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## CARRY THE POWER BYLAW—THAT IS THE DUTY WHICH RESTS WITH TORONTO NOW

### PARLIAMENT IS OPENED FIVE NEW MEMBERS IN COMMONS FRENCH TREATY ISSUED

**Three New Faces in Red Chamber**  
—Speech From Throne Indicates Completion of Quebec Bridge—Control of Telephones and Telegraphs by Government Foreshadowed—Extension of Provincial Boundaries—Debate on Monday.

OTTAWA, Nov. 28.—(Special).—The fourth session of the tenth parliament of Canada was opened this afternoon. The ceremony in the senate chamber, where His Excellency Earl Grey read the program for the session, was attended with the usual pomp, the number of members of both houses being larger than usual on the opening day, while there was a brilliant assemblage of ladies, who occupied the floor of the chamber and overflowed the galleries.

The speech from the throne conveyed congratulations on the fisheries expansion, a gratifying result of which was the fact that the revenue of the last fiscal period of nine months was more than sufficient to meet expenses on consolidated fund, national transcontinental railway, capital and special outlays of all expenses of the Dominion of every kind and leave a balance of over three million dollars to be applied in reduction of the public debt. It was confidently predicted that the financial stringency restricting trade would be only temporary.

It was announced that the French treaty convention would be laid before the house immediately.

Canada has joined Newfoundland in an agreement with the fisheries dispute with the United States before The Hague tribunal.

Despite the difficulty of securing labor material progress had been made with the G.T.P.

**Will Complete Quebec Bridge.**  
The wide and unexpected collapse of the great cantilever bridge in course of construction across the St. Lawrence, in the vicinity of Quebec, may be regarded as a national calamity, and the event has evoked much sorrow for the lives which were lost on that occasion. A commission has been appointed to enquire into the cause of the disaster. When received the report of the commission will be laid before you. It will be necessary to devise means for completion of the bridge within a reasonable time.

The time has arrived when the public requires telegraph and telephone companies holding federal franchises to be placed under government control. A bill will be introduced for that purpose.

Among the measures to be submitted is a bill for the extension of the boundaries of Manitoba and other provinces, also a bill to provide for the issue of government annuities for old age, a bill respecting insurance and bills to amend the Election Act and the Dominion Lands Act.

**Five Members Introduced.**  
Five new members were introduced. The government has other supporters to present to Mr. Speaker, while the opposition had two, the common front of the red chambers giving occasion for some enthusiasm on both sides.

Hon. Dr. William Pugsley, minister of public works, and other members Sir Wilfrid and Hon. Mr. Fielding, and Hon. George P. Graham between Hon. William Paterson and Mr. S. Calvert. Then Mr. Borden introduced Major Beattie of London, and C. L. Owens of East Northumberland, F. D. Monk and W. B. Northrup assisting. The last to be brought in was A. M. Martin, who keeps North Wellington in the Liberal column, Sir Wilfrid and H. H. Miller were his sponsors.

**Debate on Monday.**  
Sir Wilfrid moved that the address in reply to the speech be taken into consideration on Monday, and a committee to strike the standing committee was named by the premier. Sir Wilfrid, in reply to Mr. Borden, who expressed the hope that the committee would be named without delay, in order to facilitate the work of the session, informed the house that early next week the names would be submitted.

The convention respecting commercial relations between Canada and France was laid on the table by the finance minister, and public accounts for the nine months ending March 31 were brought down.

### Producer Gas Not Factor in Situation Asseveration and Argument Fail to Prove it a Competitor With Niagara Power.

The Globe is nervous now over the possibility of the citizens not passing the power distribution bylaw. If reasons very properly that the city would be thrown in such a case upon the tender mercies of the Toronto Electric Light Co. The Globe need not be in the least nervous about the issue, but if it desires to help make assurance doubly sure, it has only to tell the truth about the situation to its readers.

Take the producer gas question, for example. Apart from the fact that power production is not now before the citizens, the power having been provided for from Niagara, The Globe has taken some pains to lead its readers to fear that all other methods of generating electricity except producer gas are about to be relegated to the scrap heap.

Prominence has been given to offers of plant made to the city, and The Globe itself calls upon the hydro-electric commission to examine the possibilities of producer gas, quite oblivious of the fact that the commission has already done so in its report last spring.

Nothing has been shown to indicate the incorrectness of The World's estimates of gas producer cost, except a letter denouncing the "desperate ignorance" of The World by a promoter of gas producer manufactures. This because The World did not accept the promoter's figures.

It is quite easy to mystify the man on the street with technical details, but the proof of any gas producer is that it has been pretty well sampled, and while no one familiar with the matter would deny that gas producer engines are one of the most economical methods of generating power in small quantities, the whole problem of large installations is still in the region of experiment.

