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FISCAL REFORM IS THE DOMINANT ISSUE

Now Overshadows Even the Constitutional Aspect of the British Campaign—Budget and Land Tax Momentarily Forgotten.

BOTH PARTIES PAY ATTENTION TO "COLONIAL" CONNECTIONS

The following special cable to The World is the beginning of a critical and impartial review of the election situation from a prominent London journalist, who is exceptionally well informed. His statements can be accepted as furnishing an authoritative estimate of the strength of the conflicting forces in the Budget campaign.

LONDON, Eng., Jan. 7.—Polling in the general election begins on Saturday week, and present indications point to a majority for the Liberals, but the Irish may hold the balance of power. Considering the long warning given of the contest, much unpreparedness exists.

Agitation for fiscal reform overshadows the constitutional question of the peers' interference with finance. The budget and land taxes are momentarily forgotten. Free traders are working the bogey of "bread and horse sausages," but the working classes look more at the employment problem. Meantime the masses appear favorable to the party that gave them old-age pensions and labor exchanges.

Candidates with colonial connections are receiving attention from headquarters of both sides. Winston Churchill has written Hamar Greenwood, Liberal candidate at York, urging imperial solidarity, and says: "You, as a Canadian, will know and will like through Canada, have a special responsibility at this juncture."

Joseph Chamberlain recommends John Henniker Heaton to Canterbury, because of the desirability of colonial preference.

SOCIAL REFORM IN SECOND PLACE. Social reform is very generally subordinated to the paramount importance of imperial defence and commercial interdependence.

It is a kaleidoscopic contest, of which none can yet confidently predict the result, and popular excitement is growing. The City of London and certain universities have not yet been challenged by Liberal candidates. Liberals, Labor men, and Unionists will have triangular duels for about fifty seats.

Non-conformist objectors to the budget threaten extensive abstentions from voting. Lord Rosebery, whose intervention during the budget debates was so fateful, has again made a pronouncement condemning the budget as socialistic, opposing home rule and recommending reform of the second chamber.

Large numbers, especially of the propertied classes, who have hitherto supported Liberalism, are openly promising adhesion to Unionism. Churchmen also are receiving categorical advice from bishops to prevent the nearer approach of disestablishment.

HOME RULE AFFECTS LIBERAL VOTE. Dread of home rule is losing many votes for Liberalism, and reports from the constituencies generally indicate that the Unionists are improving their position and making headway.

Colonial questions have received consideration from Lord Lansdowne, who has urged the importance of the earliest possible arrangement with Canada as to imperial preference. Lord Milner, dealing with similar points, has recommended the imposition of colonial grain duty to be levied on foreign imports, recognizing that to advocate entire exemption would be more popular.

Fatal Crush and Fire Scare

Events in Last Night's Rallies—Lord Lansdowne Says Peopled Demand Tariff Reform.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—The first serious disaster of the campaign, which entailed a death and injuries to many persons, occurred in the eastern section of London to-night. The Irish League had called a meeting in the town hall building in Cable-street, a great crowd being expected to attend. At the arrival of the procession of the members of the Irish League, escorted by the Liberal candidate, Mr. Benn, who was to address the meeting, the hall collapsed and a score of persons fell into the area, which was several feet deep. One man was killed and the fall and he was more or less seriously injured. The meeting was abandoned.

Balfour Not Opposed. Among the first to be re-elected to the House of Commons, Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, for the city of London, and Jos. Chamberlain for Birmingham West, neither of whom will be opposed.

According to present arrangements, the constituencies will be polled January 15, and the results in these will be sufficient to give a good idea of how the struggle is going.

As an indication of the small field as yet cultivated by the Labor party, only 50 Labor and Socialist candidates are now before the electors, while there are 67 counties in England, Wales and Scotland where the Liberal or Socialist candidate is standing.

There are many signs of disension in the Nationalist ranks, as a result of which the number of Irish contests threatens to be much more than usual. The official candidates are being opposed in many places by independents chosen by local conventions.

Don't Want to Quit Platform. Lord Lansdowne, at Salisbury, and Lord Curzon of Kedleston, at Brighton, both challenged to-night the validity of the rule which provides that members of the House of Lords may not take part in the campaign after the election votes are issued, which will be Monday.

