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THE WEEK IN PARLIAMENT.

Had Sir Wilfrid Laurier kept pay full value for Grand Trunk his promise. the whole week Facific stock, so that if the \$24,would have been devoted to the 900,000 is to be a lien on the National Transcontinental Rail- pockets of the people they will way bill. The Liberals, however, secure some advantages for aswere forced to stop for wind and suming the responsibility. Sir called for the adjournment of the Wilfrid Laurier has refnsed as debate in order to consider sev- yet to adopt this suggestion, but eral important amendments offer- has been forced by the opposition ed by the opposition. The Prime to consider the advisability of Minister is becoming alarmed at concuring in it.

BORDEN

"The return of Mr. R. L.

the antagonism which the government policy has developed in the LIBERAL PAPER PRAISES MR. country, and now seeks a hole for escape. The Ottawa Free Press the

The contract which the governgovernment organ at the anital, ment proposes to enter inte with the Grand Trunk Pacific has been Borden, the leader of the opposhown to be against every nation. sition : al interest. It gives away everything and retains nothing for Borden, the leader of the Oppo- not pay fancy prices for its certificates. the government. Sir Wilfrid Lausition, to his place in Parliament rier, Hon. W. S. Fielding and will be welcomed by men of all Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick conshades of political opinion." tradicted one another repeatedly on important questions, showing that the cabinet is divided as to the policy which has been forced upon, it.

The gerrymander of Ontario was discussed for several days. can appreciate and estimate at The leader of the opposition repudits proper value genuine personal iated much of the work of the worth." special parliamentary commitee,

the Liberal majority of which refused to accept a single proposition which came from the Conservative minority. The government has simply devised a scheme for robbing Ontario of its legitimate representation, and it does this under the guise of fairness.

"Mr. Borden is influenced by Geological Survey. With a splendid Hon. W. S. Fielding introduced ideals that are in every respect a bill to take away from the creditable to himself, and his per- Canada, so far as they have been in ition to any of my colleagues, and I Auditor General all power to sonal influence on his own side of vestigated, Dr. Ami has made out the think I should justly be blamed if control public expenditure, a pre- the House stands immeasurably best possible case for the government. I remained in office and thus formally rogative which that officer has exercised during the past twenty-five years. the House stands immeasurably best possible case for the government. That is saying everything that can be offered in commendation of the he has identified himself."

THE HERALD none is to compare with the endless opportunities for boodling great concessions' which are to which are now impossible under exist be granted to shippers . using the ing laws. In following this course Grand Trunk Pacific. At least Sir. Wilfrid Laurier undertakes to the government has promised this wipe out one of the most desirable PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY great boon. Yet they do not safeguards to public outlays under our fiscal system. No previous governhesitate to inflict on the country ment ever suggested such a move for fifty years the responsibility knowing that the public would not for paying interest on \$24,900,000 tolerate it. Has public opinion de

of watered stock. The opposition endeavored to have a provision, for the change? generated so much that it is now ripe inserted in the contract which will compel the Grand Trunk to

MINISTERS CANNOT AGREE. According to the Hon. Clifford

expected to accept it?

Sifton, the eastern section of the Grand Trunk Pacific will open up a country so rich in timber, minerals, and agricultural possibilities that it

British Politics Agi

tated.

CHAMBERLAIN RESIGNS NITH TWO OF

HIS COLLEAGUES.

resignations, which have been accept-

Chamberlain, Secretary for the Col-

Chancellor of the exchequer, and Lord

Beorge Hamilton, Secretary for India."

Following this announcement was the

onies; Right Hon. C. T. Ritchie, patible with office.

must of necessity become a paying property from its inception. The ferential tariff. road will labor under none of the dis-"For the present at any rate, a pre

advantages which confronted the Caferential agreement with our colonies nadian Pacific Railway. It will cominvolving a new duty, however small on articles of food hitherto untaxed. mand the respect of the financial even if accompanied by a reduction of world and there will be a mad rush to taxation on other articles of food farnish funds for its construction. epually universal in their consumption Hon. W. S. Fielding, the finanwould be unacceptable to the majority

cial expert of the government, is not of the constituencies. However much so sanguine of success as his confrere we may regret the decision, however mistaken we may think it, no good With Sir- Wilfrid Laurier he holds government in a democratic country the opinion that the stock of the Grand Trunk Pacific cannot be sold as an immediate practical policy, the can ignore it. I feel, therefore, that

at par. The project will be surround. question of preference to the colonies by doubt and the money markets will cannot be passed with any hope of success at the present time, although there is a very strong feeling in favor This is wholly opposed to the views of the other branch of fiscal reform of the Minister of the Interior. The which would give a fuller discretion to cabinet are quite unable to agree on the government in negotiating with " Mr. Borden's many admirable other points of their railway policy. foreign countries for a freer exchange qualities have won for him a This is because the ministers were of commodities and which would enwarm place in the hearts of never consulted by Sir Wilfrid Laur- able our representative to retaliate if people who are not greatly in- ier, before he bargained with Mr. no concession was made to onr ins terested in the sword thrusts of Hays to spend \$100 000,000. If the demands. "If, as I believe, you share these the political gladiators, but who government are unable to agree as to

views, it seems to me that you will be their policy, how can the people be absolutely justified in adopting them as the policy of your government, al-though it will necessarily involve some changes in its constitution. As sec