The question of depreciation, for example, does not appear to be dealt with in the details published of the Colonial Engineering tender. Is the public to suppose that the gas producer engines will run for thirty years without wear and tear? European experience states that in the best case the life of a gas engine running the ordinary 10 or 12-hour day. For a 24-hour day the life would be reduced to half that.

Should this be the case, the 24-hour power offer would have to be increased by the cost of three new sets of engines instead of one set.

The expert view of German engineers goes to show that the difference in cost of the half-load and the full load is almost impracticable. The experience of men with a professional reputation at stake is quite as good as the testimony of a promoter with machinery to sell.

### FIELDING BRINGS DOWN PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

**Withdrawals From P. O. Savings Banks Exceeded Deposits—Foster Asks What Mr. Shepley Got.**

OTTAWA, Nov. 28.—(Special).—The public accounts for the first period of nine months ended March 31, were brought down by Finance Minister Fielding to-day. The receipts on account of the consolidated fund for nine months were \$67,968,328.29, and expenditures \$51,542,161.02, showing a surplus of \$16,426,167.27. There was a reduction in the national debt of over three million dollars.

Chargeable to capital are the following items: I.C.R. \$1,473,967.96; P.E.I. Railway, \$91,210.52; National Transcontinental Railway, \$5,557,867.99; cars for government-general, \$38,538.33; On Canada, Leclaire, \$13,843.25; Soo, \$65,504.69; Trent, \$133,045.42; Welland, \$489,305.02; St. Lawrence canal, \$140,123.88. On public buildings, \$1,797,871.16, including \$431,309.13 for government buildings, Ottawa; \$125,118 for Port Arthur and Port William barracks, and \$618,900.04 for River St. Lawrence ship canal. On Dominion lands, \$526,586.81, and militia, \$979,282.87. Railway subsidies amounting to \$1,234,839.20 were paid. The largest amount, \$420,608, went to the James Bay Railway. Bounties were responsible for an outlay of \$581,544.41.

**Depositors' Balance.**  
At the close of the fiscal period the balance at the credit of depositors in the post-office government savings banks was \$62,541,817.87, an increase of \$831,189.79, compared with the balance on June 30, 1906. Withdrawals exceeded deposits by \$730,657.76. In 1907, \$67,700.18 was added for interest, making a total increase of \$681,189.79.

The debt of Dominion was \$385,751,599.88, a reduction of \$2,117,779.73. This reduction was accounted for by the surplus of receipts over normal expenditures of \$1,657,172.29. During the period a loan of \$2,500,000 was redeemed. On July 3, 1906, the Dominion took over the C.P.R. bond loan of \$236,700, and on Dec. 1, 1906, \$500,000 of 3-1/2 per cent. currency debentures issued in 1891 matured and were paid off.

**Would Extend Intercolonial.**  
The program of work of the private members are laying out for the government in addition to the program mentioned has given notice of the following resolution: "That it is desirable that the Intercolonial Railway as a government operated railway should be widened and extended by securing by lease or otherwise such of the existing lines of railway now connecting with Intercolonial as will serve as direct and profitable feeders to the traffic of said railway by providing for the extension of government operation of said railway to industrial centres of Western Canada and other documents on the lakes of Canada, either by a construction of the same to such points or by securing such running rights over the existing line there to, as will enable the Intercolonial Railway to extend its transportation facilities westwardly to a point of strategic importance, and facilitating the import and export trade of the Dominion and the Canadian provinces."

**Mr. Foster Wants to Know.**  
Mr. Foster will ask for details of the insurance commission and what Mr. Shepley received for his services. What money was paid Hon. C. S. Hyman after he resigned. Mr. Foster will also ask what arrangements were made with banks to provide funds to move crops.

**Mr. Lancaster Has Two Bills to Amend the Canada Shipping Act and the Railway Act.**  
W. F. Cockshutt (Brantford) proposes to move that assisted immigrants be given the agricultural and domestic servant classes, should cease. R. L. Borden will move for copies of orders-in-council and other documents relative to Japanese immigrants.

**Mr. Maclean (South York) gives notice of a bill to amend the Railway Act and to give the government the Marconi system of wireless telegraph across the Atlantic is doing a regular commercial business, and has been given government exercised any regulation of rates.**

**DIRECTORS WERE ASHAMED.**  
OTTAWA, Nov. 28.—It was at the request of the directors of the M.C.A.C. that the local press made no mention of Sir Frederic Borden's address to the shareholders of the company last night. He had been invited last spring to give an address when he contributed \$1000 to the association. Since then The Calgary Eye-Opener's charges have been given publicity, and the directors had hoped the engagement would be canceled. It wasn't.

**STOCKHOLM GETS IT.**  
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 28.—(C. A. P. Cable).—It is unofficially confirmed that Kipling gets the Nobel prize for literature.



