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THE COMING SESSION.

There is an intimation from Opposition sources that the session of Parliament which begins tomorrow will be a "fighting" one. If it is an obstructive one, public business will suffer, as prorogation must be reached in June. The Opposition is bound by every obligation of courtesy and custom to permit the Prime Minister to attend the coronation and the Imperial Conference which follows it.

Probably the two most contentious subjects will be the navy and the tariff. Parliament will be asked for appropriations for new cruisers and destroyers. The Canadian naval law has become the fixed policy of the country, and no politician really believes it can be reversed, but the question may be revived by the Opposition with the assistance of the Nationalist member for Drummond, unless he is counted out in the meantime. The discussion would be a beating of the air, but many debates have no other purpose. The tariff question, if the negotiations with the United States are finished before Parliament rises, may be highly controversial. The Opposition will make a show of fight, even if there is nothing to warrant it. A party that could attack the recent tariff arrangement with the United States, will find a bone of contention whether there is any meat on it or not.

It is said that eastern members will ask for an amendment to the constitution which will prevent further reduction of the representation from the Maritime Provinces. The question bristles with difficulties, but it will not be a partisan one. Measures for the deepening of the St. Lawrence channel and Welland Canal, the reorganization of the printing bureau, the construction of the Hudson Bay railway, and the taking of the census in 1911, are also highly important, and non-controversial in a party session. The agenda promises a very busy session, and the Government has prepared for it by printing the annual departmental reports before the session for the first time since confederation.

BRITAIN AND PERSIA.

A crisis has again arisen in Britain's relations with Persia. Three weeks ago the foreign office dispatched an ultimatum to the Persian Government, declaring that if within three months order were not established on the trade routes leading northeastward from the gulf, British officials would seize a portion of the port customs and apply it to equip a gendarmerie under British direction. This, if carried out, may commit England to the occupation of Southern Persia, as Russia already has entrenched herself in the north.

The Persian Government has replied that such action would infringe its independence, and asks to be allowed itself to make a surcharge upon the gulf customs and maintain the necessary police. It points out also that a considerable loan has almost been secured from a London firm, by means of which it may be able to show itself quite competent to conduct the affairs of Persia. Along with the Persian reply comes news of angry mass meetings in Constantinople, denouncing Britain as traitor to her role of protector to weak peoples and free governments, and calling upon the Emperor of Germany for help.

The British Radical press generally attacks the Government's policy. "No mere pecuniary losses can justify us in taking its political life from a country. It is an offence against all liberal principle to attack and hamper Persia in the midst of her struggle to make herself free." So writes the Manchester Guardian. War or boycott will be the result, it says, and will overbalance losses to trade. Moreover, Russia will never evacuate North Persia once England occupies the south; and just now the Paris Temps, which reflects French governmental opinion, is suggesting that it is time for Russia to withdraw. It is no time, therefore, for Britain to go in, when France is ready to add pressure upon Russia for her withdrawal from North Persia. The joint occupation of Persia would be most dangerous for Britain, leading inevitably to partition and to the establishment of a long line of frontier to be held against Russia. British rule in India depends largely upon the goodwill of Mohammedan subjects there, and it would be the worst thing to rouse the hatred of 200,000,000 Moslems against the British name.

By all means, then, it is urged, Britain should go slowly and relax the

ultimatum so far as possible. Rather get Russia out of Persia, than go in with her, making a blind leap into the dark. Let Britain encourage rather than impede the loan which will help the struggling Persian Government to get on its feet, and itself gain the prestige necessary to enforcing order. At the same time no diplomatic art should be left unemployed to effect the Russian evacuation. This will restore British credit at Constantinople, the political capital of Islam, keep Britain commercially paramount in the Euphrates region, which probably will soon be irrigated, cultivated and connected by rail with the west, add another cause of gratitude to the loyalty of the Mussulman in India, and cement the ancient friendship of Britain and Persia. Democracy may yet be vindicated even in the east, if Britain will not be too hastily exasperated, but will help the Persian Parliament through its initial difficulties to security and permanent gratitude. The Persian people may be a still better friend than were the Shahs.

