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OPPOSITION FALLS FLAT

A Break up in the Gab-Fest at Ottawa.

Premier Borden's Bomb Has Created Havoc.

OTTAWA, March 12.—The blockade went on yesterday, but the end is in sight. The effect of the crushing condemnation of the fleet unit policy contained in the letter from the First Lord of the Admiralty and given to the House by Premier Borden, has been such as to encourage the belief that the abstractionists will not wait for a closure, but will beat as decent a retreat as the disordered state of their forces will allow. The Opposition yesterday made no effort to meet the statements in Mr Churchill's letters. Instead, the Liberal speakers spent the day in roundly abusing the First Lord of the Admiralty in terms which in one or two instances amounted almost to threats of secession.

"Destruction of Empire." Dr. Neely, of Humboldt declared that "it means the destruction of the Empire and the separation of this Dominion from the Empire." Hon. H. R. Emmerson, a Liberal front bench, a Privy Councillor, and once a member of the Laurier Government, went so far as to produce in the House a copy of the Declaration of Independence of the thirteen American states, part of which he read. He told the House that a mistake of Lord North had lost her American colonies to England, and that the mistake of a Churchill might mean the loss to England of an Australian Commonwealth and a Dominion of Canada. He said that the warnings in the one case had been unheeded that when a British statesman sent across the water a document such as had been read in the House last night there was necessity of warning.

This sort of thing illustrates the resentment of the Liberal members at finding themselves face to face with a humiliating defeat, the cohesion which enabled the Opposition to talk for a week at an end no longer exists. The sinner men in the party know that the game is up, and are now engaged in a search for the least ignominious manner of descending from the tree. It is probable that the result of their search will be known within the next twenty-four hours.

Conspicuous by Absence. The Opposition benches were almost bare last night. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has not been in the House all day. It is said that he is suffering from another slight cold. Hon. Rodolph Lemieux was in and out, but mostly out. So, with most of the other prominent Liberals, in striking contrast to the Liberal position is the unmistakable unanimity noticeable among the Conservative members. Their watchword is "No surrender." The effect of the siege has been to bring the Conservative members closer together, with the result that the party in the House has been welded and proven to a degree seldom reached so early in a new Parliament.

The Liberal defection is the more complete from the fact that the bomb of last night was invited by the Opposition members, with Sir Wilfrid Laurier the most insistent of them all. Premier Borden had been unable to compile the Churchill letters for a formal notice. He was permitted to read to the House the tables of cost construction only. The Opposition demanded the whole correspondence. The Prime Minister obtained permission to read it all. He said it all, and the Liberals now realize that they have been their own blunder placed themselves in a ridiculous position. There is not that high regard for the talents of those senseless members of the Liberal Board of Strategy which was noticeable a week ago.

The Sunny Oration. Mr. Kite (Richmond) and Mr. E. H. Macdonald (Picton) occupied the House during Monday night with an effort to comfort themselves and their conferees after the catastrophe (Continued from Page Four).

GRAND OPERA HOUSE BRANTFORD

GRAND—Saturday, March 15. A. Delamater, offers a beautiful production of the song play, FRECKLES by Gene Stratton Porter. A theatrical triumph and the biggest nature play, pure in thought and every one of more value as a play, and every one of the famous characters. See the drama and hear Freckles sing. See Freckles' adventures. See Freckles' friends. See Freckles and the Angel. Price 14 rows, \$1; 8 row 75c; balcony 50c. Balcony 75 and 50; gallery 25c. Seats Thursday.

FOREIGN LABOR GREATLY NEEDED

Industrial Commissioner Emerson is at present engaged in preparing a statement on the labor situation in Brantford. Foreign labor, it is said, is greatly in demand, and a number of the local industries are working under a severe handicap because only an insufficient force of this labor can be secured. Plans, it is understood, are under consideration whereby there will be an influx of foreigners here, and an effort made to establish a separate community for their housing.

ASSESSMENT IS EXPLAINED

Assessor Oldham Calls Attention to Some Unfair Criticism.

A Courier man this morning asked Assessor Oldham to explain matters with regard to the assessment rolls as published. He was asked: "Do the figures presented give a clear idea of the facts?" "No. For example the Commercial Hotel property purchased by the Cookshut Securities Company for \$30,000 is on the published list at \$23,750. People may say that this looks like an under valuation. They do not stop to think that the amount over the entire building is divided."

"How do you mean?" "This way. Here are the figures for that structure: Part of the Lower portion . . . \$23,750 Add to above sub-divided portions:

3,125
3,125
2,750
2,900
3,650
4,000
2,700
Total \$50,550

This is an illustration of the fact that a published assessment roll does not convey clear information to the public in many cases. I could quote others but I think the above sample will suffice."

