

PROUDFOOT CHARGES FULLY SUSTAINED IS REPORT OF COMMITTEE MINORITY

Payment of \$500 Was Illegal and Corrupt, Says
Report—Scathing Exposure of Attempts to
Shut Off Mr. Taylor's Evidence.

Toronto. —The report of the minority of the Ontario Privileges and Elections Committee finds the Proudfoot charges fully sustained. The report says in part: The said William Proudfoot charges that he (the said Hon. W. J. Hanna) had accepted the said sum of \$500 from the said Taylor, thereby leading to the said Taylor to believe that the claim would be satisfied, and that the said sum was paid in consideration thereof. Further, "that the actions of the said Hon. W. J. Hanna in the demand for and the acceptance of the said sum of \$500 by the said Hon. W. J. Hanna in the manner and for the purposes above set forth are and were unlawful, corrupt, and improper acts on the part of the said Hon. W. J. Hanna, and contrary to the law and practice of Parliament and of this Legislative Assembly, and are subversive of good government and the due and proper administration of the public affairs of the province."

Admitted the Charge.

While the said George C. Taylor said in the witness box giving his testimony, counsel for Sir James Whitney and the Hon. W. J. Hanna admitted that Mr. Taylor made the said contribution of \$500 to Mr. Hanna for party funds, Mr. Nesbitt, counsel for the said Sir James Whitney and Hon. W. J. Hanna, made the further statement, appearing on page 274 of the evidence, as follows:

Mr. Nesbitt: "My admission is absolute, that there was a payment of \$500 toward the party funds. Mr. Hanna has admitted that, and I am not going to ask him anything about it, and I am going to say that he should not be cross-examined about it. In the course of a statement made by the chairman on this matter, page 277, the following appears: 'The point we are dealing with now is with reference to the payment of the \$500 entirely, and counsel for Mr. Hanna has said we admit the payment of \$500, and we are prepared to say it was demanded or proffered, just as you like. In my own view, that is not material one way or the other. If there is any inquiry about it, it attaches just as strongly one way as the other.' Counsel for Sir James Whitney and the Hon. W. J. Hanna thereupon took the ground that counsel for Mr. Proudfoot was bound to accept the admission and could not go into the circumstances surrounding the payment or the con-

versation between the parties in reference thereto. (See evidence, page 274.) And the majority of the committee sustained the ruling of the chairman, and the chairman placed upon the majority of the committee, thereupon declined to permit counsel for Mr. Proudfoot to ask further questions or to submit further evidence in connection with this payment. Counsel for Mr. Proudfoot then asked the witness if Mr. Hanna had requested him to make other payments or contributions for political purposes. The chairman ruled this question out of order, and upon appeal the ruling of the chairman was sustained by the majority of the committee, and the chairman directed that the said question and the discussion that took place upon the same be stricken from the records.

Charge Sustained.

In view of the facts established in evidence in this investigation, and the admissions made by counsel for Sir James Whitney and the Hon. W. J. Hanna, and the refusal of the chairman, at the request of the counsel for Sir James Whitney and Hon. W. J. Hanna, to permit counsel for Mr. Proudfoot to continue said investigation and give further evidence with reference to the circumstances under which said payment was made, and in view of the statement of counsel for Sir James Whitney and Mr. Hanna that he was not going to ask Mr. Hanna anything about this payment, and in giving his testimony that the said sum of \$500 was paid to him under the conditions and for the purpose set forth in the charge, your committee is justified in finding that the charge of the said William Proudfoot is sustained and that the said payment was illegal, corrupt, and subversive of good government, and that the actions of the said Hon. W. J. Hanna in the demand for and acceptance of the said sum of \$500 in the manner and for the purposes above set forth are unlawful, corrupt, and improper acts on the part of the said Hon. W. J. Hanna, and that the same are subversive of good government and the due and proper administration of the public affairs of the province.

