

MINOR TOPICS ONLY OCCUPIED PARLIAMENT

Yesterday Afternoon, One of Them Being Master Mariners' Certificates.

ESTIMATES ON MONDAY Arthur Porter's Dismissal for Giving Information to Crown in Board of Commerce Case Ventilated.

Ottawa, March 19.—In another routine day discussion in the House of Commons turned this afternoon on such varied topics as certificates for master mariners and the agreement between the Dominion Government and the city of Ottawa with passing reference to shipments of coarse grains from the West, and a new report that a wrong body had been sent from Kingston Penitentiary to relatives of the deceased.

The Government resolution in regard to the master mariners' certificates was criticized by D. D. McKenzie, former leader of the opposition in the House, but had the general support of Mr. Duff, Liberal member for Lunenburg.

Mr. Duff quoted from United States regulations, which, he said, could be well copied by the Canadian authorities, especially now that they wanted to encourage the building up of the service. Mr. Duff added that he could see no reason why objection should be raised to the resolution.

D. D. McKenzie declared that he was still unconvinced. He could not see that one year's training as a sailor or some ten years ago was giving a man the necessary knowledge to command the vessel.

In any event Mr. McKenzie contended that the Dominion Parliament did not have full jurisdiction in the matter of its certificate would still have to receive the authority of the Board of Trade.

Hon. C. C. Ballantyne drew a distinction between a service certificate which was the subject of the amendment, and an accountability certificate.

Mr. R. U. Butts, Cape Breton South, said he could agree with the member from Lunenburg in thinking the resolution did not go far enough. He thought that it would be wise to have examinations of seamen conducted orally. Men who had spent five years on a sailing vessel should not have to write essays. They did not learn classics or mathematics on the high seas, but they might nevertheless be very capable seamen and able to handle a vessel under any condition.

Mr. Butts advocated making it compulsory that any master sailing a vessel out of Canada must hold a Canadian certificate. The mere fact of a man being on the Royal Naval reserve did not justify giving him command of a vessel.

The resolution was passed and a bill based thereon first reading.

Sir George Foster announced that estimates would be brought down on Monday.

Dr. Beland asked if the government had received a request from Serbia for a loan of \$20,000,000 similar to the Greek loan.

Sir George Foster replied that he knew nothing of it.

D. D. McKenzie asked the government what was being done in the matter of Arthur Porter, of Hamilton, who was reported to have lost his job because he gave the Crown information which led to the probe in the alleged combine at Hamilton.

Mr. McKenzie thought the witness had been placed in a most embarrassing and unfortunate situation in the department of Labor, or some other Department should see to it that witnesses called by the Crown were not subjected to treatment of this kind.

He pointed out that W. P. O'Connor had been strongly criticized for bringing Porter's name to light.

Sir George said he had no note of the circumstances, but it was perfectly different for the government officials to keep tabs on all that took place between employers and employees.

St. George Foster said he knew of no application from Serbia for a loan of \$20,000,000 from the Dominion.

Hon. C. C. Ballantyne's bill to amend the Canada Shipping Act given first reading.

The third reading was given to a bill to amend the civil service superannuation and retirement act.

The House adjourned at six o'clock until Monday.

MR. H. V. DICKSON, M. L. A. The many friends of Mr. Hedley Dickson, of Jubilee, will be sorry to hear that owing to an accident which befell him a few days ago, he is unable to get out, or go to Fredericton to take his place in the Legislature.

Commercial Club Smoker A Success

Large Attendance Last Evening — Addresses by C. H. Peters and H. R. McLellan — Programme Given by Members of Theatrical Companies Now in City.

The first smoker given by the Commercial Club was held in the G. W. V. A. hall last evening. From start to finish it proved one of the most successful affairs of its kind ever given in the city and the committee in charge are worthy of all kinds of congratulations.

The large hall was filled to the doors. There was plenty of smokers, while the talent provided for the occasion was professional and of the very best.

During the early part of the programme a number of most amusing reels of moving pictures were given under the direction of George A. Marrett.

R. S. Sime acted as chairman for the first part of the evening, after which that position was handed over to Walter C. McKay, Manager of the Opera House. C. H. Peters, vice chairman of the club, made a brief speech in which he outlined the object of the organization, viz: "To make St. John a better place to live in."

He said that although the club was as yet young it had a great future and to make it a success it was quite necessary that every member should put his shoulder to the wheel, get behind the executive and assist so that the objects that the club has set out to accomplish would be successfully carried out.

Mr. Peters read a telegram received from the president, S. E. Elkin, M. P., who is in New York, stating he was sorry he could not be present for the occasion.

The newly appointed permanent secretary, H. R. McLellan was then called on and was greeted with long and hearty applause.

After thinking those present for their reception, Mr. McLellan said that in accepting office, he felt conscious of the duties devolving with it and the magnitude of the work which the organization has to perform in order to reach its objectives.

