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The Outlook.

The session of the Dominion Parliament, which has just been brought to a close, probably ends the parliament which was elected on June 23, 1896, though it is possible, if the Government so desires, to have another meeting before dissolution. Five sessions have been held, but one of these was not properly a session, but a continuance of the session of 1896, the late Government being unable to pass its estimates before the effluxion of time in which that Parliament could be kept sitting. It is very likely, therefore, that there will be a general election before another session, but the time for such a contest has not yet been made public.

This Parliament has had an eventful career. During its endurance, the Dominion has made vast strides forward in her young nationhood. Never in any former Parliament has Canada been so prosperous. Never before has her trade and commerce been so great. Never before has her trade with the Motherland reached the great proportions that it has now attained. Never in the same length of time have our new territories had so many good settlers placed upon their vacant soil. Never before have the people been so well employed or had better remuneration for the work which they have performed.

It may be said by some that the Administration of the day had comparatively little to do with this progress and prosperity. To that our reply is that when the Liberals were last in power they were accused of being responsible for the dullness in trade then existing, and the electors were asked by his opponents to defeat Hon. Alex. Mackenzie's government because it had failed to make the times good! Then it was held that a government should be defeated if times were bad. To be consistent, the opponents of the Administration should now be urging that this Administration should be sustained. For the times today are the best Canada has ever had, and it is conceded by all but hide-bound partisans that the lowered tariff, preferential trade with Great Britain, the establishment of the cold storage system, the removal of the restriction on our cattle sales to the United States, the progressive policy of developing our natural resources, which have all been carried out by the present Administration, along with postal and other reforms, have very materially added to the prosperity of the country.

With such a record, be the appeal made to the people, either within the next few months, or next year, there need be no misgivings. There will be no mandate given to the politicians whom Sir Mackenzie Bowell, in a moment of candor, dubbed "a nest of traitors." These discredited politicians will not be called upon to replace Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues, and to put in force the reactionary policy that brought the Dominion to the most unsatisfactory conditions that prevailed prior to 1896.

This is a new era of Canadian development, and there must be no standing still; no turning back of the hands of the clock that marks the progress of the Dominion. It is no time for a change, with all the unsettling conditions which the Tupper-Haggart-Montague faction threaten to set on foot. It is a time for steady, peaceful, energetic, economical progress, and the present Administration can be best trusted to maintain it, seeing they have given it its start.

Hysteria in Politics.

The Democratic party in the United States seems to be rapidly giving way to a sensational style which tends both to weaken their platform and lower the dignity of their conventions. The great sensation four years ago was the way in which W. J. Bryan, the silver-tongued orator of silver, carried everything before him. This time it is the setback given to Hill in the caucus and the reception of Webster Davis at the recent convention. This last addition to the Democratic party gave a speech that seems very much to have resembled a popular revivalist's address. It abounded in earnest exhortations and tender appeals. The speech was anti-expansionist and pro-Boer. It has attracted very little attention and caused no stir in England, but in the spot where it was delivered the people went wild. The new Democrat asserted his independence, as he had enjoyed under the Republicans better offices than they could give him; and he then went on to eulogize the platform, which he said was thoroughly American and preeminently just. It represented the true American mission, which is to give freedom to all men. Hence the need of opposing imperialism in America and Britain. Imperialism, it seems, means enslaving men and destroying the rights of free people. The oratory was of a coaxing, wooing kind, and so far as the particular audience was concerned, the orator won as well as wooed. The little flags fluttered all over the place, the cheers rolled in thundering volleys. Some were affected even unto tears. When "the effort" was over, men rushed to grasp the speaker's hand, some fell upon his neck and one delegation paraded him round the room. All this makes very sensational, spicy reading for the journals, but there seems to be something soft and mushy about it. The excitement does not seem to be real. There is a hollow ring about the whole business.

We do not think that great programmes are evolved or great movements carried out in this spirit. A little more solid deliberation, less underhand intrigue, and less of hysterical excitement, would make better politics.

Gruesome Political "Capital."

The Quebec Chronicle has been exhibiting in its window a portion of the rope by which Dube, the murderer of his paramour, was hanged.

The object is to stir up opposition to the Administration at Ottawa, because the Governor-General in council declined to interfere to save Dube's neck.

