

COMMONS TALK OF CIGARETTES

But Decline to Pass Resolution Favoring Prohibition

Proposed Insurance Legislation Will Not Be Brought Down by the Government This Session.

OTTAWA, March 4.—The commons had today their annual set-to with the little cigarette. There are a number of members who are against the cigarette, particularly in combination with the small boy, and they annually declare themselves against it. This has been going on for several years and probably will for several years more. So far the men against the cigarette have not been able to bring their commendatory resolutions to a vote. They were not able to today.

Before the cigarette business came to the fore, the Speaker announced the election of Jacques Bureau, Solicitor General, as a member of the commons.

Mr. Chisholm was told by the Minister of Customs that Bounties on petroleum amounted to \$804,000.

Mr. Blain of Peel asked the house to endorse a resolution declaring that a law should be passed forbidding the importation, manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

He said that the number of cigarettes manufactured in Canada had increased from 25,894,000 in 1896 to 270,877,350 in 1906, and imports brought the 1906 consumption up to 277,620,850. Cigarettes were had for men and for boys. Two many were being smoked in Canada.

Mr. MacDonald of Pictou asked if this was not a matter for the provinces.

Mr. Blain thought not.

Mr. Smith thought those who wanted to smoke cigarettes would make them for themselves if the manufacture and sale of them was forbidden.

Sir Wilfrid agreed that cigarettes were bad for boys and the question an important one. However, it was generally agreed that they were not bad for men. To pass the law asked would be to deprive a large and responsible class of their liberty. Nothing offended him more than a boy with a cigarette in his mouth, but the matter was for police regulation and parental influence. It did not seem to him that Dominion legislation would be the most effective way to deal with the problem.

"We are in the third month of the session," said Sir Wilfrid, "and we hope by the blessing of a kind Providence and the consent of his majesty's loyal opposition and the consent of the third party also, to bring the session to a close early next month."

Geo. E. Foster declined to accept the statement that tobacco could be used to tobacco without harm.

Sir Wilfrid—"Is that the experience of my honorable friend?"

Mr. Foster said tobacco was an acquired taste and one which he had not had a happy experience with. He insisted that it would be in the proper way to rear children. More time, trouble and money in most cases were given to the rearing of a bull calf than to looking after a baby boy.

Mr. Fisher pointed out that the provinces were talking steps to deal with the cigarette. The question was talked out at six o'clock and after dinner the transportation debate was brought on again.

Mr. Wright of South Renfrew and Mr. White of Nova Renfrew urged the construction of the Georgian Bay canal. Archie Campbell moved an amendment, declaring that the government had considered the report of the transportation commission and had made a reasonable progress toward carrying out its recommendations. The amendment carried and the house adjourned at 10 o'clock.

The proposed insurance legislation will not be brought down by the government this session.

WANTS TO GIVE THE PHILIPPINES TO JAPAN

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Representative Livingston said in the house today: "I wish to heaven we could give the Philippines away to Japan and get out of that country whose cost to us no one can predict. I received a letter the other day from a debating society in my district asking my opinion whether Cuba should be annexed. To that question I want to reply right here, we have got enough of those kinds of rats now."

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UNCERTAINTY OF POLICE

Chief Discharged Last Night; New One Warned

Queer Mix-up as Result of Action of Police Committee—Want Stricter Enforcement of Scott Act.

MONCTON, March 4.—Because he did not carry sufficiently rigid enforcement of the Scott Act to suit the police committee, Chief Police Chappell was tonight dismissed from that position and made an ordinary policeman, while Officer Munn, who has been on police force several months, was promoted to be police marshal.

Chappell later tendered his resignation from the force. At a meeting of the police committee this afternoon, Chairman Crandall, who was one of the candidates elected by the temperance element, said he was not satisfied with the work of the enforcement of the Canada Temperance Act as being done by Chief Chappell, and proposed Officer Munn for the position, saying the latter had promised that if appointed he would do all in his power to enforce the act. The police committee adopted the suggestion and made a recommendation to the council tonight.

