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## FOSTER MORE THAN MATCH FOR PREMIER

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Forced to Retract Statements He Had Made Respecting G. E. Foster—House of Commons the Scene of a Disgraceful Uproar—Commission of Fussy Old Gentlemen.

Ottawa, April 6.—The house of commons yesterday the scene of one of the most tumultuous outbursts that has ever occurred within its sacred walls. It took place during the final stages of the debate on the motion introduced by Mr. Doherty censuring the government for not having had a thorough and independent commission made into the working of every department. Mr. Foster roused the premier to vigorous anger during which Sir Wilfrid made personal and offensive statements about the ex-finance minister, but was afterwards compelled to submit to the ruling of the chair, which was against the premier. Shouts were thrown across the floor of the house and James Connors made himself particularly conspicuous in the yelling match.

Arthur Meighen resumed the debate on Mr. Doherty's motion yesterday afternoon declaring that the civil service commission report was a sweeping indictment of the government and that the Cassels' report did not clear the skirts of the minister of marine. Judge Cassel's report had aroused ministers to the evils of the patronage system and there was no reason to refuse inquiry into all branches of the public service.

A. K. MacLean (Lunenburg), replied, referring to the remark of Mr. Meighen that he (MacLean) was the only member of the house to reflect on the Cassel's report and said that although that report was open to criticism, it did not follow that he wished to impeach the motives of anyone. Declaring the civil service commission was careless in making charges without justification, Mr. MacLean said that it was the report of three fussy old gentlemen, who were anxious to make a sensational report. He concluded by declaring that the resolution of Mr. Doherty was illogical in assuming that because there had been wrongdoing in one department, there must necessarily be a similar state of things in all other departments.

Hon. G. E. Foster followed, reproving Mr. MacLean for describing the premier's appointees as fussy old gentlemen. Continuing he declared that but for the accident of the appointment of these old gentlemen there would have been no Cassel's inquiry. The premier had claimed at Welland, that the government had a suspicion that all was not right in the departments and they appointed a commission which confirmed that suspicion. They then appointed another commission of enquiry. The real facts were, that Sir Wilfrid had refused the resolution regarding the railway's resolution and the premier advanced by the opposition and would not allow a commission to inquire into any department. Eventually a civil service deputation seeking increase of salaries, secured from the premier a commission to enquire into the salary question. This commission made charges against certain departments and as a result the ministers said they had gone into matters which they had no business to do but the country picked up its ears and the government had to take notice and go on. Drawing attention to the fact that two Liberals were chosen as assistants to Judge Cassels instead of a Liberal and a Conservative. Mr. Foster said that the government claimed to have abolished patronage. What a feast for fussy old gentlemen if they had got inside the interior department on the scent of Burrows and others who had grown rich at the country's expense. Addressing himself to the premier particularly, Foster said: "What of Holliday and others who had received the people's money? Do you propose to get it back? Why do you not prosecute? It is because you share in the proceeds (cries of order). Mr. Foster continued and said: "Because you share it for party advantage. You who are the trustees of the people."

Sir Wilfrid Laurier while extending compliments to Mr. Doherty on his manner of handling the subject, regretted that he could not extend congratulations to Mr. Foster for his witty, pungent, and to a certain extent, unobjectionable speech. The premier after referring caustically to Mr. Foster's concluding questions said: "Never during a prolonged public life, heard a man suggest to me that I had profited by the people's money." Proceeding the premier said

that no man was so ready to make insinuations and no man will wince and whine more when he received a return blow as the honorable member. Then the premier said: "I have never manipulated other people's money or dabbled in trust funds." The Hon. Mr. Foster, who had already asked permission to question, which was refused, here rose to a point of order, saying the house rules forbade a member saying anything offensive of another; (Liberal jeers) and complained that the premier had put into his mouth, things which he (Foster) had never said and "In anger refused to allow me to correct him."

Then occurred a scene of party passion and tumult, such as has not been seen for years, and only with difficulty did the speaker secure sufficient decorum to allow proceedings to continue.

Mr. Foster amid interruptions complained of the premier preferring to use a false argument, and insinuating that he (Foster) had manipulated trust funds. This Mr. Foster denied, and challenged members to repeat it on the platform. Mr. Foster during the storm insisted on retractions of the insinuations, when the premier endeavored to resume, and the government members among whom Connors was conspicuous, fired cross questions at the member for North Toronto who was cheered by the Conservatives.

At this juncture, Mr. R. L. Borden intervened, appealing for reason and saying that he hoped the premier would make himself clear.

The premier prefacing a fresh start with the statement that he had sat for many years on both opposition and government benches of the house, during which he had always tried to carry on debates fairly and politely, and, continuing, he said "but, sir, I am human after all and when told to my face, that if I did not prosecute certain parties 'it is because I am afraid of the consequences.'"