John Burns, speaking at Battersea, said tariffs had caused nearly all wars that religions had not, and that a tax on timber might lead to war with the United States. He said he considered that the speech delivered by A. J. Balfour, leader of the opposition in the House of Commons, in which alarmist references were made concerning Germany, was about the most disgraceful thing that ever had happened in public life.

In an election address just issued, Mr. Burns declares his favor for an Irish parliament, provided the imperial supremacy is maintained inviolate. He outlines a program of desirable legislation, including a suffrage for both men and women, the payment of members of parliament and their election expenses, shorter terms of parliament, the extension of the old age pensions, etc.

Gordon's Prophecy. The Earl of Halsbury, who was last Chancellor in Mr. Balfour's cabinet, as an argument for the big navy has brought forth a letter written in 1852

RUSH IN EARNEST TO ONTARIO'S EL DORADO

Matheson the Entrance Way—Mail, Stage and Telephone Service Are Modern Conveniences.

MATHESON, Ont., Jan. 7.—(From our Man on the Trail).—Reilly and a party of 32 prospectors came up on last night's train from Haliburton, outfitted here and drove out to Porcupine this morning.

Ninety-three persons took breakfast at the Hotel Matheson this morning, and the rush to the gold country continues unabated.

The roads have been much improved by a recent snowfall, and a regular stage line was begun on Monday. Matheson is destined to be the distributing point for supplies, and the stores are fully equipped with all the necessities for camp life. All freight will, for the future, be billed to Matheson only. Station agents have received instructions not to bill freight to stations where there is no agent.

Large numbers of prospectors are going into Porcupine by mileage 222. The distance is a little shorter than from Matheson, but the time taken to travel it is about the same as the fare from mileage 222 to Porcupine is \$6 going, \$5 returning. A mail stage will run from Matheson at a uniform rate of \$3 each way. A telephone line will be put in in a few days with a central station at Revelton Bros.

Revelton Bros., established in 1723, with over 200 stores in Canada, and stores in Russia, Japan, China, France, Italy, England, Germany and the United States, sent out men to Porcupine yesterday to erect a large outpost similar to the outposts at Abitibi and Cochrane. They carry a \$20,000 stock in Matheson, and supply everything which the prospector needs.

They built the large store, now the postoffice store, before there was a street in the town, and this is now a business street. They are doing business there as they are doing. Yesterday the store was crowded all day.

This, and other stores in Matheson, carry the things best adapted to the country and as a general rule most of the outfitting is done from this place.

GREATEST IN AMERICA
 Chairman Englehart Thinks Porcupine Camp Will Prove to be—

"I thought I knew all the gold-fields, the Lake of the Woods, and the rest of the domain," said Chairman Englehart, of the T. & N. O. commission, yesterday, "but I saw some specimens from Porcupine last night that were simply amazing. If it is proved at depth, it will turn out to be the greatest gold camp in America."

Mr. Englehart still favored the Matheson route to the new gold fields for winter travel, on account of its superior comfort in the matter of accommodation at the starting point. "There are hotels, stores and everything a man could want at Matheson," he remarked. "For summer travel, however, he thought that mile-post 222, or, better still, mile-post 226, presented distinctive advantages on account of being nearer to the water routes. From the latter is only a short distance to a couple of miles of streams which flow into the Frederick House River, offering a splendid continuous canoe route by that river, Frederick House and Night Hawk Lakes and Porcupine River to the heart of the district."

Regarding the possibility of a branch of the railroad into Porcupine Lake, Mr. Englehart observed that the T. & N. O. commission had their engineers and surveyors examining all the possibilities.

HEADQUARTERS IN TORONTO
 Dominion Fish Co. Changes From Winnipeg—New Companies

OTTAWA, Jan. 7.—(Special).—Notice is given in the Canada Gazette that the headquarters of the Dominion Fish Company has been changed from Winnipeg to Toronto.

The following new companies have been incorporated: Financial Securities Company of Canada, Ltd., capital \$100,000, headquarters, Toronto; Lakeside Copper Company, Ltd., capital \$250,000, headquarters, Toronto; Redington Rock Drill Company, capital \$100,000, headquarters, St. Catharines.

