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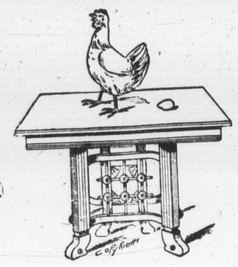

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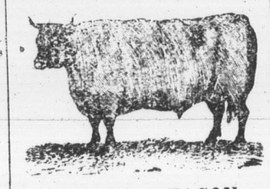
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The Remedial Bill Voted on at Daylight.

Mr. Laurier's Amendment for the Six Months' Hoist Fell by a Majority of 24 for the Government—Second Reading Carried by Eighteen—Who the Solid Sixteen Were

Ottawa, March 20.—(Special)—It was a few minutes past 5 this morning when the welcome words fell from the Speaker: "Call in the members." Five minutes later the whips entered, and Mr. Speaker put the question. On the Ministerial side the following voted for the six months' hoist: Messrs. Wallace, McCarthy, Sproule, O'Brien, McNeill, Cockburn, Weldon, Tyrwhitt, Maclean (East York), Hodgins, Bennett, Craig, Wilson, Stubbs, Henderson, Rosamond, Carscallen and Calvin, a total of 16 Conservatives, exclusive of McCarthy and O'Brien.

Seven Liberals voted against their leader's amendment, viz.: Flemont, Beausoleil, Vaillancourt, McIsaac, Angers, Devlin and Delisle.

The vote stood: Yeas—91; nays—115; majority for Government, 24.

The division was as follows:

Yeas—Allan, Bain, Bechard, Beith, Bennett, Bernier, Borden, Boston, Bourassa, Bowers, Boxman, Brodeur, Brown, Bruneau, Calvin, Cameron (Huron), Campbell, Carroll, Carscallen, Cartwright (Sir Richard), Casey, Charbonneau, Charlton, Choquette, Christie, Cockburn, Colter, Craig, Davies, Dawson, Edgar, Edwards, Panuel, Featherston, Flint, Forbes, Fraser, Geoffrion, Gibson, Gillmor, Godbout, Grieve, Gray, Harwood, Henderson, Hodgins, Innes, Landerkin, Langelier, Laurier, Lavergne, Leduc, Legris, Lister, Livingstone, Lowell, Macdonald (Huron), Maclean (York), McCarthy, McGregor, McMillan, McMullen, McNeill, McShane, Martin, Mignault, Mills (Bothwell), Monet, Mulock, O'Brien, Paterson (Brant), Perry, Prefontaine, Prouix, Rider, Rinfret, Rosamond, Sanborn, Scriver, Semple, Somerville, Sproule, Stubbs, Sutherland, Tarte, Tyrwhitt, Wallace, Weldon, Welsh, Wilson, Yeo.—Total 91.

Nays—Amyot, Angers, Baird, Barnard, Beausoleil, Belley, Feggeron, Bergin, Blanchard, Boyd, Boyle, Burnham, Cameron (Inverness), Campbell, Cargill, Carling, Carpenter, Caron, Chesley, Cleveland, Coatsworth, Cochrane, Corbould, Costigan, Daly, Davin, Davis, Delisle, Desaulniers, Dickey, Dugas, Dupont, Dyer, Earle, Fairbairn, Ferguson (Leeds and Grenville), Ferguson (Renfrew), Foster, Frechette, Fremont, Gillies, Girouard, Grandbois, Grant, Guillet, Haggart, Haslam, Hazen, Hughes, Hutchins, Ingram, Ives, Jeannotte, Joncas, Kaulbach, Kenny, Lachapelle, Langevin, LaRiviere, Leclair, Lepine, Lippe, Macdonald (King's), Macdonell (Algoma), Macdowall, McAllister, McDonald (Assiniboia), McDonald (Victoria), McDougald (Pictou), McDougall (Cape Breton), McGillivray, McGreevy, McInerney, McIsaac, McKay, McLean, (King's), McLennan, McLeod, Marc, Marshall, Masson, Metcalfe, Miller, (Annapolis), Moncrieff, Northrup, Ouimet, Patterson (Colchester), Pelletier, Pope, Powell, Pridham, Prior, Putnam, Reid, Robillard, Robinson, Roome, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Lisgar), Ryckman, Smith (Ontario), Stairs, Stevenson, Taylor, Temple, Tisdale, Tupper (Sir Chas.), Tupper (Sir C.H.), Turcotte, Vaillancourt, White (Shelburne), Wilmot, Wood.—Total 115