AN OLD PROBLEM.

Statesmen and economists the world over have of late been seeking means and measures to halt the trend of population from country to city. The Detroit News points out that in many cases the situation has been faced as if it were a new one, when as a matter of fact it is ages old. To get the man back to the land and to keep him there is an old question, both in Europe and America. From time to time organized efforts have been made to solve the problem. Even force has been used. In the early days of the eighteenth century the Intendant Bigot issued a proclamation to the agrarians of Canada as follows:

"We prohibit and forbid you to remove to this town (Quebec) under any pretext whatever, without our permission in writing, on pain of being expelled and sent back to your farms, your furniture and goods confiscated, and a fine of 50 livres laid on you for the benefit of the hospitals. And, furthermore, we forbid all inhabitants of the city to furnish or rooms to persons coming from the country, on pain of a fine of 100 livres; also applicable to the hospitals."

Considering the inducements that are held out to him today, it seems amazing that the farmer should prefer city life. With 30-cent eggs, 30-cent butter, trolley lines, and many labor-saving devices, he should realize his advantages over the dweller in the city, and stick to the land, from which, according to Mr. E. C. James, he could double his revenue if he went at it scientifically.

Have you figured out your house lighting bill-to-be?

Phil. Bowyer, M. P. P., of Ridgeway, says that not a rural riding in Ontario would vote for any form of naval expenditure. We don't believe Mr. Bowyer knows what he is talking about. Such wild assertions are too eagerly exploited by the Government's enemies in Quebec. Mr. Bowyer is playing into their hands, whether intentionally or not.

The London Free Press says: "Complaints and more complaints are being made to the city electrical department since they announced their rates for house lighting. The rates are to be based on floor space of the house, four cents per 100 feet, and many of the consumers claim that at this rate of charging their electricity will cost a great deal more, as their floor space is great, while at the present time their electricity costs less than one dollar."

How's this, Mr. Beck?

"No self-respecting Canadian or Australian would be a representative to a House of Commons which had to cower under the lash of hereditary overlords."—London Advertiser.

"Rather rough on those two Canadian Radicals, Joseph Martin and Hamar Greenwood, not to mention Edward Blake."—Hamilton Herald.

The House of Commons has, for some years at least, shown no disposition to cower. The covering is now in the House of Lords. To the credit of themselves and their country, the Canadians named have fought against the pretensions of the upper chamber. The paragraph in The Advertiser had reference to a proposed scheme of Imperial federation in which the House of Lords would be confirmed in the possession of the absolute veto power. Certainly Canada would refuse to send delegates to an Imperial House of Commons under such a system.

Nothing succeeds like success. Before the Drummond by-election the Toronto News was denouncing Mr. Bourassa, Mr. Laverne and Mr. Monk as racial mischiefmakers. Now it says of Mr. Laverne, agent his acceptance of an invitation to speak in Toronto:

"It is admitted that he is an interesting speaker, and that he has dash and courage is proved by his experiences in Quebec. However much we may disagree with his opinions, there must be a reserve of admiration for a young man who forsook a powerful party, laid down the patronage of a constituency, faced social neglect and all the petty annoyances which angry partisans know how to inflict, and fought his battle without whining and without faltering."

Mr. Bristol, M. P., of Toronto, speaks in equally flattering terms of Mr. Bourassa. If the Nationalist leader visited Toronto it would not be surprising if he were escorted to Massey Hall by the Orange life and drum bands, and if the audience greeted him by singing "O Canada."

ONE LAW FOR ALL.

(Toronto Star.)

Toronto people who are petitioning for the repeal of Dr. Crippen on the ground that capital punishment is unchristian, should apply themselves rather to the removal of capital punishment from the statute books than to its commutation in any one particular case. So long as the death penalty is law, such appeals

are misdirected. Nothing would be more unfortunate than to let the impression get abroad that hanging is Christian when the criminal is an ignorant and friendless foreigner, but unchristian when he is an educated professional man of international notoriety. There must be one law for all.

FACILIS DESCENSUS.

