

ELK LAKE

Mr. Rowell Calls on Government to Revise Taxation.

WHERE IS ANTI-TREATING?

Liberal Leader Challenges the White Administration to Introduce Its Forgotten Temperance Measure—Premier Falls Back on Record in Reply to the Pointed Demands of the Opposition.

TORONTO, Feb. 13.—N. W. Rowell played havoc yesterday with the weaknesses in the speech from the throne and recalled several things that the Government seems to have forgotten. He inquired after the anti-treating policy and delivered a telling argument in favor of relief from the present system of taxation. Sir James Whitney replied in his most vigorous style. For three hours the two party leaders engaged in one of the keenest debates in the history of the Legislature.

Mr. Rowell vigorously attacked the Government, because of what the speech from the throne did not contain. "I find in the heart of the speech, reference to the work of construction of the new Government House, and considering that there was no reference whatever to tax reform, the sittings of the tax committee, the proposed anti-treating legislation, the Government House must have more importance than on the face it appears to have," he said.

As regards agriculture, the most vital question of the day, was rural depopulation, but nothing was said in this in the speech. The housing problem was not mentioned.

The conditions resulting from the employment of women and children in factories needed remedy. But there was not a word about it in the speech; it was not a thing of public importance, there was no proposal from the Government to consider it. As regards public health, apparently the Government did not think it a question of sufficient seriousness to propose measures for the future.

He was disappointed in not seeing a reference to the experimental and demonstration work and plans for extensions in connection with the Hydro-electric system. What were the results of the demonstrations to farmers? In his opinion a statement should be forthcoming from the Government on plans for the future.

The Opposition leader then switched to the question of good roads and the announcement that the Government plan to expend \$5,000,000. He was glad to see that the Government had changed its opinion on this question. "Last year the Government voted down our motion calling for an adequate system of good roads, especially ones leading to markets," he went on. "But you can take one policy. We are willing to devise policies for the Government if it will be progressive."

"I am sure the public would like to have seen some mention of the liquor problem and tax reform in the speech," he said. "Surely the local option vote recently was of sufficient importance to the speech of a little prominence. What has become of the Government's policy on anti-treating? Last year, when the Government motion was introduced to eliminate the treating system, we thought that they were hoisting a banner under which they were going to fight. Or was it a signal of distress—any port in a storm? It was an evidence of sudden conversion, which I hoped was sincere, but looks now as though the Government had hopelessly backslid."

He then turned to the question of tax reform, which, he said, the Government was treating with contempt despite the wishes of the people. Mr. Rowell went into detail to demonstrate the inadequacy of the present Assessment Act. Lands were being held idle when needed, and every proposal for improvements was handicapped seriously by local taxation.

Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta gave municipalities local option in assessment. Why not Ontario? New Ontario settlers were to-day competing with prairie settlers who did not have to pay taxes for improvements. Because of the great diversity of conditions no general act would suit Ontario. Legislation would have to be drawn up to suit the cities, the towns, the townships and New Ontario.

Mr. Rowell concluded, after speaking nearly two hours, by voicing his support to the amendment to the effect that the House regretted that the Government did not act upon the wishes of the people.

"I am surprised at a great many of the statements of the hon. leader of the Opposition," said Sir James. "If I did not know him so well I might be surprised at all of them. He has been in the House a little over a year and he has said a great many astonishing things, and I am afraid he will go on saying and doing them. We have just heard a straight-cut, advanced and matured declaration of socialism, the most advanced, I might say, ever heard in this House."

Regarding the anti-treating legislation Sir James said that the Government had gone on for years under the plaudits of the people. "This Government has dealt effectively with the manifold liquor traffic and liquor habit, and has put on the statutes advanced legislation. At the proper time we will deal with this question of anti-treating in a manner not to be forgotten by the people."

He said that the people hardly realized the effect of the program to improve the roads in old Ontario. "We intend to appoint a commissioner and send him to New York State to inquire into the operation of the system there," said Sir James, "in order that we will be enabled to work out our great scheme on a reasonable and proper basis."

