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THE CHARGES AGAINST WHITNEY AND HANNA

No one who knows Premier Whitney and Hon. Hanna will believe for one moment the charges of illegal, corrupt and improper practices hurled against them by Proudfoot of Centre Huron. Their emphatic and indignant denials were hardly needed, and their prompt action in demanding an immediate investigation was just what might have been expected from their known probity. The days of Rossism, of an attempt to bribe a member and all the rest of the scandalous doings by the government of that period, passed absolutely away the moment Sir James took hold of the helm of affairs.

As for Proudfoot he has taken his political life in his hands for if his allegations fail he will have to get out of the House. On this point Bourinot (the recognized authority) says, that for any established cause, "The power of parliament to expel a member is undoubted."

CLOSURE

For the first time in the history of the Dominion House, a closure measure has been adopted. Gladstone found it necessary many years ago in the British House to adopt a closure enactment, and it has since been quite frequently invoked by both sides over there. Grit members had the grossest indignity to cry, "Shame" when Premier Borden voted "yea." It is really all the shame has been on the side of the House. As a minority, they have sought to gag and bully the majority in Parliament and to hold up public business to the great financial loss and inconvenience of the people. The threat is now repeated that the Grit majority in the Senate will be called upon to thwart the majority will of the Commons. If so the next move will be to put the members of that chamber on an elective basis. They will have to go to the polls in the same way as the M.P.s. Premier Borden is a cautious and a considerate man but he is also a very determined one when he knows that right is on his side.

THE DEATH OF SIR RICHARD SCOTT

The death in the eighty-eighth year of his age of Sir Richard Scott remains a unique figure from Canadian public life. He was first elected to the then Canadian Legislature in 1857, and had since been more continuously a member of one great legislative body or the other than any other man. He was not a brilliant man or great debater, but he possessed many solid and worthy qualities and throughout his life he was unblemished and useful. He had occupied portfolios both in the Ontario and Dominion Legislatures and displayed qualities of care and thoroughness as head of the departments entrusted to his charge. Of late years he had been a member of the Senate. Increased was the author of the Scott Act and the Separate School Act. He was knighted by King Edward in June of 1909.

WILSON'S HARD TASK

No President of the United States since the days of Lincoln has had such hard tasks to face as the present occupant of the White House. He and the Democratic party are pledged to a big cut in the tariff under which so many large institutions have grown up and flourished. Nearly any manufacturer over there who is frank about the matter will admit that in many lines Uncle Sam cannot compete with British goods, largely for the reason that wages and other things are very much higher across the border than in the Old Land. Already more than one firm has closed down or given notice to that effect. Here is one instance in Providence, Rhode Island, where the Grey-stone woolen mills have posted this notice on its doors: "The provisions of the new Wilson tariff bill make it absolutely impossible for us to successfully compete with imported goods. Therefore a stoppage of machinery will take place immediately." And on top of his tariff troubles, President Wilson has now a very nasty situation to deal with in connection with the defiant and aggressive attitude of California towards the Japanese. Secretary Bryan has been hurried there to try and patch up matters, and if he fails to succeed—well, Japan is not in any sense to be safely ignored by any other nation these days. They walloped not alone China, but Russia, and they most emphatically have the war goods, both on land and sea.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Whitney an alleged boodler, eh? Now what do you think of that? And now the powers have told Montenegro that she must egress. Proudfoot will lose the first section of his name if he fails to establish what he alleges. You can't beat these days, for the very simple reason that they don't make 'em in any other country. If you want to learn how to get in and dig, just take a look at Madison on the site of the new public building. And after all that talk at the expense to the country of many thousands of dollars, the closure went through as quietly as a zephyr breeze. It is the openly avowed and deliberate policy of the Courier to separate the people from as much money as it can, but then there is the blessed and the soothing compensation that we are giving more than enough value for the same.

Wedding Bells

MALLOTT-WALKER. No. 1 Park avenue, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Walker, yesterday afternoon was the scene of a very pretty wedding when Emma Frances, their third daughter, became the wife of Mr. John W. Mallott of Wallenstein, Ont. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Llewellyn Brown in the presence of twenty-five guests, among whom were the following: Mr. and Mrs. John McCurtis, Mrs. A. Workman, Mrs. W. Milled, Mrs. McHugh, Mr. and Mrs. Kersey, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. E. Jones, Miss Bertha Johnson, Mr. Jones, Miss Bertha Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mrs. McCurtis and Miss Glady Walker. The contracting parties walked through the marriage ceremony, which was performed before a bank of daisies and ferns. Miss Laura Price played the wedding march. After the marriage a dainty wedding breakfast was served, after which the happy couple left for their new home. Many beautiful and useful presents showed the high esteem in which the bride is held by a large circle of friends in this city. Special lot men's tan and black socks, 2 pair for 25c at Whitlocks. 6 pair men's odd pants Regular 25c going at \$1.75, Friday and Saturday at Whitlocks.

