

## DIARY OF THE MONTH.

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February.
- 2 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—MR. SINCLAIR** (Guysboro, N.S.) (L.) asks Government to offer substantial **SUBSIDY FOR FAST LINE** of boats to give tri-weekly service for transport of fish from Nova Scotia to Boston.
- 3 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—SUPPLY, INDIAN AFFAIRS, CUSTOMS AND MARINE ESTIMATES.** Liberals charge **GOVERNMENT STEAMER ALERT** used for carrying Tory speakers and supplies in Victoria, N.S., by-election.
- 4 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—COL. HUGHES**, Minister of Militia, reports **EUROPEAN TRIP COST CANADA \$24,262.**
- 5 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—MR. ALPHONSE VERVILLE**, (Maisonneuve) (Lab.) introduces **BILL TO AMEND THE CRIMINAL CODE** to (a) prevent employers from employing on their works or premises any man or men who carry arms; (b) restrict, within certain limits for detection of crime, the use of the detectaphone. **MR. ROBERT BICKERDIKE** (Montreal) (L.) secures second reading of **BILL TO ABOLISH CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.**
- 6 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—COL. HUGHES**, Minister of Militia, states **BRITISH WAR OFFICE**, not National Rifle Association, responsible for barring rear-aperture sights at Bisley, thereby making it impossible for Canadian team to compete. **SUPPLY, LABOUR ESTIMATES.** **MR. CROTHERS**, Minister of Labour, severely criticized for inaction in regard to industrial difficulties on Vancouver Island.
- MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT** to end of January shows **PUBLIC DEBT \$314,383,870. INCREASE DURING JANUARY** of \$10,821,765 as compared with \$5,133,979 for January 1912. **TOTAL REVENUE FOR MONTH DECREASES** nearly \$2,000,000.
- 9 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—MESSRS. A. K. MACLEAN** (Halifax)(L.) AND **F. B. CARVELL** (Carleton, N.B.) (L.) seek **EXPLANATION OF CHANGE OF ROYAL LINE MAIL STEAMERS** from Halifax to St. John. Prime Minister refuses to reveal nature of interview with president.
- HON. H. R. EMMERSON** (Westmorland) (L.) shows **ARRANGEMENT MADE BY GENERAL MANAGE GUTELIUS OF INTERCOLONIAL WITH CANADIAN PACIFIC** illegal; also declares Intercolonial "is being made a pack mule to bear the burden of the Canadian Pacific". Shows Mr. Gutelius has increased freight rates and remodelled rules to conform with Canadian Pacific Railway standards.
- 10 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—RT. HON. R. L. BORDEN**, Prime Minister, **INTRODUCES BILL FOR REDISTRIBUTION** of the representation in the House of Commons. **LIBERALS CHALLENGE BOARD OF CUSTOMS RULING** that basic slag, ground, is dutiable. **AMENDMENT BY MR. EMMERSON** (Westmorland) (L.) **TO DECLARE SLAG FREE, DEFEATED.** **SUPPLY, LABOUR ESTIMATES.** **MR. VERVILLE**, (Maisonneuve) (Lab.) **ATTACKS THE CONDUCT OF THE MINISTER OF LABOUR.**
- 11 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—HUDSON BAY RAILWAY TERMINALS** discussed. **GROSS MISMANAGEMENT** regarding unloading facilities at Port Nelson and heavy loss.
- 12 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—SUPPLY, ROYAL NORTH WEST MOUNTED POLICE ESTIMATES.** **SIR WILFRID LAURIER** **CRITICIZES JUSTICE DEPARTMENT** for too freely commuting death sentences on murderers. **REPORT OF NATIONAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL INVESTIGATING COMMISSION**, tabled.
- 13 **MANITOBA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY** declares **FOR REDUCTION OF DUTY ON AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.**
- HOUSE OF COMMONS—**Perjured evidence alleged to have been given by one Currie to secure dismissal of official at North Sydney. **CURRIE FOUND GUILTY OF PERJURY AND SENT TO PENITENTIARY** for three years. Conservatives appealed conviction to Supreme Court of Nova Scotia and Supreme Court of Canada, but failed to upset it. Currie **SENTENCED IN 1912, RELEASED IN JANUARY 1914, BY JUSTICE DEPARTMENT.**
- 14 **VANCOUVER LIBERAL SOCIAL CLUB** organized.
