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MR. CAMPBELL AND THE MAIL.

In an interview with The Planet Mr. Campbell says that the Mail and Empire's charge that he refused to rise or take off his hat in parliament while God Save The Queen was being sung is an infamous lie. But the Mail repeats its assertion in the following strong terms:

The members of Parliament who declined to rise and sing the National Anthem or cheer for the Queen after Bourassa had made his awful profane speech were:

Sir Wilfrid Laurier.
Mr. Fielding.
Mr. Fisher.
Mr. Fitzpatrick.
Mr. Godbout.
Mr. Carleton.
Mr. Carroll.
Mr. Brodeur.
Mr. Campbell.
Mr. Bourassa.

One report says: "Mr. Archie Campbell, M. P. for Kent, not only retained his seat, but also remained wearing his hat till the middle of the third verse of 'God Save the Queen.'"

Now, either the Mail is wrong or Mr. Campbell's memory deceives him. Anyway, the matter is of sufficient importance just at this particular time for him to clear it up. He should either compel the Mail to prove its damaging assertion or withdraw it.

We do not believe for a moment that Mr. Campbell has the faintest trace of disloyalty about him. The point is, had the party exigencies of the moment so much greater hold on him than his sentiments of loyalty to the Queen and nation that he was more willing to show disrespect to his sovereign than to a brother politician who had just finished defaming Great Britain and accusing Her Majesty's Government of carrying on an unjust war against the Boers? The national anthem was the House's reply to this blatherskite Bourassa. Every member present had to side one way or the other. Now, Mr. Campbell should make it clear to his constituents where he was at.

RESTRICTING THE ENQUIRY.

In the house of commons on Monday, Sir Wilfrid Laurier read a statement from the minister of justice, Hon. David Mills, rejecting all suggestions made by Sir Charles Tupper respecting the scope of the commission to enquire into election frauds. These suggestions were designed to make the enquiry more thorough and effective. Sir Charles Tupper asked that instructions be issued for payment of witnesses, and for their indemnification from punishment if their evidence criminated themselves. This provision, suggested by the opposition leader is taken from Edward Blake's act and from the Imperial statute. The minister also refused to provide that one of the two lawyers should be chosen by the Conservatives, or that electors should be allowed to testify how they voted, or that the evidence already taken by the committee might be used by the commissioners. The government takes the ground that the commission should have no further instructions than the general ones to go ahead. Mr. Mills also refused to order that the West Huron and Brockville cases should be taken up and pressed to a conclusion as the first business of the commission.

When Sir Wilfrid had read the statement, Sir Charles Tupper said he could not understand the refusal if the government did not intend to hamper the commission and make the work futile. It really seemed the government was attempting to cripple this investigation. The Premier and minister of justice seemed to forget that this commission had been brought into existence because of the Huron and Brockville scandals. These exposures had startled the country and frightened the government. It was found that the committee enquiry was dangerous, but it was also found that the enquiry could not be choked off without providing some substitute. These elections had been stolen by a gang of scoundrels, and public opinion would not tolerate such things. Resort had been had to this commission, but instead of appointing it under the broadest act, it had been confined within the narrowest possible limits. Sir Charles said that he had no objection to the widest possible enquiry. If any Conservative had been guilty of such frauds he ought to be punished. But the government must not get away from the fact that the West Huron and Brockville frauds were the occasion of this investigation, and that these should be taken up first. Once before the government had refused a full enquiry. That was in the case of the Yukon charges. But at the first opportunity the minister so refusing was condemned in his own province. Sir Charles Tupper warned the Premier that the same fate awaited him if he did not make this enquiry effective.

Mr. Blair charged that the opposition leader was resorting to a political manoeuvre, and was bringing in his suggestions in order that he might

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attack the government for rejecting them, or if accepted he might say that the government had been forced to adopt them. Mr. Blair explained that the government did not propose to allow the opposition to boast that they had forced changes upon them. Later on in his speech he said that in the privileges committee the majority had permitted witnesses to testify how they voted, though they knew it ought not to be allowed. The reason was that they did not want it to be charged that the evidence was suppressed. In the case of this commission, Mr. Blair objected to such testimony and remarked that voters who thought they were casting a secret vote should not be asked how they voted after the ballots had been destroyed.

Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper observed that Mr. Blair had made two humiliating confessions when he said that last year he took a wrong course in order to escape ignorant condemnation, and that this year he refused what seemed to be right lest acceptance would cause the opposition a triumph.

After further discussion Sir Wilfrid Laurier insisted that the judges should be left to decide for themselves what cases to take up first, what lawyers to employ, and what the procedure should be.

Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper showed that the minister of justice had evidently overlooked the wider statutes of Canada and the Imperial act when he gave the narrower scope to the indemnity clause.

Sir Wilfrid promised to bring this matter before Mr. Mills, who would

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perhaps make amendments to meet the case. The subject was then dropped.

STRIKES COME EXPENSIVE.

The St. Louis strike seems to be one of those affairs that is blowing nobody any good. The monetary loss to both sides engaged and to the city of St. Louis in the way of business is estimated to reach \$750,000 a day. In addition to that over a dozen people have been killed, several hundred wounded and many more jailed. For the first month of the strike, just closed, it is estimated that the falling off in trade, the loss in wages, the damage to property, and extra cost for police duty have aggregated between \$22,000,000 and \$23,000,000.

