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AT OTTAWA.

(Special Correspondence to THE HERALD.)

OTTAWA, June 16. The chief topic of discussion this week in the Commons were the election frauds commission and the emergency rations. There is one point of resemblance between the two, for on both questions the Government offers a full enquiry and then narrows down the investigation. Sir Charles Tupper tried to suggest an amendment to induce the Premier to give full effect to the promise that a complete and searching inquiry should be held into the election fraud charges which the Government had removed from the Privileges Committee. The opposition leader pointed out some of the defects and shortcomings of the commission of investigation which it is proposed to substitute for the enquiry now asked off. The Premier said he would consider the suggestions, but refused with the declaration that they could not be adopted. Every one of the changes proposed by the opposition was in the direction of a more thorough and effective enquiry. They were first suggested by Sir Charles Tupper, and then brought forward by Dr. Borden, of Halifax, in the form of a resolution. Mr. Borden's resolution got forth that the powers and jurisdiction of the commission "are not sufficiently wide and comprehensive to enable the commission to make a thorough, complete and searching investigation and enquiry."

WHAT THE OPPOSITION WANTED.

The resolution asked the following among other amendments:

That the commission should have power to ascertain not only who stole or destroyed or switched ballots, but who aided or abetted or employed the perpetrators of the crime.

That greater facilities should be given for pouring witnesses and for obtaining the truth from them by offering indemnity from prosecution, and by applying other provisions of the Act drawn upon for such purposes by Hon. Edward Blake.

That provision should be made to pay the expenses of preliminary enquiry and investigation.

That steps be taken to secure the production of all poll books, ballot papers and other documents connected with the election.

That witnesses should be competent to testify how they voted at any election which is the subject of enquiry before the commission.

That the commission should have power to use as evidence, if they think proper, the testimony taken in the West Huron enquiry before the Privileges Committee.

That the commissions should, in the first instance, proceed with all convenient speed to enquire into the West Huron and Brockville alleged election frauds charged before the House a year ago, and made the subject of a partial investigation in the Privileges Committee.

ALL REFUSED.

All these proposals were refused. The Ministers claimed that the commissions had already power to obtain witnesses and secure the documents and requirements. The use of evidence taken before committees is now positively prohibited. Mr. Blair on behalf of the Government said that much evidence was admitted by the committee which a court would have excluded. He said that the majority allowed it to go in, because they feared that the people would think that its irregularity would show a disposition to suppress the facts. By breaking off the committee enquiry, Mr. Blair and his colleagues have escaped the necessity of admitting more of this dangerous testimony, and by excluding what has been given from the commission, much dangerous evidence may be got out of the way. The Ministers also refuse to see the legislation, to provide that the law may tell how they voted. This evidence taken before the committee established the fact that ballots had been stolen. Voters who were robbed of their votes are anxious to prove that the wrong has been done, but the Premier and the Minister of Justice are still more anxious that the secrecy of the ballot shall be maintained in the particular poll where Mr. Pritchard's students operated. All the Premier refuses to order the Huron and Brockville cases to be taken up first, and the order of procedure is left to the judges themselves. The result of it all is that the particular election frauds which alone have been charged in the House, which alone the House began to investigate, and which have already been partially exposed, are to be left undisturbed until the commissioners have travelled all over the country looking for other election charges. The debate on Mr. Borden's motion for a wider enquiry was one of the lively discussions of the session. Mr. Borden, Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Powell, urged a broad and complete and thorough investigation. Mr. Blair and Dr.

Russell spoke in favor of the Government programme. The Government was strongly attacked in the debate, and the fine promises of the Premier were severely criticised with the half hearted fulfilment. On the vote the Government won as usual, except that absence and abstention from voting brought the majority down to 18.

THE SOLDIERS FOOD.

In a previous letter the history of the alleged swindle in the emergency ration for the troops in Africa was outlined. The subject was discussed four times this week, and finally was brought to a head. At the beginning Dr. Borden challenged inquiry and invited charges, especially against himself. This is just what he has got. But he and his colleagues lost their keeness for the enquiry when it came near them. On the first day of the week it was crowded off to Wednesday. On Wednesday Sir Wilfrid demanded notice, though, on a question of privilege he could not claim it. On Thursday he wanted another day. On Friday when the charges were allowed to be moved, the Premier, by the vote of a majority of the House, struck out from the list of charges to be pressed the one which contained the accusation against the Minister.

