

YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS IN THE COMMONS

COPP, WESTMORELAND, OUTLINES SOLDIERS' VOTE ACCUSATIONS

Sensation Monger of the Tantramar Fathers More Charges Which Are Easy To Make But Not So Easy To Prove—Claims Militia Officers and Election Clerks Conspired To Influence Votes of Fighting Men and That Many of Soldiers Had No Right to Vote in Certain Counties—Farmers' Exemptions and Bank Clerks' Hours.

Ottawa, May 22.—There was a sequel in the House of Commons this morning to yesterday's decision on the Yukon election case. The solicitor-general introduced a bill for extending the period in which a petition may be filed by forty days after the general returning officer had made his returns. The bill provides also that the soldiers' votes cast shall be counted notwithstanding the time when they were polled.

Farmers Exemption.
Sir George E. Foster in reply to Sir Wilfrid Laurier also proposed bringing up in debate the exemption from the militia law of farmers in Ontario and Quebec called from farm to farm for immediate military duty when they were most needed for seed and other work in the spring.

Soldiers Arrested.
A. R. McMaster (Brome) complained of abuse of the militia law in order-in-council having been arrested because they were idle. Mr. McMaster said these men should be entitled to a few weeks' idleness after their return from the front.

Westmorland Wind Bag.
Just before one o'clock Mr. A. B. Copp, of Westmorland, resumed his speech in connection with the taking of the soldiers' vote in England and in France.

Opposition Short of Men.
That scrutineers appointed on behalf of the government were sworn as scrutineers for the opposition by deputy presiding officers in polling booths was forcibly removed from a polling booth and arrested and confined in a camp prison during the period when a large fraudulent vote was being recorded in the said polling booth.

Ballot Boxes.
That ballot boxes and bags containing a number of ballot envelopes tightly folded together in parcels or wads too large to have been inserted in the said boxes or bags through the proper aperture and, in addition, bearing dates showing that the votes had been polled on the same day, but at intervals of time.

That the contents of these ballot boxes or bags which thus appeared to have been fraudulently tampered with were, contrary to the provisions of the election act, allocated and counted in the United Kingdom to the number of 15,000 votes under instructions from the assistant clerk of the crown in chancery.

Recording of Votes.
That military electors were systematically persuaded to give answer for endorsement on their ballot envelopes setting forth residence in constituencies in which they did not reside and upon which declaration of domicile, their qualification to vote was based on.

Blames Officers and Clerks.
These frauds were directed and practised by responsible officers of His Majesty's Canadian forces, cooperating with deputy presiding officers and poll clerks appointed under the authority of the crown.

That in certain of the said constituencies a fraudulent soldiers' vote was polled largely in excess of the legitimate military franchise. That through-out camps in Great Britain the answers to questions in form B, on the back of the ballot envelopes were filled in by commissioned officers and non-commissioned officers officially appointed as deputy presiding officers by the military electors, or the presiding officers inside the polling booth, and the said envelopes were given to the officials recording votes with-out the said questions being addressed to the said voters by the presiding officers.

Further Allegations.
That opposition scrutineers were prevented from attending certain polling booths while the military vote was being recorded.
That the representative of the opposition was forcibly removed from a polling booth and arrested and confined in a camp prison during the period when a large fraudulent vote was being recorded in the said polling booth.

That military electors were canvassed by superior officers in direct contravention of the King's regulations and were directed how they should mark their ballots. That military electors in non-combatant regiments were threatened with transfer to fighting line regiments if they did not mark their ballots for the government in the presence of and in the manner prescribed by the deputy presiding officer.
That military voters who at first refused to do as they were directed, but afterwards gave in under compulsion, were nevertheless removed to regiments proceeding to the fighting line.

That military electors were not afforded facilities for the proper observance of the secrecy of the ballot as provided by section 9, sub-section B, of the Military Voters' Act.

That election campaign literature which was dishonest and untruthful was circulated among the military electors with the authority and by the direction of Lord Beaverbrook, and that the said Lord Beaverbrook was an active participant in the hereinbefore mentioned fraudulent practices.

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That fraudulent votes were recorded for the electoral district of Cumberland, N. S. by Captain H. M. Burke, deputy presiding officer at Ashford, County of Kent, England, in which voters declared their residence to be Springhill, Tinsley, Jogging's Mines, Stables, Nappan, Fugwash, Oxford and Browns, whose domicile was, in fact, in some one of the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Ontario and Quebec.

That similar conditions to those referred to in the preceding paragraph prevailed in the polling booth presided by Lieut.-Col. C. M. R. Graham, of the 156th Battalion, Whitley, in which military electors whose domicile was in other parts of Ontario and Manitoba, together with a number of subjects of the United States, were induced to falsely declare their domicile to be in the town of Prescott in the electoral district of Grenville.

