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The Summer Session.

According to arrangement, the Dominion Parliament re-assembled yesterday after a couple of months vacation. The recess was for the most part occupied by the Leader of the Government in attending the Imperial Conference and the King's Coronation; while the Leader of the Opposition put in the time in a campaigning tour of the prairie Provinces, discussing the reciprocity agreement and other public questions. Both Leaders returned to the capital over a week ago and have no doubt made the best use of their time so far as resting and girding themselves for a renewed onslaught are concerned. That the fight on the reciprocity question will be resumed with vigor and determination there can be very little doubt.

Both sides unflinchingly sticking to their guns, and the Opposition refusing to vote supplies must result in a dissolution of Parliament and an appeal to the electorate. As a matter of fact this is pretty plainly predicted in the latest advice from the Capital. It is intimated that Parliament may be dissolved no later than the 8th of August, and that the elections may follow in short order. In view of these probabilities, it would appear that something should be doing. In times of peace preparations should be made for war, and when a declaration of hostilities seems imminent these preparations should be accelerated.

The weather is hot all round, and Ottawa is an exceedingly hot city. It may, therefore be most reasonably assumed that the members of the House of Commons will have a very hot time of it, meteorologically as well as politically. In this connection our Ottawa Correspondent says: "Officials of the House of Commons, however, are leaving no stone unturned to provide what alleviations they may of the almost certainly torrid time to be experienced. Electric fans are being installed in the chamber of the House and throughout the Parliament Buildings. Currents of cooled air will blow their grateful breezes over the perspiring brows of the wearied parliamentarians. The Public Works officials responsible for these artificial mitigations of a summer session are said to realize the absolute necessity of providing these cold air zephyrs as an antidote to the tides of "hot air" with which the Government speakers will attempt to flood both Parliament and the country. One ton of ice will be used daily in this cold air system.

The present ventilating apparatus is quite unsatisfactory, the chamber being shut off on all four sides from direct communication with the sunlight and fresh air. Without some hygienic improvements, the very thought of two hundred members sitting day and night during Old Sol's busy time might well fill the hapless representatives with dismay. But this is one of the penalties of greatness, and the nation's representatives will not allow these light afflictions of an adjourned session to becloud the exceeding weight of glory pertaining to them as the people's choice.

The session will be made still more tolerable not to say

positively inviting, if a proposal now being discussed is carried through. The flat roof of the new wing, it has been pointed out, would make an admirable roof garden if properly equipped. Accordingly the roof will in all probability be covered with awnings, and when plants, tables, and suitable resting places are added it will be a pleasant place to catch an occasional lungful of the ozone of the third heaven. While not a circumstance compared to the far famed roof gardens of New York and elsewhere, yet it may be regarded as a good start for Canada.

The "Aylesworth Ditch" Vindicated

The Newmarket Canal, profanely dubbed the "Aylesworth ditch" by certain people on the spot, has at last received a sweeping vindication. And this time not by a Liberal editor—his words could not carry the requisite weight outside his own communion—but by an independent non-partisan investigator who recently made a trip over a good many miles of the canal's course.

The occasion was a timely one on which to get first hand information concerning this Canadian waterway. The Canadian press association after a rousing Convention in Toronto took in an excursion to Collingwood and the Georgian Bay District. For many miles as the train sped northward from Toronto it paralleled the celebrated canal.

How intently those editors peered from the windows of the onrushing train. Here was the bone of bitter contention right before them. After seeing more than they cared to, the Liberal pen-wielders quickly buried themselves in the folds of a news paper or American magazine, stealing furtive glances now and again to see if they would never get out of sight of that abominable canal. The Conservative editors were in high glee. "I told you so," they laughingly called out to their Liberal confreres. The latter, however, could never hear these jibes. The train made too much noise, forsooth.

But without accepting the reports of either partisans, it is refreshing to be able to turn to an unbiased sightseer, the independent Kingston Standard, and find out exactly what was seen. We shall let him tell his own story—it makes good reading. Prefacing his "travelogue" with the prevalent opinion being circulated that the Newmarket Canal has no water, the standard proceeds thus:

"No water, forsooth. How ridiculous, when before our very eyes several small boys could be seen gaily sailing their toy boats—and wading out to them when as once at least was the case, the frail craft foundered on a mud bar in the very middle of the raging stream of an inch or two which madly coursed down the canal.

No water, forsooth. How absurd when several times the train was forced to cross the canal over a trestle and those who had eyes to see could see, had they been so disposed, the trickling, gurgling water, ooze along and finally resolve itself into a muddy consistency which sent an ecstatic thrill down the numerous newspaper spines, as their owners recalled the

happy days—alas, long since gone—when life to them was one long sweet, happy, idle dream and their most serious occupation was the making of mud pies. Ah, what a field is there here, my brethren, in the Newmarket Canal, for the making of mud pies.

No water, forsooth. He who says "no water" knows not what water is; for water there clearly was—enough in spots to float a row boat or a canoe, enough elsewhere to carry a toy ship along a few feet at least; enough in other places to make the earth of an oozy consistency that certainly suggested that water had once been there, however, it had managed in the meantime to disappear.

