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THE DOMINION HOUSE.

Mr. McInnes' Proposal for a Mint for the Dominion.

MR. FIELDING NOT FAVORABLE.

Members' Day in Parliament Was a Very Busy One on Monday—The People's Representatives Obtain Much Information and Press Their Legislation Forward—Questions and Replies by Ministers.

Ottawa, May 16.—Members made the best use of their opportunities yesterday in forwarding private bills and in obtaining information from the Government and orders for returns of various kinds. A number of questions were asked in reference to matters relating to the Yukon, mostly by Sir Hibbert Tupper, and numerous returns, correspondence, etc., were brought down. An interesting debate took place upon Mr. McInnes' motion favoring the establishment of a Canadian mint, which was not favored by the Finance Minister, who explained at some length that it was inexpedient at the present time for the Government to adopt the suggestion.

Questions and Answers.

Sir Louis Davies, for the Minister of Public Works, informed Col. Prior that the English representatives of the Northern Commercial Telegraph Company had communicated to the Government the readiness of their company to commence forthwith the construction of the Skaguay and Dawson telegraph line under their charter, but not until after a construction party had been sent out by the Public Works Department to commence the construction of a Government line of telegraph.

Mr. Fielding informed Mr. Foster that no order-in-council had been passed reducing the rate of interest paid on the debt owed by the province of Ontario to the Dominion.

The Immigration Question.

In answer to Mr. Clarke, Mr. Sifton said:

1. The Government has not built houses or done any seeding for the Doukhobors or any other foreign immigrants. In cases where there was urgent necessity for assistance being given to provide for the immediate wants of newly-arrived immigrants a small amount of assistance has been given. It is the policy of the Government to extend this assistance to all, English, Irish and Scotch immigrants, as well as others.

2. The only difference in inducements offered continental immigrants and British immigrants is that the arrangement made by the late Government respecting continental bonus has been continued and the continental bonus to booking agents is, under that arrangement, larger than the bonus to British booking agents.

The reason for this policy was and is that it is necessary to meet the bonuses paid by other countries to continental booking agents. In the case of the Doukhobors no bonus was paid to booking agents, but in lieu thereof a special bonus of $4 86 per head was agreed upon and paid to the English committee for the Doukhobors, because the committee were prepared to give us a very large number of desirable agricultural immigrants, with no expense whatever to the Government, in so far as inducing the immigration was concerned, except the bonus. The Government is prepared at any time to make a similar arrangement with any persons who may be in a position to furnish a large body of desirable agricultural immigrants from Britain.

Mr. Marcotte was told the Government had no information as to the number of Canadians repatriated from the States; that no specified amount was paid to agents per head, but a commission; that there were 15 regular agents in the United States, drawing $15,300 a year, and 13 in Europe, drawing $20,825

Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper was informed that the Government intends to appoint a second judge for the Yukon district.

A number of motions for papers were passed.

A Canadian Mint.

Hon. Mr. Fielding, continuing the debate on Mr. McInnes' motion, said he could well understand that hon. members who only thought out this subject as they listened to Mr. McInnes, would believe the establishment of a mint desirable, but there was another side to the question they should be willing to hear. He was not prepared to hold that under no circumstances should they establish a mint in Canada, but, whatever they might do in the future, it would not be well to take that step at present. It would necessitate the enlargement of our metallic currency, and perhaps there was no department of our public affairs against the disturbance of which they should more strenuously guard themselves than that of the alteration of our currency system. Our currency was, practically, a gold currency, and he was afraid Mr. McInnes' proposition would bring about some financial disturbances which would not be to the advantage of Canada. Mr. McInnes had said there would be a profit on minting silver and copper, but he had very properly pointed out that there would be no profit on gold coining. If we could absorb an unlimited amount of silver and copper coinage, we might make much money in minting silver and copper coinage, but there was a limit to the amount of silver and copper coinage that the country could take; but if they exceeded the amount the country could take, the coinage would be depreciated. It was only by keeping within that necessary limit that we kept our silver and copper coinage from deteriorating. If they adopted Mr. McInnes' principle they would lose a very considerable amount per annum if we attempted to run a mint of our own, and the net result would be that, instead of enjoying a handsome profit, the Government would have a loss. Under his system they would pay much more than by the present system, because Canada could not absorb a sufficient amount of that coinage to keep the mint in operation for more than one month out of the twelve. They did not need a gold coinage in Canada to any considerable extent. Except from a sentimental point of view, it was unnecessary that they should mint gold. Gold would displace the note currency, which was practically a loan from the public to the Dominion of Canada, without interest. They would, therefore, lose in the minting; they would have a more expensive mode of manufacturing coins than at present, and they would displace our present currency, and be obliged to go on the market and borrow money, which, under the present system, the public were disposed to give to the Government to-day without interest. The people of Canada did not want gold; the note system was a much more convenient form of currency.

