

BOOM OF CANNON MARKS OPENING THIRD SESSION OF PARLIAMENT

Brilliant Scene in Ottawa Today When Earl Grey and Party Galloped Up Parliament Hill.

DOMINION'S PROSPERITY REFERRED TO IN THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Reference Also Made to Canada's Navy—Construction of the Transcontinental Railway Is Also Satisfactory—New Contracts for the Quebec Bridge.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Ottawa, Nov. 17.—Today the boom of a cannon came from Nepean Point, and Earl Grey, with a Dragon escort, clattered through the east gate and up Parliament Hill to the cheering of a gathering of the citizens of Canada's capital, who were out in force to see the third session of the Eleventh Parliament of Canada opened.

Earl Grey was seated in an open carriage in full uniform with a uniformed aide at his side. The thoroughbreds, under the urging of the postillions, stepped smartly, and whirled the carriage to the official entrance of the Parliament Building on the Senate side, where a scarlet guard of the Governor-General's Footguards were drawn up, with a band at one side of the square, which had but half-completed the musical welcome when his excellency disappeared within the building, leaving the crowd and the guards to blow upon their fingers for a half-hour until his return.

Great Crowd Present. Within the Senate chamber every seat was occupied. Wives and daughters of members and senators were grouped in at each side, with representatives of the churches in their ceremonial robes, foreign counsels in their uniforms, and judges of the supreme court in their official robes of scarlet and ermine, seated on the traditional wool-sack.

LONDON OLD BOY IN CHICAGO WRITES OF OLD UNION SCHOOL

Mr. Harry Clissold Goes Back Into the Days of Sixty Years Ago and Tells of the Entry of the First Locomotive into London.

Mr. Harry Clissold, president of the Bakers' Helper, published in Chicago, who is a former Londoner, and brother of Mr. Edward Clissold, for many years a member of The Advertiser editorial staff, writes as follows: "Let me thank you for the picture of the old Union Schoolhouse, and the words concerning its history, which were printed in a recent number of your paper. It is the privilege of the oldtimer to 'reminisce,' and the photograph easily starts interesting memories. What a day that was for the old town, when the Union School was opened! Before the pupils were housed in buildings of all sorts and conditions, in different sections of the town. My own first experiences of school life were centred in the common school taught by Robert Wilson, in the old Mechanics' Institute building, then located on the brow of the hill, just southwest of the court house, with 'Bailey's School' close by. Another common school was located on Richmond street a little north of where the Catholic Cathedral now stands, but on the west side of the street. Another in the east end of town, the exact location of which I cannot recall.

BLONDIN IS GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

Made Dramatic Appeal to Jury Declaring Shooting Was Accidental.

L'Original, Nov. 17.—After being out until nearly midnight, the jury brought in a verdict finding Alfred Blondin guilty of manslaughter in the first degree for the killing of Dr. Empey. Blondin made a dramatic appeal, in which he declared with tears in his eyes that the shooting was accidental. He said that he had called Dr. Empey and was putting away the shotgun when it exploded.

This was in contradiction to the dead physician's dying statement that Blondin deliberately shot him. Edmund Meredith, K. C., of London, for the crown, addressed the jury this afternoon, Mr. Meredith hinting that the crown would be satisfied with a manslaughter verdict.

Judge Britton charged strongly against the prisoner, but pointed out to the jury that they could return a manslaughter verdict if they believed that the prisoner did not intentionally shoot Dr. Empey, but had been careless in handling the weapon.

Blondin's wife and four daughters were in the court when the jury brought in a verdict and broke into tears.



EARL GREY, Who Opened the Third Session of the Eleventh Parliament of Canada Today.

IMPORTANT PLANS HAVE DISAPPEARED

Original Documents of Water Commissioners Cannot Be Located.

BADLY NEEDED JUST NOW

Specifications in Connection With Hydro-Electric Construction Work Mysteriously Vanish.

There are a number of papers missing from the city hall that would be of great assistance to the water commissioners at the present time, in connection with the hydro-electric construction operations.

Manager Dark and Superintendent Alford have the lay-out in their minds, but it has not been reduced to paper, and no person seems to know what has become of the original plans and specifications that were drawn up for the commission.

Engineer Gaultz is the only one who has his original documents intact. When his part of the work is completed he will turn them over to the water commissioners.

"There is almost a total absence of plans for this work," Head Engineer Van Cleve informed the water commissioners. "It is absolutely essential to the successful management of a department that proper plans be at hand all the time. We have scarcely any, and it will take some time to prepare a complete set."

There were specifications in the beginning. Where they have gone to nobody seems to know, and why they should disappear is just as deep a mystery.