ROBT. TUTTLE DIED TO-DAY

He Kept Hotel in Brantford for Many Years—Has Been Ill a Year.

There passed away this morning one of Brantford's oldest citizens, in the person of Robert Stephen Tuttle, at the family residence, 78 Northumberland street. The late Mr. Tuttle was in his 69th year, and had been ailing from the effects of Bright's disease for over a year. The deceased was born in Cainsville, and his wife (Miss Westbrook) predeceased him six years ago. Three children, Mrs. F. J. Beney of this city, Mrs. W. Finkerton of Guelph, and Miss Gladys at home are left to mourn his loss.

The deceased was well known in and around Brantford, having been proprietor of the old Commercial Hotel, the old Western Hotel, the Woodbine and the American Hotel. In politics he was a Conservative. The funeral will take place from his late residence on Saturday afternoon, at half past two.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS

Members of Confreres Brantford and Fairplay and their lady friends are specially invited to attend a meeting of Companion Court Regina on Thursday night, the thirteenth inst. Excellent programme; dancing.

W. A. ROBINSON, Secretary.

Unprecedented Activity Among Local Industries— Additions Are Announced

Many Brantford Factories are Working Under Pressure and Big Increases in Working Force Have Taken Place in Last Year.

That Brantford is enjoying an unprecedented season of industrial activity and development, was the statement made to a Courier reporter by a member of the Greater Brantford Commission last night. The matter of securing new industries was broached, and the statement was made that, while this city was not loading up with highly-bonused propositions of a doubtful nature, great progress was being made by the big established concerns of the city. In this connection it was pointed out that several firms were working under great pressure, and big increases in their forces had taken place in the last year.

It was stated that the Waterous Engine Works Company has at present a force of 100 more men than last year, and that the firm was working overtime, also on Saturday afternoons. Moreover, plans for another addition to the big works are under way, whereby 200 feet of land will be utilized. The American Radiator Company was reported extremely busy. A year ago 75 men were employed, and the employees now numbered 200. The difficulty of securing foreign labor is reported to be the only handicap at this big, enterprising shop.

The Barber-Ellis Company have recently taken on many more hands, and an extension to the new factory is already contemplated. In the Holmedale things are going on at a tremendous pace. The Watson Company is reported as having 100 more hands than a year ago, and the Slingsby Company has plans for an addition, with an increased force.

Local industrial development can scarcely be better emphasized than at the Hartley Foundry Company, which started with seven employees. The firm employs now 35 men, and highly skilled labor, at that.

The Scarfe Company has doubled within the last year, while the Massey-Harris Company, as recently announced in the Courier, would work nights until midsummer if men and material could be secured. The Crown Electric, Brandon Shoe and Brantford Roofing factories are working under big pressure, and are rapidly developing into big concerns. Other factories are more than holding their own, the slow trade only being under some depression on account of Western conditions.

POLICE COURT A DONKEY ENGINE

A local legal gentleman, who was defending a man charged with false pretences yesterday in the police court, declared that the police court was a "donkey engine," and was being used as a collection agency by the public. If certain people have a debt owing them—or a civil claim they wish to enforce, which is not for such purposes. The lawyer did not mean to reflect on the officers of the police court, but all, stating that he did not see how an information could be refused under many circumstances. "It is a fact, however, that certain plain-tiffs, knowing the desire of the other fellow to keep out of police court notoriety, take advantage of the court in order to secure a speedy, but not always just settlement of their claims."

REPORT WAS GROUNDLESS

Silly Story Circulated About Girls Smoking at Collegiate Institute.

Principal Burt of the Collegiate Institute was greatly provoked today over the report circulated in some quarters that girls were smoking cigarettes at the Institute. The origin of the report, which evidently was launched to do damage to the Collegiate, was the outcome of a little bit of dancing, by one of the young ladies attendants at the Institute. She had gotten hold of a cigarette, and in the presence of other girls gave an exhibition of how a cigarette in a girl's mouth would look. It was simply an exhibition minus smoke, but there are worse things going on. It was the cigarette incident in a letter from a parent, who objected to Mr. Burt's prohibition of the light fantastic in the assembly hall, either at class entertainments or during spare hours. The parent in question wrote Mr. Burt: "You object to dancing, but there are worse things going on." It was the cigarette incident which the parent referred to. The principal immediately conducted a thorough investigation and he discovered what had given rise to the report, which had not been promptly proved without foundation might have caused considerable unpleasantness.

