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Retrenchment in Mutual Life Begun and Lops $150,000 Off Pay Rolls—Investigating Committee Reports and Asks For Increase in Its Powers.

New York, Nov. 16.—At a special meeting of the board of trustees of the Mutual Life Insurance Company in this city to-day at which a preliminary report of the recently appointed special investigating committee was submitted, President Richard McCurdy caused a stir announcing that at his own request hes salary had been cut in half from $150,000 to $75,000.

This action was taken at a meeting of the finance committee, and Mr. McCurdy said was the first step in reducing the expenses of the company. Salaries of the other executive officers of the company also have been reduced the saving amounting in all to between $145,000 and $150,000 per annum.

Mr. McCurdy's statement to the directors preceded the submission of the investigation committee's first report. The preliminary report was adopted, together with the resolution increasing the powers of the committee in continuing its investigations. The directors ordered that full publicity be given to the report as well as to the statement made by Mr. McCurdy.

President McCurdy in his address to the trustees outlined a policy of retrenchment the executive officers had decided upon. He declared he did not know what was contained in the report of the special investigating committee and he did not desire to forestall anything the committee might do for he would abide by its decision.

Mr. McCurdy said he was aware that the management had been subjected to severe criticism and that the company's business had suffered.

Not All Deserved.

"But I am far from admitting," he said, "That all criticism which has been made is just or deserved, but on the other hand I am not so blind as to know that a public opinion unfavorable to the administration has been created, and that its persistence must continue to work harm to the business of the company."

The principal reform demanded was the reduction in the cost of insurance. He had set an example in retrenchment by asking that his salary be cut in half. Commission agencies will be changed to a salary basis and legislative expenses will be done away with, policy-holders protective committees taking the places of salaried legal agents. President McCurdy's plans call for a reduction in every branch of the business. In conclusion he said:

"Of one thing I am certain, that no officer or trustee of this company has made any unlawful profit out of this office."

The Committees' Report.

In their preliminary report the committee made a significant request for the broadening of its powers and recommends changes in practices of the company, "which on their very face are loose, unsound and open to criticism." The committee indicates that its work has just begun and says it will continue the inquiry making further reports and further recommendations as results make them desirable.

The investigation committee consists of Wm. H. Truesdale, chairman; John W. Auchincloss and Stuyvesant Fish. The committee, commenting on Mr. McCurdy's request for reduced salary: "Your committee early reached the conclusion that any action taken at this time in changing the scale of compensation and determining it for the future, involved both a ratification of the past, a position fraught with possible complications to the company, and its trustees and the further question of the commital of the company to the continuance of the personnel of the present management. Your committee, therefore, was, and remains unwilling to prejudge the situation in either particular without obtaining the precedent authority of the board of trustees, taken with a full understanding of all the facts and possibilities."

Hold Up the Contracts.

The committee recommends that pending further inquiry into the agency contracts of C. H. Raymond & Company, Louis Thebaud and Robert McCurdy which were the subject of extended inquiry on the part of the legislative investigating committee all payments be held up, without prejudice, however to agents. Letters from the trio claim their existing contracts were justified by business conditions, but agree to accept any modifications or reasonable change.

The committee recommends at the end of the present calendar year all commission agencies be changed to a salary basis.

The committee recommends as one of the matters requiring immediate attention that the establishment which has been been maintained in Albany, N., and the work that Andrew Fields and his associates, have been engaged in, be closed and all expense on whatever nature connected therewith on the part of the company be forwith discontinued and its repitition prohibited. The committee asks that Fields, if still in the employ of the company be commanded to return to New York and appear before the Armstrong Investigating Committee.

Wishes an Audit.

The committee asked to be empowered and directed. "To make such audit of the company's accounts and affairs as it shall see fit and for that and any other purpose the committee is authorized to have access, to take under its control any and all things, all records, papers, documents and memoranda belonging to the company."

It asks power to call the officers of the company to interrogate them concerning any transactions with which they have been connected or with which they may have knowledge.

