government's Indictment of Standard Oil Company of Indiana, Which Begins Today, Will be of the Greatest Significance

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—The very life of trust-curb legislation is said by government officials to be involved in the retrial of the government's indictment of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana for alleged rebating, which will begin before Judge Anderson in the United States district court here tomorrow.

SUICIDE, ACCORDING TO JURY'S VERDICT

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KIDD IS ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Liberals Decide Not to Put Up Candidate in Toro Stronghold

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Captho SOAP

WORKS EQUALLY WELL EITHER HOT OR COLD WATER

THE WELCOME SOAP CO. ST. JOHN N.E.

FORMAL ST CONSUME

Prominent Phys. Others Form Tuberculosis Night--Govern Honorary Pres Walker Presid

DR. THO

Elected President of New Br

At a mass meeting held last evening in the Opera House there was formed what will be known as the Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis in New Brunswick. Officers have been elected, the fight has opened with much enthusiasm and there is every reason to believe that an effective campaign against the disease will be successfully conducted.

"Don't Neglect a Cough or Cold."

It can have but one result. It leaves the throat or lungs, or both, affected.

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