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Ten of His Followers Bolt

AND THE GOVERNMENT IS TURNED DOWN BY 46 TO 30—IT WILL NOT RESIGN, HOWEVER.

Toronto, April 19.—The meeting on the back government benches of the legislature, which has been threatening ever since the opening of the present session, broke out with violence yesterday, and as a result the Ross government was defeated on a straight declaration of policy by the Attorney-General, by a majority of sixteen, ten of the Premier's followers deserting him.

Mr. German, the Liberal member for Welland, was responsible for the repulse of the ministry, and it was on the following motion that the vote was taken:

"That a select committee be appointed to enquire into the charges of fraud made against the late William A. Scott, by one John Chambers, in 1871, for illegal returns of pine and other timber cut by the said Scott during the years from 1865 to 1871 inclusive, with power to summon witnesses and take evidence under oath and report its findings to this house."

Mr. German claimed, in a speech detailing the history of the case, that the defendant, a Peterboro lumberman, had been fined at least \$7,000, too much, and he asked for justice.

Attorney-General Gibson, in reply, said the matter had been gone into very thoroughly by the crown lands department, later by a commission, and subsequently by Sir Oliver Mowat, and the case had been settled for \$20,000, whereas the original claim was several thousand dollars more. He was opposed to re-opening a matter that was so old. Sir Oliver had reported that the documents were more voluminous than in any case in his judicial experience. Was it to be expected that a committee of members of the house could go through the matter with sufficient thoroughness to warrant upsetting the settlement previously arrived at? Mr. Gibson wound up a lengthy reply with the request that the motion be withdrawn.

Mr. German again said an injustice had been done. It was never too late to right a wrong, and he declined to withdraw the resolution.

Then one or two other Liberal members began kicking over the traces. Mr. Blizard, of East Peterboro, said he knew the Scott family well. They were among the oldest and most respected in the Peterboro district. He favored the motion.

Mr. Richardson, East York, also appealed for British justice.

At this stage there was a hurried conference among the ministers, and they looked nervous and excited.

Mr. Whitney and Mr. Cameron expressed the opinion of the opposition that there were special circumstances in this case which warranted a committee of inquiry.

"Low do a division," said the Attorney-General, but Mr. German shook his head.

Mr. Gibson thereupon jumped to his feet and said it would be unexpected if the house appointed a committee to deal with the question. If an enquiry were made it should be made by another tribunal.

"Low do a division," said the Premier.

"No," persisted Mr. German. The fat was in the fire.

The speaker put the question and declared the motion lost.

The Premier made another effort to shelve a division by calling for the next order, but Mr. German shouted out "Call in the members."

The division was then taken, and when the clerk announced the result

as years 46, says 30, there was loud opposition applause.

The following Liberals voted in favor of the motion and against the ministry: Messrs. Auld, Carpenter, Richardson, Russell, Douglas, Dickenson, Smith, German, Loughrin and Blizard. Mr. Robson, the newly-elected member for East Middlesex, was the only Conservative who voted with the government.

The balance of the opposition, with Mr. Whitney at its head, voting for the resolution.

There were a dozen or more of absentees, the division having come on unexpectedly after five o'clock; a number had left the chamber without pairs, and these could not be arranged.

Mr. Whitney arose, amid opposition applause, and asked the premier if he intended to adjourn the house. It was no laughing matter for the ministry. The premier said a resolution of confidence was not government business. Sir Oliver Mowat had been in a similar position. The government was in the hands of the house in any matter which was not a government measure. His honorable friend (Mr. Whitney) was too big a hurry to cross the floor. (Laughter.)

After some further unimportant business the house adjourned.

A PROTEST ENTERED

By Mr. Baxter Against a Delaware Avenue Sewer Being Put Down.

To The Planet.—I noticed in your Tuesday evening's issue that the council paid a flying visit down Delaware avenue last week, as solicited by a few of the residents, to devise some means of carrying off the surplus water that is lying on road out there caused by the city filling up the box drain at the south end of the avenue which had been done for some time past. I am sure that the residents of this avenue have done good service in carrying off the water which now lies in the ditches. If this box drain had been repaired the water which is lying there to-day would have drained off the road. I am sure that the residents of this avenue have very little attention paid to it. At the north end of the avenue, where the bridge crosses to the second concession, the ditch is completely filled at each end of the crossing and I have asked time and again to have it cleaned out but could get no satisfaction and there it lies to-day in the same predicament. Petitions galore have come before the residents of this avenue but we have always managed to knock them out and will do so again.

But what then? Why, the board of works say they will run a drain under the improvement act. Better improve King street. But I notice if it is to be improved the pay for it is to come out of the general funds of the city, whereas if a drain or sewer is to run down Delaware avenue the residents must pay for it, and help the property owners on King street pay for its pavement, too.

Is there a fair in this? To run a drain down Delaware avenue, a distance of nearly a mile, for the accommodation of a few is an imposition and the chairman of the board of works and the whole council for that matter, have no sympathy for the majority of people on our avenue who are trying their utmost to get their places paid for. If they would look to streets that are more central to the city and give them better drainage it would be more to their credit. The water can be taken off this avenue at less expense than running a \$5,000 sewer. There is an outlet on the second concession on which I have made my assessment and a few spadeful of earth taken from the middle of the avenue to this concession would carry off all the water that has and does cause so much talk and ill-feeling among the residents of the avenue. There is another course, down St. Clair street to Victoria.

