

COMMISSIONERS WELL RECEIVED

British Government Facilitates Inquiry into Technical Education—Dr. Robertson Gives Address—Members of Board to Visit Switzerland and France.

Ottawa, May 14.—According to advices received here, much interest is being taken in the Mother Country in the visit of the members of the Canadian royal commission on industrial training and technical education.

In London, where the commission spent its interval between Easter and the beginning of May, every courtesy was extended to them, as well as advice and assistance of the leading authorities on the subject of education.

Right Hon. Mr. Harcourt, the secretary of state for the colonies, has offered the commissioners anything that his department could do to facilitate the inquiries. Some of the leading English manufacturers have written offering the commissioners an opportunity of inspecting their works, examining their officials and studying the systems of apprenticeship and relation existing between the shop work of apprentices and evening classes of continuation schools.

An invitation was also extended to the commissioners to attend the imperial education conference in London. This conference was summoned by His Majesty's government and was attended by leading educationalists from the Mother Country as well as delegates from the self-governing dominions, crown colonies and dependencies.

Dr. Robertson, in the course of an address before the conference, expressed the opinion that education in some parts of England was the best in the world except in Scotland. The commissioners after completing a tour of the United Kingdom will return to London and leave for Germany on Friday next. Continuing their investigations of industrial and educational institutions, the commissioners expect to reach Switzerland early in June, and to proceed from the latter country to France and Italy.

MAY DEFEAT THE RECIPROCTY PACT

United States Senate it is Feared May Kill the Measure—President Taft is Still Hopeful—Situation Likely to Change Before the Vote is Taken.

Washington, May 14.—The factional strife in the senate which developed at the close of the reciprocity hearings of the finance committee and in the ineffectual attempt to elect a temporary pro-tem speaker, has admitted to the entire legislative program of the session. The House has already shown that they are, in fact, the holders of the balance of power, and are determined to use it when they see fit. This means that the Canadian reciprocity bill, and every other important measure will be amended before it is passed.

The insurgents are deliberately planning to extend the reciprocity free list and to modify the duties on manufactured articles. It seems certain from the developments of the last few days, they will receive help from some of the Democratic senators and the "stand pat" Republicans from the north-west.

It is well understood here, of course, that any change in the reciprocity agreement with the United States, making necessary the re-opening of negotiations, is likely to mean the permanent defeat of the plan. President Taft has said this over and over again. Taft still says he is able to count a majority of the senate for the reciprocity bill, but even he admits that the situation is likely to change before the vote is taken.

LEGISLATURE OF N.S. IS DISSOLVED

Liberals Have Been in Power For Twenty-Nine Years—Premiers in That Period Have Been Hon. W. S. Fielding and Hon. George H. Murray.

Halifax, N.S., May 15.—The legislature of Nova Scotia is dissolved and the date of the elections has been fixed for Wednesday, June 14. The legislation has run its full five years. The Liberals have held power in provincial affairs in Nova Scotia for twenty-nine years, under two premiers, W. S. Fielding and George H. Murray, the latter for fifteen years and the former for fourteen.

In the house of assembly that has now been dissolved, there are four Conservatives in the opposition, with one independent Liberal, and in the legislative council, or upper chamber, where the members are appointed for life, there are only two who belong to the Conservative or opposition party.

Premier Murray will run for Victoria county, though he has not yet been nominated. Candidates have been nominated by the Conservative in all of the eighteen counties except Antigonish, and the Liberals have made nominations in all except two, Victoria and Colchester. The returns will be closed in a few days.

M. J. Howell, a popular druggist of Greensburg, Ky., says, "We use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our household and know it is excellent." For Sale by Druggists everywhere.

LORDS TO ACCEPT THE VETO BILL

This is the Latest Prediction Made by T. P. O'Connor—Then Comes the House of Commons—Lords are in Worse State than Even in British House of Commons.