Sir Donald Smith and Mr. Rowand were paired. Messrs. Denison, Corby and Montague were absent. The Speaker did not vote, and three Conservative constituencies—Pontiac, Soulanges and Missisquoi—are vacant. This accounts for the total membership of the House.

When the motion for the second reading was put, Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Laurier wanted it carried on the same division, but several members called for a division, with the result that the figures stood: Yeas, 112; nays, 94; Government majority, 18.

Reduction in the Government's majority, as compared with the previous vote, was due to three Conservatives, Messrs. Hughes, Rose and McGillivray voting against the second reading of the bill. The result was received with loud and prolonged cheering. Just at 6 o'clock the members trooped out to their homes, after a memorable sitting of 39 hours.

WHAT ENGLAND'S POSITION IS.

The Soudan Expedition Will Be Only Reconnaisance in Force.

London, March 21.—The position of the British Government is, under official news from Paris, that France will either not oppose the first credit for £500,000 from the Egyptian funds for the expenses of the Soudan expedition, or will confine her opposition to a formal protest against the use of the money for this purpose. Russia will remain strictly neutral, and will give no support to France as against the expedition. Russia is even credited with viewing the British projects with some measure of good-will, as being likely to divert the whole energies in that direction, for Russian interests are not likely to be greatly concerned. The French Minister of Foreign Affairs clearly recognizes, though the French people do not know, that France is powerless to make an effective opposition. Russia has no vote in the Commission of the Egyptian Public Debt, while Great Britain holds two, France two, and Austria and Italy and Germany one each. A difference of opinion exists as to whether the statutes relating to the commission require a unanimous or a majority vote. In several instances decisions have been based on a majority vote, notably the grant of £250,000 for the abolition of the corvee, at which only France protested against the grant. At any rate, M. Berthelot, feeling himself powerless to prevent the expedition, has beaten a retreat.

The War Office officials here declare that the expedition will be only a reconnaissance in force, and will not admit that the present phase is anything beyond an initial step in an autumn campaign. The Army Intelligence Office publishes the most vague information regarding the strength of the Madhists. Military experts distrust the estimates made by Slatin Pasha, though, as a matter of fact, his long captivity among the Madhists should, on the face of this, have made him an authority on the subject. The experts consider that a report made by the Russian traveler, Elisefef, who was recently elected a member of the Russian Geographical Society, is more reliable than that of Slatin Pasha. He says that the Khalifa's force numbers 40,000 men, including 10,000 cavalry and camelry. They possess 100,000 rifles, of which 20,000 are Remingtons, really fit for service. The artillery is poor. There are 20 guns at Dongola and five Krupp and ten siege guns at Omdurman.

Cyclist Banker's Death.

New York, March 21.—George A. Banker, the American cyclist, who was taken down with typhoid fever while sojourning in this city, died this afternoon. The direct cause of death was heart failure.

Manager Hays in a Smash.

Burlington, Vt., March 22.—At 8.45 o'clock this morning the New York-Montreal express struck a snow drift in Shelburne, and the engine and six cars were derailed. The private car of President Smith of the Central Vermont road and General Manager Hays of the Grand Trunk were attached to the train, but did not leave the tracks. No one was injured. A wrecking train opened the track after several hours' delay.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

A Wagon Containing Three Persons Struck by a C.P.R. Train at Chatham.

