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SENATE STAYS FIRM

Knowing That It Is Constitutional Rights

IN HOISTING THE GOVERNMENT BILL.

With the Scheme Tacked on the Supply Bill All May Go Down.

Then This Would Bring the Constitutional Crisis Which Senator Miller Sees Ahead-General Belief That the Action of the Government in the House of Commons in Bringing Down a Sum in the Supplementary Estimates to Carry out the Inter-colonial Extension to Montreal is Almond at the Senate-It is Claimed That the Governor-General Was Placed in a False Position-Rights of the Senate Also Discussed-The Upper House Awaiting Explanations.

Ottawa, June 24.—(Special to the World).—A severe thunderstorm passed over the Capital at an early hour this morning and still lingered around the Senate chamber when the Upper House met at 11 o'clock. At any rate there was thunder in the air and it soon commenced to reverberate. Immediately after routine Sir Mackenzie Bowell called attention to the action of the Finance Minister in the House of Commons last evening, as reported in the newspapers. After the Senate had rejected the policy embodied in the bill containing the agreement between the Government and the Grand Trunk and Drummond Counties Railway, when the action of the Senate must have been known to the Ministers in the other House, the Minister of Finance deliberately laid on the table a message from His Excellency, submitting for the approval of Parliament an estimate for public money to be expended in precisely the manner in which it was proposed to spend public money in the bill which the Senate last night rejected. He could not possibly claim that the Governor-General would have authorized the bringing down of the estimate in ignorance of the knowledge that the Senate had rejected the policy of the Government of which the expenditure of the money asked for formed the part. He was forced to the conclusion that the consent of His Excellency to the bringing down of this estimate was obtained before the Senate had taken action and that consent had been given by the Governor-General after the Senate had taken action on the bill containing the agreement. He did not wait until after the Government had given any explanation of this most extraordinary conduct. This explanation might give the Senate some indication of the course it should adopt.

Sir Oliver Mowat said he was not able to say when the Governor-General had given his consent to the estimate in question. He (Sir Oliver) had not been able to wait the estimate in question. He had not had time as yet to consult any of his colleagues on the subject of the estimate. He was sure that the Finance Minister last evening, but he thought it most unlikely that in doing so he was acting in ignorance of the fact that the Government desired to show any disrespect to the decision arrived at on this question by the Senate. The Government, he felt sure, was simply desirous of making an experiment with a view of showing that in a later period the agreement rejected by the Senate could be so amended by Parliament from the experience obtained from an actual experiment in a manner which would remove the objections urged by members of the Senate against it as it now stood. The whole matter would, he thought, be fully explained in the other House.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell thought the Minister of Justice should be provided with an explanation of the action of the Government when the House met again at 3 o'clock.

Believe Parliament.

Senator Miller said that the step taken by the House of Commons could only be justified by the bringing down the estimate in question after it was known that the Senate had refused to pass the bill authorizing the expenditure, the Government was acting in defiance of the will of Parliament. Such an action had never been known in English Parliamentary history. There was no doubt that a crisis had been reached in the constitutional history of this country. The time had come when it was necessary to find out whether the Senate was to occupy the place designed for it in the constitution of the country or whether it was to be subject to the whim of a Minister of the Crown. If the latter stand was taken, events would transpire which would shake the very constitution of the country. He did not believe that there was a member of the Senate who would not be ready to stand up for the rights of the Senate in any instant which would allow the terms of the measure negatived to be passed by any species of manoeuvring passed through the upper chamber. If they did so the Senate would justly become the laughing stock of the country and might much better be abolished altogether. The bill, he felt sure, was prepared, and the supply bill when it came before the Senate for assent, contained this item, to advise the throwing out of the bill altogether.

Senator Power said it was absurd to think about a crisis in connection with the supply bill before it was known what the Government was going to do or reasons for its actions. He thought it would be much more in keeping with the dignity of the Senate to wait until the Government made an explanation of its position and actions.

Senator Macdonald (British Columbia) said the second part of the message was that the Governor-General had been asked in advance to deliberately obstruct the will of Parliament. The

SCRATCHIN' THINGS UP.



OLIVER: She don't mind my switch and she's not scared of your ax. What are we going to do about it?

MORE RAILROAD SUBSIDIES

And of Course the Drummond Road is In.

OTTAWA-HULL BRIDGE, TOO.

The Great Northern to Have Help for Its Road and a Bridge.

Almost a Political Crisis at the Capital over the Government's Action in Attempting to Overrule the Senate's Decision. A Conservative Caucus Decides to Await the Government's Action Before Deciding What Course to Adopt-Proposition Possibly on Saturday-Other Notes From Ottawa.

Ottawa, June 24.—(Special.)—Further railway estimates were brought down to-night. They include a subsidy of 25 miles to the Great Northern Railway from St. Jerome, Que., to Hawkesburg, Ont.