To be sure there were long, dry stretches where no water was at all; but these were so many that they but served to accentuate the presence of the water when it did appear and thus to give lie to the horrible Tory libel that there is no water whatever in the Newmarket Canal. There is—as and as an independent newspaper the Kingston Standard wishes emphatically to set out this great truth. There is water—several quarts at least, if not more."

The Report on Tuberculosis.

The final report of the Royal Commission on the relations of human and animal tuberculosis was made public last week by presentation to the British Parliament. It seems to dispose conclusively of a famous declaration of Dr. Koch, made ten years ago, with as near an approach to positiveness as so careful a scientist could permit himself, that the transmission of bovine tuberculosis to man is either impossible, or, if it occurs at all, occurs so very rarely that it is not advisable to take any measures against it.

The Royal Commission finds as a result of a long and most painstaking investigation, that bovine tuberculosis can be transmitted to man, and that in point of fact, out of twenty-eight cases of tuberculosis of the lungs investigated, two were caused by bovine tubercle bacilli. The Commission accordingly recommends that existing regulations for the prevention of the use of meat or milk from tuberculous cattle be thoroughly enforced, and indeed strengthened.

This announcement that the milk of tuberculous diseased cows and butter made from it are capable of conveying the living organisms of tuberculosis into the human body and producing not only local but general and fatal tuberculosis or consumption is perhaps the most valuable part of the important work of the Royal Commissioners. It emphasizes the need of greater watchfulness and stricter precautions in preventing the products of diseased cattle or animals from being used as foods until they have been thoroughly sterilized.—St. John Standard.

(Los Angeles Times.)

The popular impression is that automobile drivers scorch around the country roads killing every species of animal that fails to get out of the way. This is incorrect. Every dog has its day, and two dogs near Vancouver upset an automobile and caused serious injuries to the driver.

(Greenwood Ledger.)

We have noticed that the present age runs to fancy names, and that such good old names as Bridget, Patrick and Hannah are gradually becoming almost obsolete. There is a good deal in a name, especially at the bottom of a check.

(Toronto Mail and Empire.)

If Sir Frederick Borden is the man selected for Canada's High Commissioner in London the general regret over Lord Strathcona's resignation of the office will be deepened.

A Fiery Holocaust.

Advices of the 11th from North Bay, Ont., contained the following:—South Porcupine, Cochrane and Pottsville have been wiped out by forest fires, which are raging here. A string of fire extends north from North Bay north to Porcupine. Many lives have been lost. On the following day, the Toronto Mail and Empire resident correspondent at South Porcupine, who had escaped the fire of the previous day and reached Cobalt, sent the following to his paper:

"The loss of life in Porcupine district, from yesterday's fire, will probably reach several hundred, while the property loss will reach \$1,000,000.

Six hundred people were driven into the lake at Porcupine during the forest fire yesterday, many of them women and children, and two hundred of them were drowned. The fatalities of the fire so far are reported at 300.

Village Wiped Out.

At 12.30 noon yesterday the fire raged from the Standard mines right through to the shores of Porcupine Lake, eating up South Porcupine, Pottsville and part of Golden City, as well as many small buildings along the lake front. While part of the loss of life occurred near Porcupine Lake, the greatest havoc will be round the main mines, notably West Dome and Big Dome. Here the entrapped miners, cut off by the flames, took to the shafts, where they perished. At Preston, east Dome, safety was sought in an untimbered shaft, and there was no loss of life.

Corpses Strew Streets.

The streets of South Porcupine are strewn with dead human beings, horses, dogs and cattle, while along the mine roads charred corpses lie at intervals. The names and number of the dead can be but roughly estimated, but a large number of prospectors in the bush must have perished in the seething furnace of flames, driven by a sixty mile gale. It is known, however, that of the staff of 300 at the Dome, but a few were saved while at the west Dome but three out of 84 employees are now known to be alive. Along the highway between West Dome and South Porcupine, over a comparatively open section, there are six charred bodies. In the ruins of the town of South Porcupine there lie the bodies of William Gohr and his clerk, Mac Smith, Capt. Geo. Dunbar and Tom Geddes."

Queen Mary's Thanks.

I thank most warmly all the Marys in the Empire who have so generously contributed to the gift which has been presented to me.

The thought of the affectionate impulse which prompted it, has I can assure you, deeply touched me.

The beautiful insignia of the King and my son which will form the personal part of the gift, will be treasured by me throughout my life, and will be handed down as precious heirlooms to those who come after.

I look forward with special satisfaction to devoting the remainder of this noble present to a charitable object in which I am greatly interested.

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MARRIED.

MULLIN-SHARKEY—In All Saints Church, Cardigan, on the 11th inst., Rev. Dr. McMillan, P. P., officiating, Daniel J. Mullin of St. Peter's to Josephine E. Sharkey of Corraville.

