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THE CANADIAN NORTHERN GIVEN THE THIRD READING

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to with both the United States and Russian governments looking toward the relief of the members of the Stefansson expedition marooned on Wrangel Island. Russian ice-breakers and a United States revenue cutter are the only vessels which visit these waters, and it is hoped to relieve the party at the end of July or early in August when ice conditions permit navigation.

Reports were received from the anti-clearance and converted elections committees. The former recommended continuation of its existence next session, while the latter reported that no definite conclusions had been reached and recommended that a bill including the proposed amendments be drafted during recess.

The bill authorizing the appointment of a commission of three members to inquire into the Empress of Ireland disaster got third reading without discussion. Mr. Borden stated that the date for the inquiry had not yet been set.

The Canadian Northern bill was then taken up for third reading. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said it was obvious that the \$45,000,000 guarantee would not finish the line and moved an amendment as follows:

"Under existing circumstances no assistance should be given to the Canadian Northern Railway Company unless at the same time the government has the power, within a reasonable time, to acquire ownership of the entire stock of the company at a price to be fixed by arbitration but not to exceed thirty million dollars."

Hon. L. P. Pelletier pointed out that the government had power at present to expropriate the railway.

Continuing the discussion during the afternoon, Hon. William Pugsley said that the late government had approved of the C. N. R. as a prairie road with eastern connections, and that its troubles commenced when the present administration had encouraged it to construct the Canadian Northern Pacific through the mountains. After being called to order by Speaker Sproule for wandering away from the amendment under discussion, Mr.

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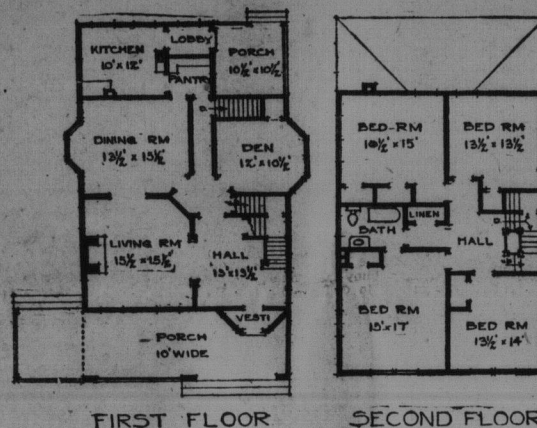
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Back stair joins main stair, at a landing. On the second floor are four bedrooms with good closets and a bath room. These are stained in a light tint. Bath room has a tile effect. On third floor are two bedrooms, a bath if desired, and storage. This house is remarkably compact without being crowded in any way. Nowhere is there waste space. There can be a lavatory under the main staircase in connection with coat closet. The hall has a simple wainscoting. Plumbing (tubs in cellar) is included in estimate. Story heights: First and second story each nine feet. Width of house thirty-two feet. Porte cochere adds

ten feet as does the veranda. Depth fifty-two feet. Following is an itemized cost of construction, while Mr. R. D. Bennett, in his absence, was paired with a member of the government. Mr. A. Verville of Maltonneave then moved that the bill be amended to provide that it should come into force by proclamation only when MacKenzie and Mann, Limited, who were owners of coal mines on Vancouver Island, should agree to the appointment of a board of conciliation in the strike now in progress as requested by the men. Mr. Verville said the strike on Vancouver Island had cost the country half a million dollars and now was the time for the government to force MacKenzie and Mann to consent to the appointment of a board. Mr. Verville said he understood MacKenzie and Mann controlled a number of mines, in reply to which Mr. Clements of Comox-Atlin said MacKenzie and Mann did not control a single mine on Vancouver Island. Hon. T. W. Crothers said that two statements implied in Mr. Verville's amendment were incorrect. The statements on Vancouver Island had repeatedly refused to ask for a board when the Labor Department had offered it to them. The mines on Vancouver Island in which MacKenzie and Mann were interested were only a few of those in which the strike was going on. He suggested that Mr. Verville should propose an amendment to the effect that the act should not issue until the men had asked for a board and were willing to abide by its decision. Mr. Carroll read extracts from correspondence between the Labor Department and D. B. Hanna, vice-president of the C.N.R., of September, 1912, after the miners strike. In proof of his claim that MacKenzie and Mann were interested in the Canadian Collieries, Limited, Mr. Carroll pointed out that the correspond-

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Pugsley stated that it would have been better to loan money to the road than to guarantee its bonds and concluded by calling upon the government to submit the question to the people.

Liberals Don't Know Just Where They Stand.

Hon. Arthur Meighen devoted the first part of his reply to an expose of the alleged contradictory character of the various amendments and speeches by opposition members. The member for West Middlesex had moved that the matter be laid over until next session, and a committee of the House then appointed to investigate it. Mr. E. M. MacDonald had asked for a six months' hold, and now Sir Wilfrid Laurier was prepared to take over the C. N. R. for \$50,000,000 without any investigation at all. As for Mr. Pugsley's criticism of the construction of the C. N. R. through the mountains, his own government had endorsed legislation by the British Columbia government in 1910 authorizing its construction.

The Solicitor General proceeded to tell the House of the land grants which MacKenzie & Mann had turned into the C. N. R.

Hon. William Pugsley expressed the conviction that these land grants belonged to the C. N. R. anyway, and their proceeds would be the property of its stockholders, if there were any other stockholders but MacKenzie & Mann.

The Solicitor General cited the case of Qu'Appelle, Long Lake and Saskatchewan Railway Company, now part of the C. N. R., in which Mr. Pugsley himself was interested. The contractors for this road had obtained the land grants in return for its construction, and had afterwards refused to turn them over, and kept them, said Mr. Meighen, amid derisive conservative cheers.

Mr. Pugsley maintained that the

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ence contained a statement from Mr. Hanna that he would consult Sir Wm. MacKenzie and that the deputy minister of labor had used the words "your mine."

Mr. Carroll said that even if it were found that MacKenzie and Mann had no interest in the mines, the amendment would do no harm.

The vote was taken on Mr. Verville's amendment which was lost by 85 to 35, or a government majority of 47.

Mr. W. A. Charlton voted with the government, while Mr. W. F. Nickle supported the amendment. The Canadian Northern bill was then

given third reading amid Conservative cheers, on the same division.

The balance of the sitting was taken up with a debate on the second reading of the bill of the Finance Minister to vote \$1,200,000 to reimburse the depositors of the defunct Farmers Bank.

After Hon. W. T. White had spoken at considerable length in justification of the proposal and had been followed by Hon. A. K. MacLean in opposition to the policy and precedent established, the debate was adjourned to be concluded tomorrow.

The house adjourned at an early hour this morning.