Charges Sir James With Corrupt Act

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drop innuendo and make his charges on the floor of the House. The action of the committee had left him no other course, reluctant as he was to take it. The Huron member then read his charges, set out in three typewritten sheets. The earlier portions of his declaration set out the facts as he understood them in connection with the Taylor-Scott contract and award, the request to make a campaign contribution, in reply to which Taylor paid over \$500, and the charges Taylor is said to have made in order to get a fiat, these including the charge that Mr. Hanna had accepted the \$500 mentioned, had manipulated the opening and granting of certain coal tenders, that there were grave irregularities in connection with the purchase of certain self-feeding stokers, and that the Minister had otherwise acted in an improper, corrupt and illegal manner. "All of these matters were laid before the Hon. Sir James Whitney, Prime Minister of the Province of Ontario, and within a few days afterwards the fiat was granted, but on the understanding that it was not to be used for three months," went on Mr. Proudfoot. "Absolute falsehood," rapped out the Prime Minister. Mr. Proudfoot went on to declare his belief that the Provincial Secretary had delayed the prosecution or adjustment of the Taylor-Scott claim by endeavoring to obtain from Taylor a letter or document withdrawing all these charges. In Nov., 1911, approaching the general elections, Taylor had insisted on his claims being paid, making use of the same arguments on which the fiat had been granted. On the strength of this he had succeeded through Sir James Whitney and Hon. Mr. Hanna in having the claim referred to Thorne, the arbitrator. "Absolute falsehood," repeated Sir James to this. "Asks for Commission." "I charge," said Mr. Proudfoot, "said Hon. W. J. Hanna and Sir James Whitney with illegally, corruptly, and improperly causing the

issue of the said fiat, and entering into the agreement to refer the claim to Thorne, and Laak for the appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate the conduct of the said parties in connection with the Taylor-Scott and Co. claim, and the statements and transactions detailed. In explaining why he asked for a Royal Commission, Mr. Proudfoot pointed out that the Prime Minister and the Provincial Secretary, were members of this committee, and Sir James, the chairman. This brought a prompt condemnation from Sir James. The Huron member insisted, however, that politics would play too much a part in the deliberations of a committee of the House, and that the decision of two judges of the Supreme Court would carry more weight with the people of the Province. When Sir James rose to reply the Conservative members cheered him for several minutes. Before he settled down to discuss the matter he took a quick thrust that, while not directed against anyone in particular struck home. "We often find in this world that one meets all sorts of people," he said. "Good people, abandoned wretches of the worst kind, lost to all sense of decency, fair-play, and self-respect. That is only a sorry lot of my own. Mr. Speaker," he added, "addressed to nobody but the hon. gentlemen who wish to listen." "We have," he continued, "the honorable gentleman's statement that he is credibly informed, and believes he can establish by satisfactory evidence—that he expects us to believe he believes—that he established that I acted corruptly with reference to the issuing of a fiat to this man. There isn't another man who knows me in the Province of Ontario, who would risk such a statement." "Sir James' Strong Words." "The hon. gentleman after considerable cogitation, after much fluttering of the doves, has finally taken the plunge in this matter, and we will follow it to the end. I made the" (Continued on Page 10)

Pittsburg Mine Horror

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and the number of dead would then be known. Two of the company's physicians accompanied the rescue parties during the night, and were relieved by an equal number this morning. They were ready to render such assistance as might be needed, if by chance some of the entombed miners might have survived the explosion and afterward. The bodies found were not far from the entrance, among them being that of a miner named McCollough, who had volunteered for rescue work and was the most careful miners in the district. He was among the first to enter the mine after the explosion, and, advancing farther than his associates, became lost. He is believed to have

been killed by a falling roof, as he was provided with a helmet and was in no danger from gas. Rescuers this morning reported that the bodies of 21 men had been seen, the majority of them having been killed by the explosion. Latest reports from the bodies of the dead are near the hundred mark, as it is known that 179 men went into the mine, and about 79 are known to have made their escape. Soon after 8 o'clock it developed that the first rescue crew to enter the mine to-day had come upon other dead men, and the bodies were being brought to the opening. The telephone system in the mine is being repaired, and reports from the most advanced parties will be received at the opening as soon as linemen complete the connections.

CLOSURE RULE ADOPTED NOW

Government Had 35 Majority to End Obstruction.

OTTAWA, April 24.—The closure was made a rule of the Canadian House of Commons shortly before the resolution of Right Hon. R. L. Borden embodying the principle was adopted on division. The majority in favor of the Government was thirty-five. The vote was— For the resolution 108 Against the resolution 73 No demonstration of any kind followed the announcement of the vote, and the House adjourned immediately. The true viewpoint from which to judge the vehement protests of Opposition members against the adoption of rules to prevent the abuse of liberty of speech in the House of Commons was provided in the speech of Mr. E. M. Macdonald, of Pictou, N.S. With Mr. Macdonald it seemed to be largely a question of whose ox was gored. Of course, throughout his speech he proclaimed loudly and dramatically that a free Parliament was being chained, fettered and gagged.