Referring to the insurance investigation, the committee says:

"Certain of the practices and methods disclosed are so palpably loose and unsound as to call for immediate attention and correctly by those who are less directly responsible therefore, without waiting the results of a long, exhaustive examination.

This report, therefore, in a great part deals with and recommends changes in practices by this company which on their very face are loose, unsound and open to criticism., at once.

At Once.

In conclusion the committee recommends that pending further examination the officers of the company put into immediate effect measures of sound economy and curtailment of out go.

FAVOR MUNICIPAL REFORM.

A mass meeting of the young men in the city will be called in a hall within a short time to see what can be done in support of the municipal reform movement. This was decided last night at a meeting of the Epworth League Union.

ODELL'S SOLEMN DENIALS HE NEVER MADE THREATS

Former Governor of N. Y. State Characterizes Hyde Statements as "Base Calumny."

New York, Nov. 16.—Former Governor Benjamin Odell and United States Senator Chauncey M.Depew,as witnesses before the Armstrong legislative insurance investigating committee, to-day denied parts of the testimony of James H. Hyde, in which these gentlemen's names were used. Mr. Odell, in the course of his testimony, called Mr. Hyde's statements "base calumny," and when he was asked whether he directly or indirectly had made threats to have the charter of the Mercantile Trust Company revoked, his face flushed, and, striking the arm of the witness' chair, he exclaimed: "There is no truth in that statement, so help me God."

Mr. Odell said no poutical pressure was brought to bear in the settlement of his suit against the Mercantile Trust Company, and that it was settled the same as suits brought by others. Mr. Odell denied that he ever made a statement to E. H. Harriman or anyone else, that retaliatory measures would be taken against the Mercantile Trust Company.

He wrote a letter on behalf of Mr. Hyde's candidacy for the post of ambassador to France. This was at the request of Wm. H. McIntyre, one of the vice-presidents of the Equitable. He never had solicited political contributions, but possibly some moneys might have come to him thru the national committee, or Senator T. C. Platt, as the latter had always gathered together the funds in New York State, except in the last year.

Depew a Witness.

Senator Depew was examined with regard to his syndicate participations and his duties as counsel to the Equitable. Regarding the ambassadorship to Paris, Senator Depew said Mr. Hyde solicited his influence, and that Senator Depew brought the matter to the attention of the president, altho he told Mr. Hyde that he was too young.

Senator Depew testified he had been a director of the Equitable since 1877, and was a member of the executive committee. He never heard of the various trustee accounts until this investigation. He knew of the campaign contributions only in a general way, by way of conversation. He did not know the amount contributed to the national campaign in 1904. He hoped both state and national houses would pass laws prohibiting these contributions. He thought the contributions were made in the interests of the assured at the time, but he thought the publicity given to the matter in this investigation has changed the minds of almost everybody.

Senator Depew said he was first asked to go into a syndicate by George H. Squire. He detailed the various syndicates he had been in during four years, and said these had netted him the sum of $1219. In these syndicates he had $200,000 tied up most of the time, and $100,000 was still tied up.

As to Certain Counsel.

As to his retention as counsel by the Equitable Society, Senator Depew said his statement to Superintendent Hendricks covered the field, but he made an extended statement of his associations with Henry B. Hyde, and said he continued as counsel for the society after the death of Mr. Hyde, because it was one of Mr. Hyde's dying injunctions to his son. Senator Depew's salary as counsel was $20,000 from 1888 until last spring.

Witness said he never knew of the retention of counsel for legislative purposes, and had never advised the retention of such counsel. He did not know A. C. Fields, but had heard of Andrew Hamilton. He said he never had any interview with Thomas K. Jordan,former comptroller of the Equitable Life, as to legislative matters, nor as to letters of instruction from Jordan to Fields.

LABOR LEADERS AND CAPITAL TOO INTIMATE FOR THE BEST

Resolution Censuring Gompers Introduced ae A.F. of L—Startling Pension Scheme.

Pittsburg, Nov. 16.—At the morning session of the Federation of Labor convention, Frank Duffy of Indianapolis, charged P. H. Soullin, a well-known organizer, with irregularities in connection with labor affairs in various parts of the country.