There was a lengthy argument on the question, one alderman claiming that he had known of a case where Officer Munn shirked his duty. Finally on a casting vote by Mayor White the motion was carried dismissing Chappell as chief, but retaining him as an officer, while Munn was appointed head of the staff at a salary of sixty dollars a month. Crandall said that if in a month Munn's Scott Act enforcement work did not prove satisfactory he would be removed from the position.

Police matters took up a considerable portion of the council meeting, there being another discussion over the police commission matter, it being finally decided to secure legislation to this effect. One alderman criticised this method of hiring police as cowardly, saying it dodged the issue. The council decided to send to Fredericton, Mayor White, City Solicitor W. B. Chandler and Ald. Colpitts, chairman of the legislation committee, as a delegation to represent the city in regard to the New Brunswick Telephone Company's legislation.

The council passed a resolution that the proposed increase of two million dollars of the capital stock of the New Brunswick Telephone Company is unwise and unnecessary, and that to protect the interests of the city of Moncton it is necessary to have the city represented before the committee of the houses. It was also the opinion of the council that the rates and tolls charged by the company should be under the control and subject to the lieutenant governor.

The council welcomed the formation of a New Brunswick union of municipalities, which was organized at the city auditor.

GEORGE McLEAN LEAVES

THE BOSTON HERALD

BOSTON, March 4.—George McLean, formerly of St. John, has severed his connection with the Boston Herald and is now on the staff of the Boston American. Many men who have been with the Herald for years have also severed their connection with that paper.

I. C. R. MAN CELEBRATES

SACKVILLE, N. B., March 2.—Hank Palmer, station agent at Sackville, celebrated his thirtieth year on the I. C. R. service last evening by entertaining the I. C. R. staff to a goose supper. Mr. Palmer learned the art of telegraphy in 1871. In 1872 he took charge of the Amaganset station where he remained for four years. He took the position as station agent at Sackville in 1876, continuing without interruption to the present time. Mr. Palmer is to be congratulated upon his long period of efficient service.

DIED IN HIS SLEIGH

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., March 4.—Patrick Chesley, aged 60, a farmer of Emfylle, drove to Charlottetown on Friday and having finished his business left on his return home alone. On his way back he died in the sleigh, the faithful horse bringing his master's body to the house. He had been suffering from heart trouble.

CHATHAM QUARANTINE OFFICER.

CHATHAM, March 4.—Dr. James Baxter has been appointed quarantine officer for this port in succession to the late Dr. John McDonald, who died in December. Dr. Baxter has been acting in Dr. McDonald's stead for the past two years while the late official was sick, and is well qualified to fill the position.

GOOD ROADS LEGISLATION

TORONTO, March 4.—A. M. Campbell, deputy minister of public works, left this morning for Halifax to consult with the Nova Scotia government in reference to the proposed introduction of good roads legislation in the Eastern Provinces. Mr. Campbell goes at the request of the Nova Scotia government to give them the benefit of Ontario's experience in the operation of the act.

MORLAIX, Brittany, France, March 4.—During a fog today the steamer Finistere of Havre ran down and sank the schooner La Perouse. The crew of the latter were saved.

DR. OSLER LECTURES ON SPINAL MENINGITIS

Colonel Grant Approves of Mr. Haldane's Army Scheme and Discusses the Need of a More Modern System of Training

GLASGOW, March 4.—Professor Osler's lectures to the medical students of Edinburgh University on cerebro-spinal meningitis is still the subject of discussion in Scotch medical circles. The professor mentioned that in New York within the last two years there had been nearly 4,000 cases, of which some 3,000 had proved fatal. One of the most remarkable peculiarities was that the disease was in widely separated areas. It was not pandemic. Its mortality as an acute infection ranked it to the very highest point. Perhaps in this respect it equalled the plague. They know of no disease which struck a patient with such lightning rapidity.