London, May 14 (By T. P. O'Connor).—The Tories have reached that stage which a prize fighter reaches when he is so clearly beaten that he strikes out wildly and thus exposes himself to more punishment, bringing defeat more speedily and more completely.

Every new Tory move strengthens and unites their enemies and weakens and divides their own ranks. Lansdowne's new scheme of the house of lords reform, for instance, has not won a single Liberal, and has made the Liberals now more confident and aggressive than ever.

The scheme was intended by Lansdowne to make the Liberal position in the veto bill so difficult that they might be forced to accept the scheme as an alternative to the veto bill and thus get rid of the veto bill. Lansdowne's scheme, however, has had the opposite effect. It has made the Liberal position in the veto bill so strong that they are now in a worse state than even in the British House of Commons.

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Breaks Up Tory Ranks. In the meantime, Lansdowne's proposal further breaks up the Tory ranks. The backwoodsmen peers who have been the backbone of the Tory position in the house of lords, are now being thrown by him to the Liberal side. This is a disaster for the Tories.

What Lords Will Propose. The latter suggestion has already been dismissed by the Liberals. The lords will propose the dropping of the veto bill. This suggestion already has been rejected with equal emphasis by the Liberal majority in the house of commons.

Lloyd George's Re-Entrance. Finally, I must add to this record of the Liberal majority in the house of commons, the re-entrance of Lloyd George into the political arena. He has been welcomed with a glowing and universal welcome to his insurance scheme.

Western Crop Conditions. Winnipeg, May 15.—The usual C.P.R. crop report is incomplete this week owing to the recent heavy rains. The crops in the west are in a very good state, but the heavy rains have done much to retard the progress of the crops.

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WOMAN GETS TWO YEARS' SENTENCE

Mrs. Girvin Convicted of Arson in Burns Building in Lacombe—Tells Plausible Story on Stand—But Some of Her Evidence Contradicted by Witnesses.

Red Deer, May 13.—The whole of the day today in the supreme court was taken up with the balance of the Lacombe arson case and a large attendance was present to hear the final part of the trial. The case was the conviction of Mrs. Girvin, and her sentence to two years in Edmonton penitentiary.

Mr. McIntosh was the first witness in the stand and his cross-examination was continued at the beginning of this morning's session of the supreme court, and he corroborated the story told yesterday by his daughter and Miss Hunter.

The next witness called was A. T. Inskip, late proprietor of the Adelphi Hotel at Lacombe, who testified that Mrs. Girvin came to the hotel on the evening of Wednesday, March 1st, after the arrival of the train from the south and that she remained in the hotel until Friday morning when she left for the south. He also testified that he had seen the defendant hanging for her room about eleven o'clock on Wednesday night.

Miss Pratt, who was a waitress in the Adelphi Hotel at the time, was the next called and stated that she had served Mrs. Girvin at her table for each meal while she stayed in the house and that on the Friday morning she had ordered her breakfast and before it was brought in she had left the house at about 11 o'clock.

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TO SHORTEN THE ATLANTIC TRIP

Newfoundland's Premier Tells of Plans of English Capitalists

Canadian Associated Press. London, May 15.—Sir Edward Morris, interviewed at Fishguard, confirmed the report that a body of English capitalists were at present in America negotiating with a view to constructing a railway through Labrador and establishing a new steamship service in connection therewith.

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BRITISH BUDGET.

Lloyd George Presents Annual Financial Statement to the Commons. Has a Big Surplus.

London, May 16.—Chancellor Lloyd George presented the budget in the House of Commons today. About the only novelty it contains is a proposal to pay members of the House of Commons a salary of £2,000 a year.

The chancellor declined to give the members travelling allowances or pensions and excluded from the salary benefit all ministers already drawing salaries. The chancellor's realized surplus including payments delayed in 1910-11 by the action of the lords in throwing out the budget of that year, totalled £28,035,000, of which he proposes to donate £7,500,000 to the support of charities for the unemployed.

