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At The Federal Capital

The Parliamentary week ending June 12th, saw a very considerable amount of work performed for the most part in committee of supply and of ways and means. During the evening sitting on Monday, June 7th, estimates for the Dominion Mounted Police were under consideration. Readers will remember that the famous North West Mounted Police are now amalgamated with what was formerly known as the Dominion Police, and the new name of the amalgamated force is the Dominion Mounted Police. Their headquarters are here in Ottawa, and they have branches and contingents in all parts of the Dominion. The great service that the North West Mounted Police rendered Canada in the earlier days of our Confederation history, especially at the outposts of civilization in the far north and northwest, is a household word with the Canadian people, and every time legislation of any kind dealing with this force comes before Parliament, there is generally speaking, considerable complimentary and laudatory expressions of opinion regarding this sterling body of peace preservers. During the discussion in question a number of opposition speakers did not think that their services would be so much in demand now as formerly, and as a consequence, the expenditure for their upkeep should not be so large. On the other hand, it was pointed out by the President of the Privy Council, who had the estimates in charge, that the force as now constituted is doing admirable duty in every portion of Canada at the present time, and so far as the east and central provinces are concerned, he showed that the Dominion Police, which now constitutes a part of the new force, had always operated in these places. It was necessary to have some particularly reliable Dominion Police force at all times.

At the opening sitting of the House on Tuesday, June 8th, a very pleasing incident took place. Sir Robert Borden, the Prime Minister, after the usual routine, read to the House a communication he had received from the authorities of the Imperial Parliament, presenting the gift of a speaker's chair for the new Dominion House of Commons. The Prime Minister in a brief discourse went on to praise the thoughtfulness and generosity of the Mother of Parliaments in presenting to us, on our entering our great new parliament buildings, this superb speaker's chair. "No more suitable gift could come from the one parliament to the other than this," said the Prime Minister. He wound up his reference to this pleasing incident by instructing Mr. Speaker to suitably acknowledge the friendly and appropriate gift. Mr. McKenzie King, Leader of the Opposition, joined with the Prime Minister in his expression of gratitude to the British Parliament for their thoughtfulness and kindness in making this presentation. The chair, as a matter of fact, has not yet arrived, but photographs of it were supplied and passed round the House. No doubt it is an elaborate piece of furniture and admirably fit in with the splendid

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A peculiar incident gave rise to some brief discussion in the House on Wednesday, the 9th instant, just on the calling of the orders of the day. It appears that two brothers, in the Province of Quebec, were arrested and tried for a serious criminal offence. After due course of trial in the Court of King's Bench a jury brought in a verdict of manslaughter against them. Being thus duly convicted in the highest court of the Province of the most serious crime in the criminal code, they were sentenced to a long term of imprisonment. Ordinarily speaking, when cases of this kind occur and criminals are properly tried, convicted and sentenced it is taken for granted that that is the last to be heard of them before the courts, for some time, at least. But curiously enough in this case, some enterprising lawyer appeared before a judge of a court, inferior to that before which the culprits had been tried, found guilty and sentenced, and secured from the judge of that court a writ of habeas corpus. This writ being served on the warden of the penitentiary, the culprits were released and allowed to proceed home. The matter had been brought to the attention of the Department of Justice, and instructions were at once given to the Attorney-General of the Province of Quebec, that the due course of law had been very peculiarly and outrageously interfered with, and orders were given that the culprits should be rearrested and sent back to prison. This was done. One would think that no question would be raised concerning this, but Mr. Lemieux, in very critical terms raised the question in the House, and asked the Minister of Justice what was the status of the case. The Minister of Justice unhesitatingly related the facts as just stated, and intimated that no other course was open to the law authorities of the Province or of the Dominion. It certainly would be a most extraordinary condition of things if the proceedings of the highest court in the province could be interfered with, and the course of justice rendered powerless by any whim of a judge of an inferior court. The case there rested for the moment.

