

COLONEL McLEAN'S POSITION

(Montreal Gazette, Feb. 10.)

Courage as well as conviction was required to make such an address as came from the lips of Colonel H. H. McLean in the House of Commons on Friday. The forces working to keep a man "regular" are strong in Parliament. There is the memory of the common fight against the opposing party, and the dislike of straining or breaking the half-political, half-social relations that exist among the members of the organization, with the knowledge that anything like a break may work to imperil causes the disident has at heart in common with his colleagues.

Considerations based on these conditions give the cause its strength, and sometimes enable a minority of Parliament, because it is a majority of the stronger party, to enforce its will on the country. So while there is often marked division of view with a party in the House of Commons especially, the cases are rare when it is shown in public by speech or vote.

Colonel McLean's position as set out in his address was a moderate one. He regarded as serious the communications made to the government of Canada on behalf of the part of Canada to share in the general defence of the interests of the Empire. He regarded the propositions of the

government as indicating an effective way of discharging a part of that duty.

Like others, he would like to see Canada's ships both built in Canada and manned by Canadians; and he indicated his desire that all parties should co-operate towards securing such a result. Meantime, however, his position indicates that he is ready to give his support to the measure now before parliament and the country, leaving himself free to act as seems well on other propositions as they arise.

There is little doubt that in this Mr. McLean speaks for many Liberals outside of parliament. His position, indeed, is that of more than one Liberal newspaper. It is possible that what he has said will have an effect on the course of the debate and will help to put an end to the weak and ineffective talk that has taken up so much of the time of the House of Commons since the Houses re-assembled after the Christmas holiday. If so, his course may be of advantage to his party as well as to himself, and to the country. When a member, on a large issue that warrants such action, prefers to be a member of parliament rather than a member of a party, and gives a good reason for what he does, he raises representative institutions in the popular esteem and helps to make parliament more nearly what it should be.

AMUNDSEN DRAWS THRILLING PICTURE OF SCOTT'S DEATH

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Captain Amundsen denied that he had suggested that Scott and his men might have fallen into a crevasse.

"It is ridiculous," he asserted, "to think that five men would fall into a crevasse."

Prof. H. J. Cox, weather forecaster, who had listened to the Norwegian adventurer's narrative broke in: "Shackleton nearly met the same fate you know."

"Yes," said Amundsen, "Shackleton had a hard time getting back. His first time in the very hour in fact, to save his life. And he was only 111 miles from the pole."

"Can you think of the disappointment in that case?" Only 111 miles from his goal. Yet it is a long distance. When there are railroad tracks and pullman cars and comfort and good cheer, 111 miles is thousands of miles."

Amundsen Starts North Next Year.

Captain Amundsen made it plain that the fate of Scott and his aides would not deter him in his plans for a north polar expedition beginning next year.

"Why should I hesitate," he asked, "These affairs are very sad, but they are really uncommon. It is not what one may expect, as perhaps some of you may think. No, I shall start, and I believe I will be successful."

"What do you care about the North pole now," Captain Amundsen asked, "Nothing," said the explorer swiftly. "I do not seek the pole. I may not even reach it. I do not care whether I do. These stories that I am to actually seek the pole are untrue. I am going north only on a scientific expedition—chiefly to study air and ocean currents. If I am close to the pole and conditions are favorable I will go there, not otherwise."

The story that I will take an aeroplane is untrue. It is ridiculous.

Captain Amundsen sent the following telegrams to the Scott tragedy: "Commander, Terra Nova, Lyttelton, N. Z.—Deep sorrow loss comrades. Congratulations, success expedition." "Kinsey, Christ Church, N. Z.—Convey deep sorrow. Many, Scott and Wilson loss husbands. Magnificent battle."

A National Appeal in Britain.

London, Feb. 11.—The committee of the British Antarctic expedition will use a national appeal for a fund to provide for the relatives of the dead explorers. Among those signing the appeal is Lord Strathcona.

Finicky Appetites Put in Order

You Can Sit Right Down and Eat Anything Served if You Get Acquainted with Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

With a most pathetic sigh the dyspeptic sits down and "views with alarm" his hungry companions. Now, the best doctrine for most people to hand out to suffering stomachs is to couple a square meal with Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. To sit down to a good meal and eat whatever is served is setting back to the good old days when grand-dad carved the roast; when the family made a clean-up; and when good appetites with sound digestion produced the men and women that have made our nation what it is.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are the dyspeptic's hope. They are a natural restorative of healthy action to the stomach and small intestines, because they supply the elements that the weak stomach lacks—pepsin, golden seal and other digestive aids.