FOUND DEAD IN BED
 Aged Recluse of Scollard Street Answers Last Call.

Dead upon his bed in the room which he had occupied for over thirty years, the body of David Herring, a naturalist, aged 89, was found this morning by the janitor of the Scollard-street, when the two women search of him last night at the request of his brother-in-law, T. H. Herring, a naturalist in the department of agriculture, and the body was sent to relatives near Toronto, where she was on her way to visit.

WRECK VICTIM DEAD
 Manitoba Woman Was Fatally Hurt on Way to Toronto.

NORTH BAY, Jan. 7.—(Special).—Mrs. Hugh McMahon of Newstead, Man., injured in C.P.R. wreck near Milsanville on Dec. 24, and a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital since that time, died yesterday, and the body was sent to relatives near Toronto, where she was on her way to visit.



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LATH M 3,600 FT. IN AIR HIGHEST POINT IN FLYING

French Aviator Becomes Mere Speck in Sky—Beats Other Records By 2,000 Feet

MOURMELON, France, Jan. 7.—All records for height attained in a heavier-than-air machine were eclipsed to-day by Hubert Latham, the French aviator. The height reached was between 3400 and 3600 feet, which is nearly 2000 feet better than the record previously held by Latham officially, and considerably greater than the marks made unofficially, by Orville Wright and Louis Paulhan.

Excellent weather and a favorable wind favored Latham's attempt. His machine rose gracefully, and on each turn of the course mounted higher and higher, until it became a mere speck in the sky.

In all, the aviator flew about 40 miles. When he descended he was enthusiastically greeted by the spectators.

The official record for altitude attained in an aeroplane is held by Hubert Latham, although owing to the difficulty in measuring flights, there is a discrepancy as to the exact height reached by him. Latham is variously accredited with an elevation of 500 metres (about 1600 feet) and 550 metres (about 1800 feet).

Orville Wright in an unofficial flight at Potsdam, Germany, on Oct. 2, 1909, reached an unprecedented height, which was estimated at 1600 feet.

In the following month Louis Paulhan, in a Farman biplane, attained a height which he believed to be 600 metres, or nearly 2000 feet, but the flight was not officially recorded.

TO PREVENT MANIPULATION
 Governors of New York Consolidated Stock Exchange Take Action.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—To prevent any attempt at "matching orders or manipulating a market," the governors of the Consolidated Stock Exchange amended the bylaws of the exchange to-day by adding to a section, the words: "But all bids or offers, in lots exceeding 100 shares, must be filled by accepting any part of such bid or offer in hundred-share lots."

The change is in line with the recommendations made by the Wall-street investigating committee, appointed by Governor Hughes.

Want to Work on Sunday.
 In view of the fact that they observe Saturday as their Sabbath, in accordance with the ancient laws of their church, Toronto Hebrews cannot understand why they should be compelled to observe Sunday as well. They propose to appeal to the new city council for reasonable exemption from Sunday observance. They allege that they are suffering the loss of much time and money by idling on the Gentiles' Sabbath.

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LEMIEUX NOMINATED THO HE'S NOT WANTED

Despite Opposition of Premier and Government Organ Ottawa Liberals Decide He's the Man.

OTTAWA, Jan. 7.—(Special).—The Liberal convention to-night nominated Auguste Lemieux, K.C., a younger brother of the postmaster-general, to contest the by-election caused by the retirement of Sir Wilfrid Laurier from the Ottawa seat.

He secured the nomination in spite of the direct opposition of the premier and the local Liberal organ, which this afternoon came out uncompromisingly against him. Mr. Lemieux cannot therefore expect any support from the government or the official Liberal organ, yet he is nominated by the local party officially.

The voting was: First ballot—Dr. Forester (Laurier nominee), 138; A. Lemieux, 137; Dr. Chevrier, 64; ex-Mayor Parent, 6. Second ballot—Lemieux, 180; Forest, 162.

The Ottawa Free Press article published as an editorial on the first page was headed: "Not Mr. Lemieux," and said: "An attempt is being made in the Conservative newspapers of Ottawa to make it appear that the candidature of Mr. August Lemieux for election by-election in Ottawa has the endorsement of Sir Wilfrid Laurier."