At one time we have the ministers hounded because a convict is reprieved, on the strong recommendation of the trial judge—a course invariably followed in Great Britain.

Now, they are trying to make political capital because a murderer, in whose case were no extenuating circumstances, is not reprieved.

In doing their duty, the Ministers, we suppose, must expect misrepresentation from an Opposition at its wit's end for material with which to manufacture political thunder; but it is most unseemly to drag the administration of justice and the action of the Crown, taken invariably on well understood principles, into the political arena.

A GENERAL MOVEMENT

Of General Roberts' Forces Said To Be Under Way.

Lieut. Borden, Son of the Minister of Militia, Killed in Action—Three Strathcona's Wounded.

London, July 17.—A special cable from Pretoria, dated July 16, says: A general movement of the troops is on the tapis. The column under Gen. Hamilton advanced to Dunderboom, west of Pretoria this morning, and drove the Boers from Pyramid Hills. The column bivouacked at Waterval. D Battery, of the second Canadian contingent, is with the force. Gen. French's cavalry advanced from the camp at Derdepoort, north of the town, and engaged the Boers, who retired. The enemy have several pieces of artillery. Gen. Hutton's mounted infantry division is at Bronchoest Spruit, some distance to the east of Pretoria.

BOERS FALL BACK.
A dispatch from Standerton, of yesterday's date, says that, as a result of desultory fighting for some days, the Boers are retiring gradually to the northeast before Gen. Clery's forces. The Boers have pom-poms and other high velocity guns.

STRATHCONA'S IN IT.
In the fighting referred to the British had these casualties: Two of Thompson's mounted infantry were wounded, two of Strathcona's Horse were wounded, and Major Sangmeisters, of the Naval Volunteers, who were attached to Strathcona's Horse, was also wounded. Three members of Strathcona's Horse were captured.

Lieut. Borden Killed.

Ottawa, July 17.—The following telegram, received by His Excellency about 4 o'clock this afternoon, has caused heartfelt sympathy with the minister of militia:

"Pretoria, July 17.—To the Earl of Minto.—Regret to report Lieut. Borden killed in action yesterday. (Signed) Roberts."

Dr. Borden was sitting in the house when the telegram was received at the department of militia by Col. Pineault, deputy minister, who at once hurried over to the house and sent a page in for the premier, who had just replied to Dr. Sproule's inquiry about Col. Sam Hughes that he had no "official" information, and had crossed the floor to speak to Dr. Sproule.

The page delivered his message, and the premier left the chamber, to be handed the telegram given above. Dr. Borden was summoned to the premier's room, and there the sad news was conveyed to him by the premier as gently and kindly as it was possible to impart it. The latter was an exceedingly heavy one, as Lieut. Borden was an only son, and a young man of unusually bright prospects. The minister at once left for his residence to inform his wife, who is young Borden's step-mother.

The deceased, Major Harold Borden, was 23 years of age, and was the only son of the minister of militia. He was a splendid specimen of humanity, standing 6 feet 2 inches in his stocking feet, and weighing 198 pounds. At the time he received his commission as Lieutenant in B Squadron, Second Mounted Rifles, Major Borden was a third year student in medicine in McGill University. Previous to that he studied at Mount Allison College, Sackville, N. B. He was commanding officer, with the rank of major, in the Kings County Hussars. Dr. and Mrs. Borden will leave at once for Canning, N. S., where their two daughters are. The death of Major Borden, who was designed for a medical career, breaks the long line of medical men in the Borden family, extending through four generations.

The Canadians.

DISABLED AND MISSING.

London, July 18.—It has been reported to the war office that 2,489, Westmore, and 25, Ball, are dangerously ill. Ball belongs to the first battalion of the Mounted Rifles, and his home is at Edmonton, N. W. T. At Platkap, on Friday, Pte. G. E. Dodd, son of R. F. Dodd, Winnipeg, and Pte. A. Robinson, son of W. J. Robinson, Winnipeg, both of the Strathcona Horse, were slightly wounded, while Pte. A. N. Daykin, son of C. T. Daykin, Lacombe, N. W. T.; Pte. H. S. Sabine, son of Mrs. Sabine, Winnipeg; Pte. W. R. McLeod, son of S. McLeod, Prince Albert, N. W. T. and Pte. Edward Webb, a young Englishman, are missing. Thirty invalided Canadians from

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FIVE DAYS OF EXTRA GOOD BARGAINS.