METHODIST PASTORS TO EXCHANGE PULPITS

Rev. Mr. Malott Goes to St. Marys and Rev. Mr. McCamus Comes to Colborne.

Rev. F. E. Malott, of the Colborne Street Methodist Church, has accepted a call to the St. Marys congregation. This will mean an exchange of pulpits with Rev. D. N. McCamus, who has been called to Colborne Street pastorate. Each pastor will continue in his present charge until the close of the conference year next June. St. Marys Methodist Church is one of the most important in the London Conference and has a membership of nearly 700.

THE WEATHER

Snow Flurries. Forecast for Nov. 17-18 a.m. Today—Moderate to fresh westerly winds; partly cloudy.

Friday—West and southwest winds; cloudy, with light local snowfalls; not much change in temperature.

TEMPERATURES. Stations. Max. Min. Weather. Victoria. 44. 41. Fair. Calgary. 41. 36. Fair. Winnipeg. 35. 16. Cloudy. Port Arthur. 30. 20. Cloudy. Parry Sound. 32. 22. Cloudy. Toronto. 33. 30. Cloudy. Ottawa. 32. 25. Cloudy. Montreal. 32. 28. Clear. Quebec. 34. 30. Cloudy. Father Point. 40. 32. Rain.

WEATHER NOTES. The disturbance which was centred in the Straits of Belle Isle yesterday has moved westward to Anticosti, and gales are blowing in the Lower St. Lawrence Valley.

There has been no change in the weather conditions in Ontario and the Western Provinces.

THE DISTURBANCE OVER THE GULF has increased in energy, and gales last night were blowing in the Lower St. Lawrence Valley.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 26-46; Dawson, 8 below-14; Atlin, 28-34; Prince Rupert, 38-46; Victoria, 28-44; Vancouver, 26-45; Edmonton, 6-33; Calgary, 30-38; Battleford, 8-30; Moose Jaw, 17-35; Qu'Appelle, 14-25; Winnipeg, 12-38; Port Arthur, 30-39; Parry Sound, 32-33; Toronto, 25-39; Ottawa, 29-32; Montreal, 28-34; Quebec, 34-34; St. John, 28-38; Halifax, 28-42.

TODAY'S PROBS. The East—Strong winds and moderate gales, west and northwest; unsettled, with occasional showers.

NO LIQUOR ON LODGE TABLES IS RULING OF THE DEPARTMENT

A Far-Reaching Decision Which Will Affect Institutions All Over the Country—The Temperance People Gain a Big Point.

Toronto, Nov. 17.—From now on no liquor may be placed upon the refreshment tables of secret, fraternal or other societies without making the individual members liable to prosecution for breaking the liquor license act. This is the view taken by the Ontario license department of a recent decision in the courts, and yesterday definite action was taken by the department upon the case in point. Some weeks ago the caretakers of one or more of the public buildings were warned that they must be careful in permitting the consumption of liquor, but they had no idea that the order meant the barring of intoxicants from the refreshment tables of secret societies.

A second circular was sent out yesterday to the caretakers of all the public buildings (about one hundred in number) in Toronto defining clearly the law upon the point.

Owen Sound Case. The department is acting upon a decision given by Judge Widdfield at Owen Sound in the case of Beckett vs. Cahoon, and is of far-reaching importance, for it will have the effect of stopping the supply of liquors by fraternal and other societies to the membership.

The case was tried at Owen Sound, and was an appeal from the decision of the magistrate, who dismissed the case. His honor ruled that a room in which eight men were found drinking came within the act, and a conviction and fine were recorded. The action taken yesterday by the department is the outcome of complaints that certain societies were favored by the inspectors in the enforcement of the law. It was claimed that certain bodies preferred to

FIGHTING MEDS ARE SUSPENDED; LEADERS MAY BE DISMISSED

Lectures in First Two Years Discontinued Indefinitely As Result of Yesterday's Tussle Between Sophs and Freshies.



The ranks of the unemployed were largely augmented this morning as a result of the glorious scrimmage between the freshmen and sophomores of the London Medical School yesterday afternoon. Students of the first two years to the number of 80 have been indefinitely suspended as a result of the fracas.

From information received, it is understood that the tussle was a good one, but there was no damage done to the furniture or the building, and this fact may tend to mollify the ire of the authorities, and make the suspension of short duration.

The faculty will meet tonight, and decide upon the length of time that lectures will be discontinued.

"Yes, lectures have been discontinued, in the first and second years," said Dr. Waugh, the registrar. "The students have been suspended indefinitely. The faculty will hold a meeting tonight, and decide how long the suspension must last."