He asked where was the tax reform issue in those bye-elections. Evidently Mr. Rowell had turned his back on this policy and had run away as fast as he could and stayed away. Sir

DEMANDS REFORMS

James then referred to the abolition of the platform of the Liberal party. The Liberal leader had stated in strong terms that there would be no evasion or sidestepping of this issue. "But despite this he turned his back and deliberately allowed the policy to go to the Premier's hands," he said. "The Premier hesitated a moment and a Conservative member followed up the remark with 'We know.'"

Sir James then launched out on the question of tax reform, of which he had been informed was the entering wedge of Henry Georgeism. "Single tax would ultimately result in the nationalization of land," he said, "or the taking away of property from everybody to be used in common. This is socialism of the advanced kind. The next two steps would be the abolition of home and marriage, and religion. This would be the outcome and end of the system advocated by Henry George, as history proves."

"No disciple of Henry George took such advanced views as Mr. Rowell. His was a sermon on advanced socialism. 'I will not insult the intelligence of the members of this House and the people who have confidence in me and my colleagues by alluding further to the miserable, contemptible and unmanly attempt to suggest that the Conservative members of the tax committee were told to fall in line to my views. I am proud to know that I did not see the report, nor did I know one word in the report till the Provincial Treasurer placed it in the committee. I am proud to realize the wisdom of the Conservative members as shown by their conduct. The report which they adopted was practically in accord with my views.'

"I throw back in the teeth of the cowardly falsifiers that the Conservative members (as honorable men as there are in the dominion) were told by their leader to vote as he said."

"The people will go on endorsing the speech by reason of the good things that are in it. Never while we are in office will we be deluded and seduced by tactics such a those mentioned by John Bright when he said, 'There are men who always begin a new system of relief by robbing somebody.'"

After the Premier sat down Mr. Rowell arose. "I am neither a shareholder nor director of The Globe," he said.

SURVIVORS ANGRY

Antarctic Party Inclined to Blame Surgeon Atkinson.

CHRISTCHURCH, N.Z., Feb. 14.—Comment is made here to the effect that Captain Scott, Dr. Wilson and Lieut. Bowers might have been saved if the rescue party had pushed south vigorously from the base in March, 1912. Its failure, according to the critics, was apparently due to the inexperience of the acting commander, Surgeon Atkinson, who allowed the bulk of the party to remain at Cape Evans, cut off by open water from Hut Point, at the edge of the Barrier. At the end of February two men went south 155 miles to the depot near which Scott died, but returned on March 10. On March 17 Dr. Atkinson and one companion went out eighty miles, and then returned. The southern explorers, the critics argue, were left to their fate at the very time when the delay in their reappearance made it obvious that their need of assistance was intense.

Feeling it is asserted, has been aroused among the survivors of the expedition by this failure. The relations between Commander Evans, now the leader of the expedition, and Surgeon Atkinson are reported to be very strained. Asked yesterday for a statement regarding the rescue party, Commander Evans said: "There is Dr. Atkinson. He is the man who knows. If he makes a statement, I shall have something to say after him."

Surgeon Atkinson did not reply to a formal inquiry as to the conduct of the search expedition.

BRIEFS FROM THE WIRES.

Toronto school supplies will cost \$34,000 more than last year. New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Legislatures opened yesterday.

Dr. Adeney, president of the British Congressional Union, is shortly to visit Canada.

Constable McCall, with a broken arm, pluckily started a runaway horse in Toronto yesterday.

Mayor Beckwith of Victoria, B.C., has been unseated by the Appeal Court and a new election ordered.

Matilda La France, an Indian woman, who died at Brampton, yesterday, was said to be 108 years of age.

A. Nason of Wesley College and Manitoba University, Winnipeg, has been selected as a Rhodes scholar for Manitoba.

Hon. Walter Scott, Premier of Saskatchewan, was in Ottawa yesterday, but denied that his visit had any political significance.

Fire visited Lindsay yesterday, destroying the warehouse and outhouses of the Spratt & Killen firm, and badly damaging the interior of the general store.

When a vote was taken in the Manitoba Legislature on a resolution favoring the extension of the franchise to women a motion to shelve the matter was passed.

A bill granting a two-year extension of time for the completion of the lines of the Niagara, St. Catharines & Toronto Railway Co., was passed by committee at Ottawa yesterday.