- DR. CLARK, M.P.** (Red Deer) (L.) and **MR. E. W. NESBITT, M.P.** (N. Oxford) (L.) addressed **MEETING OF LIBERALS AT WOODSTOCK, ONT.**
- 16 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—MR. ROGERS**, Minister of Public Works, states **EXPENDITURE ON MILITIA BUILDINGS FOR 1914-15 ESTIMATED AT \$2,530,000.** **DR. CLARK** (Red Deer) (L.) alleges favoured oil lands in West receive special consideration for hastening construction of railway lines, while lines for accommodation of homesteaders receive little encouragement. **DR. NEELY** (Humboldt) (L.) alleges Government serves railways in granting time extensions. Returns show **SPECIAL TRAIN FOR GEN. SIR IAN HAMILTON COST \$20,000; AUTOMOBILES FOR COL. HUGHES' PARTY IN EUROPE COST \$6,904.**
- 17 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—SECOND READING OF REDISTRIBUTION BILL.** **MR. NESBITT** (N. Oxford) (L.) draws attention to fact that **AMERICAN STONE** was used in **BRANTFORD POST OFFICE** although Georgetown, Ont., stone was specified in tender, that **AMERICAN WORKMEN** were employed.
- 18 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—MR. A. K. MACLEAN** (Halifax) (L.) secures promise of **SELECT COMMITTEE TO INQUIRE INTO LAWS REGARDING ELECTIONS AND ELECTORAL CORRUPTION.** Return shows **MR. GUTELIUS** got \$27,465 and **MR. LYNCH-STANTON** \$24,038 for **SERVICES IN PREPARATION OF NATIONAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL INVESTIGATION REPORT** Total cost of report \$63,388. Return of correspondence shows **GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC PROTESTED AGAINST GOVERNMENT'S DEVIATION** from original National Transcontinental Railway plans.
- SENATE—HON. MR. BELCOURT** introduces Bill regarding **POLLUTION OF NAVIGABLE WATERS**
- ONTARIO LEGISLATURE** opens.
- 19 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—MR. W. F. MACLEAN** (S. York) (C.) criticizes Government for failing to control **OCEAN AND LAKE FREIGHT RATES.**
- MR. N. W. ROWELL**, leader of **ONTARIO LIBERAL OPPOSITION**, moves amendment to Speech from Throne advocating establishment of department of Labour and inquiring into unemployment.
- NOVA SCOTIA ASSEMBLY** opens. **SESSION OF QUEBEC LEGISLATURE** concluded.
- 20 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—HON. MR. PERLEY**, introduces **BILL TO CONTROL INCORPORATION OF LOAN COMPANIES.**
- PREMIER McBRIDE** introduces Bill in British Columbia legislature to give **ADDITIONAL GUARANTEES TO CANADIAN NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY** in province. Guarantees approximate \$12,360,200.
- Montreal Trades and Labour Council expresses **DISAPPROVAL OF HIGH COST OF LIVING INVESTIGATION COMMISSION** for not making the hearing public and for not asking any labour representative in Montreal to give evidence.
- MANITOBA LEGISLATURE** concludes session.
- 21 **MONTREAL REFORM CLUB.**—Formal opening of new building—**PRESIDENT WALTER G. MITCHELL, K.C., in Chair.** Address to Sir Wilfrid Laurier read by **A. B. McMASTER, K.C.**, second vice-president of club. Address to **SIR LOMER GOUIN** read by **MR. J. B. VANIER**, Secretary. Speeches by **SIR WILFRID LAURIER, SIR LOMER GOUIN** and others.
- HON. S. N. PARENT**, former Chairman of National Transcontinental Railway Commission, **DECLARES GUTELIUS-LYNCH-STANTON REPORT "POLITICAL"** and forecasts charges against investigators. **DR. MICHAEL CLARK** (Red Deer) (L.) delivers address on tariff before Ottawa Canadian Club.
- 23 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—MR. CROTHERS**, Minister of Labour, gives notice of resolution to **PROHIBIT USE OF WHITE PHOSPHOROUS IN MANUFACTURE OF MATCHES.** Similar resolution carried under Laurier administration. **HON. G. P. GRAHAM** (S. Renfrew) (L.) says ultimate **COST OF TRANS-CONTINENTAL** as now estimated shows increase of \$7,800 over Chief Engineer Grant's estimate of September 30th, 1911, despite economies which Government promised to effect. **DEBATE ON DORVAL MILITARY SITE SCANDAL.** **W. T. Rodden** shown to have made profit of \$95,004 within very brief period. **SIR WILFRID LAURIER** urges Government to proceed with **CONSTRUCTION OF GEORGIAN BAY CANAL.** **Mr. Rogers**, Minister of Public Works, promises to appoint a commission.