One Minute Interviews

Gov. Brown—"We have ten prisoners in durance vile at present and for the time of the year the number is low."
Ald. Suddaby—"The river can break up as soon as it likes. West Brantford people's worry in this regard is a matter of history."
Col. M. F. Muir—"There is nothing official yet in connection with the new armories for the Dragoon regiment, but we are confident the Government will act."
Serving Papers. High County Constable Kerr, acting on instructions from Sheriff W. W. Ross, is serving papers on the Nokomis Oil & Gas Company, Limited. John F. Carnody is a creditor.

The Owls. The Owls Lodge, which has recently been instituted in the city, is making rapid progress, and are increasing their membership. They are holding a smoker to-morrow night in the lodge room.

Crown Electric. The annual meeting of the Crown Electric shareholders is in progress this afternoon, when an announcement of the annual dividend will be made.

Bowling. The Brants took three straight sets from the Oddfellows last night at the bowling alley, winning by 409 pins.

New Smokestack. The Waterous Engine Works Co. delivered to the Pratt & Letchworth Co. yesterday afternoon a new 60-foot smokestack.

THE PROBS. TORONTO, March 12.—The barometer is now highest over the Atlantic states and it is probable that a disturbance now over the western states will move slowly to the Great Lakes. The weather continues quite cold in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, but has risen in all the other provinces.

FORECASTS. Southeast winds, fair and mild. Thursday—Fair at first, showery by night.

CIVIC AUTHORITIES WERE AT TORONTO RE STREET RAILWAY

Mayor Hartman, Ald. Spence and Ald. Hollinrake made an excursion to Toronto yesterday in reference to the street railway situation. The conference was of a private nature, but it is stated that there is a chance of a settlement being arrived at.

The situation, as is well known, is a difficult one to unravel. The Courier understands, on excellent authority, that the Canada General Electric Company, which has first claim as holders of first mortgage bonds to the extent of \$125,000, has made a proposition to assume the control and management of the road for two years, at the end of which period an opportunity would be afforded the others who have an interest in the holding of redeeming their interest. There are difficulties in this solution of the question, it is stated, but they are not insuperable.

Ald. Hollinrake, chairman of the railway committee, this morning announced that things were in such shape that he didn't care to discuss the matter. He was hopeful, however, of a settlement soon, and expected a new era of things in street railway affairs here in due course.

OPENING UP INDUSTRIAL LAND

The Courier was informed last night that the Mohawk Institute land, the sale of which an Act of Parliament is now being applied for, is to be utilized in connection with Greater Brantford plans purposes. The land is held in trust, and it is necessary to secure an Act of Parliament before any disposal can be made of the same. If the matter comes to a successful issue, it will give a great impetus to industrial development, particularly in the east end of the city, where railway facilities of the best can be provided.

FRIEDMANN AT OTTAWA

His Office To-day Was Like a Chamber of Horrors.

[Canadian Press Despatch] OTTAWA, March 12.—Thirty-seven patients awaited the arrival of Dr. Friedmann at Water Street Hospital this afternoon, but a large percentage of them were sadly disappointed when the German specialist declined the most advanced cases. Taking the more incipient ones in turn, he had injected his serum into about a dozen up to 2 o'clock, and will continue during the afternoon. It was in many respects a tragic scene which furnished the setting for the figures most of them. They included all classes, some too weak to walk, and pitiful was the despair when Dr. Friedmann declined to treat the advanced cases. A little room on the first floor, at the foot of the stairs, in particular resembled a small chamber of horrors, crowded with patients.