Conservatives cried that Mr. Foster did not say that. The premier asked "what did he mean? Mr. Foster attempted to explain and said that he did not mean to impute personal responsibility to the premier. James Connors: "You repeated it." Mr. Taylor, Conservative whip, said: "You keep your bulldogs quiet over there."

Connors replied: "You just keep quiet, we know all about your little firebrand."

Mr. Foster complained to the speaker that Connors was insulting him across the floor of the house, and continued by stating that he had meant that "contributions were for the benefit of the Liberal party."

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said he refused to accept any such retractions as the statement that he had put money in.

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## UNIVERSITY GOVERNORS

Meeting in the City This Week to Decide on the Location of Provincial Institution—Visited Fort Qu'Appelle on Tuesday.

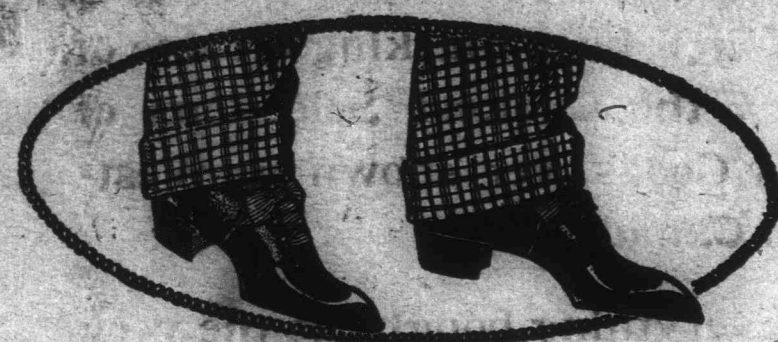
The Board of Governors for the University of Saskatchewan are meeting in the city this week and at this meeting they will decide as far as the board is concerned on the location of this provincial institution.

The members of the Board met on Monday evening. Yesterday, at the invitation of Fort Qu'Appelle, they visited that town and inspected the available sites there.

Today at ten o'clock they are receiving representatives from the city who will lay Regina's claims before the board. After this they will be driven to the site which the city proposes as a fit and proper place for the university to be located. It was at one time proposed to tender the board of governors a banquet, but at the request of the members of the board this function will be dispensed with.

Next week we hope to be able to give our readers the names of the place decided upon by the board.

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## FARMERS GET BUSY

Every Farmer Should Bear in Mind the Standing Field Grain Competitions as Well as the Seed Fairs—The Benefits From Good Seed.

Forty-five agricultural societies in Saskatchewan held competitions in standing fields and seed grain during 1908. Thirty-nine societies held competitions in wheat only, one society held a competition in oats only, and five societies held competitions in both wheat and oats. In all 395 fields were judged. As the oat crop of 1908 was in number of bushels 95.6 per cent of the wheat crop, it would seem that this crop is worthy of greater attention in the field crop competition and particularly in those districts where oats have proved to be a much more reliable crop than wheat.

During 1908 many new agricultural societies were formed, and there are now in Saskatchewan 56 Agricultural societies. This should mean that in 1909, 56 agricultural societies should conduct competitions in standing fields of seed grain. The expense to the society is comparatively limited, as the provincial department of agriculture provides \$36.00 of the prize money if \$100 is paid out. Also in many districts last year cash prizes and silver cups were given by banks, boards of trade, newspapers and enterprising citizens. The judges are provided by the Dominion seed branch and are officers of the branch or farmers who made a success of western grain growing. The cost to the agricultural societies is but very small, and the benefits large and far-reaching. The competition raises a generous rivalry and keen interest among the members; the advertising in connection with the competition, both through the press and in the widely distributed report prepared by the seed branch, is a benefit to the society and the district. The greatest benefit, however, is to the members taking part in the competition. Though the cash prizes usually \$40, \$30, \$20 and \$10 are large, yet the cash prize is but a small part of the reward to a farmer who is a prize winner. The demand for first class seed grain in this province is practically unlimited, and the farmer who wins a prize on a ten acre field of wheat or oats, and later a prize at a seed fair can usually sell his crop of prize seed at from 25 to 50 cents per bushel above the market price. Also a prize winning field means a heavy yielding field. However the greatest benefit to the farmer comes from the increased interest and pleasure which he takes in his farm life, and from the resulting increased profit from all his farm operations. In order to maintain his reputation as a prize winner, he must unite science with practice; he must practice systematic seed selection, good cultivation, careful handling of his crop, close observation and accurate calculation.

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Standing fields of seed grain competitions have now been held for three years, and the judges who have judged three crops report a great improvement in the methods of cultivation, care used in seed selection, and in the general quality of the crops exhibited. A careful perusal of the report for 1908 suggests some features which might be improved on for 1909. While there were but a few low scores for weeds, yet the number was even smaller of those who received a full score of 25 points for total freedom from weeds. Many exhibitors lost marks because of a mixture of varieties and as this can accurately be detected only in the open field, it is necessary that the

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