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MORE RAINFALLS.

Crops Downfall As Experienced Throughout the West—The Crop Prospects Were Never Better.

Winnipeg, May 16.—Further rainfalls are reported today throughout the west, Manitoba and Saskatchewan being visited by copious showers that improved the crop prospects.

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Queen's University

Kingston, Ontario. ARTS, EDUCATION, THEOLOGY, MEDICINE, SCIENCE including ENGINEERING.

The Arts course may be taken by correspondence, but students desiring to graduate must attend one session.

ARTS SUMMER SESSION July 2nd to August 11th. For Calendar write the Registrar, G. Y. CHOWN, Kingston, Ont.

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DISTRICT NEWS

LEDUC. Bulletin News Service. The numerous acquaintances of the late O'Brien, solicitor, who struck to heart of his expected demise, which at Walskewin, on the 14th inst., the cause being...

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THOROUGHBRED STALLION

SIX-SHOOTER (17943) A (371) C. Property of Walter Sporle, Edmonton.

Holder of the world's record for 1 mile and 20 yards, time 1:49.2; also the track record at Lethbridge for 1 mile and 70 yards, time 1:43.2; also winner of the great Western Handicap, 1 1/2 miles at Washington Park, Chicago, net value \$2570; the 20th century stakes, 1 1/2 miles, beating Linguist and Hargis, net value \$7,310; the Northern Handicap 1 1/4 miles, net value \$6,120, and other races amounting to \$42,000.

SIX-SHOOTER is the sire of the winner Forty-four Point-Less Automatic Dittie; he is a Seal brown in color, stands 16 1/2 hands and weighs 1225 lbs. and has sound legs and sound feet.

The above stallion will make the season of 1911 at Mr. Sporle's Farm on the St. Albert trail, 3 miles north of Jasper Avenue, Edmonton. To \$5 approved mares, terms: Thoroughbred \$60 cash, with usual return privilege. Cold-blooded mares, \$20.

For further particulars address Walter Sporle, P. O. Box 476, Edmonton, phone 7229 (rural). GEORGE HARKCUTY, Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

Certificate of Pure Bred Stallion. No. 1048. The Horse Breeders Ordinance, N. W. Territories, Chapter 23, 1903. The Pedigree of the Stallion SIX SHOOTER described as follows: Breed, Thoroughbred; color, brown; marks, star, snip on nose, white stockings; foaled in the year 1888, was examined in the department and I hereby certify that the said stallion is of pure breeding and is registered in a stud book recognized by the department. Dated at Edmonton, Alberta, this Tenth day of June, 1910. GEORGE HARKCUTY, Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

For further particulars address Walter Sporle, P. O. Box 1197, Edmonton.

Stage Line Edson to Grand Prairie Now Running. Weekly trips are now being made between these two points. For all information as to Homesteads in Grand Prairie and Peace River Districts address Head Office: Edson and Grand Prairie Transportation Co. 324 Jasper Avenue E., - Edmonton.

REBELS WERE REPULSED. Hostile Troopsmen Engaged French. Relief Column, But Were Repulsed. Ed Aulin, Morocco, May 15.—The action of the French relief column under Lieut. Colonel de Montaudou against the rebels and Merada on Sunday. The rebel tribesmen lost 100 men killed and 200 wounded. Other parts of the French column were fiercely attacked by the tribesmen. The French drove off the rebels in the night. The column is proceeding to Fez to the aid of the besieged Sultan and French forces at the capital.

MURDER TRIAL

Thomas Mitchell Robertson Now Being Heard at the Supreme Court. With Murder of Tucker, Peav, N.E. Okotoks.

Okotoks, May 15.—Thomas Mitchell Robertson, whose confession was responsible for the conviction of John Tucker for the murder of Tucker Peav, about a year ago, was on trial this morning, being defended by D. S. Moffatt, James Shore, J.C. O'Brien and J. H. McMillan.

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