If the council had paid any attention on their visit they could easily have seen where the water on that street should be carried to. Any intelligent body could see the water on St. Clair street should go into the Victoria avenue sewer. But they say the people on Victoria avenue won't allow it. The Victoria avenue sewer was put down at the expense of the corporation and now if the water is to be carried off of adjacent lands, a new drain must be run and private residents pay for it. I consider, sir, that our city council should look well into the matter and put this enormous expense upon us. Give free protection, something that we really need. I live at the extreme end of Delaware avenue and should my place take fire it would have to go as we have no protection against fire. Before the season is half over these very people that are crying out for a drain will be carting out water for their lawns and gardens, at the same time wishing for a good big ditch of water. The drain in question may be necessary in some people's estimation but is too great a luxury for the residents of this avenue as, if it is forced upon us, a great many will have to relinquish the claims they have upon plots which they call their homes. I, therefore, trust, then, that our city fathers will take a further look into this matter and not force a drain where the majority of the residents are opposed to it. Names will go on this petition for the sewer who have only a short lease on the lands they occupy and will never become possessors of them, while the real owners are opposed to the sewer. Yours very truly,

WM. R. BAXTER.

Slater Shoe Polish in Black and Tan, at the 2nd Floor.

PERSONATORS BOLT.

The Severe Sentence Passed on Deputy Clarke Sent Them Flying to Buffalo.

Hamilton, April 19.—Some of the witnesses in the personation investigation on the water main by-law vote were in the city Monday but could not be found yesterday. Mary Phillips, Joseph Patton and George Cook were all seen in town but the severe sentence given Clarke, the deputy returning officer, evidently scared them. When Phillips was called in the assize court yesterday he failed to appear, and unless he shows up within a couple of weeks his bondsmen, John Crooks and William Stroud, will be out \$250 each. Phillips says if he is compelled to tell all he knows will implicate aldermen and well-known politicians.

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BASEBALL IS A GO

The Club Formally Organized for the League Season.

Who the Officers are—Manager Black has his Team Complete all but a Third Baseman.

A very enthusiastic and well attended meeting of league baseball promoters was held in the Old Town Hall last evening. Among those present were: Ald. McCaig, E. R. Snook, Fred Cowan, W. W. Sane, W. F. Cornish, A. C. McKay, Donnie Martin, Charles Bowers, Contractor Thomas, Martin, Fred Robert, Will Hadley, H. Avishous, S. Lemon, Roy Miller, Harry Fitzsimons, Lyman Bowers, J. R. Johnson, Harry Duff, E. Bites and about thirty others. Ald. McCaig was asked to take the chair. In opening the meeting he said that \$500 had already been subscribed, and there was \$200 more in sight. The object of the meeting was to elect officers and a board of directors.

The election of officers was then proceeded with, as follows:

Hon. President—F. Quinn.
President—Dr. Tye.
Secretary—Harry W. Anderson, of The Planet.

Treasurer—G. P. Sheffield.
Directors.—The officers already elected with the addition of Ald. McCaig and ex-Ald. O. L. Lewis.

George Black, who was present, stated that he had succeeded in getting Port Huron into league thereby saving from \$800 to \$1,000 on the season's travelling expenses.

The personnel of the Chatham team as so far as completed by him was as follows:

First base, Grimshaw, who was with Guelph last year.
Second base, Henry Fullmer.
Short Stop, Tim O'Donnell, formerly of the Jackson, Mich. team, and later with Toledo.

Outfield, Conklin, Schrist, More and John Back.
Catchers, Shorty Saunders and Boyd, who caught with Toronto in 1897.

Pitchers, Callahan, Sim Beymouth and James Riley.

Mr. Black further stated that he had not covered 3rd base yet, but he was after a man, and if he succeeded in securing him the Chatham team would have the fastest third baseman in any league.

Ald. McCaig said that the franchise was owned by the Chatham Baseball club composed of those who had subscribed to the fund. If there were any finds like Crawford, the money received would go to further the interests of the Chatham Club.

In response to a query from Mr. Bowers, Mr. Black stated that the Canadian League was already organized and the Michigan clubs would be voted in at the meeting in Detroit on Thursday. Port Huron, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, Muskegon, Manistee and Jackson were all seeking admission.

Ald. McCaig stated that it had been suggested that a subscription list of a dollar and upwards be circulated in the factories of the city. Many of the mechanics were enthusiastic players and the committee felt that they should be given a chance to contribute if they wished. However, the meeting allowed this matter to stand over.

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8 designs, large and small patterns, heavy or lace, full width.....	\$1 to \$1 07
12 designs, good enough for any window, double or single borders.....	\$1 25 to \$1 49
8 designs, very dainty Runessau effect.....	\$1 50 to \$1 68
13 designs, extra sizes, very lacey, unequalled for the money.....	\$2 to \$2 45
9 designs, extra sizes, fit for a palace.....	\$2 60 to \$3 00
16 designs, unmentionably pretty.....	\$3 00 to \$4 00
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No. 4—Eighteen designs, pretty rainshadow effects, name your style.....	\$3 50 to \$4 75
No. 5—Fifteen designs, too dainty for description and real values.....	\$5 to \$6 75
No. 6—Ten designs, finest yet, fit for Buckingham palace.....	\$6 80 to \$17 00

Muslin Curtains, eight designs, white or colored.....	\$3 00 to \$4 50
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Nottingham Net, all widths, in many patterns, from.....	8c to 28c yd.
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