Mr. Mosser delivered an address concerning labor conditions across the sea. He said there were 1166 trade unions, with a total membership of 1,902,318, and that these figures were steadily increasing. The British labor and trades council was the third wealthiest in the world and last year a total of $22,753,000 was handled by trade unionists.

Fire then broke out among the decorations of the vestibule and stairs leading to the street, but the fire was quickly extinguished by the janitor.

W. V. Todd of Toronto, Ont., also addressed the convention.

A motion was introduced by the typographical unions "That congress shall pass a bill which will secure to every wageworker in the United States who has earned no more than $1000 average wages per year a pension of not less than $12 per month at the age of 60.

"That we point with sorrow to the close intimacy established between Samuel Gompers and other labor leaders with the great capitalists and plutocratic politicians and that the results of this policy are not for labor's interests as shown in the failure of the Belmont subway strike in New York and the futility of the 8-hour campaign in congress.

"That in view of the present notorious system of insurance, in which workmen find little or no protection, system of state insurance similar to that in operation in Germany be established, in which the government, the employer and the workman each pay one-third of the premium."

BIG COTTON BLAZE.

Columbus, Ga., Nov. 16.—More than 2000 bales of cotton were destroyed, about 1000 bales badly scorched and several hundred bales damaged by fire to-night. The total loss is $110,000; fully insured.

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DIRECTORS WANT TO MOVE WHAT SAY SHAREHOLDERS?

Something Like a Crisis In the Affairs of the National Cement Co. and Durham is Stirred.

"LOTS OF MARL" — "NO MARL."

Town Council Experts Say Supply is Inexhaustible; Some Directors eDclare It's Gone—A Few Interesting Facts.

Durham, Nov. 16.—(Special.)—Alleging that the deposits of marl in this vicinity are becoming exhausted, ignoring the fact that the mills are prospering now in the fullest sense of the word, and refusing, it is openly said, to be shown absolute proofs of the absurdity of the contention that the supply of material is not sufficient for scores of years to come, the five of the seven directors of the National Portland Cement Company of this place, a month ago, announced that they had reached the decision that the time had come when the company should change its location. Whether that decision will ever be acted upon is problematical. There are 1800 shareholders scattered thruout the province, and it is likely that they will demand to be shown why. Already the local offices have received a sheaf of letters of protest from shareholders who have heard of the intention, and it is easy to predict that when the annual meeting is held in January or February next, and the question of removal is broached, there will be lots of explanations demanded.

To begin at the beginning, and to put it in a nutshell, let it be said that the National Portland Cement Co. was organized some three years ago with a capitalization of one million dollars, of which no less than $250,000 went to the promoters, a magnificent plant was established, at a cost of $600,000, a five mile railway line had to be constructed and the power house and plant alone cost $100,000. This expenditure was rather above the calculations and considerable liabilities were incurred. But better times have come with the increase in recent years for the use of cement in building and other operations and while, at the beginning of this year, there was still $130,000 of liabilities, yet of this amount only $20,000 now remains unpaid and it is hoped to clear this off before the end of the year. In addition $6000 interest has been paid.

At present, and for some time past the mills, which employ 100 men, have been turning out 1000 barrels a day. The output last month was between 35,000 and 36,000 barrels, which would yield a profit of $700 a day. If it had not been for the liabilities, a dividend of 10 per cent. could have been paid this year to shareholders, it is said.

Before it was decided to erect the mill here, a very exhaustive survey was made of Wilder's Lake and other lakes in the vicinity of Durham. The reports that came were simply excellent—that sufficient marl to last several years was easily in sight.

A Big Surprise.

In view of all these roseate facts, it came as a bombshell to the town when it was announced that the marl supply was giving out. The town contributed the site for the mills, and has since then pinned its faith in future greatness on the prosperity of the company, and the town council appointed

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GOVERNMENT ANGERS FISHERMEN.

North Shore Trawlers Suffer by Prohibiting of Herring Catch.