He said that having the fullest confidence in the sincerity and ability of its personnel to become permanent, constructive and creative and desire to learn the needs of the city and satisfy its wants the Commercial Club appealed to him as affording an exceptional opportunity for individual and collective effort.

He believed that the supreme force of the members would bring the organization to the lofty plane of its duty and opportunity. This club has an object and a most worthy one and by the members keenly feeling and intelligently meeting their responsibilities the life of the Commercial Club of St. John may be perpetual.

To the careful and active members who work on committees, to the members who are active in creating public sentiment and promoting public spirit, and to the activity and co-operation of every member of the club only may the club feel assured of success. It is the duty of every member to give expression of his opinion on any subject under discussion and his suggestions are equally necessary.

There is no barrier erected between any member and the secretary, for, said the speaker: "I invite all to cooperate with me in my work, that success may be assured."

It is vital to the success of the organization that all questions be boldly met, fearlessly discussed and promptly acted on. Discussions should be free from prejudice, pride of opinion, or slavery to precedent.

The success of the organization rests largely on three factors, administration, officials who have the interest of the organization at heart, active and intelligent committees, aided by real team spirit within the organization and unflinching co-operation from the members.

Having opportunities to do much good for St. John the club should seek the co-operation of other improvement forces at work in the city. Every citizen must help.

As Mr. McLellan brought his address to a close he was again given hearty applause.

D. S. Robillard presided at the piano and the following programme was carried through in a very satisfactory manner:

Songs—Miss Lou Elliott, Ziska and King—Magic Comedy, Song—H. J. Collins, Song—Mr. Slayter, Song—Mr. Mortimer, Songs and Stories—Harry Moore, Stories—Mr. Norman, Reading—H. Wilmot Young.

The above talent, with the exception of Mr. Collins, was all from the Opera House, Lyric Theatre and the Young-Adams Co. at the Queen Square Theatre.

A very enjoyable evening was brought to a close with the singing of God Save the King.

AMES-HOLDEN, LTD. Montreal, March 19.—The financial statement of Ames Holden McCready, Ltd., shows that the Company has changed its fiscal year, and in consequence is able to show figures only for the eight months ending December 31st last. These are the eight least active months of the year and the profit for that period amounted to \$307,400, which compares with \$323,321 for the entire previous year.

The surplus account now stands at \$992,354, as compared with \$830,729 at the end of the previous year. Net sales of leather rubber and fected footwear for the eight months totalled \$4,269,268.12.

NEW B. C. COMPANIES. A new record of company incorporations in British Columbia for any one month was established during the month of February, Charters were granted to 97 concerns, as against 88 in January. Among the latest incorporations are: The Mainland Timber Company, with a capitalization of \$1,600,000, and the Queen Charlotte Oil Shales, Limited, with a capitalization of \$900,000.

Will Interview Likely Candidates

This Was Decision of Trades and Labor Council Last Night Regarding Slate for Civic Elections — Another Meeting Next Friday.

At the meeting of the Trades and Labor Council held last evening, the question of putting up a slate for the civic elections was brought up, and after considerable discussion a committee was appointed to interview likely candidates and submit a report to a meeting to be held in the Seaman's Mission next Friday evening.

The committee will be expected to recommend a slate for the approval of this meeting. It is understood that the delegates considered the question of endorsing the candidature of E. A. Schofield for mayor, but this was referred to the committee.

Some of the labor men of the city are said to be in favor of running trade union representatives for the two commissionships, but it is not known what will be done.

At present there is only one candidate in the field for mayor, and the general impression seems to be that Mr. Schofield will have no opposition. Commissioners Thornton and Fieber are in the field, and Charles Neveu, Robt. Logan and H. H. McLellan have announced their candidatures.

PLEASANT BANQUET HELD LAST EVENING

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At Bond's restaurant last evening the office staff of T. S. Simms and Company Ltd., held a very pleasant banquet. This was in the nature of a semi-formal affair, marked by sociability and comradeship among those present and was such a success that it was decided to hold a series of such gatherings.

The party attended the first show at the Imperial and at nine-thirty, an elaborate menu was served at Bond's. After justice had been done to the good things provided, the following list of toasts was honored, Hedley Blissett:—

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"Montealm" A new model Semi-ready Tailoring is perfect fitting

Spring Top Coats—with shoulder-fitting supreme, and the drape hanging just right, tailored from new fabrics imported from England.

Semi-ready Company excels on fine fabrics, and on plain chevots, meltons and serges, because they manufacture much of their own cloth in England.

Safe and Sane Style Correct Value First You cannot afford to be without a Spring Top Coat to shelter you from the cool and often piercing breezes experienced in this climate at this time of the year. A reasonable and just price—this adds to comfort.

The Semi-ready Limited King and Germain



March 21st the first day of Spring. Today old Winter is dispossessed by Sprightly Spring — and scant sympathy he will get. He's been a cold proposition.

Now to celebrate the reign of Spring how about a raincoat? Here at \$15 to \$45. Style and protection.