Premier Gouin of Quebec, was entertained at a banquet by the Comite Amerique, in Paris, yesterday. The chair was taken by Mr. Britton, Minister of Justice. M. Hanetax, ex-Foreign Minister also spoke.

PRINCESS AND FIANCE.

Royal German Pair Enter the Capital in State.

BERLIN, Feb. 14.—Between the speeches he is so busily making during the past week, the Kaiser found time to arrange a picturesque state entry into Berlin yesterday for his only daughter, the Princess Victoria Louise, and her fiance, Prince Ernest of Cumberland.

The royal lovers, accompanied by the Kaiser, arrived from Karlsruhe at 8.30 yesterday morning. Many thousands assembled in front of the Potsdam Station, where, by command of the Kaiser, four squadrons of the Zeiten Red Hussars, to which Prince Ernest has just been assigned, were drawn up, with guards for the escort duty. The Kaiser was wreathed in smiles as he assisted the Kaiserin and his daughter to alight from the train. He handed the Kaiserin a bouquet of red carnations and his daughter a bouquet of yellow carnations.

The newspapers are pointing out that thirteen seems to be the Princess Louise's lucky number. She was born Sept. 13, betrothed 1913, and made her state entry into Berlin on Feb. 13.

TO HAVE BEEF RING.

Farmers Near Galt Provide For a Supply of Fresh Meat.

GALT, Feb. 14.—The farmers of school section No. 19 have organized a beef ring. The purpose is to provide fresh meat for all in the ring during the summer months. Forty members will kill a beast by turns and distribute one share, which will consist of twenty pounds. For small households half shares may be taken. In this way farmers in the ring will be supplied with fresh meat each week, starting in June and continuing through the hot weather.

Gift To Mowat Hospital.

KINGSTON, Feb. 14.—Cornelius Birmingham and wife, touring California, have made a fine gift to Mowat Memorial Hospital. They will add a memorial college to the hospital, with modern equipment, to cost \$5,000. In addition they will give \$100 per year for five years towards maintenance.

Rubber Magnate Escapes Arrest.

LIMA, Peru, Feb. 14.—A wireless despatch from Iquitos says that the upper court has revoked the order of arrest issued by a judge of the lower court against Julia Arana, the chief director of the Amazon Co., which owns the rubber concessions of Peru.

DEAF TO PROTEST

Madero and Diaz Keep Up Their Savage Struggle.

AMERICAN WOMAN SLAIN

Noncombatant Is a Victim to the Cannonade of the Opposing Federal and Rebel Forces in Mexico City—Foreign Envoy With White Flag Is Fired on by Troops—Buildings Are Bombed.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 13.—Mexico's capital was torn asunder again yesterday by shot and shell. It was not until nine o'clock last night that firing in all quarters ceased. Gen. Felix Diaz, in command of the rebel forces, fortified and entrenched in and around the arsenal, had held his ground against the federals. He had done more than this. He had subjected the city to a more terrible bombardment than that of Tuesday. He had enlarged his zone of action and had sent forces against the National Palace.

The number of dead and wounded cannot even be estimated, but it is large. For two hours during the forenoon the rebel gunners rained shot and shell at the lofty structures of the city, from the roofs of which federal sharpshooters and machine gunners had attempted to rake the insurgents in the trenches and behind the barricades of the arsenal.

The diplomatic representatives of four powers protested, and an armistice was arranged so that an envoy from these diplomats could enter the rebel lines and confer with Diaz. But, doubtless owing to the inability of the federal commander to control all points on his lines, this envoy was fired upon by the troops, although riding under a white flag.

The protest of the diplomats took the form of a demand that the firing zone should be limited, but it accomplished nothing. Both Madero and Diaz evaded responsibility, each placing the blame on the other and characterizing the attitude of the opposing side as barbarous and in violation of the rules of civilized warfare.

An American woman, Mrs. Holmes, was killed while the battle was raging at two o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Both legs of another woman, a Mrs. Griffiths, were shot off while she was preparing dinner in her home, which was in line of the Federal fire.

Betam Jail, the famous old city prison, has been thrown open to the rebels, and from 3,000 to 5,000 desperate prisoners set loose.

DRINK OR INSANITY?

