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TUMULT AND SHOUTING DIE LEGISLATORS PACK GRIPS

Parliament Duly Adjourned Until Jan. 10, After More Weighty Discussion on Distribution of Plums of Office—Boundary Commission Changes Still a Very Sore Point.

LEMIEUX PLEADS FOR STATE CABLE

OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—(Special).—“This house stands adjourned till February, January 10.” Speaker Sproule corrected himself before it was too late, and the parliamentary advocates of the vaster vacation heaved a sigh as they realized that their aspirations which had not dared look beyond January 17, had trembled on the brink of being more than realized.

The concluding instalment of the debate on the “spoils system” to-day degenerated largely into a frequent repetition of the “you’re another” style of argument. Liberal orators declaimed of the swing of the axe and the fall of the razor edge blade of the guillotine, and J. H. Sinclair, the Jeremiah of Guysboro by the sea, even traced its gory trail back into the mythical age of Tory iniquity “before 88.”

To them a sturdy band of ministerial supporters laid bare the sins of the Laurier government, compared with which the peccadilloes of the new administration—if there were any, which there weren't—were as white as wool.

It was an inspiring sight. That Commission Again. Hon. Wm. Pugsley again brought up the case of the boundary waters commission. The late government's recommendations he said, had been approved by the British government. The commission was a tribunal, not to act for either government, but to do justice as between the governments of Canada and the United States.

When the house met the premier read a letter from Lord Strathcona telling of the proposed cut in cable rates, and Hon. L. P. Pelletier read a cable from Postmaster Samuels informing him that the cut would go into effect on January 1, 1912.

Hon. Rodolphe Lamieux congratulated his successor on reaping where he himself had sown. It was only the first instalment, he said. There was a movement on foot in Britain for a bolder step.

“We should have a government owned cable. I think the time has come when the cable monopoly should be restrained by the construction by the government of a state owned cable.” An Inherited Weakness. J. H. Sinclair (Gustav), in resuming the debate on the time of the Conservative administration, before 1896, presumably to show that the passion for expulsion ran in the blood of the party. Under that government, he said 84 employees of the I. C. R. had been dismissed, and the axe had been kept swinging.

Coming down to the present time Mr. Sinclair related samples of the dismissals that were going on in Nova Scotia. Continued on Page 10, Column 1.

COMPENSATION FOR RAILWAYMEN.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(Can. Press).—A tentative bill abolishing the present common law and statutory liability for the personal injury and death of employees in the service of the interstate railroads and substituting definite compensation irrespective of negligence, was completed to-day by the federal employers' and workmen's compensation commission. The commission intends to recommend this measure to congress. It will, however, hear representatives of both sides on the merits of the bill, beginning next Thursday.

Canon Ellegood Left \$150,000.

MONTREAL, Dec. 7.—Some surprise is evinced at the extent of the estate left by the late Canon Ellegood. As shown by the will, the estate consists of about \$150,000, largely in real estate, stocks and bonds. The bulk of this estate goes to a niece of the deceased, Mrs. Florence Townsend of Wimbledon, who is a daughter of the late John Crawford Verdun. Charitable institutions get numerous bequests, \$20,000 in all.

May Be Woman Governor.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 7.—“Her Excellency the Governor of California,” may soon become a familiar title if a bill, swept thru the lower house of the legislature to-day by unanimous vote, finds its way to the statute books. The measure would open every elective office of the state to its feminine citizens.

MANY SPUR LINES TO RADIATE FROM T.N.O.

Premier Promises That Extension to Elk Lake Is Only Start on Big Northern Ontario Plans.

ORILLIA, Dec. 7.—(Special).—That the spur line which the T. & N. O. Railway intends to build to Elk Lake next summer, as announced yesterday by J. L. Englehart, chairman of the commission, is only the initial step in a series of spur lines reaching right and left along the whole route of the main line of the T. & N. O., and tapping that part of the province with a chain of government railway extensions was definitely stated by Sir James Whitney tonight. “The plans contemplated would,” said the premier, “go a long way towards opening up the entire northern part of the province for settlement.”

An enthusiastic audience greeted the premier tonight. There was none better since the campaign started. Bubbling Enthusiasm. The opera house was jammed to the doors, and dozens of people crowded into the aisles and stood on the backs of seats to get a view of the platform. Hundreds were turned away from the door. It was a bouquet of white mums that Sir James got to-night, and the presentation was made by little Miss Mona Bailey of Orillia.

Sir James spoke effectively for about an hour and his remarks were punctuated with applause. J. I. Hart, the candidate, made a spirited address and was complimented for it by the premier. R. J. Sanderson, president of the East Simcoe Liberal-Conservative Association, presided, and the speakers were William Finlayson of Midland, and J. I. Hart, the Liberal-Conservative candidate in East Simcoe.

