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Declines To Tell Where the Money Came From and "the Direction in Which it Was Diverted"—"Wouldn't Add to Dignity of Parliament, or the Standard of Public Life in Canada."

SCOPE OF ENQUIRY WILL BE LIMITED

OTTAWA, May 3.—Just as anticipated, there will be no inquiry into the charges laid by Dan McGillicuddy, former editor of the Calgary News, against Hon. Frank Oliver. Instead of dealing with the main issue the government has decided that an investigation contained in an Ottawa despatch to the Toronto World will be the ground work of the inquiry by a committee to be appointed, and that Mr. Oliver will show there is no connection between deposits to his account in an Edmonton bank and the granting to the Canadian Northern the right to choose six hundred acres of the rich lands of Saskatchewan instead of the swamplands of Manitoba.

Mr. Wilfrid Laurier's motion was continued: "The statement having been made in certain newspapers that on the recommendation of the Hon. Frank Oliver, minister of the Interior, an order in council was passed on May 8 allowing the Canadian Northern Railway Company to select in the province of Saskatchewan 600,000 acres of land in place of the lands granted to the Manitoba and South Eastern Railway, and that on Oct. 3 in the same year \$50,000 was paid into the Imperial Bank at Edmonton to the credit of Mr. Oliver, and that about one year ago the same sum of \$50,000 was similarly paid into the same bank to the credit of Mr. Oliver."

And Mr. Oliver having on the day of the instant despatch from this house, that no foundation whatever existed for the insinuation or suspicion that the said payments of money to either of the named persons on account of the passing of the said order in council, or by reason of the making of the said land grant, or in any way in connection therewith or on account thereof.

"Resolved that it be referred to a select committee of five members to investigate and report on the contents of the statement and matters above set forth, and that the committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine any person on oath or affirmation, and to report from time to time."

A Family Quarrel. R. L. Borden said that the motion, while different in form was to the same effect as the one to which he took exception on Tuesday. He remarked that the very nature of a family quarrel between the supporters of the prime minister. When the premier introduced the matter in the house on Friday he had not named the gentleman who had made the charges against Mr. Oliver, but referred to an article which had appeared in the Toronto Telegram, of which he did not read the most important parts. The article did not indicate the source from which came the funds placed to the credit of Mr. Oliver, but did state that an enquiry should be made as to their origin.

On Tuesday, from his place in the house, the minister of the interior said that he was the minister to whom allusion had been made, while the premier had stated that it was Mr. McGillicuddy who had made the charges. Mr. Oliver had had no reference to the article in the Telegram and had made no reference to the charges or allegations made by McGillicuddy in his interviews with the prime minister. The proposed motion of the prime minister was restricted in its terms as to whether or not the suspicion or suspicion of the Toronto World article was correct.

Where the Money Came From. In the opinion of Mr. Borden the matter to be inquired into was whether the money came from a tainted or untainted source. It might be assumed that the money came from a hundred sources, and yet none of these sources might be questionable, but the premier had taken the sum of money or suspicion and would give the house no opportunity to prove or disprove it. Such a suggestion was not worthy of the prime minister, of Mr. Oliver or of parliament. "Let us," said the minister, "be satisfied that Mr. Oliver is free from any suspicion of unworthy motives, but let it be an investigation that will satisfy parliament and the country."

Mr. Borden said that the matter could be settled by a committee in five minutes, if the minister would state that the money was from private sources. Why, therefore, should he leave it open to conjecture that it might be from any of a hundred other possible sources? It might be said on the other side of the house that it would not be a proper thing that these deposits be investigated, but there was not a murmur when the bank account of Mr. Foster was enquired into by a royal commission which the premier had himself appointed. "Does the prime minister think," asked Mr. Borden, "that he will be solving the mystery by taking any such a course? Such an enquiry would be a mere farce and merely a piece of stage play, not made for the purpose of disposing of

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MORE TERRITORY NOT WANTED SAYS TAFT

Speaking at Peace Conference, the President Says American People Would Not Countenance "Forcible" Extension of Political Power of United States.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 3.—President Taft, in his speech at the opening of the third national peace conference here to-day, declared that the United States would keep hands off and not seek to extend its domain or to acquire foreign territory.

"One of the difficulties that the United States finds in the natural suspicion that the countries engaged have of the motives which the U.S. has in tendering its good offices," continued the president. "Assertation of good faith helps but little where the suspicion is real, and yet I like to avail myself of an opportunity in such presence as this to assert that there is not in the whole length and breadth of the United States among its people any desire for territorial aggrandizement, and that its people, as a whole, will not permit the government to take any step in respect to foreign peoples, looking to a forcible extension of our political power."