Apart from the voting of supplies and the consideration of the budget proposals in committee of ways and means, not very much of an unusual nature occurred for the remaining sitting days of the week. One question came up that created a little breeze. It was an amendment to the criminal code, relative to horse racing. This is a question that has engaged a good deal of the time of parliament, from session to session, and a good deal of opposition has been expressed some times in different quarters in opposition to horse racing of any description, but it is one of those things that still exists and which is very difficult to altogether suppress. It is not the matter of the horse-races that is objected to, but the fact is said to be the occasion for a considerable amount of gambling. This is possibly true, and it is very difficult, no doubt, to prevent betting on horse racing, but the amendments to the criminal code considered this session has reduced this to a minimum, as far as it is reasonably possible, and strict regulations are imposed, so as to prevent the matter from assuming too large proportions. The bill passed through the committee stage without very much criticism, but when it came up for third reading there were, perhaps, half a dozen objectors in the House on one side or the other. The Minister of Justice, who had the bill in charge, ex-

fully the effect of the amendments and the Prime Minister finally explained that this was a matter which is always with us, and the operations such as were referred to had always existed and had been exercised at the race course in all parts of the country. What had been done in the present instance was to reduce this to the least possible minimum, and to place such safeguards and regulations around it as would prevent it from assuming such proportions as would not be desirable. The result of the Prime Minister's explanation of the case was that the bill passed its third reading without further ado.

Holy Name Society Hold Big Parade

Toronto, June 21—Over 10,000 Roman Catholic men and boys took part in the fifth annual rally and parade of the Holy Name Society yesterday afternoon, making the largest rally the society has ever had. Assembling at the House of Providence on Power Street and on the surrounding streets at 2.30 the huge procession started promptly at 3 p. m., passing along Queen to University Avenue, thence to the spacious grounds at St. Josephs on St. Alban's Street, where the service was held. Over 60 churches were represented in the gathering, including representatives from Port Credit, Pickering, Richmond Hill, Thornhill, and New Market. The weather was ideal for the parade and thousands of spectators lined the route of march from Queen Street to St. Alban's. The Catholic heart is loyal to God and to the constitution of the country, said Rev. Dr. K. P. Treacy, in addressing the multitude in the St. Alban's grounds. We have been taught from the cradle, he said, in the language of St. Paul, that every soul is subject unto the higher powers; the powers that be are ordained of God.

Who Won the War?

The united efforts of the allies opposed to Germany and her associates won the great war. None but a braggart or an ignoramus would claim the credit for his own nation. A blunt recognition of the basic truth is shown in one of the opening paragraphs of the platform adopted by the Republican Presidential convention at Chicago, which was as follows: "Inexcusable failure to make timely preparations is the chief indictment against the Democratic Administration in the conduct of the war. Had not our associates protested us, both on land and sea, during the first twelve months of our participation, and furnished us to the very day of the armistice with munitions, planes and artillery, this failure would have been punished with disaster." It is only the blatant or ignorant American, like the blatant and ignorant person in any other country, who proclaims that "we won the war." The declaration of the Republican convention voices the better sense of the majority of the American people. But it is a pity that a recognition that the victory was a united one, and that the United States standing alone would have met disaster as any other of the allied standing fellow jurors in a murder trial by telling them he was a prize fighter. The jury disagreed and investigation later by the state indicated that Hadesman had refused to concur with the other eleven, who favored continuing.

Knights To Open Classes

Glouce Bay, June 18—The local branch of the Knights of Columbus intend in a short time to open technical classes for the young men of the town. Circular letters are now being sent out, inviting young men to take advantage of this splendid opportunity of acquiring a good preliminary technical education free of charge. In explaining the purpose of the scheme the letter points out that never before was there such a need for the educated man, the technical expert, the specially trained mind, and that with the industrial activity of the country increasing and developing with huge strides this need will be more and more felt. And yet notwithstanding this industrial development, it is hard to find the right kind of men. In order that a start may be made in helping to bring out the required men, classes in mathematics, English, mechanical, electrical and mining engineering will be started. As the classes advance additional subjects will be taught. The courses will be entirely free except for the price of the books, and a competent staff of instructors, the services of several of whom have already been secured, will be ready for the opening of the course.