"The matter has become quite a serious one. In fact, it has become so bad that we have had to take drastic measures. We cannot allow this sort of thing to go on."

"Will an example be made of the ringleaders?" he was asked. "That is a matter for the faculty to decide," answered Dr. Waugh. "It was rumored that some of the leaders in the row would be suspended for several weeks, perhaps dismissed."

"There was little damage done by the students, except to themselves," Dr. Waugh declared when questioned in reference to that matter. "I do not think the suspension will last very long," asserted the professor.

"The boys had to expend some of their surplus energy, and they did it. However, discipline must be maintained, and the suspension will do the boys no harm. It will give them time for quiet communion with themselves, and allow them to catch up with their studies."

NIAGARA POWER TEST MONDAY TRANSMISSION LINE CONNECTED

Current Is Being Brought to the Transformer Station in East London, But There Are No Wires as Yet to Bring It Into This City.

Niagara power will be turned on at the Hamilton road transmission station on Monday next. This will constitute the first test of the power for this city.

Yesterday the transmission line was finally completed. Another carload of material was shipped yesterday from Hamilton, and it will be ready in a day or two for erection.

The line will be thoroughly inspected and everything made ready for the big test on Monday next.

The city's distribution system is being finally completed. Another carload of material was shipped yesterday from Hamilton, and it will be ready in a day or two for erection.

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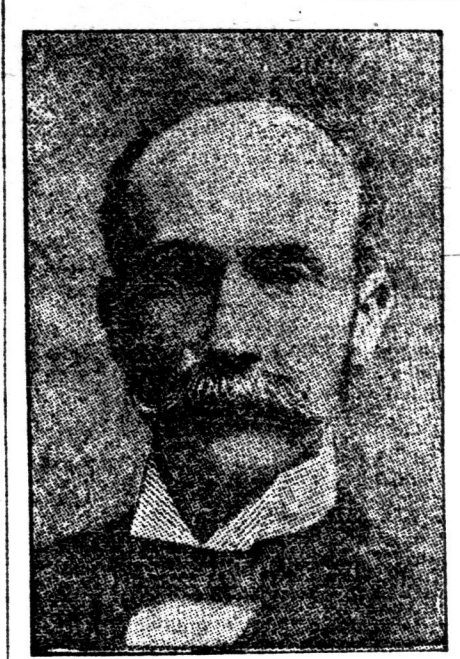
"There is a big deal under way," said a gentleman in close touch with the Grand Valley Railway, but it is understood that some large interests have obtained control of it during the past few weeks.

Part of the system from Brantford to Paris is included in the line that would run from Hamilton to London, and it is possible that within a very short time power will be offered to the municipalities between this city and Brantford.

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DISSOLVE BRITISH PARLIAMENT ON THE 28TH OF NOVEMBER



LORD LANSDOWNE, Leader of the Conservatives in the House of Lords.

BUILD A HOME CANADIAN IDEAL

Author McArthur Suggests a Basis for Loyalty to Country.

TALKS TO CANADIAN CLUB

Tells of the Home-Hunger of the Pioneers Who Cleared the Wilderness.

Mr. Peter McArthur, of Ekfrid, the well-known Canadian journalist and author, was the guest of the Canadian Club at their luncheon at noon today and delivered a very fine address on "The Ideals of the Pioneer."

In opening his address, Mr. McArthur declared that he had no particular message. While he was born in Canada he left the country long before he became a Canadian.

"This is a paradox that may be difficult for you to understand," he stated. "It is due to the confusion of the ideas of the old pioneers. They came to Canada to make homes for themselves, but Canada was never their home. I was not brought up as a Canadian. At the open fireplace I was taught loyalty to England and the crown, but nothing was ever said of Canada. I was brought up as a Scotchman, and if need be I might address you in Gaelic. They wanted homes, but the home was not here, but there, I have recollections of these pioneers at eventide, and they would look back to the old home across the sea."

So I began to think of the old land as my home. In time I went back to see my heritage, and it was then I learned that I was an alien, that my name was in Canada, that I was a Canadian.

Foreigner in London. "My illustrious friend began in London, the seat of empire. That was before press conferences, and the propaganda to bring the colonies closer to the crown. My daily contact with the man on the street with whom I struggled for my daily bread, I learned that I was a foreigner. With others, I found that I was a man without a country. Then I felt homesick for Canada. I felt that my flesh was needed in this country. I knew then that I was born of this soil."

The Land of Homes. "There should be Canadian clubs in every village in this country to teach the people of the greatness of this land."