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A BELGIAN OUTPOST WATCHING ROAD NEAR THE FIRING LINES



DIG GERMAN ATTACK EXPECTED NEAR ALBERT OR ON AVRE SOON

Redistribution of Teuton Troops Along Entire Front Has Taken Place and German Cannon Have Been Thundering For Several Days—Enemy Hampered By Sudden Blows of Allies and Forced Back at Numerous Points—Tremendous Big Drive About To Be Launched.

In the past years of the war a period of extraordinary activity by the serial squadrons of the contending armies in France has been considered as an indication that events were rapidly shaping themselves for an offensive by one side or the other. At the present moment the most notable feature of the war situation is the remarkable work of airmen in various sectors where a German attack is looked for.

American aviators have borne a prominent part in this fighting. The Laneville and Toul sectors they have given a magnificent account of themselves, while further north and even in the defence of London, they have demonstrated their fighting capacity.

The Germans plan for a resumption of the offensive in France have been seriously hampered by the sudden blows of the Allies here and there along the front. The Germans have been foredoomed at numerous points and new lines, which may be more easily defended have been established by the allied nations.

The Americans, on their own sectors, have given the enemy no rest. The artillery has battered the German lines night and day, while the infantrymen have raided and proved themselves capable of outwitting and out-fighting the enemy.

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Reports from the headquarters of the French army are to the effect that there has been a redistribution of German troops along the entire front. A German attack is expected soon probably in the Somme region near Albert or the Avre River, where the German cannon have been thundering for several days, but so far the German general staff has not shown its hand.

It is known that there are great masses of troops within striking distance of the front, and it is believed that when the enemy is ready to strike there will be only brief artillery fire as a prelude to the actual assault by his infantry.

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Yarmouth, N. S., May 21—Captain Robert A. Goudey, a well known retired master mariner, died very suddenly today. He had been ill since Friday, but kept around. He lived alone and died at his chares this morning. His hired man went to work and found the captain dead.

SIR GEORGE FOSTER'S NAME IS MENTIONED
Toronto, May 21—Sir George Foster's name is mentioned in Toronto in connection with the postmaster's resignation by the death of W. B. Rogers, A. H. Birmingham, organizer of the Dominion Liberal-Conservative party, is also regarded in some circles as a keen contender for the position.

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MINIATURE ALMANAC.

MAY—PHASES OF THE MOON.
Last Quarter, 3rd 7h. 26m. p.m.
New Moon, 10th 10h. 1m. a.m.
First Quarter, 17th 5h. 14m. p.m.
Full Moon, 25th 7h. 32m. p.m.

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23	Thu	5.52	7.49	11.02	23.20	4.54	17.11				
24	Fri	5.51	7.50	11.42	23.59	5.34	17.50				
25	Sat	5.50	7.51	12.21	24.36	6.13	18.34				
26	Sun	5.49	7.53	12.59		6.51	19.11				

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh southerly to westerly winds, a few scattered showers, but generally fair and warm.

Washington, May 22—Northern New England—Showers Thursday; Friday fair, moderate shifting winds.
Toronto, Ont., May 22—The depression which was in the Missouri Valley last night has since travelled quickly across the Great Lakes to the north of the Ottawa Valley, giving a few scattered thunderstorms in Ontario and Quebec. In the west the weather is fine and turning warmer.

DIED.

FOWLER—Suddenly, on the 21st inst., at the residence of his son, Blackard Fowler, 103 Wright street, Josiah Fowler, in his 81st year, leaving one son and two daughters to mourn.

Funeral on Thursday from his son's residence, Service at 2.30 o'clock.
STEVENSON—At his residence, 41 Marsh Road, on the 21st inst., James Stevenson, in the 78th year of his age, leaving four sons and three daughters to mourn.

Funeral Thursday at 2.30 p.m.
MOY—In this city on Wednesday, 22nd inst., George Warren Hoyt, in the forty-sixth year of his age, leaving wife, two daughters, mother and sister to mourn.

Funeral on May 24th from St. Paul's (Valley) church, at 3 o'clock. Service at the residence of Mrs. J. R. Hunter, 133 Bridge street at 2.15 o'clock.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The members of Albion Lodge, No. 1, F. and A. M., are requested to meet, without regalia, at 163 Wright street, on Thursday afternoon, at 2.30, for the purpose of attending the funeral of their late Brother.

DUTCH SHIP EMBARGO.

The Hague, May 21—The Dutch government has prohibited the sailings of all Dutch steamships from Dutch ports, sailing vessels and coast-fishing craft are excepted from the ruling.

SUMMONED TO REPORT.

Thomas Oaks of St. John has been summoned to report at Port Fairfield, May 27 to report to the militia authorities. He is to entrain there with others that day for Camp Devens, Mass., where he will drill.

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Thomas Clark was one of the nation announce Irish republic, martial and the executed in May

Paris, May 22.—The Sinn Féin points to the Sinn Féin

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