ALTHOUGH large quantities of goods have been sold during our Summer Clearing Sale, we are still overstocked in a number of departments, and we invite your careful attention to the special offering of the next five days.

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GREAT CLEARING SILK SALE.

For five days only we are offering these remarkable bargains. The chance is yours—no better makes of Silks can be imported than offered here at these cut prices.

69c and 75c Black Silk for 50c
Special 20-inch Black Brocade Silks, floral and spot designs, regular 69c and 75c lines. Sale price..... 50c

\$1.25 Black Silks for 79c
Special Black Brocade Silks, beautiful designs for skirts and dresses; regular \$1.25. Sale price..... 79c

\$1 65 Black Silk for \$1 00
Special Brocade Silks, in Moire Antique patterns, also Velours; regular \$1.65 per yard. Special sale price..... \$1 00

Special Prices in Black Surah
58c Black Surah Silk. Sale price per yard..... 47c
65c Black Surah Silk. Sale price per yard..... 53c
75c Black Surah Silk. Sale price per yard..... 60c

85c Black Silk for 69c
Special line Reversible Beau de Soie Dress Silks, guaranteed not to cut. Special prices as below.

85c Beau de Soie (guaranteed). Sale price..... 69c
\$1 Beau de Soie, white edge. Sale price per yard..... 82c
\$1.25 Beau de Soie, yellow edge. Sale price per yard..... 98c

Special Prices in Black Satins
\$1.19 Heavy Double-face Black Satin. Sale price..... 89c
85c Heavy Double-face Black Satin. Sale price per yard..... 65c

Special Prices in Bengaline Cords
75c Bengaline Cord Black Silk. Sale price..... 60c
90c Bengaline Cord Black Silk. Sale price per yard..... 75c

50c and 75c Summer Dress Silks for 25c
Special 20-inch Japanese Wash Silks, in stripes; for summer dresses, our extra special 35c line; regular 50c to 75c; balance of lot, sale price..... 25c

50c Special Summer Dress Silks for 39c
Special 20-inch Summer Dress Silks in stripes, for wash silk dresses, special line 50c. Sale price..... 39c

75c and \$1 Foulard Dress Silks for 50c
Special Summer Dress Silks, in Foulards and Jap. Wash, floral stripes, 20 and 23 inch; regular 75c and \$1. Special sale price per yard, 50c

75c Bengaline Cord Silks for 50c
Special line Bengaline Cords for Waists, in blues, browns, fawns, mauve, pinks and yellow; regular prices 75c and 85c.

75c Silk Cords. Sale price..... 50c
85c Silk Cords. Sale price per yard..... 65c

75c and 85c Taffeta Silks for 65c
We offer our complete stock of Colored Taffeta Silks, in every shade, our regular 75c and 85c lines. Special sale price..... 65c

DRESS GOODS.

50c Navy Serge for 35c
44 and 50 inch Serge, navy, all wool, regular 50c. Special sale price.. 35c

75c Navy Serge for 55c
54-inch Navy Serge, all wool, English Coating Serge, special for suits and skirts; regular 75c. Special sale price..... 55c

85c Black Dress Goods for 35c
44-inch Black Figured Mohair, special for summer skirts, pure wool; regular 75c and 85c. Special sale price..... 35c

25c Millinery Bargain Every colored straw shape and every black straw shape, ranging in price from 50c to \$2, to be cleared out at only..... 25c

99c Trimmed Hats 19 Trimmed Hats, very stylish, worth from \$1.50 to \$2. Special to clear..... 99c

\$1.50 Trimmed Hats 24 Trimmed Hats, latest styles, worth from \$2.50 to \$3. Special to clear..... \$1.50

The RUNIANS, GRAY, CARRIE CO.

SPECIAL LINEN SALE

Our stock is large and the goods of high standard, and the prices—well judge by this list. Seeing is believing, and we ask your attention to this Special Sale.

