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SERIES OF GOOD SPEECHES IN PARLIAMENT MONDAY.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Replies to Questions of Mr. Borden—The Matter of Pensions for Returned Soldiers—The Joint High Commission—Alaskan Boundary.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—(Special)—Debate on address in reply to the speech from the throne lasted only two hours today. It was over at 5 o'clock. It was probably the shortest discussion which has ever taken place on an address. There was evidently an idea on the part of the opposition that the government was not ready with business, as at once several questions were put forward as to the condition of the estimates and departmental reports. The reply came quickly, Mr. Fielding presenting the estimates and a shower of blue books followed.

Dr. MacDonald, of Huron, was made deputy speaker. Hugh Guthrie, of South Wellington, in moving the address in reply to the speech from the throne, made an excellent impression. He is of a fine commanding appearance, standing over six feet in height. He speaks with great ease and deliberation, and has at once earned for himself a position as one of the best debaters in the house. He used no notes. He deservedly received a high compliment from the leader of the house and the leader of the opposition.

THE OPPOSITION LEADER

Asked as to Pensions for Canadians Who Fought in South Africa.

Mr. Borden opened with tributes to the ability of both the mover and seconder. Touching upon Mr. Laurier's remarks regarding race matters, Mr. Borden said that in his own province, Nova Scotia, the race problem was a thing of the past for years. He trusted that it would become so in the rest of Canada and that it would be unnecessary for any one to rise in the house and suggest there was one.

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THE PREMIER

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was one spot in Canada, said Laurier, that it was never asked as to what creed he belonged it was in Nova Scotia. Nova Scotia had set a good example to all Canada in that regard.

After having pointed out that the Conservatives had failed to do anything to help the Liberals to give Britain a preference in the Canadian markets, the premier proceeded to answer the questions put to him by Mr. Borden. In regard to pensions and compensation in connection with the South African war the premier said that if the imperial pensions were not adequate he would endeavor to have this service at an early date. But, probably, as war was drawing to a close and normal conditions of trade would resume, Canada would be well disposed to supplement them. As to the fast Atlantic service, conditions were not so favorable that the government could undertake to have this service at an early date. But, probably, as war was drawing to a close and normal conditions of trade would resume, Canada would be well disposed to supplement them.

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HON. J. W. ELLIS MOVED ADDRESS IN SENATE.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—(Special)—The senate today discussed the address in reply to the speech from the throne. It had been intended to take up the resolution of condolence with the king, but, though the senate met late and went leisurely through the "order paper," the resolution did not come up from the commons till after the orders of the day had been called.

EX-KING MILAN.

Son Would Not Go to His Father's Deathbed.

"SAD TO DIE AT 47."

Fatty Degeneration of the Heart Caused the Death of Serbia's Former Ruler—Disappointed at His Son's Absence—Funeral With Honors.

Vienna, Feb. 11.—Former King Milan, of Serbia, is dead. His illness began with influenza. Milan left his bed too quickly and the result was pneumonia. The doctors also found fatty degeneration of the heart which was the actual cause of death, as the danger immediately arising from the lung trouble had been overcome.

Fearing a fatal issue the doctors caused messages to be sent to King Alexander and former Queen Natalie, but, although Milan desired to see them and himself sent messages requesting their presence, neither came. Natalie's reply, which was to the effect that she would come if her presence was really desired, reached him just before death.

Last evening (Sunday) he received Adj. Popovic, who had been sent by King Alexander. The interview excited him somewhat, but he recognized and talked with the adjutant.

IMPORTANT NICKEL FIND.

Rich Ore Discovery Leads to Formation of Company.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 11.—(Special)—Nickel ore exceeding in richness anything in Suburbia district, has been discovered near Bark's Falls, Muskoka district. A company with ample capital is formed and will ship 100 tons to Newark, N. J., smelter for test purposes this week. The test proves satisfactory a large smelter will be erected at Bark's Falls.

WIFE FOLLOWED HUSBAND.

Mrs. Hogg Died a Few Hours After Her Life Partner.