To the Drummond Counties Railway for 42-1/2 miles, provided, however, that this sum shall be refunded if the Government purchases the company's line of railway.

For the Ironclad, Bancroft & Ottawa Railway for 5 miles of road.

To the Great Northern Railway for construction of a bridge across the Ottawa at Hawkesburg, 15 per cent, but not to exceed \$32,500.

For an interprovincial bridge between Ottawa and Hull, 15 per cent, not to exceed \$700,000, not to exceed \$112,500.

The determination of the Government to override the Senate's action in rejecting the Grand Trunk-Drummond Company deal by tacking on to the supply bill an appropriation equivalent to nine months' rental to these two companies has precipitated something like a political crisis at the capital.

The Senators, as will be seen by a report elsewhere, showed much resentment this morning at the Government's action, and no one can tell yet what they will do.

The appropriation of \$107,500 has, of course, first to run the gauntlet of the Commons, and with regard to the action of the Lower House it is undecided, as yet, what line the Conservatives will take.

DINNER TO THE POOR

Was the Big Jubilee Feature in London Yesterday.

IT WAS THE PRINCESS OF WALES' DAY.

Bouquets Presented by Cripples While All Eyes Moistened.

A Message to the Banqueters from the Princess, Who Was Unable to Be Present-Seventeen Thousand Persons Dined at the Central Hall, Holborn-The Prince of Wales Was With Them and Cheers Shook the Building-The Princess and the Old Irish Woman, Who Said, "God Bless You, Dear"—Like Scenes at Clerkenwell—All the London Papers Pleasured.

London, June 24.—The Princess of Wales' Jubilee dinners to the poor to-day were very successful. About 300,000 diners of the slums were sumptuously entertained at the various centres. The Princess, accompanied by the Prince of Wales, Princess Victoria of Wales and Prince and Princess Charles of Denmark, visited the principal halls where the feasts were given. The Princess of Wales requested the Lord Mayor to deliver this message to all the diners, as follows: "Although I am unfortunately unable to be present at all the dinners for my poor, I shall be with them in spirit, hoping that they will enjoy themselves and give three cheers for their Queen."

Like scenes at Clerkenwell—All the London Papers Pleasured.

As soon as the royal party reached the platform they were greeted by a shower of bouquets of flowers to the Princess of Wales and to the Lady Mayoresse. The Princess was most affecting, and many of her eyes were moist.

An Affectionate Scene.

SEA LARK IN PORT.

LOT OF HOT HEADS.

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representing Canada exceeded his most sanguine anticipations. The first of the series of meetings, which Mr. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Colonial Secretary, intends holding at the Colonial Office during the sojourn of the Premiers of the Colonies in London, was held to-day. Mr. Chamberlain devoted much of the time to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the topic of their conversation being the Canadian tariff resolutions and the preferential feature of them.

The Trades Council of the city of London will invite Sir Wilfrid Laurier at an early date to address a mass meeting of industrial workers.

Col. Price's condition is not so good to-day. I have just learned that Dr. McCormack, the celebrated surgeon, has been summoned to see the patient at St. Thomas' Hospital and take part in a consultation.

STATE RECEPTION.

A Scene of Dazzling Splendor at Buckingham Palace Last Night.

London, June 24.—On behalf of Her Majesty, the Prince and Princess of Wales, a state reception this evening at Buckingham Palace. The occasion was one of unprecedented brilliancy, the guests numbering over 3000 and included all the special invitees of the Jubilee, the principal captains and officers from Spithead. An immense number of the guests were in the Palace, while the streets converging there were packed with thousands of people.

Windsor Illuminated.

Received the Admirals.

Celebrated in Madrid.

A Jubilee Toronto.

All London Papers Pleased.

Hand Is Not Dead.

Prussia's Turkish Baths—Evening 50c 100 Yongs.

Fair and Cooler.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Equinox, 44-50; qu'Appelle, 50-58; Winnipeg, 52-62; Port Arthur, 46-58; Pelly Sound, 64-78; Toronto, 62-86; Ottawa, 62-50; Montreal, 66-76; Quebec, 62-75; Halifax, 60-70.

PROBS: Moderate to fresh west and northwesterly winds; fair and cooler.

Prussia's Turkish Baths—Evening 50c 100 Yongs.

Seamanship Movements.

June 24. At. From. Marseilles.....New York. Liverpool Lahn.....New York. Bremen Augusta Victoria.....Plymouth. New York Regatta.....Sunderland. Quebec Capitan.....Liverpool. New York Patria.....Hamburg. New York Prinz Regent Leopold.....New York. Bremen Kaiser Wilhelm.....New York. Bremen Mohawk.....London. New York

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