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CONSTITUTION IS SACRED

Sir. Wilfrid Will Not Accept Maritime Provinces Motion

THE P. E. I. QUESTION

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—The annual debate upon the representation to be accorded the Maritime Provinces took place yesterday in the House, and arose on a resolution by Mr. Hughes (Liberal, P. E. I.), proposing an amendment to the B.N.A. Act providing that the Maritime Provinces of the Dominion, comprising the Provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, shall not at any time have fewer representatives in the House of Commons than the number that was assigned to each when it entered the confederation.

Messrs. Hughes and Martin of Prince Edward Island and Messrs. Stockton and Daniels of St. John, N.B., contended that the B.N.A. Act as interpreted by the courts was working a great injustice.

Mr. Aylesworth submitted that it was better to follow the terms of the constitution and rely upon the decisions of the supreme court and of the Privy Council.

E. M. MacDonald (Liberal, Nova Scotia), urged the claims of the Maritime Provinces. The New Brunswick members, including Mr. Crockett (Conservative, New Brunswick), did not so strongly insist upon any legal right for Prince Edward Island, as they did upon the moral claim and the historical rights of the province by the sea.

W. F. Maclean (South York) said that Mr. Aylesworth had made a strong legal argument. But should he stand upon any legal right for Prince Edward Island, on a question like this, deal from a humane standpoint, and so far as the small provinces are concerned, from a generous standpoint?

Mr. Maclean (Conservative, Prince Edward Island) said this was not a cold legal question. It was a question of justice and fair play. The smaller provinces were entitled to consideration.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier could not consent to the resolution. He considered an amendment to the constitution as an extreme measure.

R. L. Borden criticized Mr. Aylesworth's purely legal argument. Everyone knew without his telling them what the Privy Council had decided. If the Government was willing to amend the B. N. A. Act, in order to change the subsidies, why not amend it as asked by the resolution?

Leighton McCarthy (North Simcoe) moved to the adjournment of the debate. The motion carried; yeas 78, nays 48.

READ A FIRST TIME.

The Very Important Joint Stock Companies Bill Introduced.

Toronto, Jan. 29.—In the House yesterday, Premier Whitney, seconded by Hon. J. J. Foy, moved the first reading of the bill respecting joint stock and other companies, which has already been extensively described.

Premier Whitney said that the Provincial Secretary, who was absent, would in due course make further explanation. "This is a very important bill," he added.

The House was adjourned at 3.30. The members of the Opposition are discussing the proposal to banquet Hon. G. W. Ross at an early date. The new Senator is to be banqueted in Ottawa tomorrow by the Senators and Ontario members.

Premier Whitney seemed rather surprised to hear of J. P. Downey's resignation of his editorship at Guelph. It was the first he had heard of it, he said yesterday afternoon, and was certainly of no Government significance.

POPE CHANGES ATTITUDE.

Towards Anti-Church Law In France—Possible to Organize Worship.

Paris, Jan. 29.—It is learned that as a result of the advice tendered to the Pope by French prelates, the Pontiff has changed his position towards the church and state separation question in France and will issue new instructions under which it is believed it will be possible to organize public worship under the supplementary church and state separation law introduced by M. Briand, the Minister of Education.

Cardinal Richard, Archbishop of Paris, has sent telegrams to the members of the French episcopate, requesting them to attend another meeting here. A preliminary assemblage of bishops, at which 30 were present, took place yesterday.

Wilful Murder the Verdict.

London, Jan. 29.—A verdict of "wilful murder" was rendered by a coroner's jury yesterday morning against Horace George Raynor, the man who shot and killed William Whitley, the well-known Westbourne Grove merchant, Jan. 24. The motive of the crime remains a mystery unless, as the police assert, it was the failure of an attempt to blackmail the merchant.

The Cockburn Case.

Toronto, Jan. 29.—The G. R. R. Cockburn case was yesterday postponed until tomorrow, when Crown Attorney Corley expects to put Charles McGill in the box. Frank Arnold, K.C., thought it unfair to his client to have so many adjournments.

Committed For Forgery.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—Paul Schultz, ex-Dominion policeman, accused of forging a cheque for \$62 on the Bank of Montreal, was committed for trial at police court.

Protection For Public

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ing advantages for industrial concerns, arising out of Niagara Power.—Referred to Industrial Committee.