Collingwood, Feb. 11.—(Special)—Lieut. Col. John Hogg, town clerk and formerly commanding Collingwood Garrison Artillery, died last night of pneumonia after a brief illness. Mrs. Hogg, his wife, survived her husband only a few hours, dying today of same disease.

NATIONAL MEMORIAL.

King Edward Suggests a Committee on the Matter.

London, Feb. 11.—King Edward, responding to the inquiries of the lord mayor, Mr. Frank Green, respecting a national memorial to Queen Victoria, suggests that a small committee should be formed of members of the present and former governments to consider the matter.

ESTIMATES FOR THE COMING YEAR BROUGHT DOWN IN PARLIAMENT.

Some Millions Less Than Last Session—New Brunswick Slated For a Goodly Share—St. John City Benefits Also—\$100,000 for I. C. R. Accommodation Here.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes I. C. R. Accommodation, St. John, \$100,000; Immigration Building, St. John, \$11,000; Public Buildings, St. John, \$7,000; St. John Harbor, \$20,000; St. John River, \$16,000; Public Buildings, Maritime Provinces, \$12,000; Total New Brunswick Harbors and Rivers, \$73,450; Whole I. C. R. Estimates, \$3,350,500; P. E. Island Railway, \$476,000.

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PUT INTO YARMOUTH.

Steamer Erna Short of Coal After Rough Passage.

HEAVY GALES AND SEAS.

Incessant Northerly and Northwesterly Gales With Terrific Snow Storm—Carpenter Injured While Trying to Repair Damages the Vessel Sustained.

FRENCH INTERESTS.

Senator Fears for the Integrity of China.

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FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

Community of Interests With the United States—Nothing Disquieting Seen in the Anglo-French Agreement—Rights in Newfoundland.

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FIVE CANADIANS.

The Killed at Marburg—Four Wounded—Another Dangerously Ill.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—(Special)—Sir Alfred Milner cables to Lord Minto as follows: Cape Town, Feb. 11.—222. Sergt. Major Patterson, killed; 49. Sergt. Bredin; 57. Sergt. Muncey, wounded; Marburg, Cape Colony, February 4th, all Canadian scouts, Boyd, Kitchener's horse, dangerously ill with enteric fever, Pretoria. Please inform Father, 24 Lawrence street, Montreal, Colony, February 4th, all Canadian scouts. (Signed) MILNER.

TURK GOES TO PRISON.

Boston, Feb. 11.—For assaults of an atrocious nature upon two little colored girls, John Huron, a Turk, 30 years of age, was sentenced to state prison for 12 years, today, by Judge Sheldon.

AGAINST EDISON.

Injunction and \$1,000,000 Are Asked.

INFRINGING RIGHTS.

This is Charged Against the Inventor and the Edison Phonograph Works and the National Phonograph Company—New England Company Suing.

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 11.—The New England Phonograph Company this afternoon instituted proceedings in the United States Court for an injunction and \$1,000,000 damages against Thomas A. Edison, the Edison Phonograph Works, and the National Phonograph Company. The injunction was asked to restrain the defendants from selling phonographs and parts of phonographs in New England; it being charged that the defendants are infringing patents which the New England Company has for the New England States. Damages are asked for profits which, it is alleged, the New England Company has lost by reason of the defendant's action.

ANTI-CLERICAL DEMONSTRATIONS.

Shots Were Fired and Several People Wounded.

Valencia, Feb. 11.—The anti-clerical demonstrations were resumed in Valencia today.

Madrid, Feb. 11.—Demonstrations against the Jesuits continue in Barcelona.

Saragosa, Feb. 11.—During the anti-clerical demonstration here today the students sowed several Montas. They were dispersed by police and gendarmes. Demonstrators, carrying a Republican flag, fired on the gendarmes and a sergeant and several people in the crowd were wounded.

Victory for Mrs. Nation.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 11.—"Jointists" of this city generally heeded the warning to close their places by noon today and when Chief Stahl and his officers visited the 35 places this afternoon they found all closed with one exception. No arrests were made.