The Free Press suspects that these Conservative newspapers are relying on information supplied by Mr. Lemieux himself.

"The facts, as we understand them, are that when members of the Ottawa Liberal executive waited upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier as the retiring member and an elector of the city, to ask his advice in connection with the selection of his successor, the prime minister made it very clear that he would prefer that Mr. Lemieux should not be chosen."

"In the last four years the Free Press has been very careful not to attempt to influence any convention called to nominate a candidate. On this occasion, however, there seem to be reasons why we should speak out. For causes that are pretty well known, and to specify, it is not necessary at the moment to do so. The Free Press would be very sorry to see August Lemieux nominated by the Liberals. We agree with Sir Wilfrid that the French-Canadian Liberals of Ottawa could select a man much better suited for the honorable position of member."

Copies of The Free Press were distributed at the convention.

G.T.R. APPOINTMENTS

President Hayes Issues a Bulletin After His Own Promotion.

MONTREAL, Jan. 7.—(Special).—At a meeting of the Grand Trunk directors in London to-day the appointment of C. M. Hayes as president of the system was confirmed.

A circular issued by Mr. Hayes from the Grand Trunk offices this afternoon announces the appointment of E. H. Fitzpatrick as first vice-president, Wm. Wainwright as second vice-president, and M. M. Reynolds as third vice-president. R. S. Logan is appointed to be assistant to the president.

FORESTER PINCHOT FIRED BY PRESIDENT'S ORDERS

Gets What He Courted When He Assailed Administration Policy On Public Lands.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Clifford Pinchot was to-night removed from his office as chief forester by President Taft.

In doing this the president gave out a copy of a letter he has written to Mr. Pinchot, in which he says, in conclusion: "By your conduct you have destroyed your usefulness as a helpful subordinate of the government, and it therefore now becomes my duty to direct the secretary of agriculture to remove you from your office."

Secretary Wilson was swift in carrying out the decision of the president. He addressed to Clifford Pinchot, forester; Overton W. Price, associated forester, and Albert C. Shaw, assistant law officer of the forestry bureau, letters substantially identical.

It developed at the cabinet meeting that Pinchot wrote the famous letter of yesterday to Senator Dooliver, of his own volition and against the direct advice of the secretary of agriculture. It also appeared that Pinchot induced Senator Dooliver to have the letter read at the same time the president's message, exonerating Secretary Ballinger thru a report of the attorney-general, should be presented.

Mr. Taft undoubtedly realizes fully what the dismissal of Forester Pinchot means in a political way. He has been convinced for some time that the so-called "insurgents" and other critics of his administration had enlisted the services of Mr. Pinchot and practically were defying him to separate Pinchot from his office.

The latter's letter of yesterday, few here doubt, was written with the direct purpose of putting it squarely up to the president.

Political observers in Washington declare that the situation created by to-day's developments is the most tense of many years. What the outcome will be no one is willing to prophesy.

COASTING DANGEROUS

Young Woman and Boy Suffer Broken Legs.

Margaret Totton, of Oakville, while coasting down a hill near the Isolation Hospital at 10 o'clock last night, struck an obstacle and the sled overturned, she fractured her right leg. Miss Totton is 22 years old, and was staying at 237 Carlton-street.

George Veomans, aged 16, of 141 First-avenue, while riding down the same hill, fell and fractured his right leg. He was taken to the General Hospital.

CANADIAN CENSUS 7,350,000.

OTTAWA, Jan. 7.—The Canadian Bureau of Census estimates the population of Canada at the close of the year 1909 at 7,350,000. The Province of Ontario leads, with 2,619,025.

INCREASE IN OCEAN RATES.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 7.—The Atlantic steamship companies to-day agreed to an advance in west-bound passenger rates of at least 5 per cent.

LAURIER IS PROUD OF CANADA'S GLORIES

Premier Is Honored by the National Club—W. K. McNaught Unveils Sir Wilfrid's Portrait.