N. S. Schooner Lost

Sandwich, Mass., June 19.—The Canadian three-masted schooner Eva A. Danenbower, bound from Apple River, N. S., to New York, which went ashore at the easterly end of Cape Cod Canal, is breaking up, according to reports here today. It is expected the schooner will be a total loss. Capt. A. B. Neves and his crew of six men were taken off the schooner after she had gone ashore by the crew of the life-saving station.

Local and Other Items

Subscribers Admonished. As we have not of late made any specific reference to the payment of Subscriptions, we should be exceedingly pleased if our friends would give this matter practical consideration at this particular season.

J. J. Gilchrist, an official of the Standard Sugar Company, Pittsburgh, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10,000 for profiteering in sugar.

Four boys, ranging in age from 14 to 18, years, were killed and seven others were injured, one probably fatally, when lightning struck a tree under which they had taken shelter.

A bill introduced by the Minister of Justice in the National Assembly at Budapest, provides punishment of up to 25 strokes on the soles of the feet for male prostitutes.

After experiments lasting over a period of three months, the Starnscoff Company of Hopewell, Virginia, announces that a new process of making paper pulp from cotton fibre had been developed and that manufacture of the pulp in quantities would be started soon.

Operating income of the largest United States telephone companies in February was \$7,807,678, an increase of \$2,021,914 over that in the corresponding month the year before. Operating revenues totalled \$37,734,773 and operating expenses \$22,273,343.

Seventeen dollars a ton is the high-water mark which Fuel Controller Harrington predicts for coal in Ontario next winter. Freight rates, he said, would probably bring the price of coal up a dollar a ton, but he thought \$17 would be the top price. He did not think coal would go to \$20, as had been stated in some quarters.

Two British officers, all the Government officials, and a number of townspeople, were killed in an attack by Shammar tribesmen on Tolfar, near Hoesul, Asiatic Turkey, according to Bagdad advice coming to London by way of Bombay. The Government building was seized in the attack which was made on June 4. A punitive column is reported to have been sent from Mosul.

Samuel Hadesman, wholesale grocer, was sentenced at Chicago to six months in jail for contempt of court after he admitted intimidating fellow jurors in a murder trial by telling them he was a prize fighter. The jury disagreed and investigation later by the state indicated that Hadesman had refused to concur with the other eleven, who favored continuing.

The door of a Lexington Avenue subway express car slid open as the train sped round a sharp curve at Astor Place, New York, the other day, hurling three men out. Two of them were dashed against the pillars of the tube and killed, their bodies being further mangled by another train following behind. The third man caught hold of the safety gate between two cars and was hauled back by the guards, badly injured.

The 39th Ottawa Regiment, under command of Lieut.-Col. C. M. Edwards, D. S. O., is to be transferred into a Highland unit which will wear the Cameron tartan and will probably be affiliated with the famous Camerons in the British army. The announcement was made the other night on parade, and from the enthusiasm displayed by the men the change will be quite popular with them. Kilts will probably be issued very soon.

Struck by lightning while out lifting nets during the progress of a thunder storm on the 10th Lyle Dawson of Wheatley, Ont., was instantly killed, and two companions were stunned. The small boat they had was somewhat damaged but the two companions of Dawson managed to make shore with it. They are suffering slightly from the effects of the shock. Dawson was a married man, about 30 years of age. He is survived by a wife and two children.

Mail Contract

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon on Friday, the 30th of July, 1920, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails on a proposed Contract for four years, six times per week, on the route, Montague Rural Mail Route, No. 4, from the Postmaster General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Offices of Montague and St. Mary's Road, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

JOHN F. WHEAR, Post Office Inspector, Post Office Inspector's Office, Charlottetown, June 19, 1920, June 23, 1920—3i

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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon on Friday, the 23rd of July, 1920, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails on a proposed Contract for four years, six times per week, on the route, Richmond Rural Mail Route, No. 2, from the Postmaster General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Office of Richmond, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

JOHN F. WHEAR, Post Office Inspector, Post Office Inspector's Office, Charlottetown, 11th June, 1920, June 16, 1920—3i

Mail Contract

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon on Friday, the 23rd July, 1920, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, six times per week, on the route, Alberton Rural Mail Route, No. 4, from the Postmaster General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Office of Alberton, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

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