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THE RACE AND CREED CRY

Tactics of Government Members and Their Organs Denounced by Sir Charles Tupper.

MACHINERY, MONEY AND WHISKEY

Mr. McIntosh of Sherbrooke Says, Was Used Against Him—Mr. Wallace on the Floor.

It is also inferred that Gen. Buller must either continue his advance or retire. The heaviest fighting appears to have been on Tuesday. Gen. Buller's 223 casualties are mentioned as having occurred Tuesday noon. Large lists are consequently expected for the rest of the day. British Losses Total 10,244.

IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

Sir Charles Tupper Again Defends Himself Against Misrepresentation of His Statements. Ottawa, Feb. 8.—(Special)—The business of the House was hampered by the absence of Mr. Tarte, who is confined to his house by illness, due to a return of his old trouble. Mr. Borden was in the House to meet questions and Mr. Sifton was not ready. As to the pamphlet entitled "The Tarte Government and the Conservatives," which was distributed in Sherbrooke, the Prime Minister said it had not been printed by the Government.

Sir Richard's Printed Speech. Answering a question how many copies of Sir Richard Cartwright's speech delivered in Toronto were sent, thru the Canadian mails, Sir Richard raised a laugh by saying that he did not know, but the number should have been greater, for the speech contained much valuable information.

The Leinster Regiment. Dr. Borden, having come in the meantime, answered Mr. Prior's question regarding the Leinster Regiment. He said the matter of its reorganization formed at present a subject of correspondence between Canada and the Imperial Government.

Sir Charles and the Reporter. The larger part of the time of the members was taken up with a discussion of the misrepresentation of Sir Charles' speech in a report that had appeared in the Manitoba Free Press.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier introduced the subject by reading a letter from Mr. Maguire, in which he claimed the protection of the House, and thought an apology should come from his alleged defector.

No Apology to Give. Sir Charles Tupper declared he had no apology to give, as the report complained of was as gross a falsehood as a man could utter. It said that Sir Charles had not only attacked the French, but had also included all French-Canadians. "Is that true, or is that a lie?" asked Sir Charles. "A lie" from honorable gentlemen opposite. Sir Charles then took the opportunity of discussing the whole question of who was responsible for the raising of the question. He charged that there was an organized attempt on the part of the Government to traduce him on this cry. Mr. Tarte had said at the Liberal banquet in Toronto that Sir Charles was raising this cry. But this was a slander. He introduced the question of the Manitoba schools and referred to the campaign on this matter. Incidentally he remarked that while Sir Wilfrid said the question had been settled, yet Mr. Greenway said that at present the matter was as it was in 1896, in his (Sir Charles') mind it was a dead issue.

A Slanderous Charge. In the campaign Sir Charles had been charged with raising the race cry, but this charge was slanderous. He had never asked the people to vote for him because he was a Protestant, or to vote against Sir Wilfrid Laurier because he was a Catholic. He had been misunderstood, and his name had been misused by members of the Government. It was in his opinion to be a case of a chief crying "Stop, thief." He turned his attention to the question of race and religion. There was much to be said on this subject, and he intended to say so. He intended to say so. He intended to say so.

Opposed to a Race Cry. With Sir Charles his whole career showed that he was opposed to such a declaration. All men should be made equal in the eyes of the law and in the eyes of the country. He had always treated that man as an enemy. He had always treated that man as an enemy. He had always treated that man as an enemy.

Recruits in the West for the Strathcona Horse. The very best class.

Winnipeg, Feb. 8.—(Special)—Superintendent Macleod last night received a message stating that, while only 40 men might be required for the Strathcona contingent from Winnipeg, yet it was better to have 50 in readiness for the train when the contingent came thru. All the horses will be purchased in the west, and this is a welcome relief for the recruiting staff here. The men selected so far are simply first-class—no better in the world.

Cock's Turkish and Russian Batches. Bath and Bed \$1.00, 233 and 224 King W.

Mr. H. A. Mullins of Winnipeg has arrived in the city to be with her mother, who is ill.

THE WAR TO WIND. THEN THEY WERE ON VAAL KRANTZ IN THE CENTRE OF A SEMI-CIRCLE AND TROOPS EXPOSED TO BOER FIRE ON THREE SIDES.

Official Statement Made to The World by President Gooderham. There Are 2285 Officers and Men Missing From the British Army, Mr. Wyndham Says. Seventeen More Battalions of Militia and 3000 Yeomanry Are to Be Sent—That Will Make a Fighting Force of 194,000 Men in Africa, Exclusive of Sick and Wounded.

London, Feb. 8.—(In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. George Wyndham, Parliamentary Secretary of the War Office, answering a question, said that 2285 officers and men of the British army were missing, but it was uncertain how many of them were at Pretoria. As to their protection in case the British besieged Pretoria, Mr. Wyndham said the Government left that to the discretion of Lord Roberts.