Professor Osler related a case where a man was well at luncheon time, and being struck by the disease, was dead by three o'clock the next morning. A very important point was as to the communicability from one person to another. He considered that it had the same low degree of contagiousness as pneumonia. In some epidemics there had been a number of instances which demonstrated clearly that the disease might be communicated from one person to another. He did not think that the newspapers need alarm the public as to the prevalence of the disease. There was no widespread epidemic in Great Britain and no reason why they should have it. It was not likely that the disease would remain longer than this winter season.

As regarded the treatment he was afraid much need not be said of a complaint which killed 75 per cent. of the cases. Still there were certain measures of treatment which might be carried out, and frequent hot tubs were a very great comfort to the patient. A hopeful feature was that the serum had been prepared. The disease had been cured in monkeys and monkeys had been rendered immune.

A quantity of serum forwarded by Professor Kolle of Berns, who claims that it will be efficacious in the treatment of disease, is now in use in several cities of Great Britain and Ireland, and the results of the trial are awaited with keen interest.

The proposals of the special committee of Glasgow corporation on the extension of the city boundaries have been embodied in a draft provisional order, which is being considered by the town council. The order sets forth that the city of Glasgow has a population of over 800,000, and that the industries have expanded to such an extent that the city boundaries are in need of extension. The extension of works and dwelling houses within the city have become limited.

PHILIPPINE WOMAN WHO LIVED 150 YEARS

She Was Born, Reared and Died Within Mile of Her Home.

MANILA, March 2.—While there is no documentary evidence on file, yet dates given be true, there has just died in Manila, at the advanced age of 150 years, a Filipino woman named Apolinaria de la Cruz, who was born, reared and died within a radius of less than a mile of her home in Tondo district.

While, as stated, there is no written record of her birth, the Senora had been reached the advanced age claimed for her, survives her at the age of 149.

A local paper, in commenting on this case of unusual longevity, calls to mind the fact that if this woman had actually lived to the present time, she would have been a mother of several children more than a century ago, one of whom, a daughter, survives her at the age of 149.

Several thousand persons claim relation to the Senora, who is said to have been a mother of several children more than a century ago, one of whom, a daughter, survives her at the age of 149.

NOTICE

To the Shareholders of the Dominion Coal Co., Ltd.

A body of Shareholders in the above Company holding over forty thousand shares, who are dissatisfied with the manner in which the affairs of the Company have been administered, have decided to act jointly at the forthcoming annual meeting to bring about if practicable a better state of affairs. They are for this purpose giving their proxies to SIR WILLIAM VANHORN, HENRY F. DIMOCK, Z. A. LASH, K. C., jointly and severally.

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BUILDING FUND INCREASED BY \$537

The financial results of the farewell banquet held at the Chalmers House on Thursday evening last were very gratifying to Lady Tilley and the ladies associated with her in carrying out the function. When the returns were checked over yesterday it was found that \$37 had been netted. This amount is added to the building fund, for a new home for the institute, includes \$50 collected by one of the ladies at the Forestry convention at Fredericton.

In this connection Lady Tilley and the ladies' banquet committee have asked the Sun to express their thanks to those who responded so generously to the requests for donations. They are also grateful to the press for its assistance in making the banquet the great success it was.

THE SUN LIFE OF CANADA.

A Record of Great Success Last Year—Assurances in Force Crossed the Hundred Million Dollar Mark—Current Profits Paid Policyholders Keeping Pace with the Company's Growth—The Insurance Investigation by the Royal Commission.

At the annual meeting of the Sun Life of Canada held in Montreal on February 26th, the report of the Directors was a magnificent one, showing that the Company's operations during the past year have been exceptionally successful. The report says:—

Applications for assurance were received to the number of 16,546, for \$2,901,570.65. The policies actually issued and paid for numbered 12,533, and covered \$7,018,497. The balance being declined or uncompleted. The total assurances in force at the close of the year amounted to \$102,566,331.00 under 78,222 policies. The passing of the hundred million dollar line marks another milestone in the Company's progress.