The Debate Continued.

The debate was continued by Messrs. Casey (West Elgin), Henderson (Halton), Clarke Wallace (West York), Osler (West Toronto), Oliver (Alberta), Carscallen (North Hastings), and Ellis (St. John City, N.B.).

The debate was then adjourned.

A number of motions for papers were passed, amongst them one by Mr. Martin for correspondence, telegrams and other documents with reference to the carrying of the mails for Prince Edward Island between the Intercolonial at Cape Tormentine, on which there was a long discussion, and after that motion was carried the House adjourned at 1½ p.m.

MONOPOLY ENDS.

Rankin Power Company Will Surrender Its Privileges for a Number of Concessions.

Toronto, May 16.—The negotiations for the surrender of the monopoly held by the Canadian Niagara Power Company have been concluded, and the agreement arrived at will doubtless be presented to the Ontario Government for ratification at a council meeting to-day. The company named has agreed to abandon the monopoly in return for a number of concessions. In place of the present annual rental of $25,000 per annum a tariff of rates has been decided upon. Under the new agreement the company instead of a fixed annual payment will pay in proportion to the power which it develops. The new tariff is as follows:

For the first 10,000 horsepower developed, $15,000 per annum.

For the next 10,000 horsepower, $1 per horsepower per annum.

For the next 10,000 horsepower, 75 cents per horsepower per annum.

For the remaining power developed up to 100,000 horsepower, 50 cents per horsepower.

It will thus be seen that under the new arrangement the revenue derivable by the Government for the first 20,000 horsepower developed will amount to $32,500. It the company develops up to 100,000 horsepower it will pay a further sum of $35,000, making a total revenue of $67,500.

ARE THEY THE ROBBERS?

Five Men Arrested at Tweed and Several More at Peterboro in Connection With the Bowmanville Sensation.

Tweed, Ont., May 16.—Yesterday afternoon five men were arrested a mile east of this town on suspicion of having been concerned in the Bowmanville bank robbery on Friday night. One of them, who was in town earlier in the day, showed intense interest in the contents of a Toronto morning paper, and the editor of The News notified the local constables, with the above result. They are now at the police station and carefully guarded. One of the men said he was James Conklin of Toronto, that he was 52 years of age, and that he was a moulder by trade, and worked a short time ago in the safe works of J. & J. Taylor.

The second man gave the name of George Ward, said he was 53 years of age, and last worked in the Detroit Stove Works at Detroit, Mich.

The next gave the name of William Jones of Toronto. He said he was 37 years of age, and last worked in the carriage works of Jones & McLauchlin in Buffalo.

The fourth said he was born in Lambton County 49 years ago, and that he last worked in Erie Pa.

The last man gave the name of Patrick O'Brien, and said he had been working with a farmer named Torpy, six miles from Peterboro.

They all denied having anything to do with the others, although they were traveling together.

Greer Goes to Tweed.

A telegram was sent to the general manager of the Standard Bank shortly after the arrest asking for instructions, and last evening a message was received from Provincial Detective Greer giving instructions to hold the prisoners until his arrival on the 2 a.m. express from Toronto.

Mr. West Don't Know Him.

Toronto, May 16.—Mr. Joseph M. West, president of the J. & J. Taylor Safe Works, was called on early this morning, and Mr. West stated that he did not know of any such man as James Conklin, arrested at Tweed, who said he had been an employe of the Taylor Safe Works.

They Had Standard Bank Bills.