MR. PROUDFOOT SHOWS UP TACTICS TO STOP PROBE

Letter From Thorne Read in Which He States That Charges
Were True and Could Be Proven—Sir James
Whitney Greatly Angered.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, May 7.—Mr. Proudfoot had his turn in the Legislature yesterday on the resumption of the House to receive the report of the committee on privileges and elections in respect to the charges against Sir James Whitney and Hon. W. J. Hanna.

It was Mr. Proudfoot's innings in more than one sense, because he not only made an elaborate statement showing the sham tactics adopted by the Government to prevent a full investigation of his charges, but he succeeded in getting before the House the now famous letter from L. E. C. Thorne to H. Maisonneuve, upon which the charges have been based.

Reviewed the Case.

Mr. Proudfoot spoke for nearly two hours and a half, making an exhaustive review of the entire case. He supported his arguments with opinions from leading counsel that evidence relative to the coal tenders was improperly excluded, and brought to bear strong proofs that the parties against

whom the charges had been made were amenable to the provisions of the criminal code; first, Taylor for paying the money to a member of the Government or of the House; second, the person accepting the money, and thirdly, Mr. Hanna for taking it.

Continuing Mr. Proudfoot charged that the extension of time under the Taylor, Scott & Co. contract was made with the object of satisfying Taylor in respect of the claims he had against the Government.

Mr. Proudfoot went over the evidence given by Mr. Cartwright, and declared that that witness was not a party to the corrupt issuance, a flat which was never even suggested by him (Proudfoot), but he thought Mr. Cartwright should have been acquainted with the whole fact.

Applied For Fiat.
"We find that early in March the Scott, Taylor & Co. were applying for a fiat, as they contended that they had considerable claims against the Government, which they decided to prosecute in the courts," continued Mr. Proudfoot. "They had failed to secure

it in the ordinary manner, so they decided to adopt forcible methods." "No man can give such a testimony as that and be believed suddenly in the testimony of Sir James Whitney with a roar. The man who says that is a falsifier, and the man who maintains it is a traducer, like the honorable gentleman." This was the signal for uproarious conduct on the part of the Government. Every member rattled his desk until the auditorium resounded like the musketry fire of an infantry regiment.

The statements of the Premier brought Mr. Rowell to his feet with a complaint to the Speaker for permitting the Premier to continue his invective, which was interrupted by the dignity of the House. "Is that language allowable in this Legislature?" he hotly asked. "I submit that it is unparliamentary and should be withdrawn," and then the speaker banged with the order of the day for the oppositionists.

Premier Ruffled.
"I am glad that the honorable member (pointing to Mr. Rowell) comes here sometimes and interjects with little speeches," emphatically returned the Premier, who by this time had become considerably ruffled. "He has refrained from taking part in the proceedings of the committee, but he has himself in the building or remained downtown. He has something to gain out of these proceedings, and he has succeeded in getting somebody else to bring this matter up, but he could get nobody else but the honorable member for Centre Huron."

"We have decided to tolerate these gentlemen, but when they make such assertions as that I am going to resent it."

Mr. Proudfoot—I submit that the statement made by the Premier was one which he has no right to make. If an honorable gentleman on this side of the House had made such a statement he would have been called to order.

At this point there were loud and continued cheers from the Liberal members, who cried to Sir James: "Withdraw! Withdraw!"

Vitriolic Remarks.

Mr. Proudfoot continued his speech, and referred to the fact that had Taylor's evidence been sworn in its entirety, which he deemed it unfair that it wasn't, but he was again interrupted by the Premier. "How do you know it would have been sworn? The man stands there with a face of triple brass and says that Tom says something to Dick, and Dick says something to Harry, that certain statements are true. I think it is time that we put down." Then the Government members resumed their banging antics, and were greeted with cries from the Oppositionists of "Withdraw! Withdraw!"

Mr. Proudfoot then made an appeal to the chair, but this proved futile. Speaker Hoyle told him that he must confine himself to the points at issue. "The member for Centre Huron must keep within the radius of the debate," he declared, "and no wander afar off outside the area of the charges."