Chatham, March 21.—Mr. and Mrs. William Dick and their son, Archie Dick, of the 6th concession of Harwich, narrowly escaped a fearful death beneath the wheels of a C.P.R. passenger train at 1 o'clock this afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Dick drove to the city this morning to meet their son Archie, who was coming home from Manitoba. About 1 o'clock they started for their home with a team and democrat wagon, Mr. and Mrs. Dick occupying the seat and the son sitting on his trunk in the back of the wagon. As they neared the King-street crossing of the C.P.R., their attention was directed towards a freight train engine that was shunting in the station yard. The crossing gates were up, and as the freight engine was not moving towards them they suspected no danger. Just as the horses were on the track a shout warned them that a train was coming from another direction. Mr. Dick had not time to whip up his horses before the passenger train from the east crashed into the wagon. Archie Dick had seen the danger in time to throw himself out of the rear end of the wagon and clear of the track. It was fortunate for him that he did so, as the engine sent its iron nose through the wagon just where he had been sitting. The wagon was completely overturned and smashed to splinters. Mr. and Mrs. Dick were thrown clean off the rails by a narrow margin, and were entangled in the wreck of the wagon. Eye-witnesses of the accident rushed to the spot and lifted the wagon from Mr. and Mrs. Dick. Mrs. Dick was severely injured, and she was carried to the station waiting room, and from there to Dr. Rutherford's surgery. It was found that she had sustained some ugly gashes about the face and a broken rib. Mr. Dick escaped without a scratch. A dozen of the parties who saw the accident say that no signal of danger was given Mr. Dick.

TO MUZZLE THE BRITISH PRESS.

A Bill Passes the House of Lords Giving Extra Powers to Judges.

New York, March 22.—Special London cables say: England's boasted freedom of the press received a severe blow in the House of Lords yesterday when a bill giving power to judges to forbid the publication of such evidence as is considered indecent passed the second reading by a vote of 48 to 21, in a House having a membership of more than 500. This dangerous bill was fitly characterized by Lord Chief Justice Russell, who spoke against it. Any person, he said, publishing matter which, in the opinion of a jury, was indecent, was now subject to the criminal law, and there was no reason why that law should not be enforced against any offending newspaper. The bill, however, introduced a new and dangerous principle and attempted to introduce a censorship of the press. The judge was to pick out from the evidence openly given the part that was not to be published and any man who published it was to be punished without the safeguard of a jury and also practically without any appeal, the punishment for contempt of court being a fine or imprisonment at the individual discretion of the judge. The bill, moreover, would, he believed, be ineffectual and unworkable, while it would not apply at all in regard to indecent evidence given before magistrates and at the Quarter Sessions.

TOWARDS RECONCILIATION.

General Booth Orders Col. Eadie to Return to London.

New York, March 22.—The first step in a plan to effect a reconciliation between the Ballington Booths and the leaders of the Salvation Army has been taken by Gen. William Booth, who has ordered Col. Eadie to return to London. Col. Eadie is blamed for the troubles in the Army, because it is said it was his machinations against Commander Ballington Booth that stirred up opposition to his son in the general's mind. That an attempt will be made by Commander and Mrs. Booth-Tucker upon their arrival here to induce Commander and Mrs. Booth to abandon their new organization and return to the Salvation Army is quite certain.

ANOTHER BRAWL AT KILIS.

Mussulmans and Armenians Fight, and Eight of the Latter are Killed.

Washington, March 22.—The Turkish Legation received the following telegram to-day: "The day before yesterday an Armenian having wounded with a pistol shot a Mussulman at Kilis, a brawl took place between Mussulmans and Armenians. Of the latter eight were killed and ten wounded. Four Mussulmans were also wounded. The authors of this incident were immediately arrested and sent to prison for trial. All goods that were stolen from a few shops were since discovered and restored to their owners."

To Hang Under His Own Law.

Fort Scott, Kan., March 22.—Ira M. Terrell, a member of the Oklahoma Legislature, author of the capital punishment law, and himself the first man sentenced to hang under the law, was identified here last evening. He broke jail at Guthrie while under sentence six months ago. He went back to the territory after his wife and children. He was going east with them when identified by an old acquaintance. Officers of different Oklahoma counties are disputing who shall have custody of him.

Three Children Burned.