Peterboro, May 16.—What may be important arrests in connection with the recent bank robbery at Bowmanville were made here last night by Chief Roszel and constables. In the afternoon a few tramps, under the influence of liquor, made themselves annoying to the employes around the C.P.R. station. As time wore on the men became drunken, and this ultimately resulted in their arrest. When searched at the police station, a number of Standard Bank bills of $5 denomination and quite a large amount of small silver was found on them.

Gone into Camp.

Kingston, Ont., May 16.—Yesterday morning the members of "A" Field Battery, R.C.A., went into camp on the front road, Pittsburgh, below Barriefield. There are six guns, wagons, etc., and 138 men. The battery will remain under canvas for a month at least.

Gomez Gives It Up.

Havana, May 16.—General Maximo Gomez yesterday informed Governor-General Brooke that he could no longer act as representative of the Cuban army in the distribution of the $3,000,000 appropriated for the payment of the Cuban troops.

Mr. Maclean's Improvement.

Toronto, May 16.—Mr. W. F. Maclean, M.P., has recovered so far as to be able to sit up. The fracture of the leg has made a good union. He expects to be down to the office, and probably in Ottawa, within the course of a week.

Where a Strike Hurt London.

London, Ont., May 16.—Because of a strike of its employes the Laidlaw-Watson Shoe Company has decided to remove from this city. Mr. Laidlaw said the removal would not have been thought of had the employes not gone on strike.

BASEBALL.

Records of the Games Played in Various Leagues on Monday.

Note—The name of the club first given indicates where the game was played.

The Canadian League.

Guelph 1, St. Thomas 8.
Stratford 1, London 8.
Chatham 8, Hamilton 3.

The Eastern League.

Toronto 5, Worcester 11.
Montreal 1, Hartford 4.
Syracuse 4, Springfield 3.
Rochester 10, Providence 9.

The Western League.

Buffalo 5, Columbus 4.
Kansas City 11, Milwaukee 14.
Indianapolis 3, Detroit 2.

The National League.

Baltimore 5, New York 3.
Washington 5, Boston 2.
Pittsburg 3, Chicago 4.
Brooklyn 8, Philadelphia 5.
Cleveland 2, Cincinnati 3.
St. Louis 4. Louisville 1.

WILL NOT QUIT HOSTILITIES.

Aguinaldo Gives Notice That the War Will Be Continued to the Bitter End—More Fighting.

London, May 16.—The Filipino Junta here has received the following message from Aguinaldo, cabled from Hongkong under date of May 12: "The Filipino Government, in accordance with the general feeling of the country, has decided to continue the war at all costs, until independence is secured.

"The Filipinos energetically refuse the American peace overtures, based on restricted autonomy, coupled with promises of subsequent self-government.

"The Filipinos demand a strict fulfilment of the articles of the American constitution and treaties contracted by the American representatives when imploring a Filipino alliance in combatting the Spaniards.

"All the Filipino generals support Aguinaldo. General Luna's reported overtures for peace are untrue. Our army is near Manila, simultaneously attacking the whole American line.

"The heat and rains are causing many casualties in the American army. All the hospitals are crowded with sick and wounded. Four hundred of the Cincinnati regiment have been imprisoned by General Otis for insubordination in refusing to fight. The regular troops quartered in Manila and other towns are quiet. The volunteers are abused and are always at the front with scanty rations.

"The discontent between the Americans and Europeans is general."

Into a Nest of Insurgents.

Manila, May 16.—The "tinclad" gunboats Laguna de Bay and Cavadonga and a launch, under Captain Grant, ran into a nest of insurgents concealed in the bushes on both sides of the Rio Grande River, three miles above Calumpit, yesterday afternoon and were received with heavy volleys at short range. A sergeant, belonging to the Utah battery, was killed and a private was wounded. Opening with their rapid-fire guns, the Americans killed twenty of the natives and wounded several others, filling the jungle with a hail of shot for a half hour, until the enemy fled.

TROUBLE AT KOWLOON.

Chinese Troops Again Invade the Hinterland—British Troops Sent to the Spot—China Disturbed.