Doctor Does Not Know Which Carries the Other.

OTTAWA, Feb. 13.—At a further meeting of the Age Pensions committee held yesterday, Dr. Sinclair, provincial inspector of penal institutions in Nova Scotia, pointed out that the institutional system had a degrading and humiliating effect. As to the causes of poverty, he remarked that some people are born poor, some achieve poverty and others have poverty thrust upon them. He did not think the abolition of intemperance and vice would remove poverty.

In reply to Mr. Verville's question as to what most brought a man in contact with intemperance, Dr. Sinclair said he had never been quite satisfied as to whether insanity was caused by intemperance, or vice versa. He had been struck one year by the number of abstainers admitted to insane asylums, but afterwards found some of them were former drinkers. In Nova Scotia there were 1,770 insane and 546 poor inmates of public institutions.

Dr. Sinclair favored the provision of widows' pensions.

MADE SURE OF IT.

Conscientious Western Burglars Carried Off the Safe.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 13.—Some time between six o'clock Sunday night and opening time Monday morning, the postoffice at Almasippi, Man., was broken into, and a 500-pound safe taken out through the window and carted away. The safe contained \$200 cash, registered letters, all the books containing the postoffice records, and the accounts of the store kept by the postmaster. The sleigh tracks were followed to a Galician settlement, where six suspects were arrested, and faced the magistrate yesterday.

WANTS WAR STOPPED.

Turkey Asks Britain To Have the Powers Intervene.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—The Turkish Government has formally requested Sir Edward Grey to invite the European powers to intervene to stop the Balkan war. This request has been communicated to the ambassadors here, who have transmitted it to their respective Governments.

They will meet to-morrow to report the result.

Burning Buildings Now.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—The refreshment hall in Regent's Park, London, was burned down yesterday it is believed by militant suffragettes, as on the adjoining path the words, "Vote for Women," were found scratched. The building was of considerable size, being 75 feet long by 40 wide. Baskets smelling strongly of petroleum were found in a shrubbery in the vicinity.

Found Frozen To Death.

PORT COLBORNE, Feb. 13.—The body of an unknown man was found on the G.T.R. tracks between Humberson and Air-Line Junction. He had been frozen to death.

Kingston Pastor Remains.

KINGSTON, Feb. 13.—Rev. John Webster, Brock Street Methodist Church, has received and accepted a unanimous invitation to remain another year.

UNCLE JAKE DIDN'T AGREE.

The Old Man Upheld His Reputation For Being Contrary.

"Uncle Jake" was one of the characters of Banbury. He was as deaf as a post—when he wanted to be—and as contrary as a bundle of sticks. One of his neighbors came into his yard one day and said: "Uncle Jake, I'd like to borrow your wagon this morning. Mine is having a spring mended."

"You'll have to speak louder," rejoined Uncle Jake. "I don't hear very well, and I don't like to lend my wagon anyhow!"

The old man was an expert maker of ax handles—an occupation in which there is more art than the uneducated would suppose—and these handles he left at the village store to be sold on commission. One snowy day, as Uncle Jake came stamping up the steps of the store, another old fellow who was known as Uncle Horace remarked to the men lounging about the stove:

"I'll treat the crowd if I don't make Uncle Jake agree to the first thing I say to him when he comes in."

"Don't be rash, Uncle Horace," called out the storekeeper. "That never happened yet, and it isn't likely to."

But Uncle Horace merely grinned and picked up one of Uncle Jake's ax handles. The door opened, and in came Uncle Jake.

"Jake," said Uncle Horace, running his fingers up and down the smooth wood, "this is a mighty good ax handle."

"No, it ain't," replied Uncle Jake at once. "I can make good handles, but that one you've got is the kind people want. They don't know no better!"

And Uncle Horace treated the company to sardines, crackers and cheese.—Youth's Companion.

SMALL SAVINGS.

A Lecture on Economy That Mark Hanna Delivered to Dingley.

Mark Hanna did many things in a large way. Nevertheless he was not averse to giving his serious attention to little things on occasion. Senator Hanna one afternoon in Washington boarded a trolley car. Seeing Representative Dingley—he of the tariff law—just entering the front door, Hanna walked forward and took a seat beside him.