Danville, Que., March 22.—About midnight Saturday the double tenement house, property of H. W. Wilson, Water-street, and occupied by James Brady and T. R. Sallin, was completely destroyed by fire, only part of the family having time to escape from the burning building with their lives. Two daughters of James Brady, Maud aged about 10 years, and Mirtie, aged about 13 years, and one son of T. R. Saffin, Freddie, aged about 10 years, perished in the flames. The wife of T. R. Saffin, being unconscious, was badly burned.

The prisoners who have escaped from the Abyssinian camp declare that the prisoners there are ill-treated and badly fed, and that numbers of them have been garrotted.

The attached men of the Royal School of Infantry at St. John's, Que., who refused to do fatigue duty, were found guilty of mutiny by the court-martial.

Mr. Fitzmaurice, the British Vice-Consul of Turkey, has returned to Constantinople from Urfa, and reports that eight thousand persons were massacred during the recent disturbances there.

It is felt in British military circles that Great Britain is not going to have a walk-over in Egypt. The Khalifa has at his disposal about three hundred thousand men, of whom forty thousand are Baggaras, all trained and disciplined.

The North Staffordshire regiment, numbering 900 officers and men, started from Cairo for Girgeh, where they will embark on steamers for the journey up the Nile for Wady Halfa. A Sikh regiment from India that is ultimately to take part in the operations arrived at Mombassa, East Africa, on March 15.

A Washington despatch says it is learned from an official source that it is the intention of the Navy Department to have the fifteen additional torpedo boats recommended by the Naval Committee so constructed that they may be towed through the Erie Canal for use on the great lakes in case of an

NEWS TOPICS OF A WEEK

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WANTS.

Wiarton wants to be made a port of entry.

Golden, B.C., is clamoring to be made a port of entry.

TRADE AND COMMERCE.

The Atwood, Ont., Flax Co. have sold their flax for seven cents per pound to the Barber Spinning Co. of Paterson, N.J.

SUICIDES.

James Rae, of Caledonia, Ont., took a dose of poison and died in a short time. He was despondent on account of the death of his wife, which took place a year ago.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

The Foresters of Streetsville have opened a new lodge room.

J. W. Bell, ex-M.P., of Desmond, was elected Grand Master of the Grand Orange Lodge of Eastern Ontario.

BANKING AND FINANCE.

The private banking firm of George Doble & Co., Glencoe, has suspended.

Mr. F. J. Lewis, who has for over 21 years been manager of the Bank of Montreal at Peterboro, was presented with addresses and handsome gifts on removing to Montreal.

POLITICS—UNITED STATES.

The resolutions censuring United States Ambassador Bayard, for his Boston and Edinburgh speeches passed the House at Washington.

The Venezuelan Commission in Washington is in receipt of communications from the Governments of Spain, Holland and Belgium, offering the commission access to the archives of these countries for data touching the disputed boundary.

FIRES—RECORD.

A woman and three children were burned to death at Danville, Quebec.

During a fire at Port Perry a wall fell on Mr. John Mosure and killed him.

The Chandler block at Newcastle was destroyed by fire. The loss is $25,000.

Alex Davidson's mill at Colpoy's has been burned, just after $800 worth of machinery. Insurance $1000.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

Stratford is to have an electric system of fire alarm.

The taxes of Howard Township amount to $18,872, and are all paid but $226.

Stratford has taken the first step towards purchasing the city water works from the company owning them.

The Chicago Council has passed an ordinance giving the right of way on the streets to physicians who display a small badge, which can be obtained for fifty cents.

THE BOOTHS.

Mr. and Mrs. Booth-Tucker left London on Saturday for New York, to take charge of the Salvation Army in the United States.

General Booth, in an interview in London on Saturday, said that he felt confident that Ballington Booth will return to the Salvation Army.

Commander Ballington Booth has devised a new uniform for the revolted portion of the Salvation Army. The women will wear sky-blue material, with bonnets trimmed to match.

POLITICS OF THE PROVINCES.

The bill for the supervision of bakeshops received almost unanimous support in the Ontario Legislature on its second reading.

The bill changing the constitution of County Councils was read a second time in the Legislature. There was strong opposition to the measure.

The Manitoba Legislature adjourned until April 16, on motion of Premier Greenway, who stated that meanwhile a conference on the school question would be held in Winnipeg at the request of the Dominion Government.