Hongkong, May 16.—The native opposition to the occupation by British forces of the new territory, Kowloon, opposite Hongkong, has suddenly been renewed. About 900 men of the Hongkong Regiment, with machine guns, left yesterday, while the volunteers have been warned to be in readiness for any emergency. The British second-class gunboat Swift, accompanied by three other gunboats, is proceeding to sea under sealed orders. These warships have 500 men on board.

The territory back of the hinterland is also disturbed, and Chinese troops have been sent there.

A later despatch says: In all, 1,350 infantry soldiers, 100 artillerymen, 50 engineers and 500 marines have gone to the Kowloon hinterland. The greatest secrecy is observed as to the plans of the British authorities, and nothing is definitely known regarding the actual destination of the troops. The gun vessels engaged in the operations have been provisioned for eight days Troops are patrolling the European quarter of Kowloon. It is reported that rebels from Tungkung invaded British territory on Sunday evening, and that two armed gangs robbed the city of Kowloon. Hongkong itself is quiet.

Anxiety at Pekin.

Pekin, May 16.—The Russian demand for a new railroad concession, connecting Pekin with Russia's present railroad system in Manchuria, is still exciting the gravest anxiety there. The chief Chinese officials are having constant consultations with the Dowager Empress. The Germans and Japanese are particularly uneasy on the subject of this unexpected move upon the part of the Russians, and there is a feeling among the prominent Chinese that the moment has come to make every effort in the direction of securing British sympathy and aid.

SUICIDES.

Without any apparent reason John Rossor, a milk driver of Toronto, deliberately took his life on Friday afternoon by hanging himself in the loft of a barn. His body was found by his employer, John Ward, suspended by a rope from the ceiling of his barn. He had worked for Ward for 12 years, and leaves a wife and four children.

RAILROAD RUMBLINGS.

The Canadian Pacific Railway officials are considering the advisability of constructing a double track from Montreal to Vaudreuil, Que. The distance is 68 miles.

In public meeting the town of Goderich resolved to loyally support the construction of an independent railway as a national undertaking to connect the waters of Lake Ontario with any portion of Lake Huron or the Georgian Bay which shall be proven to be most favorably situated for this purpose. A decision of experts is wanted on the last half of the resolution.

THE RELIGIOUS WORLD.

The services in connection with the induction of the Rev. W. A. J. Martin to the pastorate of Zion Presbyterian Church took place in Brantford on Thursday.

The Pope on Thursday morning handed to Monsignor Marini a bull declaring a universal jubilee in the year 1900. The bull was afterwards promulgated, according to custom, in the vestibule of St. Peter's.

The Salvation Army has been incorporated under the laws of the State of New York and has filed a certificate thereof with the Secretary of State. The property controlled by the Army, real and personal, is estimated at $745,250.

UNCLASSIFIED.

A wholesale poisoning occurred at a colored revival meeting near Buena Vista, Ga., through the delegates drinking of the buttermilk provided. Rev. N. Donneway died in a few hours, and two other preachers are also expected to die.

A peculiar accident happened to Miss Maggie Brenson of Hamilton on Saturday. She yawned too hard and was unable to close her mouth afterwards. Immediately she fainted away from fright. Doctors performed a minor operation and she is now all right.

Is Your Blood Pure?

This is a question of vast importance to all who wish to be well. If your blood is impure you cannot expect good health unless you begin taking Hood's Sarsaparilla at once. This great medicine makes the blood pure and puts the system in good health, cures spring humors and that tired feeling.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, sick headache, biliousness and all liver ills Price 25 cents.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

Chamberlain and the Colonial Representatives Confer.

AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

Lord Selborne, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, Replies to an Interpellation on the Subject by the Earl of Aberdeen—Colonial Representations to Be Considered.

London, May 16.—The Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, had a conference yesterday on the subject of the proposed Pacific cable with Baron Strathcona and Mount Royal, the high commissioner of Canada, and other colonial agents-general, who presented certain modifications of the original proposals. Mr. Chamberlain promised that they should receive the best consideration.

Replying in the House of Lords to the Earl of Aberdeen (Liberal), former Governor-General of Canada, who urged the importance of Imperial and colonial Governments reaching an understanding with reference to the Pacific cable, the Earl of Selborne, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, said Her Majesty's Government was perfectly prepared to review the whole matter in the light of any new representations the colonies might make, with a sincere desire to arrive at a decision satisfactory to all Governments concerned.