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Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have been found by test to have digestive powers, one grain of the active principle of these tablets being sufficient to digest 2,000 grains of ordinary food. It is plain that no matter what the condition of your stomach, or how far your disease has progressed, one of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets taken at meal-time will do the work—give your stomach an opportunity to regain its lost powers, the muscles will be strengthened, the glands invigorated, and you will be a new man.

All druggists sell Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, at 25 cents a box.

LEGISLATURE OPENS TOMORROW



L. P. D. TILLEY, M. L. A. of St. John City, who will move the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

J. B. HACHEY, M. L. A. of Bathurst, who will second the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 11.—Contrary to expectation a meeting of the Provincial Government was not held tonight.

Premier Fleming and the members of the government are all here, and the private members are already commencing to arrive, those already here including T. J. Carter, M. L. A. for Victoria, and L. P. D. Tilley, M. L. A. for St. John City, who is to move the address in reply to the speech from the throne. Lieut. Gov. Wood also arrived tonight.

Tomorrow the executive council will be in session all day, making the final preparations for the session. The opening ceremony is always more of a formality than a function, but there are some incidents connected with starting a new legislature on the proper course which lend additional interest to the opening ceremonies. Thursday's events will start with the ceremony of swearing in the members, which will occur at the Assembly Chamber at 12 o'clock noon, before Judge Landry, in the absence of Chief Justice Barker. The formal opening of the house will take place at the usual hour, 2 o'clock.

In the military display the Moncton field battery will fire the salute and the guard of honor will be furnished by the Royal Canadian regiment and 71st regiment, with the 71st band. The guns which will be used to fire the salute have arrived here from the Ordnance stores, St. John.

The selection of a speaker for the new house will be one of the first formalities and Hon. George J. Clarke, M. L. A. for Charlotte, will be re-elected to the position. Indications point to the selection of W. B. Dickson, M. L. A. for Albert, as the new deputy speaker. Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith, pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, will be the new chaplain. About the only other change in the principal officials of the house in the staff of the engrossing clerks, J. Duff Mitchell of Lincoln, Sunbury County, being appointed to succeed Lewis H. Bliss, now postmaster of Fredericton.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast.

Maritime—Strong winds and gales from west and northwest, fair and decidedly colder.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The disturbance which was approaching the great lakes last night has passed quickly to the lower St. Lawrence, and an area of high barometer with much low or temperate weather is now spreading towards Ontario and Quebec. A southerly gale with snow and sleet is blowing in the Maritime Provinces.

Min. Max.

Dawson -10 0

Prince Rupert 26 44

Vancouver 26 40

Edmonton 6 20

Calgary 0 30

Winnipeg -14 10

Port Arthur 6 0

Toronto 26 32

Ottawa -2 26

Montreal -4 28

Quebec -8 18

St. John 2 34

Halifax 4 30

*Below zero.

A Correction.

In an article published in The Standard yesterday in connection with insurance, Frank R. Fairweather has spoken of as connected with the Sun Life, where it should have read the Sun Fire Insurance Co.

Child Had Bronchitis

Once people get acquainted with the wonderful control which Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine exerts over bronchitis, whooping cough, croup and colds it is not easy to persuade them that anything else is "just as good." This is why the imitators never get very far.

In 1902 Mrs. Eugene Her, King street, Truro, N. S., wrote as follows: "From an infant one of my children was troubled with bronchitis, and the least cold would aggravate the trouble. We could not get anything to help him, and were often greatly alarmed. Hearing of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine as a treatment for bronchitis we used it, and are glad to state that it effected a complete cure. If any of the children take a cold or cough, I give this medicine, and have never known it to fail to bring relief."

Mrs. Her now writes that she has since proven this medicine to be a cure for whooping cough, and would not be without it in the house.

PERSONALS.

His Honor Lieut. Gov. Wood left last night for Fredericton to be present at the opening of the legislature.

O. M. Melanson, M. L. A. of Shediac, is at the Royal.

J. T. Halliday arrived in the city last evening and is at the Royal.

A Slight Fire.

The fire department was called out about eight o'clock last evening by an alarm from box 46 for a fire in John Wood's home on Broad street. The fire had caught in a parlour and besides destroying it some slight damage was done to the room.

Assets.