TORONTO (cutting ring thongs): And they thought that was going to prevent me carrying the Bylaw, did they?

**JUST BE GLAD**

Oh, yes, the sun rose this morning, and it will rise to-morrow morning, too. The sun is always shining, if you have the power to perceive it. Let's brighten up a bit.

Gladden, and the world gladdens with you; mope, and you mope alone. Will to be glad, and you have achieved within yourself a mastery that will help you to discount your worries to insignificance. And better than that, your gladness will have its effect on those you come in contact with. Gladness is only like smallpox in that it is infectious. Get the infectious kind of gladness.

Tell yourself this morning, "Well, I'm glad." Never mind what it is you are glad about—just be glad. Meet your banker with the glad-hand, and tell him to be glad. Perhaps he needs it. And up and down the street, in and out of the store, tell your friends, "Well, I'm glad." It will get all-over-town before noon, and then everybody will be glad.

Citizens, just brighten up a bit. The sun is shining somewhere. And—it's going to snow.

**SOO SENSATION LONG PURSUIT ANOTHER ARREST FOR ALMOYNY**

**John McLeod, a Prominent Man, Confessed to Writing "Black Hand" Letters**

CHASE BEGAN IN 1897 FROM VIENNA, AND WILL BE FOUGHT OUT HERE.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Nov. 28.—(Special).—John McLeod, a prominent man of the Soo, was arrested this afternoon by Detective William Greer of Toronto and Chief of Police Downey on the charge of having written Black Hand letters, for which crime Smith and Howard, forgers, now in jail, were suspected.

McLeod has made a full confession, admitting having written letters to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Millington of Espanola. Millington is manager of the Espanola Pulp and Paper Co.

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**WANCE ENTIRELY REPUTATES PRITCHETT**

**Also Says That Farr's Affidavit Was Unsolicited—North Waterloo Becomes Involved Again.**

James Vance, famous in several elections as an active worker in the cause of Liberalism, was the chief witness yesterday for the defence in the London conspiracy case.

He admitted that he was with "Tom" Lewis, "Jack" O'Gorman, "Alex" Smith, "Billy" Brant, "Bill" Mulloy and "Dan" Wiley in North Waterloo, but he denied altogether the narrative of J. Garret Pritchett.

Vance was the first man to couple Mulloy and Wiley up with any outside deals.

He also swore that Farr made his famous affidavit when he was sober, and he denied that he had ever seen him. He denied any crooked work at any time, and when Mr. Lynch-Staunton asked why he had never gone after the newspapers for the province five years commencing in 1895. In all by-elections it was the rule to send outsiders into the constituencies.

"Did you know of any wrongdoing by any one or yourself in the elections mentioned in this enquiry?" asked Mr. Johnston.

"No."

He knew Pritchett in North Hastings, where he had gone to witness the election of 1895, and he was sent to help in the election. He would not tell who sent him.

"O'Gorman," broke in Mr. Johnston. "Did you use him?"

Witness said he hadn't, on the contrary, he had warned others against him. He had not seen him in South Ontario. No money had been "used" in Hastings, affirmed Mr. Vance.

Mr. Johnston read from Pritchett's evidence where the latter said that he was sent to Brooklin to meet Vance, but witness emphatically denied ever having seen him there at all. He also denied that he had instructed Pritchett to spoil ballots. He had never heard of switching or spoiling ballots in the Liberal ranks, then or since. "Pritchett never had any dealings with me whatever," declared Vance positively.

"Did you ever pay Pritchett \$1 in your life. He says he got \$50 from you?" asked counsel.

"Not a cent." He had never had a conversation with Pritchett at the Walker House, either.

**North Waterloo Campaign.**

"Where did you first come to know O'Gorman?" Mr. Johnston wanted to know and was told in North Waterloo.

"That is not evidence," broke in Mr. Stanton. "Nothing has been said about North Waterloo," but Mr. Johnston said that he had seen Harry's shekel.

**INSURANCE OFFICERS.**

Annual Meeting of the Association Discussed Routine Business.

The Life Insurance Officers' Association held their annual meeting at the Canadian Underwriters' office yesterday. A large number were present and routine business was transacted.

The election of officers resulted: President, J. K. MacDonald; vice-presidents, J. A. Richter and M. L. Holman; secretary-treasurer, I. Bradshaw.

The appeal to parliament for better legislation for life companies was not discussed, so it was stated.

**SOUSA ILL.**

Contracted Ptomaine Poisoning at Milwaukee—In Care of Physicians.

CHICAGO, Nov. 28.—John Philip Sousa, the noted bandmaster and composer, is seriously ill at the Auditorium Hotel here, from the effects of ptomaine poisoning contracted in Milwaukee two days ago.

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