During the course of his remarks, the Earl of Selborne assured the House there was no intention upon the part of the Government to throw cold water upon a matter of such great public interest, nor was there any idea of being ungracious. He expressed surprise at the fact that exception had been taken to the Government's assertion that the cable was more important to Canada and Australasia than to the United Kingdom, explaining that this was not incompatible with the view that it was of great importance to the Empire, as it might be perfectly true that such a project as this might be of great Imperial interest, and at the same time be of greater importance to specific portions of the Empire.

Continuing, the Under Secretary said he did not think anyone conversant with the full aspect of the matter would regard the Government's offer as being ungenerous, because it offered to share the burden, without demanding a share of the profits. The sum of $100,000 was named because it seemed to be the outside limit on the proportion of five-eighteenths, which Great Britain could be called upon to pay. The conditions proposed, he explained, were merely such as the experience of the postoffice and treasury suggested, and being the most likely to secure efficiency. If the colonies had any objections to urge against the form of the British proposals, the Government was perfectly prepared to review the whole matter, with a sincere desire to arrive at a decision which would be satisfactory to all concerned.

PEOPLE LINE THE ROUTE.

Her Majesty Drove to Kensington Palace, Accompanied by Duke and Duchess of York—Great Enthusiasm.

London, May 16.—Queen Victoria arrived in London yesterday from Windsor, accompanied by the Duke and Duchess of York and her suite, and drove to Kensington Palace, the party occupying a number of open four-horse landaus, with postillions in blue and white, red-coated outriders, escorted by a detachment of the Horse Guards. Enthusiastic people lined the route to the palace, where Her Majesty visited the old apartments which she occupied as a young girl, which have been renovated preparatory to opening the palace to the public.

Her Majesty Patted "Tim."

On the arrival of Her Majesty at Paddington railroad station she noticed on the platform a shaggy Irish terrier named "Tim," which collects contributions for the widows and orphans of the railroad. The Queen had "Tim" brought to her by the conductor of the train, and after patting the terrier on the head she dropped a piece of gold into the metal box hanging about the dog's neck.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

The Foreign Minister of the Netherlands Is Decorated by the Czar.

The Hague, May 16.—M. de Staal, the Russian ambassador to the Court of St. James, representative of Russia at the peace conference and president of that body, conferred with the Foreign Minister of the Netherlands, W. H. de Beaufort, yesterday, and handed him the decoration of the Alexander Newski Order. In so doing, the Russian representative expressed the Czar's gratitude for the hospitality extended to the delegates.

The peace conference will hold its first sitting at 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon next.

Trying to Stop Frauds.

Madrid, May 16.—The Minister of Finance, Marquis Villa Verde, has issued a decree closing immediately the registers of foreign bondholders, in order to decide who is entitled to gold payments on the external debt coupons under the recent law. This course is taken to stop the frauds by which Spaniards transfer their claims in order to secure gold, in which foreigners only are entitled.

Going to Hunt for Andree.

Stockholm, May 16.—An expedition for the finding and relief of Andree and his party will start for the northeast coast of Greenland within a few weeks. The relief party will be in charge of Prof. A. G. Nathorst, and it will sail on the steam whaler Antarctic, of which he is part owner.

Lord Herschell Was Rich.

London, May 16.—The will of the late Baron Herschell, the former Lord Chancellor and member of the Anglo-American-Canadian commission, who died in Washington on March 1 last, was probated yesterday. The estate is valued at £153,000.

Millions for Tuberculosis Asylum.

Berlin May 16.—Baron Hoyl Zu Hornshein, the National-Liberal member of the Reichstag, has donated 3,000,000 marks towards the tuberculosis asylum movement.

Bicycle Workers' Union.

Toledo, O., May 16.—The executive committee of the International Union of Bicycle Workers announces the election of F. J. Angus of Toronto, Ont., as vice-president of the organization.

The Grand Trunk has decided to build a second large bridge over the Niagara River. The new structure will connect Buffalo city and Black Rock with Canada, and will be used exclusively by the Grand Trunk.