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## Tom Tweedie of Calgary

WHETHER or not the foothills, the mountains, the Western ozone, or the rippling waters of the Rockies have or have not anything to do with it, the fact remains that when R. B. Bennett stepped aside previous to the election of 1917, Calgary sent down to Ottawa another M.P. with a voice and a tongue and an ability to use both that seems typical of the country that opens to the gateway of the Rockies.

In the most select circles, so the Parliamentary Guide informs us, this man is known as Thomas Mitchell March Tweedie, K.C., B.A., LL.D. It's a big name, but "Tom" Tweedie—that's what he's called everywhere except in the Guide—is a big man, mentally, in stature and on the scales, politically and otherwise. His voice, it may be said, is as big as his stature.

"Tom" Tweedie is liberal in everything save politics, in which he is a Conservative of the old school, taking them straight, without adulteration or dilution. Born in Nova Scotia of a Scottish-Canadian father and an Irish-Canadian mother. One day, having attained his youthful ambition to be a lawyer, he heard the call of the prairie West. In the year 1907, a bright May Day morning—such as can happen only in Sunny Southern Alberta—found "Tom" Tweedie transplanted at Calgary, ready to hang out his shingle on busy Eighth avenue.

While a lawyer by calling, "Tom" Tweedie is mostly a politician by profession and avocation. Having come to the front in a country where his party has had a rather chequered if not inglorious career, the Calgary member has come to be looked upon as a general utility man to be made use of at any time a Conservative task has to be performed. One of Tweedie's distinguishing features is that he invariably wears a red tie. Tweedie went into the Western Legislature with Arthur Sifton, and he journeyed to Ottawa with him. In the Alberta Legislature "Tom" Tweedie and Arthur Sifton fought one another in a political way that brought joy to the hearts of the free-mannered spectators. In those days, prior to 1917, Tweedie was about the whole Opposition against the Sifton Government. Then one day, in the face of war, Tweedie forgot he was a Tory, and Sifton didn't care whether he was or not. They each took the hatchet and pitched somewhere up across the North Saskatchewan river, and both decided to take a trip down to Ottawa to help Sir Robert Borden win the war.

The last time I saw "Tom" Tweedie in action in the Western Legislature was during the spring session of 1916. The Sifton party was strong, and the Opposition pretty weak—except for Tweedie. It was in committee one night when the members had under discussion a somewhat notorious piece of legislation called the Cow Bill. Tweedie didn't like that kind of bill. He was a lawyer, among a bunch of doctors and others on his own side who perhaps would not have known a cow from a steer, yet every clause met his fire for a period of two hours, during which man after man on the Government side who had milked the cows and fed the calves for years tried to convince the Calgary man that he didn't know anything about the bovine species.

"What's the matter with this clause?" asked one of the agricultural members as Tweedie attacked a provision that was designed to enable a farmer who wanted to acquire stock to secure some financial assistance for the purpose.

It didn't go far enough, according to the Calgary man, and he proceeded to point out why. "For all the good this will do for the stock industry of this country," declared Tweedie, "you might just as well kill this Cow!"

The speaker didn't get any farther. Some farmer wag in a back bench whispered across: "Why not shoot the bull?" And the debate was practically over.

Having arrived at Ottawa with a reputation that preceded him, Tweedie immediately stepped into the limelight. If Arthur Sifton drops out of the present Government—and he will some of these days owing to falling health—Tweedie will be mentioned for his place. But he will most likely refuse. He is, unless appearances are at fault, bound for the Alberta Supreme Court, where he will fill a seat most acceptably. But when he goes the political life of Western Canada will lose one of its most prominent figures.

### Earl Ferrers' Hanging.

One of the earliest known occasions on which the drop was used in hanging was at the execution of Earl Ferrers in 1760. The family of this nobleman had a drop made in the scaffold so that his lordship might not swing off from a cart like a piebald culprit. The new arrangement did not seem to act very well, for the earl did not die for four minutes.

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