Mr. Rowell—Are you going to allow the Prime Minister to continue such conduct?

Sir James Whitney—So long as the honorable members continue to say things which are not true so long will there be interruptions.

Mr. Rowell—No member of this House, no premier any house of assembly in the British empire ever did or would say what the Premier has said this afternoon, nor would he endeavor to do so. Nor would he refuse to withdraw it when asked.

Had Every Right.
Sir James replied by saying that he had a right to pursue the course he had adopted, because members of the House had brought in men on the floor of the House who were not members, to help them with their cases. This brought the Speaker to his feet, who said that he had heard of nothing like that before, and if it were true, the members who did that had violated one of the most important rules of the House.

Before the proceedings of the House were taken up, the Lieutenant-Governor was brought in to give assent to all the legislation that has so far been dealt with. One hundred and fifty-three bills were assented to and the work of the legislators now stands finished, except that which arises out of the present debate.

VOTES FOR WOMEN AGAIN REJECTED BY THE COMMONS

No Chance of the Bill Coming
Up Again Before Present
Parliament.

Premier Claims Government
Has Not Been Neglectful of
Women's Interests.

[Canadian Press.]
London, 6.—The House of Commons today, on the second reading, rejected the bill of Mr. Dickinson, which would have enfranchised some six million women, by a vote of 265 to 213.

This ends the prospect of women getting the vote from the present Parliament.

The bill proposed to grant the franchise to every woman, who, if she were a man, would be entitled to be registered in respect of a household qualification within the meaning of the act of 1884; also every woman who is the wife of a man entitled to be registered in respect of a household qualification, and who has resided in the qualifying premises during the period required by law. No woman could vote until she had reached the age of 25 under the provisions of the bill, and no woman could be disqualified by reason of marriage from registering and voting.

Many Fine Speeches.

There were several good speeches for and against the measure. The Government were all full and when a division was called for on the motion of Arnold Ward, a son of Mrs. Humphry Ward, the author, to reject the bill, the House was packed. Premier Asquith, Home Secretary McKenna, Secretary for the Colonies Harcourt, War Secretary Seely, Joseph Fosse, head of the board of education, and Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster Hobhouse were among the ministers who voted against the bill. Sir Edward Grey, the foreign minister; Chancellor of the Exchequer

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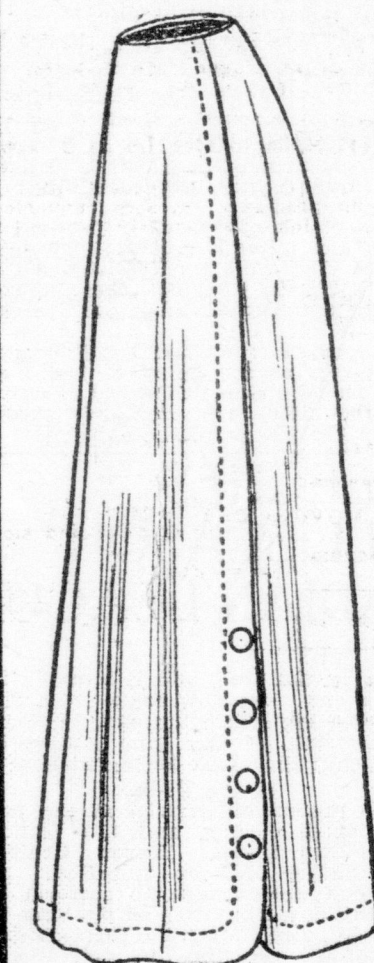
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Lloyd George, President of the Board of Trade Sydney Buxton, Augustine Birrell, the chief secretary for Ireland, and Walter Runciman, president of the board of agriculture, supported the measure. A. J. Balfour, the former Conservative leader, and Bonar Law, his successor, and many others did not vote. A majority of the Irish Nationalists opposed the bill.

