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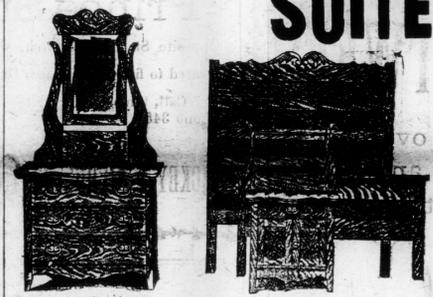
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A PARTIAL REFORM

Defects in Civil Service Bill.—Opposition Has One of Them Remedied; Mr Fisher Obstructs His Own Measure.

Indian Departmental Finance

Much For the Official Little For the Indian.

SIR RICHARD IN THE DARK

Inner Circle Does Not Consult Old Liberals.

HODGINS ENQUIRY SHELVED

Though Mr. Barker and Mr. Lennox Desired to Proceed.

When Investigation was not Burked.

How Sir John Thompson Dealt With Charges Against His Government.—Compare Him With Mr. Aylesworth.

Ottawa, June 27, 1908.

The main feature of legislation this week is the Civil Service Bill, which has passed its second reading and part of the Committee stage. Though postponed until so late in the Session the measure is exceedingly important, and the Government has amendments to make to every important clause. Mr. Fisher, in moving the second reading, expounded two hours discussing civil service reform in other countries. His address was a repetition, in a highly diluted form, of the facts presented by Mr. Foster and Mr. Burden on the latter's resolution advocating an independent non-partisan service. The Government voted down this resolution, but is obliged by public opinion and various exposures to take some action. Hence this Bill, which goes some way in the direction of the Conservative platform, though Mr. Fisher dilutes the reform as much as he dilutes the speeches supporting it.

WHAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN.

Mr. Fisher's two hours discourse was followed by one of twenty minutes from Mr. Borden, and one of five minutes from Mr. Foster, both endorsing the measure, so far as it sets the civil service free from political control and makes it an independent and self-respecting body. Mr. Borden and his party had proposed:

That the Commission which is to have charge of examinations and control of appointments should not be subject to dismissal by Government.

That appointment by merit on examination should apply not only to the members of the civil service at Ottawa, but to the much larger body of officials throughout the country.

That the independent Commission should not only control original appointments, but subsequent promotions, so that party pull should disappear altogether from the Service.

That the rule unanimously adopted by Parliament four years ago against partisan activity by civil servants, which has been systematically violated by Government consent, should be made part of the civil service law.

ONE GOOD AMENDMENT.

Of these propositions only the first one was adopted by the Government, and that not until after Mr. Foster had announced his intention of moving an amendment to cover it. The Government Bill provided that the Commissioners in charge of the whole business should have only the same tenure as a Deputy Minister, who may be dismissed by the Government at any time. Mr. Foster proposed that they should have the status of a judge or of the Auditor-General, who is removed only by an address on both Houses after good cause is shown, which practically means an impeachment.

A WPAK FEATURE.

The weak feature of the Civil Service Bill is its application to the

present service. The new classification into first, second and third divisions is made on the basis of duties and responsibilities. But instead of providing that the officers now in the Service shall be classified by duties and responsibilities, the Bill provides that they shall be placed in divisions according to their present salaries. Thus any man doing purely clerical work who now gets over \$1,200 salary is placed in a division supposed to be composed of technical and administrative officers, while a junior technical or administrative officer whose present salary is below a certain point is thrown into a division normally composed of purely clerical workers, from which there is no promotion. Thus the classification by duties and responsibilities becomes a mere pretence, and a Bill to correct existing inequalities in salary and classification makes them continue until the present civil servants are dead.

THE POOR INDIAN.
In the course of an interesting discussion on the Department of Indian Affairs, Mr. Armstrong of East Lambton, gave some interesting facts, to which others were added by Mr. Wright of Muskoka, and Mr. Olements of Kent.

The total Indian population of Canada is about 110,000, of whom 85,000 are under treaty.

The Government expenditure from the public treasury, including salaries and contingencies at Ottawa in 1898 was \$1,274,597

Expenditure from Indian Trust funds 397,783

Total expenditure \$1,672,380

From 1895 to 1905 the expenditure increased by \$378,900. In the ten years the number of officials in the Department has increased by 233

About half the money expended by the Department goes in salaries and expenses.

There is only one more teacher in the Indian schools than there was ten years ago. Many of the instructors in farming and industries are men who have failed everywhere else.

There are reserves with superintendents and instructors with hardly any Indians. There are schools with an average of half a pupil.

Indian lands have been sold on private terms without competition at low prices. Twenty-six lots in Ontario have been sold at 10 cents an acre and others at 16, 20 and 25 cents.

SIR RICHARD'S MISTAKE.

Senator Ferguson has made the discovery that Sir Richard Cartwright, former Finance Minister, was not told what arrangements the Government made last year for special advances to the banks. On the 2nd of December, Sir Richard spoke in the Senate on the address, dealing particularly with the financial situation. Some newspapers had proposed that the rule requiring dollar for dollar in gold to be held in the Treasury for all additional notes issued should be relaxed. Against this doctrine, Sir Richard vehemently protested. He said among other things:

"You can relieve the Government from the necessity of holding dollar for dollar of the legal tenders which they hand to the banks. I do not think it would be a politic thing."

"I am in favour of retaining our reserve as we have always had it, and that is dollar for dollar after we have made reasonable provision for our circulation."

HE WAS NOT NOTIFIED.

At the very moment when Sir Richard made this statement, the Government of which he is a member was doing the very thing that he declared should not be done. Mr. Fielding had stated that it was issuing \$5,300,000 additional notes and lending them to the banks without adding a dollar of gold to the reserve. The strange thing is that so high a financial authority as Sir Richard Cartwright should have known nothing about it. This is one of the many things which show that half the ministers do not know what the other half are doing, and that the old-fashioned Liberals who trust to the watchfulness of Sir Richard Cartwright and ministers of his type to prevent recklessness, extravagance and graft, are betrayed. As a matter of fact, though Mr. Fielding seems to have kept this back, the Government handed out more gold than notes, and there was not only a reduction in the reserve relative to the note issue, but of the actual gold in the treasury.

GOVERNMENT NO LONGER RESPONSIBLE.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier used to say that under Liberal rule it was not necessary to argue that the country was prosperous, as the people knew it. But the Premier usually went on to tell of increasing revenue, of industries working night and day, of abundant capital for Canadian investment, low interest on the Canadian securities, the increasing number of Canadian banks and decreasing record of failures. Ministers are now explaining that falling revenues, decreased transportation earnings, paralysis of the woolen industry, closing of iron and steel plants, scarce money and bank failures, are all due to causes beyond Government control.

But the Government is responsible for adversity more than it is for prosperity, since its prodigious extravagance, its withdrawal of money from productive industries by increased taxation, and its protection of public dishonesty, have assisted to undermine the prosperous conditions.

When the Premier next talks about banks he will have to say that within a few years they have been wrecked. These are the Banks of Yarmouth, Ontario Bank, Sovereign Bank, Banque de St. Jean, Banque de St. Hyacinthe.

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Therefore the minority "recommend that the subject-matter of the investigation be remitted to the committee with instructions to proceed therein until completion."

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