Your interest in a new Spring suit will be increased by seeing our styles this week. A hand picked, handsome showing. Prices from \$25 to \$70.

A special snappy brown effect at \$35, in a close fitting model for young men.

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WARRANT FOR ARREST OF JESS WILLARD

Lawrence, Kan., March 18.—A warrant for the arrest of Jess Willard, former heavyweight champion, for disturbing the peace, was sworn out today by Fred Logan, a negro policeman. Willard tried to pass with his automobile, a wagon driven by Logan, says the latter, and when he failed, called the constable names and challenged him to battle. Logan declined.

Blessings of poverty may look good to the millionaire.

THE AFTER EFFECTS OF THE INFLUENZA OFTEN VERY SERIOUS

The Danger Seldom Over When the Acute Stage is Passed — Victims Are Left Weak, Tired and Mentally Depressed — Tonic Treatment is Strongly Recommended.

No postulence in years has caused more widespread suffering than the epidemic of influenza which swept over Canada in the fall and winter of 1918-19 and again this winter. The danger from this trouble is seldom over when the characteristic symptoms, the fever, headache and the depression of spirits have passed away.

Influenza leaves behind it weakened vital powers, thin blood, impaired digestion and over-sensitive nerves. Men and women who were robust before stricken with influenza find their bodies racked by pains previously unknown to them. This condition is due to an abnormal thinning of the blood and leaves the system an easy prey to other serious troubles.

This is the time when the convalescent from influenza should build up the blood, with a reliable blood-making tonic such as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Weak blood means impoverished nerves, impaired digestion, a feeling of tiredness after even slight exertion, and sometimes even more serious symptoms. When the blood regains its rich red quality the nerves recover their strength and the organs of the body function naturally. In fact building up the blood will vitalize the whole system.

WEAK AND DESPONDENT. The experience of Mr. Andrew Marty, Bathurst, N. B., will prove of value to a host of influenza sufferers who still suffer from the effects of the disease. Mr. Marty says: "The new life and consequently new hope brought into my life through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is almost beyond my power of expression. Following a severe attack of influenza in 1918 I found myself rapidly falling in health, and was naturally much alarmed. I began to lose in weight, could not eat, did not sleep well, and in a word I was reduced to a mere shadow. I was forced to discontinue

work because of my weakened condition and things had a very blue outlook. I tried a number of suggested remedies, but without benefit. And then one day Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were suggested to me. I acted on my friend's advice, began taking these pills and soon felt an improvement. Every day I seemed to grow stronger, and after four weeks' treatment I felt fully restored to my old-time health. From my own experience I feel that, if given a fair trial, there is no medicine superior to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in building up a run down system."

THE TIRED FEELING GONE. Mrs. E. Maé Pothier, Glace Bay, N. S., is another who has found the way to new health following a severe attack of influenza. She gives her experience as follows:—"Last winter I suffered from an attack of influenza, and being somewhat anaemic when the attack came on, I had a very hard time of it. For days I had a high fever and had to keep to my bed for some weeks. When I finally was able to get up I found that the trouble had left me in a thoroughly weakened and run-down condition. My eyes were dull, the color had entirely left my face, and my appetite was so poor that I hardly ate enough to keep me going. I was always craving for something different from what I had to eat, and when I got it a taste was all I wanted. My nights, even though I felt exhausted, were restless, and when morning came I would rise so weak and worn out I could hardly dress and get down stairs. At this stage a friend who is in the drug business suggested that I try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Following this advice I had not been taking the pills long when I felt an improvement, and by the time I had taken five or six boxes I felt like a new person. The old tired feeling was a thing of the past, my appetite had fully re-

turned, and by spring I was in a strong and healthy condition. From my experience I can gratefully recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to those in a weak or run down condition."

AGAIN WELL AND STRONG. Further proof of the undoubted value of this family tonic is offered by Mr. Ronald J. Gillis, Margaree Harbor, N. S., who says:—"I suffered from an attack of influenza last winter, and after getting over the acute stage of the disease, I experienced the usual dire after-effects. I was left weak and run down, and although my appetite seemed to be all right I did not gain strength and would get all fagged out, with even very light work. As this condition persisted I began taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, a box of which my brother had purchased for me, largely, I confess, as an experiment, as I had never used the pills before. By the time the box was gone I began to notice beneficial effects, and I continued using the pills throughout the spring, and by the first of May felt as strong and as well as ever I did in my life. The pills had brought me renewed strength and vigor, had improved my appetite, purified my blood and I am sure will prove equally beneficial to others who may be suffering from impaired or an impoverished condition of the blood."

A MEDICINE WORTH TRYING. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a tonic not a stimulant. They build up the blood, and not only the disastrous after-effects of influenza but also troubles due to poor blood, such as anaemia, rheumatism, indigestion and the generally worn-out feeling that affects so many people, disappear. You can get these pills through any dealer in medicine, or by mail at 50 cents per box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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