McLEAN-DOCKENDORF—At the home of the bride's parents Mr. Hope, P. E. I., on July 15th at 5 p. m. by Rev. Aubrey Hornwood, Leonard J. McLean, Medicine Hat, Alberta, and Marjorie E. Dockendorff, Newlon, Mass.

AULD-SMITH—At the home of the bride's parents, Nelson, E. C., by the Rev. A. F. Smith, Elizabeth (Lily), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Grant Smith, to Francis Hedley Auld, of Saskatoon, a native of Covehead, P. E. I.

RILEY-ANDERSON—At Calgary, Alberta, on July 1st, 1911, by Rev. T. J. Bennett, Ph. B., William Frederick Riley of High River, Alberta, to Jeanette May Anderson, of Darnley, P. E. Island.

BELL-CAMPBELL—At St. David's, Maine, Georgetown, by the Rev. H. W. Toombs, Aubrey Bell to Winifred Campbell, both of Montague.

HAYDEN-McDONALD—At the Parsonage, First Methodist Church, Charlottetown, P. E. I., July 12th, 1911, Renben Hayden, of St. Peter's Bay, and Mary Ann McDonald, of Milburn, Lot 40.

McEACHERN—McDOUGALL—At Waterville, on the 13th July, by the Rev. D. McLean, Mr. Archibald Allison McEACHERN to Miss Annie McDougall, daughter of Mr. Colin McDougall, both of New Argyle.

CRASWELL-MATHESON—At Waterville, on July 6th, by the Rev. D. McLean, Mr. Thomas Craswell, of Rosetown, to Miss Margaret McGregor Matheson, daughter of Mr. Benjamin Matheson, of Oyster Bed Bridge.

FRASER-MURLEY—At the Lennox, Charlottetown, July 11th, by Rev. R. G. Strathie, John Franklin Fraser and Emily Blanche Murley, both of Charlottetown.

McPHEE—McLEOD—At Waterville, July 12th, by the Rev. D. McLean, Wm. W. McPhee, of Charlottetown, to Miss Bonnie C. daughter of Jas. Evans McLeod, of Murray River.

DIED.

McEACHERN—Entered into rest on July 8th, at her home, Boston St., Annie Myrtle, beloved wife of Daniel McEACHERN, and youngest daughter of the late George Munroe, formerly of Charlottetown. Her illness though somewhat protracted was patiently borne, and until a few weeks ago hopes were entertained for her recovery. She leaves to mourn a sorrowing husband and two small children, the youngest only a year and a half, a mother, two brothers and a sister, by all of whom her loss will be keenly felt.

YOUNG—At Montreal, on Monday, 9th July, Robert Young, in his 79th year.

SWAN—In this city, July 13th, 1911, Emma, widow of the late James Swan, in her 72nd year.

GILLIS—In this city, Thursday, July 13th, 1911, Kathleen, beloved child of Joseph and Maria Gillis, aged four years.

TOOMBS—At North Ruston, Friday, July 14th, William Toombs, in the 89th year of his age, leaving seven sons and two daughters to mourn.

McLEOD—Passed away in Oakland, June 20th, Alexander M. McLeod, loving husband of Emma S. McLeod, of Goldendale, Wash., devoted father of Harold A. Lois and Jean McLeod, and brother-in-law of Mrs. H. A. Moss, of Berkeley, Cal., and Mrs. George S. John, of Pike Sierra County, a native of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, aged 57 years and 6 days.

FISHER—At his late home, Cambridge Road, Lot 63, on Saturday night, June 24th, after a severe and protracted illness, Herbert Fisher, aged 33 years and 9 months. The deceased was a young man of steady gober and industrious habits, and was highly respected and esteemed in the community in which he lived.

BULLMAN—At her home, New Glasgow, July 14th, 1911, Mrs. Margaret Bullman, in her 80th year.

McKENZIE—At Portland, Me., July 2nd, 1911, Katie Alice McKenzie, wife of Neil A. McKenzie and daughter of John Matheson, aged 20 years, a native of Junction Road, P. E. I.

EDMONDS—At Elliotville, on July 11th, Loretta Edmonds, in the 29th year of her age. Deceased leaves to mourn, besides a sorrowing father and brother on the homestead, eight sisters, viz., Sister Mary Gertrude of Mercy Convent, N. D.; Sister Mary Abigail and Sister Mary Nautilus of Notre Dame Convent, N. Y.; Mrs. Power, Mrs. Duffy, Mrs. McGuire and Mrs. McGuire of P. E. Island, and Mrs. Hogan of Boston. Deceased was an estimable young lady, beloved and respected by all her acquaintances. May her soul rest in peace.

RAYMOND—In Lynn, Mass., on the 17th inst., Nellie, beloved wife of Francis Raymond. Deceased was a daughter of Charles McQuellan formerly of this city. She leaves to mourn her husband, one son, father, four sisters and one brother.

King George and Queen Mary arrived in Edinburgh the Scottish Capital Monday and received a rousing welcome. The city was bright with solar decorations being the most elaborate that the present generation of Scotland have seen. On the station platform Lord Freytag presented the King with the keys of the city made of silver in 1668 for presentation to Charles II.



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