W. E. Rispa wrote in reference to his business assessment.—No action.

COST OF PAVEMENTS.
A statement was read giving the number of pavements and other local improvements completed with the cost of each. The total amount charged against lands was \$76,822.74, against the city \$31,757.83, making a total of \$108,580.56.

A statement was also presented giving the names of all men employed by the city during the year with the amount of money they received.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Ald. Austin for the Finance committee recommended as follows:

1. That the Council assist the Ontario Municipal Association in petitioning the Legislature to amend the law relating to the municipalities' responsibility for the non-repair of highways. This is for the purpose of protection where there is no willful negligence on the part of the municipality.

2. That no action be taken in reference to the application of the Municipal Journal for a subscription from the city.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

Ald. Potter for the Property committee, reported as follows:

1. That 300 feet of hose for the Fire Department be purchased from the Keys-one Hose Co. at 89 cents per foot.

2. That the Council also purchase two street-cleaning machines, one hydrant and 12 leather fire-dry-cases.

3. That the Sup. of the Electric Light Plant be requested to draw up a list of supplies needed for this department for the year, and that tenders be asked for.

4. That the report from the Sup. of the Electric Light Dpt., showing the cost per light for the past year, since the plant was first installed \$82.37-7-10 per year, be received.

The report was adopted. John Wheelan was granted permission to extend the sewer on Park Avenue West, at his own expense.

REPAIRS TO FIRE ENGINE.

Ald. Potter called the Council's attention to the fact that the fire engine is badly out of repair. It will cost about \$150 or \$200 to repair it. As the water works had used it repeatedly he thought they should bear half the expense. The work was very necessary.

The Mayor—You can consult the Water Commissioners, but I don't think they will do anything towards bearing any of that expense. The engine has been rented to other corporations, and this has helped us get it out of repair. The city has always received the rent.

Ald. Westman—The committee should make a charge of so much per day for the use of the engine. They should ask for tenders for the present work, as the amount is high.

Ald. Potter—The work is now being done by Park Bros.

Ald. Westman—I don't know that. The engine will be repaired by Park Bros., and in future a stated rental shall be charged, no matter who uses the engine.

A GOOD MOVE.

Ald. Austin brought up the matter of protection for the public at the railway crossings at Centre and Wellington streets. An official from the C. P. R. was in the city lately, and he (Ald. Austin) had interviewed him in reference to the matter, and the official expressed himself favorably towards providing some protection at the point.

Ald. Austin thought if the Chairman of the Railways Committee would get in communication with the Company something a little in the nature of a plan would result.

This suggestion from Ald. Austin will be adopted by the aid chairman.

TEAMSTER'S COMPLAINT.

The Mayor called the attention of the Chairman of the Board of Works to a complaint lodged with him by the city teamsters, who claimed that often they could not get civic work owing to the fact that teamsters from the country came in and got ahead of them.

All. Bensen—You should consult with the Engineer on that question. He is the man who employs the draymen. No member of the Board of Works ever employs a drayman. I will, however, direct the Engineer's attention to the complaint.

BY-LAWS.

Two by-laws were then passed through their various readings and passed. One was to authorize the city to borrow money from the Standard Bank, and the other was to stipulate the City Solicitor's salary. The Solicitor is paid a straight salary of \$100 per year, and the arrangements for larger in reference to Local Improvement By-laws, etc., which do not come under the head of ordinary advice, are much more favorable to the city than they have heretofore been.

A number of accounts were ordered to be paid.

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HUNDREDS DIE IN MINE

Fire Damp Explosion Occurs In A German Colliery

TERRIBLE LOSS OF LIFE

Saarbrücken, Jan. 29.—A fire-damp explosion occurred yesterday morning in the Bilstock shaft of the Reden Mine at Saint Johann-On-Saar, opposite here.

Yesterday afternoon the bodies of 164 miners injured had been rescued, and more than a hundred miners were missing. The number of dead is estimated at 200.

There were about 600 men working in the shaft when the explosion occurred, but half of them were not in the galleries which were wrecked.

Forty still in the pit. The rescue corps was working desperately to reach the entombed men, when the party was driven out by an outbreak of fire. Forty men probably are still in the pit.

The scenes at the pit-mouth, where the families of the miners gathered, were most distressing.

The disaster occurred 2,300 feet underground and is one and one-quarter miles from the floor shaft. It is the greatest mine catastrophe ever known in the Saar region.