(London Globe.)

"The fewer clothes the natives of East Africa wear, the more moral they are," says Col. Patterson.

Time was when our chief was a model of all a good native should be; in the straight, narrow path he would tread.

From sin quite uncanonically free. But now—well, it's all very painful. One day the sea washed up a box (from a foundering bark) full of suits, light and dark, and Gents' gloves, ties and hosiery socks.

These products of civilization we welcomed at first with a cheer; Our king, with pronounced aristocratic Tapped a cask of East African beer. And while we were revelling blithely, He chose one of several cravats (Which he tied round his neck), a suit of loud check, And a pair of brown bootings with spats.

At his subsequent acts, in this column I cannot do more than just hint; There are things that are really too solemn for the straightforward medium of print.

How swift the descent of Avernus! We think of that day with a tear, When our monarch, once rude, blossomed out as a dandy, and started his downward career.

AN INFORMAL AFFAIR.

(Life.)

"Why, auntie, have the magazines upset you?"

"Well, I've got through the advertisements, and I feel exactly as if I had been to a party where all the men came in their underclothes and the ladies wore only corsets."

THE BEST.

(The Tamar.)

The best preacher is the heart; the best teacher is time; the best book is the world; the best friend is God.

CARRIED.

(Toronto News.)

Canadians posted last year 456,085,000 letters. Moved and seconded that the future all duns be refused the hospitality of the mails. Carried, if any? Carried.

STRATEGY.

(The Prevertiser.)

They sat in the shadows of the old porch. Suddenly from the distance came a series of mysterious squeaks. "What on earth is that?" gasped the mystified young man. "Someone tuning a fiddle!"

The beautiful girl smiled. "No," she responded softly; "that noise is made by the shoes as he walks around the hallway."

"Do you mean to say that his shoes make all that noise?"

"Certainly. I sprinkled rosin on the soles, so they would squeak and we would know how far he was away. Don't you think I'm a little genius?"

FOOLISH QUESTION.

(St. Thomas Journal.)

When he responded to the knock on the door he had an infant in either arm and there were grease spots on his cheeks, which showed that he had been preparing the noonday meal.

"I'm getting up a directory of all the suffragettes in town," explained the visitor. "Is your wife a suffragette?"

And the weary husband rescued the ends of his moustache from the playful children.

"Doesn't it look like it?" he said meekly.

STILL SECURE.

(Chicago News.)

In the Crippen case British justice will not be thrown from its pedestal by any fantastic American rumors.

A FORMIDABLE WEAPON.

(Buffalo News.)

The ballot used in South Dakota was seven feet long and fourteen inches wide. Think of getting slapped with a few thousand of them!

FOOLS RUSH IN.

(The Prevertiser.)

There is nothing in current political discussions to indicate clearly the sense in which Mr. Bourassa and his associates use the term "Nationalist," but the utterance of some of the Canadian speakers seem to indicate that what they are contemplating is a French-Canadian nation, separate from the British Empire.

This would be, of course, the sheerest folly, but it is always possible for foolish people to start a propaganda that may do much harm before its exhausts itself.

FASTER THAN AN AEROPLANE.

(The Survey.)

A dirt road 350 miles long, and stretching across the entire state of Iowa, was built in one hour's time by a force of 50,000 men. It was a road made by the suggestion was made and received with general approval. Preliminary planning and organization of the Republican and Democratic local committees working in friendly rivalry for the common end. When the word was given the long army of builders went to work, and in an hour the road was finished. Probably 350 miles an hour is a record.

WHEN WE ARE MARRIED.

(New York Journal.)

He—I would share your every sorrow. She—But I have no sorrow. He—Ah, but I mean when we are married.

HAD TO EAT IT.

(Erie Dispatch.)

A Washington woman who was visiting some friends in Philadelphia noticed that the little girl in the family was eating some new sort of cereal at breakfast. She evinced an enthusiasm for the stuff.

"Don't you like it, dearie?" asked the visitor.

"I don't think much of it," replied the child.

"Then why do you eat it?"

The little girl paused in her task of disposing of the obnoxious article and regarded her interlocutor gravely.