It was with some degree of pride that in 1900 the total amount was quoted at over five millions. Today they amount to over twenty millions, or to be exact, \$20,071,344.80. All these funds are invested within the Dominion of Canada and no speculative securities of any kind are carried. It is claimed by the company, and its claim is valid, that not since its foundation has one dollar of the policy holders' funds been lost.

Ratio and Expenses.

Not the least remarkable feature in the year's report is the low expense ratio.

In view of the fact that the splendid new offices of the company were completed and furnished during the last year, it was naturally to be expected that the expense ratio might rise. To the surprise of the officers of the company themselves it was found that on the contrary it had actually fallen by almost one-half of one per cent.

Mortality.

Referring to the mortality experienced last year the ratio of actual to expected was exceedingly low. This year it is 64 per cent, which, while higher than that of 1911, is still extremely favorable.

Royal Blend Scotch

Quality in Every Drop

ANOTHER LIBERAL SECEDES

Continued from page one.

The debate today was carried on by Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Mr. Pardee and Mr. Carroll (South Cape Breton), who rehearsed much the same arguments as other Laurier Liberal speakers.

Mr. Lemieux commented on commencing his speech upon the statement of Col. H. H. McLean that he was an ardent Imperialist. "I wish to preface my remarks," said the member for Rouville, "by saying that it is as an ardent Canadian that I speak and I feel that a man who serves Canada, a man who serves the overseas Dominions, serves at the same time the British Empire. If I were an enemy of the British Empire," he continued, "I would raise both hands in favor of the proposition now before the House. It may be that the Canadian people will pay tribute to the Mother Country once or even twice. But I say that if the tie between Canada and the Mother Country is too much strained it may break."

The ex-Postmaster General had no word to say in favor of the plan whereby the Dominion would be represented by one of her ministers in the Imperial defence committee, and declared that Conservatives like L. P. Pelletier were arguing in Quebec that the Borden policy would not mean either a tax upon the people or the enlistment of Canadians for Imperial wars. But, said Mr. Lemieux, that policy would mean an addition to the load borne by the British tax payer. It would be a donation of three 'Phantom' ships, and would be a source of friction between Canada and Britain in years to come. Mr. Lemieux denied that England was facing an emergency and was begging for Imperial gifts from the overseas Dominions. "In point of fact," he asserted, "England viewed with pleasure the establishment of local fleets by the Dominions." There could be no compromise, he affirmed, and the government had no right to pass through parliament a policy for which it had no mandate from the people of Quebec. The action of the government, he concluded, is against the spirit of the constitution. The question was not an issue at the last general election.

Mr. Pardee followed, making a stock Liberal speech.

DIED.

FROST.—At his late residence, Lower Norton, Kings county, N. B., on February 10th, Samuel E. Frost, in the 86th year of his age.

Funeral from his late residence, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

STEVENSON.—Suddenly at his residence, Brownville Junction, Maine, on Sunday, February 9th, T. A. Stevenson, in the 46th year of his age.

Funeral from Hoyt Station on arrival of Montreal train Wednesday morning, 12th inst.

Had a Dry, Tickling Sensation In Her Throat.

COUGHED ALMOST ALL NIGHT.

A bad cough, accompanied by that distressing tickling sensation in the throat, is most aggravating.

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READING CLUB DISCUSSES POPULAR CANADIAN AUTHOR

The Free to Serve Reading Club was entertained last evening at the home of Miss Grace Hayward, 32 Queen Street, by Miss Harrison, who read a poem, by Miss Baxter; a synopsis of his book, "The Frontiersman," by Miss Holder; a paper on his sketch on the life of Bishop Bompas, by Miss Hayward. The next meeting of the club will be held on February 25th, at the home of Miss Edna Leonard, 60 Queen street.

MISS RANDOLPH: a reading, entitled "Travelling in the Yukon on Dog Teams," by Miss Harrison; two of his poems, by Miss Baxter; a synopsis of his book, "The Frontiersman," by Miss Holder; a paper on his sketch on the life of Bishop Bompas, by Miss Hayward.

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Men's Best Rubber Boots, high tops, all sizes, \$4.50 short leg, all sizes \$2.50

Men's Rubbers 60c, 80c, 90c, \$1.00

Ladies' "Com" Felt \$1.00 and \$1.25 Slippers 75c

Ladies' Felt and Leather Sole Warm Woolen Slippers 65c

Ladies' Leather Strap Slippers 65c

Girls' and Children's Overshoes \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50

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