Although the increase in the surplus on hand has been great and promises well for future distribution of profits, the dividends actually being paid to our policyholders have kept pace. The steady growth in the profit earnings permitted the Company to increase the scale of distribution for the year 1906 beyond that for 1904; and the scale for 1906 in its turn beyond that for 1905. We are pleased to say that the scale which has been adopted for the current year 1907 is again beyond that for 1906. The large earnings have therefore not merely benefited the policyholders by adding to the strength of the Company and by increasing the provision for future profits, but also by permitting the distribution to them of remarkably handsome current dividends.

THE INSURANCE INVESTIGATION.

The most noteworthy feature of the past year in Canadian insurance circles has been the investigation of our life companies by a Royal Commission. The public are already so thoroughly informed in regard to this matter that any detailed reference here is unnecessary. Speaking of our own Company, while the Commission unquestionably gave the officers an immense amount of additional labor, the results of the inquiry have been very beneficial. The great strength of the Company, its profitable investments, the large dividends paid by it to its policyholders, the ample provision for profits on policies not yet participating, and if we may be pardoned for saying so, honesty and cleanliness in all its business methods, have been brought into the light as never before.

A MOST STRIKING FACT.

Possibly the most striking fact brought out was that the Company is really much stronger than it has ever been. This was shown by a contingent fund outside its published list of assets, composed largely of bonus stocks obtained in connection with purchases of bonds. This fund is already worth a large sum, and not only adds to the strength of the Office, but will in time materially increase the payments of profits as the various items are converted into cash.

LIABILITIES CALCULATED ON STRINGENT BASIS.

The liabilities have been calculated on the H. m. table with three and one-half per cent. interest for all policies issued prior to December 31, 1902, and three per cent. for those issued since that date. It should also be noted that the H. m. mortality table in itself calls for heavy reserves than the American table in use in the United States, so that both from the standpoint of the table employed and the amount of the surplus, the Company is in a position to meet any emergency with the greatest ease.

THE COMPANY'S GROWTH.

Table with 3 columns: Year, Income, Net Assets exclusive of Unallocated Capital, Life Assurances in Force.

GIRL NOT OLD ENOUGH TO MARRY; LOVER SHOT HER

And When Pursued by a Crowd Malcolm Pool Killed Himself.

PHILADELPHIA, March 3.—Driven to by a crowd of men who pursued her, she was shot and wounded. A 17-year-old Edna McKnight, with whom he was enamored, Malcolm H. Pool, aged 21 years, shot and killed himself here today. Pool had boarded at the McKnight home until recently when he was ordered to leave because he insisted upon forcing his attentions upon Miss McKnight. Her parents objected to the young man chiefly because of their daughter's age. When the girl's father ordered Pool to leave the house he threatened to shoot McKnight and was ejected after a struggle.

Pool today went to a church where the girl attended and tried to induce her to take a walk with him. She refused, but he waited until she started for home and followed. The girl fled and Pool fired two shots from a revolver at her, one of which struck her in her arm. The shooting occurred near one of the rapid transit company's barns and half a hundred motemen and employees gave chase. Finding himself cornered Pool sent a bullet into his heart as the foremost of his pursuers came up.

STOLE FROM HIS FELLOW WORKERS

George H. Barrett, aged eighteen, was arrested last night by Detective Killen on suspicion of stealing \$5.50, clothing, a pair of shoes, a pair of overalls, a razor and two neckties, the property of Chas. Little, also from Malcolm Delanor a black shirt and a tie. When arrested he had in his possession \$7.75 and a various assortment of articles, including a mouth organ, a razor, etc., many answering the description of the goods which had been stolen.

The arrest was made by Detective Killen in response to a telephone message received from Hampton about 6.30 with the information that the young man was coming in from the I. C. R. station. He was taken to the station where he was sixteen years old, small face, dark, and wearing a reefer coat and black cap, which did not prove to be entirely correct.

Before the detective arrived at the depot the train had already come in, and after searching around the depot in vain the detective located his man on Dock street and placed him under arrest. The detective found that he had purchased a number of articles in nearby stores.