Port Arthur, Nov. 16.—(Special.)—Fishermen here are kicking against orders which are said to have been issued by the government prohibiting the catching of herring this season. The reason given for this is said to be that the white fish is being exterminated as a consequence of young fish being caught with herring.

Fishermen here state that there is nothing in this, as in tons of herring netted every season only a few pound of small whitefish have been caught. They say that the catching will be beneficial to white fish, as herring follow the fish into shallow water during the spawning season, and eat the spawn.

Prohibiting of the herring season will be a great hardship on the fishermen, and a petition is being drawn up to be sent to the government.

CANADIAN IMMIGRANTS.

London,Nov. 16.—Speaking in connection with the Tunbridge Wells Colonizing Association the Rev. P.S.G. Probert, who recently returned from a tour in Canada, said that emigrants should be carefully selected. To attempt to solve the unemployed question by dumping down a slum produced surplus population on the Canadian prairies was the wildest delusion. What Canada wanted was men with a small capital capable of absorbing labor as it arrived.

THE COLONIAL CONFERENCE.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Nov. 16.—Right Hon. H. Asquith, speaking at Blyth, said Liberals and Free Traders were in favor of a free conference, but no greater discervice could be done to the colonies and the cause of imperial unity than to bring the colonists here upon false pretences and to lead them into a false paradise by letting them suppose that the representatives of the United Kingdom would enter into the conference with unsettled convictions and a blank mandate.

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TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Fruit, Flower and Honey Show and associated conventions, Massey Hall, 10.
Tariff Commission, Board of Trade Building, 10.
Associated Charities Convention, Normal School, 10.
Benefit performance, Princess Theatre, 2.
Rubin Goldmark on "Das Rhengold," Conservatory of Music Hall, 3.
Borden Conservative Club, Webb's, 6.15.
University Literary Society, address by Hon. G. W. Ross, 8.
Municipal Reform Association ward meetings, Prospect Hall and Wardell's Hall, 8.
Reception to Rev. T. C. Brown, New St. Andrew's, 8.
Princess—Olga Nethersole, in "The Labyrinth," 8.
Grand—"His Last Dollar," 8.
Majestic—"Confessions of a Wife,", 2—8.
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WHERE ARCHIE HAS THE ADVANTAGE

GENTLEMAN IN REAR: Dear me, I don't seem to be able to head him off.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE PASSES ON TO COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION FOR THE CUTTING OF 27 LICENSES

Alderman Sheppard Breaks a Deadlock by Supporting the Mayor's Motion, Tho he Doesn't Promise Continued Allegiance.

The campaign for license reduction was helped forward a step yesterday when the civic legislation and reception committee, on motion of the mayor, decided to pass on to the council a recommendation that the present number of 127 be reduced by 27. Up till the last moment the mayor and Alds. Graham, Church, and Vaughan were lined up against Controller Ward and Alds. Chisholm and Sheppard as dissentents. However, Ald. Sheppard cast in his lot with the mayority on Ald. Vaughan's assurance that he firmly believed the cutting down would decrease the consumption of liquor He would not commit himself to take the same attitude in council. The motion was the one originated by Controller Spence, and provided that the people vote on a license reduction bylaw after it had passed its initial reading in council. The objections of Controller Ward that the motion was not in order was overruled, as the committee thought the question should not be held over for fine points.

Accommodation Inadequate.

Ald. Sheppard before being won over, said the present hotel accommodation was not adequate, and the license commissioners should see to an improvement. If 27 licenses were cut off the value of the others would go up thirty per cent., and there would be crowded saloons and uproarious doings.

Controller Ward argued that the question should not be voted on at election time. There were not too many hotels, and the liquor shops were being conducted in an orderly way and should not have their number limited. Controller Spence replied that the city solicitor's ruling was that such an abstract question could be voted on at no other time.

Leave It to Commissioners.

Ald. Chisholm thought the license commissioners having submitted powers for cutting off should be left to take action. He said temperance people had held out the threat that if he didn't vote their way he would be defeated at the polls.