The conductor approached and each man paid his separate carfare, Dingley with a five cent piece, Hanna with a ticket.

The conversation fell along the lines of business. Reports, they agreed, indicated that every class of business and industry was prospering. "Every one," said Hanna, "seems to be making good money."

Dingley protested. He knew of at least one man who wasn't himself.

"It's very simple, Dingley, very," replied Hanna. "You pay your carfare with a nickel, the full hundred cents on the dollar. You may have noticed that I paid my fare with a ticket. I buy them six for 25 cents; therefore I save just 20 per cent for myself. That's the secret, Dingley. That's the thing you've got to learn—how to save the 20 per cent for yourself. That's your trouble, Dingley; you don't save when you have the opportunity. A lot more people could be rich if they would only learn how to put that easy made 20 per cent on the credit instead of the debit side of their accounts."—New York World.

Tree That Gives Light.

Among freaks of nature in trees there stands conspicuous one known as the Asiatic star tree. It is enormously tall, growing to a height of from sixty feet to eighty feet, while from the ground up to a distance of about forty feet the trunk is perfectly bare. From that point there spring a number of tangled limbs, which shoot out clusters of long, pointed leaves, and it is these, grouped together, that emit at night a clear, phosphorescent light. This gives the tree a spectral appearance and is very deceiving to travelers, who frequently mistake the glow for an illuminated window of a house. The light is not brilliant, but is of sufficient strength to allow of a newspaper being read by it. It does not flicker, but glows steadily from sunset to daybreak.

On the Slopes of Vesuvius.

Despite the danger to which they are exposed, from 50,000 to 100,000 people live upon the slopes of Vesuvius, besides the 500,000 inhabitants crowded into Naples. The reason is that the fertility of the soil is perennial, the perit all occasional. The volcanic ejecta are rich in alumina, silica, magnesia, lime, potash and iron, which by their decomposition go to make splendid land. Some of the best vines in Italy grow on the skirts of Vesuvius. If the volcano were away not one-tenth of the many cultivators could subsist in the same area.

Using the Cake.

For the first time Ethel chanced to see her father preparing to shave. Running into the kitchen, she exclaimed, "Oh, mamma, guess what papa is doing?"

"I don't know, dear. What is he doing?"

"He's making a cake out of his face," replied Ethel. "He's putting the icing on it now."—Chicago News.

Hopeful.

Her Legal Adviser—Madam, you have had three husbands, and every one of them either with crazy or turned out to be worthless. Yet you are thinking of marrying again! Fair Claret—Yes, sir. I want a safe and sane fourth.—Chicago Tribune.

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AGED PEOPLE

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NEWS OF SPORT

Woodstock in Third Round.

Woodstock, Feb. 13.—Woodstock put the Guelph Victorias on the shelf tonight in a second round O.H.A. junior game. The Industrial City youngsters dougled Guelph's score after being beaten in the first game in the Royal City by a 10 to 5. The night's figures were 10 to 5. The visitors were delayed en route and the game did not start until after 10 o'clock.

Keen ice and hard checking by both teams prevented much combination but the locals were able to use two-men rushes to advantage at times and have improved in this respect. Armstrong and Sanderson were the best for the locals. McKen of Guelph, starred for his team. The half time score was 6 to 1. The teams:

Guelph (5)—Goal, Grant; point, Hadden; cover, Hayes; rover, Spalding; centre, Foster; right, McKen; left, Little.

Woodstock (10)—Goal, Childs; point, Sutherland; cover, Sanderson; rover, Smith; centre, Armstrong; right, Jones; left, Timm.

Referee—H. Sproule, Toronto.

London and Sarnia.

London, Feb. 13.—Secretary W. K. Vining, of the London Hockey Club received the looked-for information, telling them of their next games in the intermediate O.H.A. series. London plays the Sarnia team, winners of group No. 12, in the Tunnel Town to-morrow night. The return game will be played in London on Monday night.

The local hockey officials decided that they would not run an excursion train to Sarnia as the jump is too long. The fans would not get back to the city very early, the run being over two hours.

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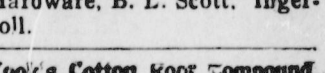
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