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Premier Borden has been the recipient of many congratulations because of the New Year's honor conferred upon him. He has been made an Imperial Privy Councillor and is now one of half a dozen Canadians entitled to be called "the Right Honorable." No authoritative explanation has been given as to why the premier was not given a knighthood. It has not been announced that he declined it and a fair inference probably is that Mr. Borden intimated that he would rather wait till he had made some contribution to Imperial policy. Otherwise the principle of automatically honoring every political leader who carries an election would have been established. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was not given a knighthood until after the government had evolved the Imperial preference and he became a "Right Honorable" later. It is worth while noting perhaps that for the first time since confederation both the premier and the leader of the Opposition in the Canadian Parliament will possess a title which satisfied the late Mr. Gladstone and the present British premier, Mr. Asquith. The big interests were recognized in the knighthoods given to Rodolphe Forget, the Montreal stock market wizard, and Mr. Edmund Osler, the Toronto financial magnate. One critic in commenting on the tendency to confer honors on financial men rather than those who have won distinction in other walks of life, consoles himself with the thought that, at any rate, they can afford it.

The interesting announcement is made in the government press today that the bill dealing with the new tariff commission is being drafted by Hon. Geo. E. Foster, minister of trade and commerce, no doubt with the assistance and consent of Hon. W. T. White, minister of finance, and Hon. J. D. Reid, minister of customs. The commission it is stated will have no

executive functions. Its chief business will be to report to the government findings of facts and evidence, and the government will continue, as at the present time, to control all tariff changes. This is about what was expected. The report that Hon. Geo. E. Foster will retire from the government to become the chairman of the commission can be dismissed as entirely improbable. Mr. Foster is too fond of displaying his administrative capacity and political life to consent to become a mere machine to record facts and figures for any government. Besides, owing to his experience, he is needed in the House by the prime minister. Mr. Borden will doubtless, for some time at any rate, lean more heavily for support on the ex-minister of finance than on any of his less experienced colleagues who have yet to get their full stride in federal public affairs.

CONSERVATIVES WIN IN P. E. I.

The Conservatives swept Prince Edward Island in the provincial elections held on Jan. 3, only two Liberals being elected, with a third seat doubtful in a house of 29 members.

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