"Mr. Borden's illness came at a THE MOUNTAINS OF INFORMATION. retary for the colonies during the last eight years, I have been in a special time when his presence could ill. The mountains of information in sense the representative of the policy be spared from the parliamentary regard to the Grand Trunk Pacific of a closer union, which I firmly be arena, and his return will be hail- scheme which were promised by Sir. ed with not less satisfaction in Wilfrid Laurier, have been condensed lieve to be equally necessary in the interests of the colonies and ourselves that it will lead to greater facility in the deepatch of public busic bas been handed to parliament. I believe it is possible today and in the despatch of public busi- has been natured to p. Ami, may be possible tomorrow to make arrangements for such a union. I had unexampled opportunities of watchone of the cleverest members of the ing events and appreciating the feelings of our kinsmen beyond the seas. grasp of the physical characteristics of I stand, therefore, in a different pos-

"Further than that it can be condensed form. The reports of to your government and with no fear WILL LAURIER BETRAY CANADA? said with perfect truth that those who are accepted as authorities of embarrassing it in any way I can

position my arguments may be re-

deeply concerned that you should re- the government. There could be no gard this conclusion however, well more conclusive evidence that in your founded, as one making it difficult in judgment as in mine, the exclusion of your very special circumstances for you the taxation of food from the party to remain a member of the government. programme is in the existing circum. Yet, I do not venture in a matter so stances a course best fitted practically strictly personal, to raise any objection 'to further the cause of fiscal reform." London advices of the 17th, contain if you think you can b st serve the in- London advices of the 21st, report the following announcements : "The terests of imperial unity, for which you the following additional resignations

foilowing ministers have tendered their have done so much by pressing your from the Cabinet. Lord Balfour of views on colonial preference, with the Burleigh, Secretary for Scotland, and ed by the King : Right Hon. Joseph freedom which is possible in an inde- Arthur Ralph Douglas Eliott, Financial pendent position, but hardly com- Secretary to the Treasury, and that patible with office. "How can I critize your determinat-ation? The loss to the government is ation? The loss to the government is ation that the King has approved of the full wing appointments to fill the Following this announcement was the correspondence that passel between the Premier, Right Hon. A. J Bal-four, and Mr. Chamberlain. Mr. Chamberlain's latter is dated Birmingham, Sept. 9th, and sets forth his reasons for resigning. A most interesting portion of the letter is the following statement concerning a pre-following statement concerning a pre-form that he is the statement concerning a pre-form that he cause you have at heart may be greater still. If so what can I do but acquiesce? "Yours very sincerely, "A. J. BALFOUR." P. S-May I say with what gratifi-cation, both on personal and public form that the King has approved of the following appointments to fill the place of Lord George Hamilton. It is also stated that Lord Milner, has been offered the Colonial Secretary bip lain is ready to remain a member of in succession to Joseph Chamberlain.

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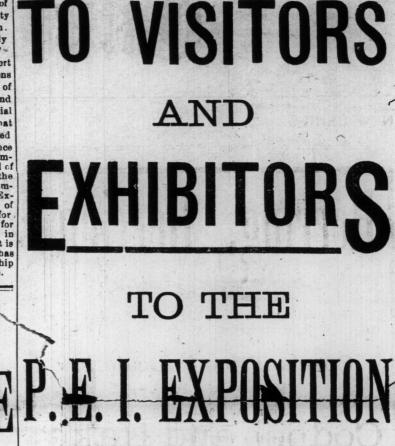
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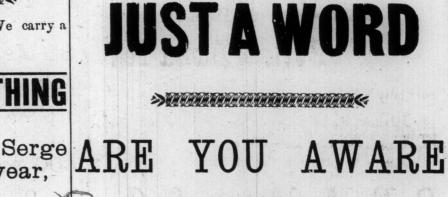
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of the new transcontinental railway admiration for Mr. Borden as a man, who recognize his own will pass, are not to be considered ceived with less prejudice than would seriously from a railway standpoint. attach to those of a party leader. There is not a single statement to Accordingly I would suggest that you unfailing courtesy and his elevating influence on public life." show that the government knows any- limit the present policy of the govern GOVERNMENT IS CRAWLING.