The mayor promised to get some date from outside cities bearing on the advisibility of having a commissioner, and Ald. Jones, author of the idea, expressed satisfaction.

labor deputation asked that the assessment act be so changed as to provide that lots of two acres or larger be assessed by the foot. The suggestion goes on to the council.

Dr. Sheard was asked to modify his bylaw prohibiting the exposure of meat and vegetables.

LIBERAL LEADER SPEAKS.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Nov. 16.—Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman, speaking at Portsmouth, said the issue at the next election would not depend upon any question regarding the colonial conference, but on whether the fiscal constitution of the country was to be abandoned in favor of a system of tariffs and food taxes.

INTER-IMPERIAL CABLE.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Nov. 16.—Replying to a question in the senate at Melbourne, the postmaster-general stated that negotiations were proceeding with the Pacific cable board of the Eastern Extension Company with the view of pooling receipts. The government would not consent to any agreement until parliament had been afforded an opportunity of considering the matter.

BOY CRUSHED.

Harvey Bennett, 11 years old, who lives at Markham, attempted to board a moving C.P.R. freight train near Locust Hill yesterday afternoon and his left leg was severely crushed. He was brought to the General Hospital.

ERIE'S PRESIDENT RETIRES.

New York, Nov. 16.—Russell Harding, vice-president of the Erie R.R. Company, in charge of operating and majutenance, today announced his retirement from the company to go into private business in New York.

WAS THERE A SETTLEMENT? LIBERAL LEADERS ALL DENY

Libel Suit, Parent v. Choquette, Has Somewhat Sensational Beginning in the Courts.

Quebec, Nov. 15.—The superior court this morning heard the case of Parent v. Choquette, which had been fixed for trial before Hon. Judge Andrews. The case is the outcome of recent troubles in provincial politics over the alleged charges published by Senator Legris against Hon. Mr. Parent's administration of the department of crown lands, which were reiterated by Senator Choquette in the public press.

Mr. Parent instituted actions for $2,000 against each of the senators, and tho the cases have been before the court at Three Rivers against Senator Legris, and Quebec against Senator Choquette, they have from time to time been postponed for one reason or another.

The case against Choquette was finally fixed for hearing to-day, and a large number of witnesses summoned.

Mr. Chalout, advocate, acting for Choquette, endeavored to present a motion in chambers before Justice Andrews, asking that the case be not proceeded with, as a settlement had been effected thru the intervention of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. Chas. Fitzpatrick, minister of justice, and leaders of the Liberal party.

It was too late when the motion was brought to court for presentation last evening, and this morning when the case was called the motion was read to the court. L. A. Tascher, K.C., M. L.A., who appeared for the plaintiff, emphatically denied that such a settlement had ever been effected, and resisted the application for a postponement. He produced a telegram which had been received from the minister of justice, who had been notified of the contents of Senator Choquette's motion, who also denied that as far as he and the prime minister were concerned in having any personal knowledge or part in a settlement.

Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick's telegram reads that he had consulted Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who denied that he had made a settlement, and further said that affidavits in this particular would be sent to Quebec from the premier and minister of justice if necessary.

Justice Andrews postponed the hearing until Monday next, in order to afford Senator Choquette an opportunity to show that no such settlement as set forth had been made.

Hon. S. N. Parent, who arrived from Ottawa to look after his action, after the adjournment of the court, gave out that no settlement had ever been effected and would not be.

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Dunlop's New Flower Store.
Dunlop has opened at 96 Yonge-street a new retail store for the sale of his choicest flowers. It is called "Dunlop's Rosary." Call and see it. It is the handsomest store in Toronto. Tel. Main 4790.

ABSENT BUT TWO MINUTES $1900 IS CARRIED AWAY

Happened at Midnight, Too, in Remote Residence in Dorchester Tp.—Loot Mostly in Cheques.

Ingersoll, Nov. 16.—Between $1800 and $1900 in notes, cheques and money was taken from the residence of H. George, Dorchester Township, last night, about 12 o'clock.