At a late hour last night it was still uncertain how many workmen still were in the mine, the reports being divergent. The entrance to the gallery underground is blocked with dead horses.

Heartrending scenes are witnessed among the thousands of persons, mostly members of the families of the miners, who are gathered about the mouth of the shaft. Most of the bodies brought to the surface are mangled beyond recognition.

The mine inspectors last evening ordered the rescuers to return to their homes, but to hold themselves in readiness for further orders.

Emperor William has ordered that a full report of the disaster be sent to him.

Experts calculate that the rescue work will take one week.

Three Dead In French Explosion.
Lens, France, Jan. 29.—An explosion occurred in a coal mine at Levin, in the Courrières district, due to an explosion of fire-damp in one of the pits.

It is believed that the only victims were the chief engineer and his two assistants.

A panic followed the explosion and most of the population of the town rushed to the mouths of the pits, preventing the work of the rescue until the gendarmes restored order.

THREE FIREMEN KILLED.

Fatal Conflagration In Buffalo and Collapse of Building With 20 Men.

Buffalo, Jan. 29.—Buried under tons of ice-coated debris of the eight-storey Seneca Building, at 101-109 Seneca street, destroyed by fire yesterday, three firemen were last night probably dead, or so badly injured that they will die before aid can reach them.

About twenty firemen, including the three missing men, were on the roof of the Heywood Building, fighting against a spread of the flames when two thick brick walls of the Seneca building collapsed. Tons of debris from the crumbling walls crashed down upon the roof of the lower Heywood building, going through the roof and carrying floor after floor into the basement.

Not one of the twenty men escaped without some injury, but half of them were able to fight their way out and to give aid to their less fortunate comrades.

Gangs of men were at once put to work clearing away the wreckage and rescuing the imprisoned firemen. By noon all but three of their number had been released and hurried to hospitals. All of them were painfully injured, and were covered with a thick coating of ice. None of the injured will die.

As night fell electric light wires were strung into the ruins, and last night by the light of arc lamps and reflectors the work of rescue was kept up without a moment's pause.

The dead are: William J. Naughton, a lieutenant; John R. Hinkley, fireman; Stephen J. Meghan, fireman.

The loss is approximately half a million dollars, covered by insurance to the extent of about 90 per cent.

SQUALL HITS HONG KONG.

Sank Over 50 Chinese Craft and Drowned 100 Chinese.

Hong Kong, Jan. 29.—A terrific rain squall broke over Hong Kong yesterday morning, and in the space of ten minutes sank over 50 Chinese craft in the harbor, more than 100 natives being drowned. There were no casualties among the white population.

Launches from the shore rescued many occupants of the swamped boats.

The harbor was littered with the wreckage from the sunken junks. During the squall the river steamer Paul Bean broke adrift, but she was brought to anchor without sustaining any damage.

Orders Mixed; Trains Collide.

Dickinson, N. D., Jan. 29.—A mix-up of orders, it is alleged, caused a collision between Northern Pacific passenger train No. 4, eastbound, and No. 5 westbound, four miles east of Dickinson, early yesterday morning.

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Both trains were pulled by two locomotives.

Andrew Thomson, a fireman, was killed. Several other trainmen were hurt, none seriously.

JOSEPH ROBERTSON SHOT.

Friend's Gun Went Off and Bullet Passed Through Hand.

St. Catharines, Jan. 29.—A distressing accident occurred on Read's Island, near Port Dalhousie, yesterday afternoon. As a result Joseph Robertson, son of Councillor Robertson of Port Dalhousie, is confined to his home from the effects of a shell of No. 6 rabbit shot discharged into his body from a double-barreled shotgun by a companion, Basil Howe, also a resident of the village.

The young men went on a rabbit shoot, and while Robertson was digging a rabbit out of a hole, the gun accidentally went off. The shot passed through Robertson's right hand and entered his thigh. The young fellow walked home, some two miles away. He will recover.

Adrift At Sea In Open Boat.

New York, Jan. 29.—George Williams of East Boston, a fisherman, was brought here yesterday on a schooner, which picked him up on Jan. 23. He had gone adrift in his lorry and had drifted about for 36 hours without food or water in a severe gale, and with the temperature ten degrees below zero. Both of Williams' hands were badly frozen.

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