Uncle Sam's Responsibilities. "We have had wars and we know what they are. We know what responsibilities they entail, the horrors and losses and horrors, and we would have none of them. We have a magnificent domain of our own which we are attempting to work out and show to the world success in popular government, and we need no more territory in which to show this. But we have attained great prosperity and great power. We have become a powerful member of the community of nations in which we live, and there is therefore, thrust upon us necessarily, a care and responsibility for the peace of the world in our neighborhood, and a burden of helping those nations which cannot help themselves, if we may do that peacefully and effectively."

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GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF CABLE RATES

LONDON, May 3.—The government is taking steps to obtain certain powers of control over rates for transatlantic cable messages and by other means to secure British interests from any possible disadvantage resulting from the working arrangements between the Anglo-American cable companies and the Western Union Telegraph Co., which was concluded to-day. Postmaster-General Samuel, replying to a series of questions in the house of commons to-day, said that the agreement would not result in cable communication between America and England depending entirely upon the operations of an American combine.

I.O.F. RE-ELECTS CHIEF RANGER

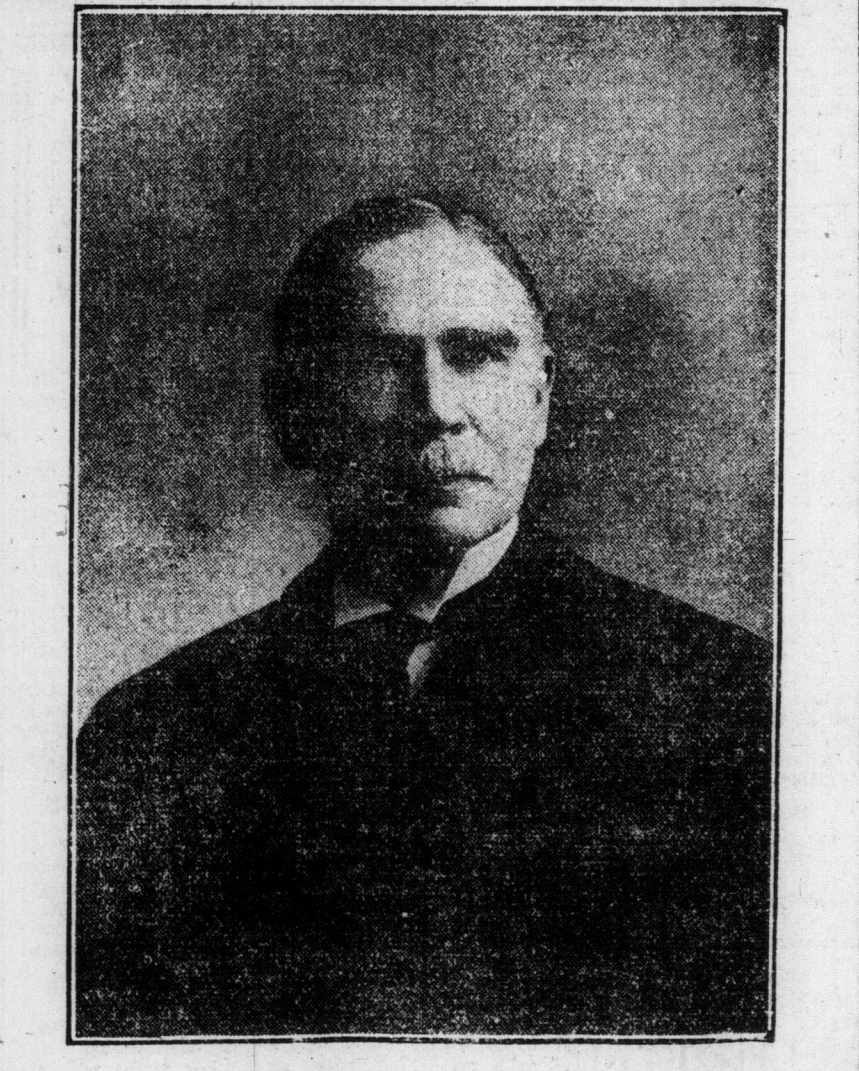
Loyal and Enthusiastic Support is Also Extended to Other Officers of Order.