The Real Liberal Attitude

But, just before he concluded with the hope that the Senate would either throw out the Naval Aid Bill or decline to consider it without a months' notice, he revealed his real opinion. He did so in warning the Conservative members that if the Liberals were returned to power they would not repeat the hated closure, unless to enforce it rightly against the Opposition. The member for Pictou had been quite indignant at the first that a closure rule was to be adopted with his party out of office, but he brightened up considerably and talked withunction of the closure, in which the Conservative would squirm when he and his colleagues had a chance to use the new rule. Sir Edmund Oiler delivered a vigorous speech in support of the reso-

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE

Of Household Furniture. S. P. Pitcher and Son, Auctioneers have received instructions from Miss F. Pratt to sell by public auction at her residence, 289 Brock St., on Tuesday April 29th at 1.30 o'clock the following: Parlor—Upholstered leather chair, wicker rocker, leather oak rocker, 2 oak centre tables, table, jardiance and stand, parlor lamp, arch curtains. Diningroom—New oak leather couch, extension table, 6 chairs, oak buffet, rocker, writing desk, rocker, dog seat, coal heater, Home Sewing Machine (new), oil cloth, rug, lap spread. Kitchen—Gas heater, table, cherry table, sideboard, cupboard, clothes rack, chairs, clock, 18-1-2 yds. Home (new) dishes, tub, boiler, ironer, kitchen utensils, lawn mower, sealer. Bedroom No. 1—Iron bed, springs and mattress, toilet set, heater, mirror, table, chair. Bedroom No. 2—Bedroom suite, springs and mattress, walnut chest of drawers, toilet set, walling. Remember the sale, Tuesday April 29th, at 1.30 o'clock. Miss F. Pratt, S. P. Pitcher & Son, Proprietress, Auctioneers

BISHOP QUAYLE

Bishop Wm. A. Quayle, who comes to Wellington St. Methodist Church to lecture and preach Saturday and Sunday, April 26th and 27th, is called the genius of the American pulpit. He is one of the younger bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church of the United States. For four years he has been at Oklahoma city, Okla., but at the recent general conference was moved to St. Paul, Minn. In the regular pastorate he was very popular and successful as a pastor and an evangelist. He belonged to the whole church even before



he was inducted into the office of Bishop. His volumes of sermons, "The Blessed Life," "The Pastor's Preacher," "God's out of Doors," give us some idea of his master mind. Dr. F. A. Thompson says: "Bishop Quayle is the prince of preachers, the prince of lecturers, the prince of men. No man can afford to miss any lecture or sermon he may give anywhere." Prof. Nornie says: "His 'Hamlet' is indescribable. It must be heard, it is overwhelming. There is nothing known to me in the way of popular oratory that can be compared with it. It cannot be equalled on the globe." Those who know him best, place him at the head of platform and pulpit orators to-day. Chancellor Hamilton of Washington University, says: "Under the spell of his wizard of speech, one is caught up to behold glad, new, wonderful visions of life and hope." The pastor of Wellington Street, who has heard him perhaps as often as any one in Canada, says: "For wit, eloquence, intellectuality and spiritual uplift, he appeals to me more than any man I have ever heard. This is an opportunity for the citizens of Brantford that only comes once." Saturday evening, Shakespeare's Hamlet, at 8 o'clock. Doors open at 7.30.

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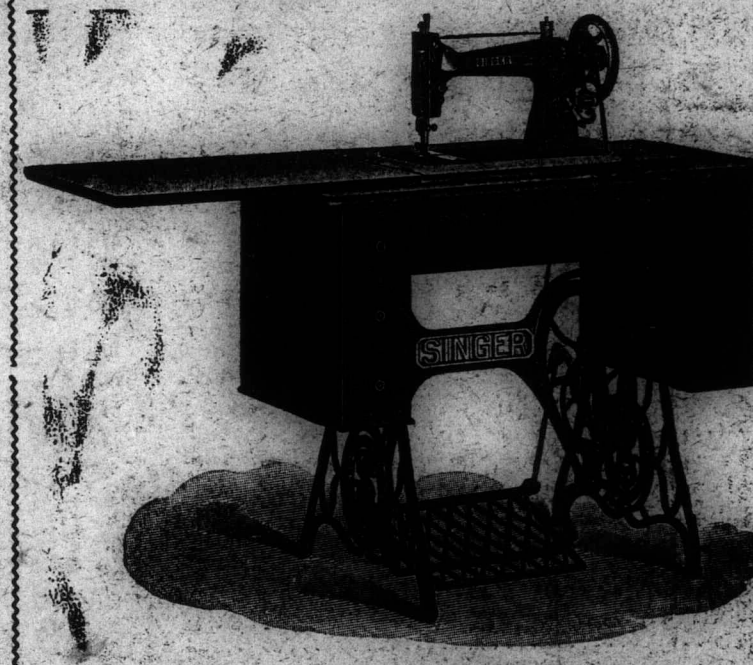
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