The theft was one of the most daring. J. W. Johnston and H. George were engaged during the night adjusting matters in connection with an auction sale the first named had at the Kirwin House stock yards here yesterday. The men had completed their work when they left the room to go out the back door.

They left the notes, cheques and money lying on a table. After an absence of two or three minutes they returned and were surprised to find that all the papers and money had disappeared.

The front door was unlocked at the time, and it is supposed that the thief or thieves must have been watching the men from the outside, and when they left the room entered and easily carried off the spoils.

Some of the cheques were drawn in favor of J. W. Johnston or bearer. These the thief will no doubt attempt to negotiate. The notes were drawn to the order of Mr. Johnston. He had not endorsed them, consequently they will not be negotiable. There were three cheques, as follows: Fred Howe, $304; E. C. Chambers, $104.50; O. Lowes, $64.60.

The banks in Ingersoll and surrounding places have been notified and asked to refuse payment of the cheques.

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MARRIAGES.

PLAYFAIR—SCOTT—On Thursday, Nov. 16, at Hagerstown, Md., by the Rev. J. Boyle, assisted by the Rev. John Neil, D.D., of Toronto, Helen Mar, youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. McPherson Scott, to Stuart B. Playfair, Esq., of Toronto.

DEATHS.

ATTRELL—After a few days' illness of pneumonia, at the General Hospital, on Wednesday, Nov. 15, John F. Attrell, aged 44 years.

Funeral Friday, the 17th inst., from his brother's residence, 21 McMurrich-street, at 2 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

BARTELLO—At her daughter's residence, 624 West Queen-street, on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 16, 1905, Congiella, beloved wife of Angelo Bartello, aged 55 years.

Funeral Saturday morning, Nov. 18, at 9 o'clock, from the above address, to St. Mary's Church, thence to Mount Hope Cemetery.

DONOVAN—Nov. 14, at 81 Foxley-street, James Donovan, a member of Lodge Middlesex, S.O.E.

Funeral Friday, Nov. 17, at 2 o'clock, Middlesex Lodge members please attend.

FOOTE—On Nov. 16, at Toronto General Hospital, Elizabeth Foote, in her 77th year.

Funeral to-day, Friday, from D. D. Humphrey's, 321 Yonge-street, at 3.30, to St. James' Cemetery.

McCONNELL—At his late residence, 498 Spadina-avenue, on Thursday, Nov. 16, 1905, Michael McConnell, in his 55th year.

Funeral from the above address on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock to St. Peter's Church, where a solemn Requiem Mass will be celebrated. Interment in St. Michael's Cemetery. Requiescat in pace.

MURPHY—At 170 Argyle-street, Nov. 16, Mary Gertrude, daughter of N. C. and Sadie Murphy, granddaughter of N. Murphy, K.C., aged 18 months.

Funeral (private) to St. Michael's Cemetery Saturday, 18th inst., at 2 p.m.

F. W. Mathews Co. Undertakers.

CORPORATION NOT COERCION WON ELECTION IN ALBERTA

Leader Bennett's Connection With C.P.R. Had an Influence Which Quite Upset Provincial Righters' Best Laid Plans.

'TWAS FIGHT BETWEEN RAILWAYS

C. P. R. Chose Bennett to Lead the Party and Party Disgusted, Was Willing to Let Company Elect Him if It Could.

Calgary, Nov. 16.—(Special.)—The lessons of the provincial rights campaign waged in Alberta are appealing just now to Conservative and Liberal alike thruout the west. There are many leading Conservatives who assert openly that the defeat of the movement for provincial rights, while greatly to be deplored, will result ultimately to the advantage of the Conservative party and the best spirit of western independence.