Supreme Chief Ranger Elliott G. Stevenson was re-elected to the chief executive office of the Independent Order of Foresters yesterday. The unanimity of the choice and the enthusiasm with which it was acclaimed by the supreme court delegates testify to the undoubted success of the great work Mr. Stevenson has had in hand since the lamented death of his talented predecessor.

Supreme Chief Ranger Stevenson took command of the Independent Order of Foresters at a time when a strong, steady and skillful hand at the helm was needed. He has not spared himself in the task of picking up the reins of power, so broadly and valiantly held by the late doctor. An 18-hour day daily at the task of safeguarding and augmenting the trust placed in him has seemed but the call of duty to the chief ranger. But trained in the law to grapple with large affairs, with an intellect poised for business judgment and a constitution sprung from sturdy Canadian pioneers, he has brought the I. O. F. to a point which makes a record in his history.

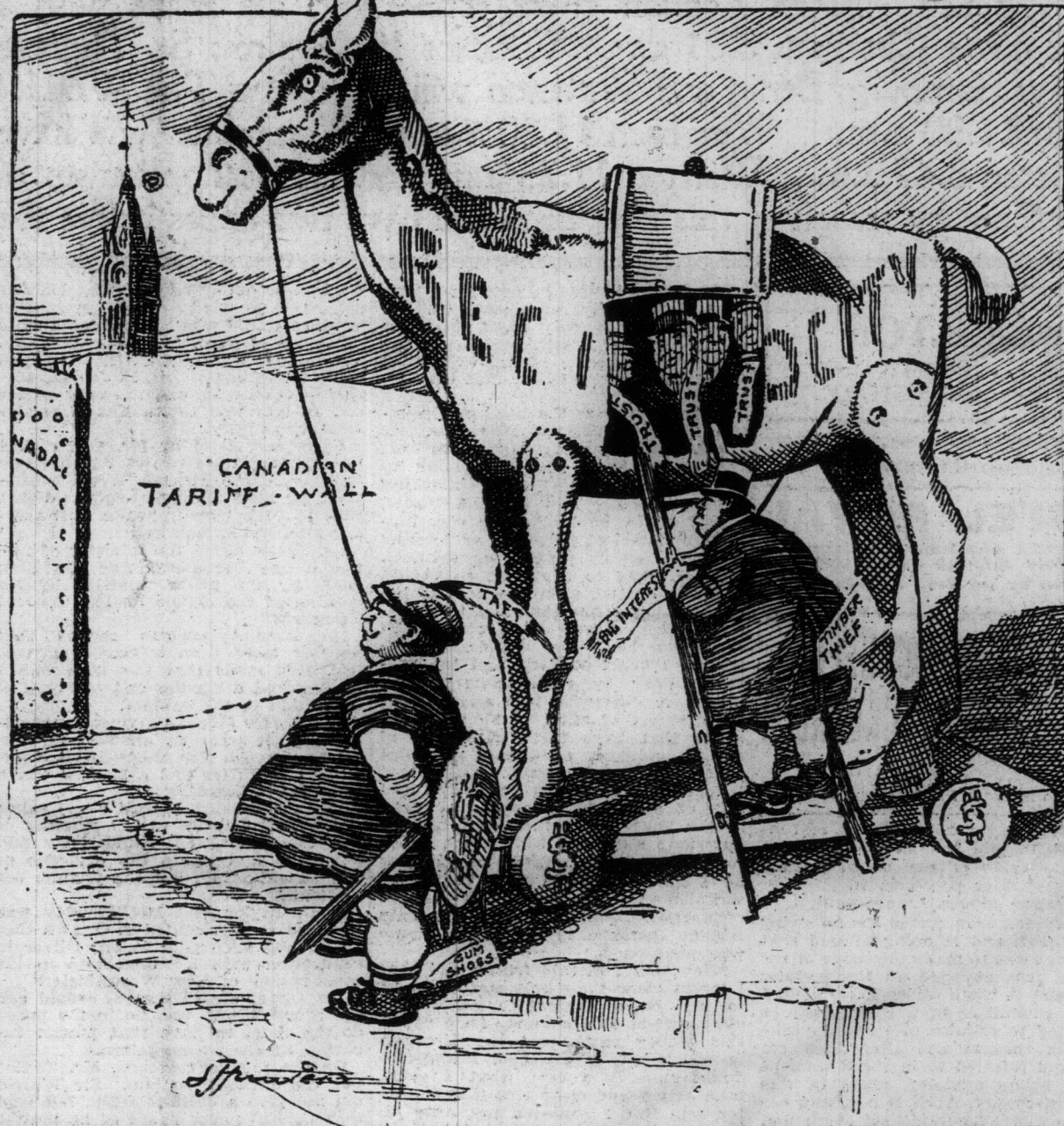
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BEFORE THE GATES OF POLITICAL TROY



Tax Rate Reaches 18 Mills Money is Vo'ed Freely

Mayor Geary Tried in Vain to Stem the Tide, With Controller Spence Leading Movement for Broader Expenditure—Mr. Drayton's Appointment Approved.