In Brantford To-Day

- The following are the visitors in the city to-day: Bodega Tavern. Late yesterday—H. A. Hammond, Toronto; E. F. Hick, Toronto; Neil McDonald, Toronto; F. W. Stevenson, London; E. W. Jeffries, Toronto; H. E. Spencer, Hamilton; G. M. Mich, Toronto; J. J. Cornelius, Guelph; H. A. Moore, Toronto; M. Avery, Hamilton; G. L. Goodwin, city; M. R. Powell, Hamilton; L. D. Barber, city. To-day—C. S. Morris, Smith's Falls; Geo. Robertson, Toronto; W. T. Engen, Toronto; Chas. E. Allen, Toronto; K. Thom, Toronto; A. H. Rosenberg, Hamilton; J. Woodley, Hamilton; J. W. Sharpe, Hamilton; C. S. Nichols, Toronto; J. M. Copeland, Toronto. Hotel Belmont. Late yesterday—J. E. Colison, Toronto; A. Eaton, Toronto; R. Arthur Bailey, Detroit; J. H. Hoffa, Toronto; H. Baker, Guelph; L. Day and wife, Boston; J. Malcolm, Boston; S. B. Walsh, Toronto; B. Edgar, J. Roger, Hughes, F. Buck, J. Smith, R. Thorne, H. McManis, J. H. Coppin, Mitchell, T. Ball, London; John H. Laughton, Parkhill; H. A. Shelling, Chicago; R. J. Shelling, New York; A. Haycock, Ingersoll. To-day—J. R. Seavey, Hamilton; J. A. McKay, Toronto; F. L. Cosford, Stratford; Wm. J. Burns, Brooklyn; A. Isaac, Montreal; H. S. Kearns, Hamilton; M. Auld, London; C. J. Archer, Toronto; James Peat, Petro- H. E. J. Ryan, London; H. D. Hawley, H. Heise, A. W. Blight, Toronto; A. H. Dixon, W. W. Brock, Hamilton. Kerby House. Late yesterday—W. J. Thompson, Montreal; C. S. Jackson, Buffalo; J. Thorn, Jos. Kelvin, Chicago; J. K. Bell, Toronto; Clarence Butts, Cleveland; W. Kirk, Toronto; J. Nicholson, Montreal; A. M. Drummond, J. Phillips, E. S. Carman, C. T. McAlpine, Toronto; H. P. Hewet, G. M. Harris, Buffalo; Major Elmsley, Toronto. To-day—T. S. Whitelaw, T. C. McKenzie, Toronto; J. E. Cohoe, Welland; J. M. Smith, Buffalo; W. H. Woods, Toronto; S. A. Bixer, Buffalo; T. G. Elliott, Montreal; H. Gilbert, M. C. McMartin, A. P. Reeve, G. L. Moore, W. H. Morgan, Toronto; G. W. Clark, Montreal; C. S. Carter, Toronto; C. H. Vandersheys, Niagara Falls; J. A. Brown, London; Jas. D. McKenna, Sussex; E. A. Lindsay and wife, Spokane, Wash.; R. J. Orr, Toronto; G. M. Harris, London; G. W. Witman, Easton, Pa.; C. C. Carbold, Toronto.

SPECIAL LIGHTS UNDER HYDRO

Engineer Ireland Gives Statement re Plans.

Standard Construction Only This Year in the City.

As the new Hydro-Electric street lighting system will be installed during the present year and as it is understood that a special ornamental system is to be used on certain of the main business streets some of the citizens have been making enquiries as to the possibility of obtaining some modification of the system used on the downtown streets, together with underground conduits on certain of the residential streets of the city. On making enquiries regarding this point at the office of the Brantford Hydro-Electric System, Mr. Ireland made the following statement: "The only way of obtaining a special ornamental system of street lighting together with underground conduits on any of the streets of the city is for any group of property owners who wish it, to take action under the legislation of 1901. This Act applies to the business streets, but as the residential streets, this Act provides that any work of this nature may only be undertaken by the municipality on presentation of a petition signed by at least two thirds of the property owners involved. In the case of a local improvement and the property owners would be required to pay the difference between the cost of the special lighting system and that of the regular system for the same distance. The best procedure would be for any group of property owners who wish special lighting and underground conduit to apply to this office for an estimate of the cost. This will be furnished and if the property owners are willing to pay the cost, a petition may then be presented to the City Council signed by two thirds of the ratepayers. On passage of a by-law authorizing us to carry out the construction of the work, then the work proceeded with. It should be understood that the cost of the underground cables and special lighting is a great deal higher than the standard construction and that it takes considerably longer to obtain the material and install it."

Mr. Ireland also stated: "Owing to the expiration of the street lighting contract at the end of this year, it is going to be necessary for our construction forces to put forth every effort in order to be able to take over the street lighting on time, and any additional work, such as installing underground systems and special lighting in isolated sections of the city will seriously delay the progress of the main work. Moreover, we, of course, wish to concentrate our efforts very largely on revenue producing construction in order to put the system on a sound financial basis as quickly as possible. For these reasons it is our hope that any groups of citizens desiring special street lighting will be satisfied to have the standard construction proceeded with this year and leave any special work over to 1914. I wish it to be understood that I do not wish in any way to discourage any of the citizens from obtaining special lighting as I recognize fully the advantages of it in certain localities, but I simply wish to have the work held off for another year until it can be dealt with more advantageously to all concerned. Another point to be noted is that the work can be carried out more cheaply next year after the rush of construction is over."

A meeting of the fire and light committee was held yesterday when the whole matter was gone over.

A Deal Pending.

Publicity Officer C. H. Emerson stated this morning that a deal was pending whereby an American manufacturing company would likely open up a factory here, and that a number of local capitalists were interested in the deal.

"At Home"

The students of the Brantford Business College will hold their annual "At Home" in the college on Friday night.

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