When the result was announced it was received with an outburst of cheers by the opponents of the bill, but there was no great excitement.

Premier Speaks.
The Premier defended the Government's course by saying it was consistent with the best traditions of British statesmanship. He regretted that he found himself at variance from his colleagues on the question, and greatly as he would regret severing himself from the prosecution of other great causes, he would lay down his office. If his colleagues ever suggested that they did not feel justified in following a Government the head of which was opposed to them, "They never did that," declared the Premier, amid cheers.

Mr. Asquith said the bill created 6,000,000 new voters, and that it had never been approved by the existing electorate. He continued: "Would our political fabric be strengthened, would our legislative fabric be more respected, would our social and domestic life be enriched, would our standard of manners—and by manners I mean the old-fashioned virtues of civility, courtesy and independence of the sexes on one another—be raised or refined if women were given the vote?"

Cries of "Of course, they would," were raised on all sides of the House. The Premier strongly denied that Parliament had been neglectful of the interest of women, and said he saw no evidence that British women as a whole wanted the vote.

Sir Edward Grey.
Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, supported the bill. He said there was ample evidence that a very large section of the women of the country had shown by constitutional means that they favored the enfranchisement of their sex. Militancy he characterized as "the inco-

herent and criminal conduct of a small body of representative individuals, with whose outrages the law had dealt and ought to deal severely."

Nobody, he said, had greater reason to deplore the methods of the militant suffragists than those who desired the enfranchisement of women, but he argued that their outrages should not influence the decision of the House on the bill.

Women's Qualifications.
Many admitted that women were fitted to deal with social and industrial matters of legislation, which virtually affected their interests, but that they were not fitted to deal with the question of foreign policy. He contended that the demonstrated aptitude of women in dealing with abstract economic questions involved in social and industrial legislation proved that they were possessed of sufficient intelligence to pass judgment on questions of foreign policy, which were far less complicated and seldom an issue at the general elections.

Lord Robert Cecil, advocating the bill, contended that to vote against it because of militant outrages would be utterly illogical and unworthy the high standard of intelligence claimed by the members of the House of Commons.

Praise for Premier.
The Right Hon. Walter Hume Long, in opposing the measure, first congratulated the Prime Minister on the ability and calm dignity displayed in his speech, despite the treatment he had received at the hands of the suffragettes, which, he took occasion to say, "is a disgrace to the country." He urged that the passage of the bill would not stop militant tactics, but would only lead to fiercer agitation for a larger measure of enfranchisement.

Mr. Frederick E. Smith said that the supporters of the bill repudiated the militant tactics when it suited them, but would use them as long as it paid to do so. It was not until 1906, when militancy began, that a single member of the House took the movement seriously.

A motion to reject the bill was carried, 265 to 213.

Farmers Around Varna Expect Bumper Crops

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Varna, May 7.—A number of the farmers have finished seeding. The weather has been ideal and the seed-beds are in almost perfect condition. The first and most important condition for a bountiful harvest is already realized.

The trees are well out in leaf, and fruit trees are heavily loaded with blossoms. The earlier-sown grain is up and looking well.

Fall wheat has stood the winter well and promises to be a good crop. The grass is well advanced, and many cattle will be turned out this week—some were turned out to pasture last week.

FOUND DEAD BABY

Inquest Will Be Held Into Mysterious
Discovery at Leamington.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Leamington, May 7.—The finding of the body of a new-born baby in an outbuilding has prompted Dr. J. M. King, coroner, to order an investigation through the office of the crown attorney in Windsor. Dr. King has empaneled a jury, and will hold an inquest.

The condition of the body indicates the child had been dead about a week, it is said.

EX-KENT WARDEN DEAD.
[Special to The Advertiser.]

Chatham, May 6.—John Vester, an ex-warden of the county of Kent, is dead at his home in the Communication road, Harwich. He is survived by a widow, three sons and five daughters.

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