Those are the items that are the total amount added to the estimated expenditures of the city for the current year to reach the city council at a special session yesterday. The items were not added without a bitter struggle—a struggle which found a Vice-Chairman Spence of the board of control lined up against his colleagues on the board in opposition to the 17 1/2 mill tax rate, which he deemed inadequate for the city's needs.

Controller Spence said the revenue for the year had been over-estimated and expenditures underrated. There were items in the estimated expenditures which should really be charged to capital expenditures and expenditures would reach \$153,000 in advance of the estimates.

It was not an advance in the city's rate, he explained, which necessitated an increased levy. It was the uncontrollable expenditure. This year the city rate was reduced to 13.3 mills, while the school rate had gone up to 6.3 mills.

Mayor in Defence. Mayor Geary came to the defence of the estimated revenue, which he considered of no slight occasion of considering too high.

Controller Spence and Ald. McBride did most of the talking for a higher tax rate, with a view to paying this year's expenditures out of this year's revenue. The mayor assured Controller Hocken that he had referred only to the controllers in the chamber at the time.

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DR. CHAS. CLARKE HEAD OF HOSPITAL

Succeeds Dr. Brown, Former Superintendent, at Salary of \$5000 a Year.

Dr. Charles R. Clarke, superintendent of the hospital for the insane, West-Queen-street, is to be the new superintendent of the General Hospital, as successor to Dr. J. N. E. Brown, and will begin his new duties at an early date. His salary will be \$500 a year.

At a meeting of the hospital board yesterday the appointment was made. While the salary formerly attached to the position was only \$2500, it was felt that the enlarged responsibility, in view, owing to the erection of the new building, warranted doubling the stipend.

Dr. Charles Kirk Clarke was born on Feb. 18, 1857, at Elora, Ont. He is the son of the late Hon. Col. Charles Clarke and Emma Kent. He was educated at the Elora Grammar School and Toronto University.

Dr. Clarke became a member of the Ontario College of Surgeons in 1877, bachelor of medicine, Toronto University, 1878; M.D. 1879. He was for a time assistant physician at Toronto Hospital to Dr. Joseph Workman. His other public appointments have been assistant superintendent Hospital for the Insane, Hamilton; superintendent Richmond Hospital, Kingston and superintendent of the Hospital for the Insane, Toronto. He is a member of the University Club, Toronto.

Dr. Clarke married in 1889 Margaret Berber Andrews, and in 1904 Theodosia Gallagher. He has four grown-up sons and two daughters. His favorite feature than Men's Soft Felt Hats, made in Alessandria, by Borsalino and Company. Stetson of Philadelphia was the undisputed success in this line until Borsalino but his goods before the public and now it is a question whether Stetson can really compete with the product from Italy. The Premier of the Duke of Devonshire Island has been appointed to the vacancy on the supreme court bench of the island, while Benjamin Prowse, a brother of the member of parliament of that name, has been elevated to the senate, in succession to the late Senator Ferguson.

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George Evans' "Honey Boy" Minstrels. Everybody likes a good minstrel show. No form of stage entertainment appeals more strongly to all classes than the artful "black faces" with the bones, tambourines, etc. George Evans' "Honey Boy" Minstrels, which will be at the Princess next week, is said to be the best in the world.

Amery Unopposed. LONDON, May 3.—(C.A.P. Cable)—I. O. Amery, Unionist, has been returned unopposed, from South Birmingham.

LEAVES HOUSE IN HANDS OF HIS MINISTERS

Laurier at First Proposes an Adjournment, But Changes His Mind—Opposition Will Not Agree to Disposition of Reciprocity by September.

OTTAWA, May 3.—(Special.)—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has changed his mind again. This morning, when he called to see Mr. Borden in the latter's office, he made the definite suggestion that he would go to the imperial conference and that the house would adjourn until July 15.