thing about the country through in the case of all commercial relations Sir. Wilfrid Laurier is at last be- which it proposes to construct a new with foreign countries, and that you ginning to realize that the National railway for the benefit of private in- should agree to my tendering my Transcontinental Railway scheme is dividuals. The territory through resignation of my present office to his not finding favor in the country. which the Quebec division will run is Majesty, and devoting myself to the not finding favor in the country. which the Quebec division will run is when the Prime Minister undertook described as typical Laurentain country work of explaining and popularizing these principles of imperial union singlebanded to arrange a deal by try with rounded hills, valleys and which experience has convinced me which Senator Cox and others would lakes and rivers everywhere. In re are essential to our future welfare and be enriched to the extent of \$100,000, gard to balance of the route the knowooo of the people's money, he made ledge had of the country is little more fatal mistake. The opposition than heresay. Yet the government have successfully demonstrated that declines first to fully investigate the the government's policy is all in favor physical conditions of the route, beof the grafter and against the people. fore binding Canada to an expendi The members of the cabinet have not ture of \$100,000,000. When Dr. been able to satisfactorily explain Ami finds it impossible to gather features of the bill, which seek to data, it is no wonder that Sir Wilfrid-

> The Provincial Exhibition.

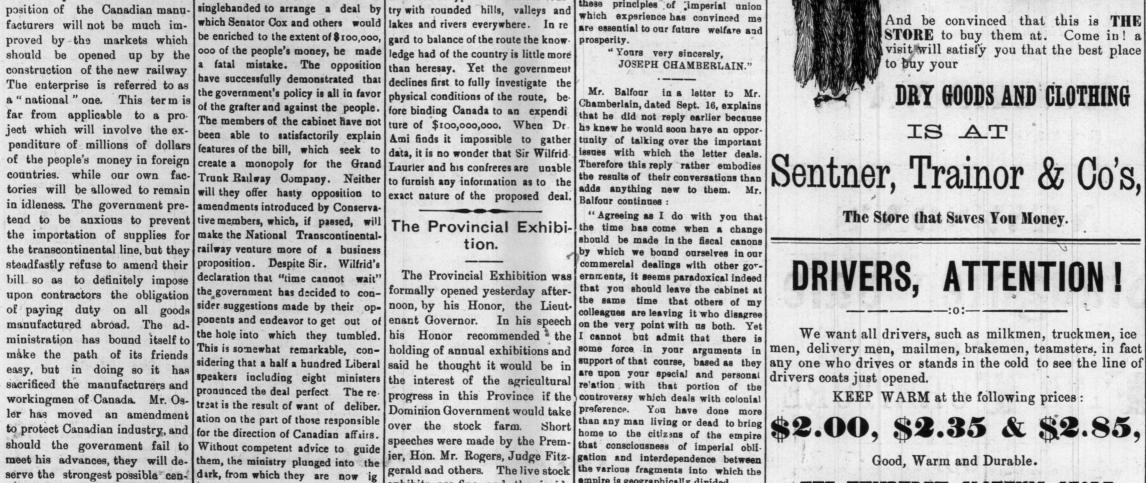
progress in this Province if the controversy which deals with colonial Dominion Government would take preference. You have done more over the stock farm. Short than any man living or dead to bring home to the citizens of the empire than any man living or dead to bring speeches were made by the Prem- that consciousness of imperial obli ier, Hon. Mr. Rogers, Judge Fitz- gation and interdependence between gerald and others. The live stock the various fragments into which the

exhibits on the whole are very that this interdependence should find "I believe you to be right in holding good. Trotting takes place this expression in our commercial as well afternoon and tomorrow after-noon. The city is thronged with I believe with you that a closer fiscal The Grand Trunk Pacific The government has resumed re- visitors, and everything points to union between the mother country The Grand Trunk Pacific The government has resumed re-Railway Company have a con-sponsibility for a bill, despite a vigor- the success of the undertaking. trade of both and that if such closer sistent friend in the Laurier ous protest from the auditor-General, We will give the prize list next union could be established on fitting terms its advantages to both parties would increase with years and as the

colonies grew in wealth and population. The Renewal a Strain. "If there has ever been any differ.

week.

ences between us in connection with Vacation is over. Again the this matter it has been with regard to And so it happens, that under the contract which the govern-in opposition they had nothing but the practicability of the proposal which would seem to require on the part of the ment proposes to enter into with good words for the Auditor General, begun, the renewal of which is on the part of this country the establishmental and physical strain to all ment of a preference in favor of im. transfer \$24,900,000 in common of the proposed legislation the trea-stock to the Grand Trunk Rail- sury board will be empowered to portant colonial products. On the first of these requirements I say nothing; but if the second involves. as it most roses in her cheeks, and the little certainly does, taxation however light sum or empty collateral in the shape of services rendered, etc. On this immediate the transition of th upon food-stuffs, I am convinced with you that public opinion is not yet ripe for such an arrangement. The reasons On this immense amount of future the treasury board will be able have already lost something of on this immense amount of stock, the patrons of the grand national transcontinental railway built by the people's money, will may easily be found in past political battles and present political misrepre sentations. If then this branch of fiscal reform is not at present within the lim built by the people's money, will have to pay dividends. This means high freight rates. Now, of all good things that are to result from the construction of a result from the construction of a ment without a certificate as to their opment by building up the whole the country is prepared to consider propriety. In this way there will be system.



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