That the Conservative party was run wholly as a C. P. R. sideshow is no longer disputed, and to this fact, as much as to the miserable gerrymander is charged the overwhelming defeat of the forces that opposed the Liberals. Early in the year it was discerned by those leaders of the party opposed to corporation domination that an effort was to be made to put C.P.R. wheels on the whole provincial rights movement. Senator Lougheed, one of the recognized forwarders of the C. P. R. interests, and R. B. Bennett, the C. P. R. solicitor in Calgary, framed up the plan by which the corporations should be in the forefront of the movement. As the day approached for the Red Deer Conservative convention, the element of the party opposed to such a deal protested so violently that The Daily Herald, the principal Conservative paper of the territories, published under the head of "Warning to the Party" a statement that Bennett's corporation connections made him impossible as a leader. Nevertheless, Lougheed, Bennett and other C. P. R. men went to the Red Deer meeting prepared to secure the leadership.

The majority of the delegates refused to sanction Bennett's election as leader, in fact it was practically unanimous, that the selection of a leader should be left to the members of the party elected to the legislature. At the close of the convention, after Thomas Tweed of Medicine Hat, chairman, has declared that there was no further business before the convention, and when at least a fourth of the delegates had left the hall, and others were hurrying with them to catch their trains, then due to leave the depot three blocks away, a second and successful attempt to make the C. P. R. solicitor leader of the Alberta Conservative forces was sprung. Someone called the chairman's attention to the fact that a leader was necessary to carry on a vigorous campaign. An unknown voice nominated Bennett, and by preconcerted arrangement a number of railroad men yelled "agreed."

Before the opponents of corporation domination were aware of the deal Bennett had been declared the leader.

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REFUGE BEHIND A WOMAN'S PETTICOATS.

A. B. Aylesworth had a poor case for himself and for the Government whose pleader he is when he resorts to personal abuse of W. F. Maclean as a reply to the charge made by the member for South York that he was and had been all his life a corporation lawyer, and, therefore the last man in the world to be made Postmaster-General of Canada, charged with nationalizing the telephones and telegraphs and the extension of the parcel post as against the express companies. Mr. Maclean convicted Mr. Aylesworth on this and other charges out of his own mouth. If there is any one vulnerable outside of his political and legal record it is Mr. Aylesworth and his lawyer lieutenants in this fight—Hartley Dewart, George D. Grant, Hugh Guthrie. Mr. Aylesworth has yet to prove his manhood or his cause. Twice now when in political contests when in great danger he has taken refuge behind a woman's petticoats.

HOW TO WHIP A LIAR.

(Incubator Johnston in Printer's Ink).

The easiest way to whip a liar, a man who lies about you, is to encourage him to lie harder. Then all you need to do is to keep straight ahead telling the truth and doing the right thing. The liar will whip himself more completely than you could have done it; besides, you have the satisfaction of knowing that you have not lowered yourself in the fight. If you are right, and have made a reputation for right, you need not fear the people's sober thinking. They draw their own conclusions regardless of what we may say.

To Remedy a Nuisance.
Do you know anything that looks more undignified and uncomfortable than a man hanging on to his hat?
These windy days there are many of them, but they would not have to do it if they wore one of Dineen's tweed fedoras, a natty English hat, costing $1.50 to $2. Stylish and comfortable, and handy to have anyday, particularly now winter is at hand. They can be pulled down a bit, and will stay on and look alright.
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"MacLeod" uptown tailor, for good service. Yonge and Colleg Sts.

COOLER.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Nov. 16.—The disturbance has now reached the maritime provinces, causing gales and rain. Sleet and rain has been general to-day in the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Valleys, elsewhere the weather has been generally fine and continued very mild in the northwest provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 46—50; Calgary, 32—46; Qu'Appelle, 36—48; Winnipeg, 26—38; Port Arthur, 10—32; Parry Sound, 36—42; Toronto, 32—42; Ottawa, 32—36; Montreal, 32—40; Quebec, 26—36; St. John, 34—52; Halifax, 24—50.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes, Georgian Bay, Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Fine and a little colder.

Turkish Cigarets, 10c. Alive Bollard

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Nov. 16	At	From
McIlcalm	Liverpool	Montreal
Mantitoba	Fame Point	Liverpool
La Touraine	New York	Havre
Milwaukee	Liverpool	Montreal
Cretic	Naples	New York