194,000 Men Able to Fight. Answering another question, Mr. Wyndham said that in addition to the 180,000 troops in South Africa, recently mentioned in his speech, the Government had decided to send 17 more battalions of militia and 3000 yeomanry, making a total for the militia of over 200,000 men, and for the yeomanry nearly 8000. The grand total in South Africa, he added, would then be 194,000 effective, exclusive of the sick and wounded.

Delagoa Bay Railroad. Replying to a series of questions on the subject of the Delagoa Bay Railroad, Mr. William St. John Brodribb, Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office, said the Government had not been vouchsafed any reason or explanation for the delay in the delivery of the award, nor was the Government aware of the causes of the delay, which it considers regrettable. The Government, however, could not interfere with the view of hastening the proceedings of the tribunal.

Answering a question regarding the purchase of hay in the United States, it was said in behalf of the Government that the Ministry had no knowledge that bad hay was being sent from the United States to South Africa. It was added that home-grown hay was much costlier and was not so suitable in the present campaign as United States hay.

HEAVY FLOOD ON THE DON. Queen Street Bridge May Be Carried Away—C.P.R. Trains All Ordered to Go Via Toronto Junction—Horses Rescued From Drowning.

The thaw and rain have been disastrous to property in the vicinity of the Don River. All day yesterday the ice kept breaking and the water rising till early this morning the pillars supporting the western end of the temporary Queen-street bridge gave way. At that time the water covered the C.P.R. tracks by three feet. The horses of the Don Brewery had a narrow escape from drowning, as the water got into the stables.

At the time of going to press a large ice bridge was formed north of the Queen-street bridge, which, if it breaks, as it is likely to do, will carry away the bridge in the twinkling of an eye.

Should the bridge go it will deprive all houses east of the Don of gas and water, as the mains are fastened to the bridge. Canal orders are out for all C.P.R. trains, thus forcing them to come in by Toronto Junction.

The slight car of the street Railway Company had a narrow escape, for just as it was about to cross the bridge at 12:15 a.m. the piles gave way.

NEW CURE FOR CONSUMPTION. Rev. Mr. Lawrence of Stouffville Lives in Winter in a Tent in the Open Air. The open air treatment for the alleviation or cure of consumption is now recognized as one of the most potent factors, but it has remained for Rev. Mr. Lawrence of Stouffville to demonstrate the advantages to be received by consumptives by camping out in open weather. The reverend gentleman is afflicted with lung trouble and, after his winter at the Gravelhurst Sanitarium returned home to take up the duties of his parish. An expedition was organized to erect a tent on Main-street, and with the assistance of a stove has thus passed through the winter. He has improved in health during the occupancy of the tent, and is now contemplating the course adopted by him.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING. German Emperor and British Ambassador at Berlin Had a Long Conference. Berlin, Feb. 8.—The morning papers announce that Emperor William paid a long visit last evening to Sir Frank Lascelles, the British Ambassador.

EGGS ARE AT A DISCOUNT. Winnipeggers Were Loaded for Gabriel, But He Made No Attempt to Speak. "Winnipeg, Feb. 8.—(Special)—About eight hundred citizens went to St. Boniface tonight in the expectation that Louis Gabriel would give his lecture on the Boers in the French town. They were disappointed, Gabriel having no intention of holding a meeting there. The crowd then dispersed. The citizens of St. Boniface are naturally annoyed over the affair. Eggs are now at a discount.

The Cold is Coming. Meteorological Office, Toronto, Feb. 8.—(8 p.m.)—The storm is now developing north of the lake region, and it is probable that another will develop on the Atlantic coast. The cold wave continues very severe in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, and is spreading quickly eastward. Rain is falling through the Province of Ontario. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 24-40; Kamloops, 8-18; Calgary, 26 below-8 below; Prince Albert, 42 below-29 below; Qu'Appelle, 34 below-18 below; Winnipeg, 22 below-14 below; Port Arthur, zero-3; Toronto, 30-48; Ottawa, 19-22; Montreal, 8-29; Quebec, 8-22; Halifax, 22-25.

Probabilities. Lower Lakes—Strong west and north winds; much colder; snow auric. Georgian Bay—Northwest gales; much colder and local snowfalls. Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Strong north and northwest winds, turning much colder; local snowfalls. Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Gales, with sleet and snow. Maritime—Gales from eastward; sleet and rain. Lake Superior—Strong northwest winds; fair and very cold. Manitoba—Fair and very cold.

SEVEN-FIFTY—That's all, for a good heave overcast, single-breasted style, size 34 to 44, at the Oak Hall Clothing Overcoat Sale. You want see the quality to understand the value—printer's ink won't tell it.

STEARNSHIP MOVEMENTS. Feb. 8. At. From. Gern. Bremen. New York. Athenian. Antwerp. Liverpool. Feb. 7. At. From. King Edgar. Algiers. Portland.

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