MR MONK'S STATEMENT.

The member for Jacques Cartier made a neat and precise statement of his charges. He said he was creditably informed and believed he could establish on oath certain facts. These facts are contained in nineteen numbered clauses, which tell the story. They may be thus condensed:

In October, 1898 Col. Neilson, of the Military Medical Staff, wrote to Henri Hatch, of Montreal, manufacturer of "Hatch protose," a well known food used in hospitals, asking him in the name of the Minister for samples of his goods. The samples were sent and in the February following the Minister promised Hatch a trial order for troops in the Yukon, and asked if supplies could be furnished at short notice. Later Dr. Devine was engaged by Hatch to go to Ottawa and seek an opportunity to test the preparation on certain members of the force at Kingston. This test was made on soldiers of 'A' Battery and was a complete success for the food. A few months later when Canada was sending troops to Africa, the Minister had several interviews with Hatch about the emergency food for these soldiers. Then the Minister dropped the subject and when the second contingent went away the Minister bought another food called Vialene, to the extent of 2333 pounds, from another dealer, paying two dollars per pound for it—when it came to the knowledge of Mr. Hatch that this transaction was going on he wrote to the Minister telling him that the food he was buying was not the same thing as that tested at Kingston but an inferior and comparatively useless article. The Minister nevertheless completed the transaction and paid the money. As a matter of fact the charges state that the food bought was inferior stuff, not made in Canada at all but bought in the United States by the contractor, conveyed to this country in saratoga trunks and admitted free of duty. The value is placed at \$500 which leaves a large profit on a sale at \$460. Finally Mr. Monk charges that the Minister has been guilty of gross and culpable negligence in the matter, and asked for a special committee of the House to inquire into the whole matter.

THE CHARGE GERRYMANDED.

The minister was kept at home by illness in his family, and it fell to the Premier to deal with the case. Sir Wilfrid offered the Committee but insisted on striking out the clause which made the charge of negligence against Dr. Borden. The Prime Minister took the remarkable ground that while the other eighteen clauses were mere charges which he was willing to send to the Committee, the last clause was a statement of the Minister's guilt and that the adoption of the resolution would find the minister guilty before trial. Mr. Monk and other members pointed out that the clause only affirmed the fact that Monk was making the charge and called for no affirmation of the House as to its truth. To make this absolutely clear, Mr. McNeill, with Mr. Monk's consent, offered a second amendment, changing the words so that the adoption of the resolution could not possibly commit the House to an expression of opinion on Dr. Borden's conduct. Still the Premier and his colleagues persisted that the charges of negligence against the Ministers must go out, and finally the majority of the House was called on to strike out that part of the resolutions which authorized the committee to inquire into this charge of negligence. The

Government had a majority of sixteen in voting down Mr. McNeill's amendment, and of seventeen in affirming the amendment of the Premier to garble the charges. The committee will consist of seven members, Dr. Russell, Mr. Britton, Mr. Belcourt and Mr. Costigan, on the Government side, and on the Opposition side Mr. Monk, Mr. Casgrain and Mr. Clarke.

MR. LEMIEUX'S INDISCRETION.

After the emergency food question was settled for the time the House gave some attention to an extraordinary matter. R. Lemieux is M. P. for Gaspe. His father H. A. Lemieux was in 1896 a customs official at Montreal. Dr. Ennis was the conservative candidate against Mr. Lemieux. In February 1898, when the Ministers at the request of Mr. Lemieux, M. P., were tuning out the civil servants at Gaspe, because of alleged tory partisanship, Dr. Ennis brought the conduct of the elder Lemieux to the attention of the Minister of Customs. Mr. Paterson was informed that this Customs officer had left Montreal at the time of the election campaign, journeyed to the Magdalen Island section of Gaspe, and had there campaigned for his son. Not only did he canvass, but on election day he acted as the official agent of the liberal candidate.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE WAY OF WOMAN.

Young Lady Passenger (on board liner)—What's the matter, captain? Captain—The fact is, miss, we've broken our rudder. Young Lady—But surely you needn't worry about that, captain? The rudder is under water, you know, and it isn't likely people will notice it.

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NOTES.

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