POLITICS—FOREIGN.

The German naval estimates were passed by the Reichstag.

Th pacification of Cuba is now looked upon in political circles of Madrid as impossible.

The committee of the German Reichstag passed the first reading of the Sugar bill, and fixed the import duty at forty marks per hundred klios.

M. Berthelot, French Minister of Foreign Affairs, expressed the opposition of his Government to the Soudan expedition of Great Britain in the Chamber of Deputies.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

The firm of Haines, Laedecking & Co., manufacturers' agents, Montreal, have assigned with liabilities of about $35,000.

The assignee of a Brantford insolvent estate realized $634.47 with which to pay debts amounting to $31,873.84. Two cents on the dollar was the first and final dividend.

Wilkie Collins, dry goods, Toronto, has been closed up under a chattel mortgage held by John Macdonald & Co. for $14,000. In 1894 Mr. Collins' statement showed stock valued at between $25,000 and $30,000, and real estate valued at $24,000, mortgaged for $12,000. His trade liabilities will not amount to $12,000.

POLITICS—DOMINION.

At a convention of the Liberal-Conservatives of Lincoln and Niagara, held at St. Catharles, Mr. J. C. Rykert, ex-M.P., was nominated. He asked for a couple of weeks to consider the matter.

The Dominion Government will not assume the responsibility of asking Parliament to sit beyond April 25, and an official announcement of the decision of the Administration was made Monday.

The deputation from the Dominion Government to confer with the Manitoba Government on the school question consists of Sir Donald Smith, Mr. Dickey, Minister of Justice, and Mr. Desjardines, Minister of Militia. They left for Winnipeg by Monday's train.

IN LEGAL CIRCLES.

The Credit Lyonnais of Paris has entered an action in the Superior Court against La Banque du Peuple for $5000.

Judgment in the Canadian prohibition case will not be rendered by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council until after Easter.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council granted special leave to appeal against the judgment of the Supreme Court of the Dominion of Canada in the case of the Dominion v. Ontario and Quebec v. Ontario, respecting annuities to the Ojibeway Indians.

At Orangeville yesterday Mr. Justice Ferguson gave judgment in favor of Mrs. Gertrude Kid of Toronto in her suit against the executors of her late husband, the late John Kid of Mono

Crushed to Death at a Fire.

Port Perry, March 22.—On Saturday evening at 11.25 fire destroyed the building occupied by James Wallace, tailor, and Newton Bros., publishers, together with the contents. John Mosure, a young man, who resides with his parents here, was assisting the firemen, when one of the walls fell, and he was crushed to death. He was about 26 years of age, and was employed at Paxton & Tait's foundry.

CASUALTIES.

A boiler in the mill of H. B. Palmerton, near Elmwood, exploded, killing a young man named Lewis Cole.

The boiler in Mr. Wm. Curtis' saw mill, Waterdown, exploded, and Thos. Smiley, a teamster, was injured beyond recovery.

Mr. Balfour appeared in the Imperial House of Commons Friday with his arm in a sling. He fell from his bicycle and sprained his wrist.

Wm. McKee of the Rathbun Company's Car Works at Deseronto, while assisting in handling a large stick of timber, had his hip fractured.

Jasper Johnson of Fingal jumped from a straw stack and struck on a pitchfork, one of the tines of which went through the centre of his foot.

Christopher James, a farmer on the town line between Aldborough and Orford, Ont., was killed by a stack of straw falling upon him. He was 50 years of age.

The news has been received in Winnipeg of a terrible explosion at the gold mines of Rossland, in British Columbia, as a result of which four men were killed and two more were seriously injured.

THE CLERGY.

Rev. P. Jamieson is moderator of the Peterboro presbytery for the next six months.

The Synod of Huron has decided that Bismarck and Rodney shall form a separate parish.

Right Rev. Charles Hamilton, Lord Bishop of Niagara, was elected Bishop of the new Anglican Diocese of Ottawa on the third ballot. He accepted.

Peterboro Presbytery has sustained the call from Wentworth-street Church, Hamilton, to Rev. A. McWilliams of Peterboro, and the induction at Hamilton, has been set for April 16.