"It's got to be eaten," said she, solemnly. "The grocer gives mamma a coupon for every two packages she buys, and it's got to be eaten every morning."

EASY FOR ARTHUR.

(Toronto News.)

Kit assures us that Arthur McFarlane, the novelist, sings "The Maple Leaf." Arthur ought to have no difficulty in getting on the free list of the Telegram.

DOOLEY'S ECONOMIC WISDOM.

(Mr. Dooley.)

"Th' other mornin' I was readin' th' papers about th' panic in Wall Street, an', though I've niver seen anything all my life but was containin' panic, I felt low in me mind on't. I looked up an' see ye go by with yer shovel on yer shoulder, an' me heart leaped up. I wanted to rush to th' tillage office an' wire me friend, J. Pierpont Morgan, 'dine me downcast. It's all right, I just see Hinnissy go by with his shovel."

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INGERSOLL CONCERT WAS GREAT SUCCESS

Annual Entertainment of Collegiate Pupils Drew Big Crowd.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ingersoll, Nov. 15.—The town hall was well filled last night on the occasion of the annual entertainment given by the principal, staff and students of the Collegiate Institute. Quite a lengthy and varied programme was presented under the supervision of Principal Brien, consisting of piano solos by Blake Cornfoot and Miss Golding, piano trio by three students, and several readings, monologues and impersonations by Mrs. J. J. Kellogg, of Buffalo. This was her first appearance before an Ingersoll audience and she won favor as an entertainer. Her selections were a Roman tragedy, "Claudius and Cynthia," a satirical monologue, "Mrs. Tubbs at the Sewing Circle," a series of poetical gems, and "Sally Ann's Experience," a chapter from Eliza Calvert Hall's charming story, "Jane of Kentucky."

At an opportune time the badges, medals and trophy won by students at

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GENERALLY speaking, you can get more satisfaction out of good permanent investments in homefurnishings than out of most other ways of spending your money. On the other hand, there is more money spent every year on cheap, tawdry household "junk" than it would take to rebuild the City Hall.

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PULP QUESTION

Tariff Board Has Completed Its Schedules on Cost.

[Associated Press.]

Washington, Nov. 15.—The tariff board has completed its schedules by which it hopes to determine the cost of introduction of pulp and paper in the United States. An elaborate system has been devised by which the investigators expect to obtain all the information necessary to make recommendations to President Taft for a possible revision of the tariff on wood pulp and paper. Chairman H. C. Emery, of the board, said today that pulp and paper manufacturers were co-operating with agents in the field.

Last Sailing From Montreal.

The last steamer sailing from Montreal for Liverpool this season will be the Lake Champlain of the C. P. R. Atlantic Steamship Line, on Nov. 24. This boat carries one class of cabin passengers, rate \$47.50 upward. Third class, \$30.50 to Liverpool or London. Secure berths for all sailings at City Ticket Office, 161 Dundas street, corner Richmond, W. Fulton, city passenger agent.

LITTLE LAD KILLED.

Toronto, Nov. 15.—David Goldberg, the 4-year-old son of Simon Goldberg, printer, at 157 Queen street west, was crushed to death under the wheels of an eastbound Queen car almost in front of his father's office today. He had been on the north side of the street, eating an apple, and was crossing Queen to go home, when he slipped on the track in front of the approaching car. He appeared so suddenly, and lost his footing so unexpectedly, that the motorman could not stop his car in time.

FEARED ASSASSINATION.

Calcutta, Nov. 15.—How great the dread of assassination was shown today, when at a celebration in honor of Earl and Countess Minto, two young men were arrested. One of them was pressing close to the earl and the other was taken when he was trying to obtain entrance to the building on a forged ticket.

PUBLISHER DEAD.

London, Nov. 15.—W. B. Horner, the publisher, and one of those interested in the founding of the Chicago Tribune, died today.

MAN WAS DROWNED.

St. John, N.B., Nov. 15.—Robert Burns, caretaker of the suspension bridge over the reversing falls, fell 80 feet into the water below today and was drowned.