Nationality was the glorious and inspiring note that prevailed through the proceedings at the splendid banquet in the National Club last night, when Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, K.C.M.G., P.C., was the honored guest. It was as a party leader that he was feasted on Tuesday, but last night it was the prime minister of Canada who received the enthusiastic and at times tumultuous and overwhelming plaudits of an audience representing every phase of Toronto public life.

The National Club was founded for the cultivation of national and patriotic spirit and the feeling showed how magnificently the seed had come to harvest. In addition to his reception as guest, the special honor was done Sir Wilfrid of unveiling his portrait which hangs not far from that of his old-time political opponent and friend, Sir John A. Macdonald. The unveiling was done by W. K. McNaught, M.L.A., a past president of the club and a prominent Conservative, after a happy speech of discriminating laudation.

Sir Wilfrid was charmingly eloquent about matters on which there was no disagreement, and his special tribute to the oratorical abilities of the late B. B. Oser and Hon. Edward Blake, whose forensic eloquence he declared, had it belonged to sons of Quebec would be treasured in every library in Lower Canada.

A Great Gathering. George T. Irving presided and on his right sat Sir Wilfrid, W. K. McNaught, M.L.A., sat beside the prime minister, G. William Stone, who said grace, was on the chairman's left hand, and Sir William Mulock sat next. Others at the guest table were Justice Mabee, Col. Denison, Hon. Bob Jeffrey, M. J. Haney, W. P. Gundy, Noel Marshall, D. B. Hanna, A. W. Austin, A. L. Watt, P. C. Larkin, J. S. McMaster, W. J. Gaze, E. W. Cox, E. J. Ledwith, Ottawa, W. E. Rundle, J. W. L. Forster, M. Morris, C. G. Marlett, A. E. Ames, W. T. White, Hon. E. J. Davis, Lt.-Col. Fawcett. There were eight 800 covers.

Many previous beautiful schemes of decoration were entirely surpassed in the floral dressing of the banquet hall last night. Garlands of evergreens were lavishly hung about the walls and festooned under groups of terms. American beauty roses in clusters, and bouquets of pink roses with table decorations of carnations sweetened the air.

The menu was unusually handsome, and contained a fine portrait of Sir Wilfrid. Poetic quotations interspersed the list of vands and at the close the ambiguous suggestion of a toast, and a banquet's reckoning when the banquet's over.

The dreadful reckoning, and men smile no more.

Arthur Blight contributed several songs, including "O Canada," which was encored. Paul Hahn also gave two "cello solos."

Chapman's Little Joke. In proposing the toast of the evening, President Irving said the club represented no party or political interest, tho they were gathered there to honor one who had given his life to politics. They had a two fold reason for honoring him, as the premier of the country, and as a great Canadian.

Frontenac had representatives of the great race of his forefathers, and they realized the spot from which their guest had sprung. A pause followed the speaker's reference to Sir Wilfrid's wise leadership and his personal character, free from self-seeking or desire for personal gain. His courtesy, his tact and common sense were commended.

One of the bright things of the chairman raised loud appreciation.

"Our guest is a many-sided man, witness his power to sit in two seats at the same time," Sir Wilfrid laughed as heartily as anybody.

Mr. Irving referred to Sir Wilfrid's not about Canada and the 20th century, and hoped that as Canada grew in strength and population, quality would not be lost sight of. Short cuts that lowered the standard were to be avoided.

Sir Wilfrid's Pleasure. Sir Wilfrid was greeted with tremendous applause, and the chorus of "The Maple Leaf."

The portraits which adorned the walls where they were assembled were evidence of the catholicity of the spirit which characterized their membership as their hospitality. In grateful sentences he acknowledged the honor of which they made him the recipient, and his inability to convey by words his appreciation. Had it been their own organization of his own party his health could not have been proposed in more gracious terms.

In such an organization of all shades of opinion, they learned to forget the things on which they differed, and to remember the things on which they were united. The one thing above all was the welfare of their country, their

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LATE WINTER HATS FOR MEN.

To-day will be an excellent time for you to purchase your stiff felt hat for daily wear or a silk for dress occasions. Also if you think a fur cap will be comfortable why Dinesen has a specially large selection of them at all prices and in all furs. The store will be open to-night until 10 o'clock for the convenience of late shoppers.