I spent some time in studying the immigration literature for 100 years, past to the present. In the early days, when the Canada Company was first organized, this literature expressed one great fact—that Canada was the place where homes could be made. Now the literature puts great store by the fact that Canada is the place where men can get rich. It is true that many men have got rich in this country, but why parade this ugly fact?

I have spent some time in endeavoring to find a basis for loyalty to Canada, something upon which all Canadians, no matter of what nationality, could stand. We cannot be French-Canadians, Scotch-Canadians, Irish-Canadians or any other sort. We must be Canadian-Canadians. I feel that the fields where I work, with indifferent success, perhaps, are consecrated to an ideal—the building of a home. That was the idea that moved the pioneers. That fact cannot be reiterated too often.

In search of homes, they came to Canada, the Promised Land. With the torch and the axe, they cleared their homes in the wilderness. And their pillar of smoke by day, and their pillar of fire by night, they were marched into the Promised Land, just as the Israelites were.

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PETITIONERS WOULD REPRIEVE CRIPPEN

London, Nov. 17.—Solicitor Newton has secured several thousand signatures to a petition for a reprieve for his client, Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, sentenced to die on Wednesday next for the murder of his wife, the actress, Belle Elmore. It is probable that the petition will be presented to Home Secretary Churchill today.

Apparently Inspired Statement Thus Fixes the Date.

HOUSE OF LORDS AWAKE AT LAST

Upper Chamber Is Now Out With a Scheme to Reform the Peers.

[Associated Press.] London, Nov. 17.—An apparently inspired statement issued today fixes Nov. 28 as the date for the dissolution of parliament.

The Government, it is asserted, designs to pass the budget before appealing to the country, the debate on the financial measure proceeding in the House of Commons while the Lords are discussing the veto bill.

That the "Irish Dictator" will figure largely in the Unionist campaign was indicated by the excitement at the annual conference of Conservative Associations at Nottingham this morning, when Henry Chaplin, Unionist member of parliament for Wimbledon, and former president of the local government board, in an opening speech denounced the Government, who he said was handing over the rule of the country to "the sworn enemy of England, who, with the gold of foreign millionaires aspires to dictate our destinies."

London, Nov. 17.—Pending Premier Asquith's official statement before parliament on Friday, small hope is entertained of clearing up the involved situation which has resulted from the sudden change introduced by Lord Lansdowne's call for the veto bill.

The feature which stands out in the present position of the parties is that the House of Lords finally has awakened to the absolute necessity of undertaking self-reforms. The radical leaders view this late repentance with the utmost suspicion, and it remains to be seen whether it will eventuate in an agreement which the abortive veto conference failed to achieve.

The parliamentary lobbies yesterday were full of rumors of all kinds that the King had refused to give the prime minister guarantees to increase the number of peers sufficient for the Government's purpose in reforming the House of Lords; that the ministry would resign; that another party conference would be held.

Plan for an Election. Nothing definite, however, is known beyond the fact that all preparations are going on for a general election, and best informed opinion tonight believes that, as the Government declines to accept any amendments to the veto bill, Lord Lansdowne, who consulted with Mr. Balfour and other leaders, will either decline to proceed with the bill, or the House of Lords will reject it on the second reading on Monday, thus dissolving parliament on Monday.

After meetings of the Privy Council and the cabinet in the afternoon, the Earl Grey introduced the veto bill.

WILD FAWN SEEN NEAR KINTORE VILLAGE

Deer Was Seen by Many Persons Before It Ran Away.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Woodstock, Nov. 17.—The unusual sight of a wild fawn quietly pasturing in a field near Mr. Presley's farm-house at Kintore village, a few miles from here, was witnessed yesterday morning by Miss Minnie Presley and several men just after daybreak. The blowing of a whistle on a thrilling engine frightened it, and it fled in a northerly direction, leaping over wood and wire fences with the greatest ease. The veteran hunter, Chase Phillips, is on the trail and hopes to get it.

WINNIPEG Y. M. C. A. FUND.

Winnipeg, Nov. 16.—Subscription to the Y. M. C. A. building fund campaign totalled \$144,544 at noon today, considerably ahead of the mark set by the committee.

WOMEN TENANTS MAY VOTE.

Niagara Falls, Nov. 16.—According to a decision handed down by Judge Wells, women tenants may vote on local option in Welland town. Judge Wells reserved decision when the revision court was held.

APPEAL FOR FEDORENKO.

Edmonton, Nov. 16.—At the opening in this afternoon's session of the Provincial House, Mr. C. M. O'Brien, Socialist member for Rocky Mountain, gave notice that he would introduce a resolution to be presented to the minister of justice from the Alberta Legislature, asking that Savvo Fedorenko, the Russian refugee in Winnipeg, be not surrendered to the Russian authorities.