After that the reciprocity proposals were to be pressed and the premier even wanted to exact a promise that the matter would be disposed of before the Duke of Connaught came to September. After receiving this proposal, Mr. Borden called a caucus of the opposition members for 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. The night session of Sir Wilfrid asked Mr. Borden to come to his room and there the whole matter was gone over again. Laurier was not so certain that it would be wise to adjourn, and it is now a toss-up whether this will be done or parliament be left in the leadership of Mr. Fielding, to go along with the presentable debate on the general question of reciprocity. In the meantime dealing with the other government measures with which the order paper is blocked.

The situation to-night, therefore, is somewhat different from that at noon to-day. Then Laurier was fully of the opinion that adjournment would be necessary. As a result of his interview with the opposition leader to-night, it is now almost certain that the answer he will give to Mr. Borden to-morrow afternoon is that parliament will continue to sit and transact other business such as the revision of the Bank Act, the railway policy of Mr. Graham, Mr. Fisher's copyright bill and the voting of supply.

What the impelling forces are that have caused Laurier to change his determination not to go to the conference is not known. It is suggested that word has come from the imperial author that the presentable debate is desired at this important conference of the empire's statesmen with the British ministers, and that under the circumstances he feels constrained to go.

It is certain that in the present attitude of the opposition towards reciprocity the string of resolutions is a proposition that when the house resumes in July the agreement be put thru before the Duke of Connaught comes to Canada, will not be entertained.

CANNOT FIX BLAME FOR MURDER OF ITALIAN

Coroner's Jury Simply Finds That Ceci Was Killed in Fight.

"We, the jury, find that Giacchino Ceci, came to his death at Queen's Friday, at the corner of Agnes and York-streets, from having his throat cut. The evidence goes to show that this occurred at No. 49 Agnes-street during a fight between the conflicting characters of the evidence, we are unable to fix the blame on any one. The evidence goes to show that those taking part in the fight were: Tony Sevelin, Andre Mele, Frank Boselli, Donat Panzine, Vincent Accialli, Rosini Enelli, John Baptiste Nevelin and the deceased. "We also recommend that officers should be supplied with some suitable light for such occasions."

This was the verdict of Coroner Cotter's jury at the inquest last night, enquiring into the death of the Italian killed in the room on Agnes-street Good Friday night. His death, it was said, could be drawn from the tangled mass of evidence, filed, as it was, with evasion and positive perjury.

The evidence taken at the sittings was no clearer than that at any time heretofore. The features of the proceedings were the calling of Frank Boselli, who, tho he had previously exhibited a great desire to testify, absolutely refused, upon the advice of counsel, to answer any questions. He caused more than a little laughter when, in response to the question: "Can you speak English?" he replied: "No, I have a lawyer." When asked his name he said: "My lawyer has advised me to answer no questions, so I will not answer that one."

Donat Panzine was recalled, at his own request. When told that nearly every witness had sworn to seeing him with the butcher knife in his hand at different times, he still denied ever having had it in his possession or even having seen it.

The prisoners were returned to the jail, awaiting disposition of the various charges against them in the police court.

BUSINESS WORRY DROVE FLORESTA TO END LIFE

James Connard Sent Bullet Into Brain in the Presence of His Wife.

Dependent because creditors pushed him for debts which he was unable to pay, James Connard, 60 years, shot him at his home over his florist shop at 150 Dundas-street, just before 8 o'clock last evening. His wife was in the room with him, and was preparing to go out and buy the food for supper, when her husband without a word raised the revolver and fired a shot into his right temple.

The woman rushed to the street and cried out to passers-by and Dr. John Duncan, Parkway and Blood-streets, who was called in, sent in a call for the police ambulance. The man was still breathing when the ambulance arrived and was rushed to the Western Hospital. The bullet was imbedded in his brain, and he died about two hours later without recovering consciousness. He leaves a wife, much younger than himself, and two children.

TWO NEW SENATORS WERE APPOINTED

Hon. A. E. Forget, Lieutenant-Governor of Saskatchewan, and B. Prowse Go to Red Chamber.

OTTAWA, May 3.—(Special.)—Hon. A. E. Forget, former lieutenant-governor of Saskatchewan, has been appointed a senator, in succession to Senator Roy of Edmonton, who goes to Paris as Canadian commissioner. Premier Haskard of Prince Edward Island has been appointed to the vacancy on the supreme court bench of the island, while Benjamin Prowse, a brother of the member of parliament of that name, has been elevated to the senate, in succession to the late Senator Ferguson.

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