Table Linen
Special Line, unbleached; our price 25c. Sale price..... 17c
Special Line, unbleached; our price 35c. Sale price..... 25c
Special Line, unbleached; our price 40c. Sale price..... 30c
Special Line, unbleached; our price 50c. Sale price..... 35c
Special Line, bleached; our price 35c. Sale price..... 25c
Special Line, bleached; our price 65c. Sale price..... 43c
Special Line, bleached; our price 75c. Sale price..... 58c
Special Line, bleached; our price 90c. Sale price..... 68c
Special Line, bleached; our price \$1.35. Sale price..... 93c

Table Napkins
Special Line Napkin; worth today \$1.25. Sale price..... 85c
Special Line Napkin; worth today \$1.85. Sale price..... \$1 35
Special Line Napkin; our price \$1.65. Sale price..... \$1 25
Special Line Napkin; worth today \$2.50. Sale price..... \$1 75

12½c. Special Colored Pique Sale. 12½c
21 ends Piques, with white grounds and pink, sky, navy, turquoise and black stripes and checks; also colored grounds and white stripes. These beautiful goods run from 20c to 25c. Special sale price..... 12½c

25c. Special Colored Zephyr Sale. 25c
6 ends Colored Zephyrs, in black and white, helio and white, cardinal and white; our regular price was 45c and 50c. Special sale price. 25c

10c. Special Shirting Sale. 10c
12 pieces Standard and Oxford Shirtings, fast colors, good patterns, suitable for men's negligee shirts and boys' blouses; our 12½c and 15c goods. Special sale price..... 10c

25c. Organdie Muslins. 25c
28 ends Fine French Organdies, white grounds, with colored sprays in pink, blue, green, mauve, etc.; black grounds, with blue, green, gray figures; also colored grounds, with sprays and figures. The prices were 35c, 40c and 50c. To clear..... 25c

Special Cottonade Sale

These goods were all bought before the recent raise in all cotton fabrics. Our quotations are reduction from old prices, hence the Sale Price is phenomenally low.

A line of Ladas Tweeds; our price 15c. Sale price..... 12c
A line of Ladas Tweeds; our price 20c. Sale price..... 16c
A line of Ladas Tweeds; our price 25c. Sale price..... 20c
A line of Cottonades; our price 20c. Sale price..... 16c
A line of Cottonades; our price 25c. Sale price..... 20c

White Pique Specials

We have a rather large quantity of White Piques in some lines. These beautiful goods, so fashionable and serviceable for skirts, we offer at reduced prices.

Line 1. Three pieces only, about 120 yards, heavy cord, nice quality; our close price 25c. Special sale price..... 20c
Line 2. Two pieces only, about 85 yards, extra quality, unshrinkable; our close price 35c. Special sale price..... 25c
Line 3. One piece only, about 40 yards, extra special quality, unshrinkable; our close price 40c. Special sale price..... 30c

South Africa are now in London on furlough, staying at the soldiers' rests and the homes near by Nottingham Place. Recent complaints as to their treatment have been investigated, and are officially declared to be unfounded. Second battalion, Mounted Rifles—No. 786, Pte. J. Dolan, a prisoner, reported as missing, has arrived at Ladysmith.

The following men have been invalided to Woolwich Hospital, England: Second (special service) battalion, Royal Canadian Regiment—No. 7,483, Pte. C. Donaldson, 41st Regiment; No. 7,598, Pte. J. S. Walker, 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles, second battalion—No. 324, Pte. R. H. Weir, N. W. T. M. P.; No. 338, Pte. H. T. Warene, N. W. T. M. P. Sir Charles Tupper, who is now in England, requests the publication of the following: "To the heirs and friends of members of the first com-

tingent killed and wounded in South Africa: Those making application for the insurance effected with the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Company, whose head Canadian office is in Montreal, will facilitate settlement of claims by having their identity fully established as the rightful receivers of the insurance. By taking this precaution and furnishing authentic description of those killed and wounded, delays will be avoided."

WELCOMED HOME.
Windsor, Ont., July 17.—Private V. E. Marentette, who was wounded at Paardeberg, arrived home at 2 o'clock this afternoon. He was received with cheers and enthusiastic greeting by friends. A large crowd met him at the station. He rode in a carriage with Col. Guillot, his father and brother. A reception was tendered him tonight. The 21st Regiment Band paraded at Marentette's home, which was decked with Union Jacks and a French flag. The reception was a big success.

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