The prisoner is accused of having stolen the goods while boarding at Mrs. McNutt's house in Hampton, from a number of fellow workers. The prisoner was employed at Flewelling's, and he is accused also of having obtained \$5.50 by false pretenses by going to his employers and asking for the pay of Little, a fellow workman, saying that he was doing so at Little's request. Lastly he stuck Mrs. McNutt for \$2.50.

According to the story which the prisoner tells he has only been a few weeks in Hampton. He says that he is a native of Derby, England, and that he came to this country in 1903. He admits breaking into a jewelry store in Toronto with two companions. He says that he was caught but that he was not prosecuted.

NEWSPAPER MAN HONORED BY FRIENDS

TORONTO, March 4.—Some thirty newspaper friends of John P. Patterson, formerly of the Toronto Mail and Empire, were present at a complimentary banquet tendered him at the St. Charles Cafe Saturday evening, prior to his departure for St. John, N. B., to accept the position of business manager of the Daily Sun in that city. W. J. Darby of the Mail and Empire presided.

LOGGERS HAD HURRIED ESCAPE FROM BURNING HOUSE

Men and Women Had to Get Out Through Windows, Losing All Their Belongings

LYNN, Mass., March 2.—Occupants of the Spaulding block, a four-story brick structure, used in part as a lodging house, were driven out by fire tonight, some being forced to make their escape by windows, while one at least was injured in the panic-stricken rush of people on the stairways. Most of the tenants lost all their belongings except the clothing they wore. The building was entirely burned except the outer walls, the total loss being estimated at \$50,000, most of which is covered by insurance.

The fire was discovered about eight o'clock in the basement of the store of Thompson & Allen, dealers in electrical supplies, who occupied the street floor. An air shaft in the centre of the building gave the flames access to the upper stories and when the fire department, summoned by a double alarm, reached the scene, the whole structure seemed to be a mass of flames. The fire, which occupied three floors, were fleeing down the stairways to the street. In the rush a man fell on the stairs and was picked up at the bottom unconscious and suffering from a leg fracture. Some of the persons escaping from windows at the rear of the building to the ground.

After the fire was under control the police heard that one of the persons in the lodging house, Mrs. F. S. Perkins, an invalid, was missing, and an investigation was begun to ascertain if possible her whereabouts. It was feared that she had been unable to make her escape from the building. The building was owned by Mr. McNeely, of Philadelphia, who is also a member of the Morococco, a firm of McNelly & Co. of Boston. It was located at the corner of Spring street and Central avenue. The Thompson & Allen is placed at \$10,000 on their stock of goods.

ANOTHER CASE OF SMALL-POX ABOARD POMERANIAN

HALIFAX, March 4.—A case of smallpox was discovered aboard the steamer Pomeranian tonight, and the steamer was at once ordered to quarantine. The nation is a member of the crew. All the crew were placed in the detention hospital at Lawlers Island and will be kept there for three weeks. The steamer only arrived here from St. John on Sunday.

ALLAN WORKMEN HAVE A GRIEVANCE

Some of the longshoremen who have worked on the Allan boats during the winter met last evening to discuss their grievance against the company. William Lockhart of Albert street, one of those present at the meeting, says that the men expected that the Tangle, which arrived yesterday, would dock at the I. C. R. wharf, and that they would be put to work on the vessel. But she docked at the West Side and her cargo was discharged by the union men.

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TRUNKS HELD UP BY CUSTOMS OFFICIALS

When the Myrtle-Harder Company, which is playing at the Opera House this week, arrived in St. John yesterday they were met at the railway station by customs house officials, who proceeded to examine the effects of the company, and in the end seized four trunks filled with advertising paper.

Manager Hall of the company stated that the four trunks had been put in bond here and would be used as occasion demanded. The only inconvenience suffered was that the customs examination took place at the car instead of at the Opera House, as is usually the case. One unpleasant feature of which Mr. Hall remarked upon was that an alleged anonymous letter had been received by the revenue authorities stating that the Myrtle-Harder people are attempting to smuggle paper into Canada. The Opera House management are said to know the author of the anonymous epistle.

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