Friend of Workmen. Sir James was particularly emphatic in commending the investigations that were being made previous to formulating the Ontario act for compensating injured workmen. “I have no doubt that we will get the best compensation for injured workmen act of any country in the world,” said Sir James, after explaining that Chief Justice Meredith was investigating similar acts of compensation in different countries.

Sir James referred to the T. & N. O. Railway as the living link that connects the transcontinental Grand Trunk Pacific with the railways of old Ontario going to the tide waters and thence to the Old Land. The premier then referred to the numerous spur lines which were contemplated, and of which the one which would be run to Elk Lake next summer was the first.

Premier a Poor Man. “I have a brotherly sympathy for Mr. Hart, I understand he is being attacked because he is poor. So am I, but I have always been hoping to get rich and I haven't given up hope yet,” he said.

“I have said,” continued Sir James, “that there is no such thing as bilingual schools, neither is there. It is only a nickname. People say Sir James Whitney is afraid of the school question, but after I explain matters to you, you can decide whether I am afraid of it or not.”

“Now what is the trouble?” It is said, and perhaps there may be some cause for it; that instruction in the public schools is conveyed in the French language in some instances, after the children are old enough to understand the English language. Dr. Merland is investigating this question and if any cause for complaint is found the government will rectify it, no matter whose corns are trodden on.”

For Women Suffrage.

J. I. Hart said that altho the ladies cannot vote it wasn't his fault, because he had for a long time been in favor of the enfranchisement of women. He thought the electors of East Simcoe would not be swayed by the argument that a wealthy man was needed to be their representative in the legislature.

With regard to the development of New Ontario, Mr. Hart said there was danger in too rapid development there, on account of so many different nationalities being represented. “The people of New Ontario are satisfied,” he said, “and they showed this by electing by acclamation Hon. Mr. Hearst, the minister of lands, forests and mines.”

William Finlayson of Midland referred especially to the hydro-electric power scheme in Midland and Pennington and the great boom it already was to that district. Electric power was actually being supplied to Midland at exactly the same price as in Toronto.

PORCUPINE BULLETIN.

PORCUPINE, Dec. 7.—(Special).—Weather very moderate with storm threatening. Snow has settled very materially. Gold reef blew out of the quartz in the inclined shaft to-day largest suggests of gold yet found in the camp.

NEED TRIMMING SLIGHTLY?



BARBER ONTARIO: Endorsation shampoo? Yes sir. And how about them whiskers?

TAFT INCLINES TO GERMANY WANTS ARBITRATION TREATY

President Appears To Have Talked Quite Freely to German Newspaper Correspondent—Will Propose Reductions in Tariff—U. S. Will Not Back Up Shuster.

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—(Can. Press).—The Tageblatt publishes under a Washington date what purports to be an interview with President Taft on the subjects of international arbitration armaments, Mr. Shuster and the trusts.

According to the correspondent, the president is most anxious for an arbitration treaty with Germany, of whose love of peace he is firmly convinced. He foresees that all nations which sign arbitration treaties with the U. S. will duplicate these among themselves. An international treaty, he thinks, can be based on this structure, with the necessary executive power to enforce its decisions. The first decision of such a tribunal would give the signal for a successive limitation of armaments, for which there is no other prospect.

President Taft, says the correspondent, believes that the Panama canal by bringing the nations commercially closer together will work for peace. The canal will be open to all nations, with a natural limitation in the case of war.

After giving the opinion of the president in regard to the trusts which covered much the same ground as the recent message, the correspondent says that the president is convinced that reorganization is necessary, and that this should be effected without the disturbance of commercial progress.

Against High Tariff.

The president recognized in the course of an interview that a tariff which was too high favored the building up of monopolies and was a continual temptation to form small trusts, which were often more oppressive to the consumer than the big ones. He was, says the correspondent, conscious that he was elected upon the expectation of an honorable tariff reform. He hopes to submit his proposals on December 10, to the tariff commission.

President Taft suggested that the law courts offer a remedy to German importers who are protesting that Canadian paper arrangements constitute discrimination. Referring to the position of W. Morgan Shuster, the American, who is acting as treasurer-general in Persia, President Taft said that he went to Persia in his private capacity and that intervention by the U. S. was excluded.

President Taft thruout the interview showed unmistakably that his sympathies were with Germany. United States Banks Help Germany VIENNA, Dec. 7.—(Can. Press).—The Berlin correspondent of Die Zeit

A. F. OF L. CALLS FOR FEDERAL ENQUIRY

Methods of McNamara's Are Roundly Denounced, But Organized Labor Believes That Industrial Conditions Incited Violence—“Tyrannical Lawlessness” Shown.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—(Can. Press).—Organized labor in America has no desire to condone the crimes of the McNamara's, according to a statement authorized to-night by the American Federation of Labor. The statement, which was issued at the close of a three-hour meeting behind closed doors, denounces the McNamara's and continues: “It is crucially unjust to hold the men of the labor movement either legally or morally responsible for the crimes of an individual member. Insofar as we have the right to speak, we welcome any investigation which either federal or state courts may undertake. The American labor movements and their friends are loyal Americans and seek to obtain the abolition of wrongs and the attainment of their rights within the law.”