- TOBACCO GROWERS OF KINGVILLE, ONT., ALLEGE BUYERS' TRUST** and form co-operative marketing association.
- 24 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—**Government shown to have failed to implement pre-election promises with regard to **PROVINCIAL CONTROL OF NATURAL RESOURCES.** Correspondence return shows that **Mr. Crothers**, Minister of Labour, did not follow up decision of **ANTI-COMBINES BOARD IN UNITED SHOE MACHINERY CASE.**
- MR. BURRELL**, Minister of Agriculture, **ADMITS SERIOUS INACCURACIES IN NEWLY ESTABLISHED AGRICULTURAL GAZETTE** of Canada. Liberal votes omitted and one item of \$700,000 twice included in making Conservative total.
- MINISTER OF MILITIA**, in speech **AT MEDICAL SERVICES BANQUET** at Ottawa, says he has no apology for expenditures he is making; and that no man should be in any Canadian regiment who is not an admirer of the ladies.
- DECREASE IN BRITISH IMMIGRATION TO CANADA** caused Cunard and White Star lines to cancel sailings.
- LIBERALS AT ZURICH, ONT.,** and vicinity form **CANADA FORWARD CLUB.**
- DR. J. W. ROBERTSON** tells Ontario associated Board of Trade that **TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMISSION** will ask Government for \$350,000 to be applied to technical education.
- 25 **ONTARIO ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF TRADE FORMULATE LEGISLATIVE DEMANDS.**
- HALIFAX YOUNG MEN'S LIBERAL ASSOCIATION** organized, six hundred strong.
- HON. MR. SYDNEY FISHER** writes press denying allegation made by Col. Hughes of graft in connection with Farnham camp site, and challenging the Minister of Militia to make this statement where he has not the protection of the House of Commons, in which case action of criminal libel will be entered at once.
- BRITISH COLUMBIA LIBERAL CONVENTION** meets at Victoria.
- 26 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—MR. CROTHERS**, Minister of Labour acknowledges **FAIR WAGE CLAUSE OMITTED** from Montreal Armoury contract.
- MINISTER OF MILITIA** at **ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION** meeting says every man should "drill or pay". Association recommends universal military training.
- MRS. G. S. LINDSEY** addresses **TORONTO WOMEN'S LIBERAL CLUB** on Workmen's Compensation.
- CONVENTION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA LIBERALS** at Victoria **CONDEMNS McBRIDE BILL TO ASSIST CANADIAN NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY** and endorses principle of proportional representation.
- NEW BRUNSWICK LEGISLATURE** opens.
- 27 **HOUSE OF COMMONS—Second reading of BILLS REGARDING INCORPORATION OF TRUST AND LOAN COMPANIES. SUPPLY, AGRICULTURAL ESTIMATES.** **MR. CARVELL** (Carleton, N.B.) (L.) shows Conservative worker received from Government \$1,000 **FOR BUYING \$12,000 FARM FOR EXPERIMENTAL PURPOSES AT FREDERICTON**, and that land was utterly unsuited for purpose. **MR. HAZEN**, Minister of Marine, refuses to instruct employees of his department to refrain from **PARTISAN WORK IN POLITICS.**
- MR. COCHRANE**, Minister of Railways, starts on **TWO MONTHS' TRIP TO EUROPE.**
- DEPUTATION OF LUMBERMEN, MILLERS AND ONTARIO BOARDS OF TRADE** asks Government to start line of publicly-owned steamers to fight combine.
- DR. CLARK, M.P.** (Red Deer) (L.), **MR. GERMAN, M.P.** (Welland) (L.) AND **MR. E. W. NESBITT, M.P.** (N. Oxford) (L.) address meeting of **NIAGARA LIBERAL ASSOCIATION.**
- NEW DOMINION GOVERNMENT LOAN** of \$25,000,000, four per cent, at 99, falls flat in London. **ONLY 22 PER CENT TAKEN** by public.
- 28 **MR. W. M. GERMAN, M.P.** (Welland) (L.) and **MR. VERVILLE, M.P.** (Maisonneuve) (Lab.) **ADDRESS MONTREAL REFORM CLUB.**
- Annual meeting **NORTH YORK REFORM ASSOCIATION** at Newmarket. Addresses by **HON. MACKENZIE KING** and **J. M. WALTON.**