Bishop Campbell, lately in charge of the A.M.E. Church in Ontario, and later of the African Evangelist Mission Church, has been arrested at Cleveland, charged with the embezzlement of $500.

Rev. Frank W. Warne of Bengal, India, has cabled to his wife in Oakville, Ont., that he has been elected by the Bengal conference as representative to the next general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, which will meet in Cleveland May 1. Mr. Warne is expected in Oakville the latter part of April.

POLITICS—IMPERIAL.

A bill was read a second time in the Imperial Parliament to compel the marking of all imported meat, cheese and butter.

The Unionist members of the Glasgow University have chosen Mr. Joseph Chamberlain as their candidate for the office of Lord Rector of the University.

Mr. Labouchere, Sir Charles Dilke and Mr. Joseph Stanhope, the Radical leaders, refuse to attend the approaching conference of the National Liberal Federation.

A bill has been read a second time in the House of Lords empowering judges to order evidence which they think would be prejudicial to public morals not to be published.

Mr. John Morley in the Imperial House of Commons, moved a want of confidence resolution in the Government in its Egyptian policy. The resolution was lost on a division of 288 to 145.

The Marquis of Salisbury, on behalf of the subscribers, presented to Mr. Middleton a cheque for £10,000 as a testimonial of appreciation for his services as chief organizer of the Conservative party.

THE AGRICULTURAL WORLD.

Lord Aberdeen will open the Industrial and Brantford fairs.

The first spring lamb has been marketed in Guelph. It weighs 30 pounds.

The patrons of the Rosemont cheese factory had $5000 to divide amongst them in last year.

Charles Shaw of Kent Bridge, Ont., owns a sow which has just produced a litter of 26 pigs.

The Blytheswood cheese factory in Essex County made 66,330 lbs of cheese last season, for which $4796.22 was received.

W. R. Thorburn, a London dairyman, has been summoned on a charge of leaving some young cattle to starve to death in an open field.

John Craig, head of the Dominion horticultural experimental work, is authority for the statement that the outlook for next season's crop of peaches is very unpromising.

At a meeting of the Frontenac Cheese Board in Kingston, Mr. Derbyshire of Brockville, in answer to a question, recommended that butter be made in preference to cheese during April. Then use the skim milk to raise pork.

The Brownsville Cheese Co., in Oxford County, with four factories, turned out last year 1,004,517 lbs of cheese, which sold at an average price of 7 8-10 cents per lb. Total cash received $78,355.82.

H. E. Burgess of Woodstock has been showing the newspaper men there two kinds of apples—Greenings and Tallman Sweets—which grew on the same tree. The tree had for 20 years produced only greenings, but last year half the apples were of the other variety.

UNCLASSIFIED.

The Canadian Club banquet was held at Hamilton.

A man in Parkhill has allowed his horse to starve to death.

Artificial ice rinks continue to be the rage in the best circles of London society.

The plague continues in Hong-Kong, in spite of the sweeping sanitary measures adopted by the Government.

The managers of the London Protestant Orphans' Home have, during the past 20 years, adopted 276 children and found homes for 343.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bow, of Winchester, have celebrated their golden wedding. Their children gave them a gold-mounted clock.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Unions of Oxford and Elgin Counties in joint session at St. Thomas voted unanimously to have the franchise extended to women.

The Toronto Exhibition Association waited on the Government to ask that the Exhibition of 1897 be made a Dominion Exhibition. Sir Charles Tupper expressed sympathy for the plan.

A call has been issued in Washington for a national conference to be held in that city on the 22nd and 23rd of April, for the establishment, between Great Britain and the United States, of a permanent system of arbitration.

An Anti-Dress League has been formed in London, in which Lady Algernon Lennox is a prime mover. The league allows only two dresses for each season, one for day wear and one for evening, but there is no limit to the wearing of fur, jewellry and bicycle costumes.

All over the province the big snowstorm blocked travel on railways and country roads, and the reports of trains snowbound came from almost every branch line in Ontario. Business was at a standstill in many of the smaller towns and villages until Saturday, when the blockade was raised.

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