The statement is signed by every member of the McNamara committee except F. M. Ryan, president of the International Bridge and Structural Iron Workers' Union, with which the convicted Los Angeles Times dynamiter were prominently connected. Mr. Ryan returned to Indianapolis early to-day.

“Had he remained, however,” said President Gompers positively, “I am sure that Mr. Ryan would have added his name. He was called back to Indianapolis by pressure of business. He did not see the statement, but I am sure he is in hearty accord with its sentiments.”

No Knowledge of Guilt. As to their knowledge of the crime to which the McNamara's confessed, the committee in their statement assert: “We here and now, individually and collectively, declare that the first knowledge or intimation of their guilt was conveyed by the press in their confessions of guilt.”

“From the outset we assured all contributors and the public generally, that we would publish an account of the money received, from whom received and to whom paid. A report in full will be made first to the executive council of the American Federation of Labor at its meeting at Washington, January 8, 1912.”

Further than this Mr. Gompers would say nothing in regard to the defence money. “Organized labor of America,” the statement continues, “has no desire

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CHRISTMAS MAILS FOR OLD COUNTRY

The latest mails by which matter addressed to Europe and the United Kingdom for delivery before Christmas Day close at the general postoffice as follows: Europe—Letter post, Wednesday, December 10, at 11 a.m. United Kingdom—Letter post, Friday, December 15, at 10 a.m. Parcel post, Thursday, December 14, at 8 p.m.

ALREADY REBUILDING HOME

About Twenty Helpless Women Now Being Cared For. No time has been wasted in getting the Aged Women's Home in good condition again. Yesterday morning the first steps were taken and the work will be carried on expeditiously so that in two months the home will be entire again.

Last night about twenty of the most helpless inmates found refuge in the home. The number will be augmented to-day and Saturday, until 60 are back, which is all there is accommodation for.

All the inmates have been accounted for. Those who cannot be cared for at the home will be looked after at the Methodist Deaconesses' Home on St. Clair-ave.

Persian Lamb Coats. The Dineen Company desire to call attention to the fact that anyone desiring made to order fur jackets, should see that the same is put in at once. The weather for heavy coats is almost due, and it gives the company better time in which to make the garments, even now. The Dineen Company has in stock a very excellent display of Persian Lamb pelts—a very wonderful display of specially selected pelts, direct from Leipzig last September.

NAVIGATION SEASON ENDS

Big and Extensive Harbor Improvement That Will Make Toronto a Real Port, Expected by Next Spring.

At two o'clock this morning the Macassa came into Toronto harbor for the last time in 1911 and marked the closing of navigation. The insurance policies for this year ran out at 12 o'clock last night and all vessels which left port after that hour traveled without insurance. The Macassa left Hamilton about 11 o'clock. She was the first passenger boat to enter the bay in the spring and the last to dock in the fall.

To-night there will be no lights on the gap and entrances to the harbor after nightfall will be practically impossible. A few sail boats, and an occasional freighter may yet dock, but they will only be tramp steamers and run into Toronto to lay here over winter.

For the past three months the vessels running in and out of Toronto have been gradually lessening. The great palace steamers of the Ontario and Richelieu Navigation Company were the first to tie up. About the same time the larger ferry boats were run into winter quarters and a few days later the Niagara vessels made their last trip.

The closing of navigation this season marks an epoch, next year promises to bring with it many new improvements to the harbor and several new steamers, new companies, and, in short, a new era in the line of navigation.

Last of Old Harbor.

Two hundred thousand dollars and possibly thrice that amount will be spent in harbor improvements alone before another season closes. The new harbor commission is planning big things and will doubtless change the entire aspect of Toronto's waterfront. Channels will be deepened, not merely close to the wharves, but stretching across to Hanlan's Point, Island Park, the eastern and western entrances.

During the past summer the shallow waters were a constant source of trouble to the big steamers. The water was lower than any year since 1901. Toronto would have been visited by many large vessels had it possessed an adequate waterway. More than once the Hamilton steamers scraped bottom in the western gap and in bad

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Sir William Going to England. Sir William Mackenzie will leave Toronto early next week for Montreal and eastward. He will later sail for England, where he will spend Christmas. It is expected that D. E. Hanna, third vice-president of the C.N.R., will accompany Sir William.

Provincial Election Returns

will be shown on a canvas opposite The World Office, in Richmond Street West, on Monday evening, after the polls close. Special wires will bring the results from all over the province, direct to The World Office.

Humorous and other pictures will be displayed during the intervals.