Officials of the commercial agencies estimated the loss in trade at a total of \$750,000 a day. This means that in 23 days there has been a loss of \$21,000,000 in trade.

The loss to the St. Louis Transit Co. in receipts, figuring them at \$60,000 a day, has been \$840,000, besides an extra cost of about \$1,000 a day.

One of the largest items is the loss in salaries to the army of wage earners who have been laid off during the stagnation of business in the downtown districts. It is estimated that this loss alone has been \$20,000 a day, or \$560,000 for the four weeks. When the transit employees walked out the pay roll summed up \$6,000 a day. This means a loss to the men of \$184,800 to date.

The cost of the Sheriff's posse to date is about \$18,700, and the extra expense of the police department is estimated at \$50,000. The loss to property caused by rioting, which the city will probably be asked to repay, is placed at \$50,000, but it is believed it will reach many times that sum.

Ald. McKeough and the board of works deserve great credit for the manner in which they have worked on the King street pavement matter.

This is a year of eclipses. The other day it was the sun, on Saturday Joe Martin, last night the moon, and shortly Sir Wilfrid proposes to appeal to the country.

A new air-ship invented by Herr Weissmann has been tried at Berlin. It ascended twenty metres and flew fifteen, landing safely. The Ottawa Government need not now watch their chances of re-election go up in smoke. They can send them up in an air-ship.

Surely no King street property owner will object to a good pavement at the cost agreed upon by the contractors and board of works. For instance, a twenty-foot frontage will cost in all about \$50. This spread over twenty years means \$2.50 per year. What King street freeholder is not willing to pay that much just to give the city a half respectable appearance, if for nothing more?

There is one thing about this county court clerkship, all the aspirants cannot get it. The only thing the Government can do that we can see is to give it to one man and have Archie Campbell make the rest colonels. Chatham is shy of colonels at present and now that Dr. Borden's new civilian colonel factory is ready for business there is no reason why the deficiency should not be remedied. Give us colonels and lots of them.

LEAMINGTON.

June 13.—Leon Peart and Frank Cronk are spending a couple of days in Detroit. Alex. Baird, P.L.S., goes to Toronto this week preparatory for leaving for his exploring trip in the Moose river region, south of James Bay. He will take Miss Grimshaw as cook. He has also invited G. H. D. Sutherland to accompany the party but it is not likely that the latter will go. Mr. Baird expects to be absent until November. Mr. Edsall, of Brown & Co., will move into the house being vacated by Dr. Piper. Chas. Lypps and Wilson Wigle left yesterday on a trip to California, where they hope to get employment superintending the sinking of gas and oil wells.

A small party consisting principally of teachers had a very pleasant picnic at Point Pelee on Saturday. The party was composed of, Misses V. MacIsaac, G. Smith, S. Greenhill, M. E. Scott and A. Giesner and Messrs. F. J. Weidenhammer, A. Brown, B. Smith and G. H. D. Sutherland. Mr. Teetzel, traveller, spent Sunday at his home here.

Will Ruthven was at Windsor Monday. Wm. MacIsaac and son Ray attended Ringling Bros' circus in Detroit. The strawberry shipping business is growing. Monday night shipments being the largest yet. The frequent showers and cool weather have caused the sample to be fine and the yield large. The acreage, however, is smaller than for several years as late frosts killed the vines.

Mr. Fenton, of the Fenton-Wagner Tobacco Company, has disposed of his interest in the business to a Detroit doctor. It is reported that he received \$8,000 for his share. Considering that Mr. Fenton invested only a few hundred dollars last fall, he may well consider Leamington a veritable Klondike. The new firm will continue to use the old name.

At a special meeting of the council last night a committee composed of the Mayor and Councillors Prosser and Craig and Clerk Coulson were appointed to make preparations for laying the corner stone of the house of industry on Thursday, June 21. Invitations will be issued to all persons having official connection with the municipalities of Essex county and

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to the mayors of Windsor and Walkerville, John Auld, M. L. A., M. K. Cowan, M. P., and the county press. The guests will be entertained at luncheon. The Mayor was authorized to declare the afternoon a public holiday. The Leamington band will be engaged. Addresses will be delivered in the hall by prominent gentlemen of the county, including the local members of both parliaments.

The school board held their regular meeting Monday night and there were present, Chairman Morse, Messrs. Curtis, Hilman and Niven. The Mayor addressed the board on behalf of the council, stating that they would buy the English Church property and fit it up as a school if they would accept it. Although his worship used all his persuasive eloquence, his efforts were in vain, for not one of the trustees was in favour of the proposition. The board decided to have the present temporary quarters repaired if possible at a small cost. They have abandoned the idea of a new school for this year, as they feel that a by-law to raise the funds would not carry. What proved to be a very pleasant feature of the evening was the appointment of E. McKay, of the Leamington News, to fill the vacancy of Wm. Gardiner on the library board. Mr. McKay expressed his thanks in well chosen words and in action by inviting the school board to have ice cream at the Omaha, and also extending the invitation to the press.

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