

Lumber Camp Was Destroyed By Fire

Gagetown, N.B., Mar. 2.—The mill camp of Gilbert Stockford, who is timbering at Burton, several miles above Upper Gagetown, was entirely destroyed by fire, with its contents, including blankets, bedding, supplies and the extra clothing of the men employed at the camp, together with several sums of money, which the employees had on hand on Friday last. The fire broke out in the camp during the middle of the afternoon, the only occupant being the cook, who was asleep at the time, the other employees being at some distance away, working in the woods. The cook was awakened by the smoke and hastily summoned what help was available, they endeavored to check the blaze; but it was too late and the structure was soon in flames. It was impossible to save any of the contents of the camp, and the cook was fortunate to escape with his life.

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Most of the employees of the Stockford camp are from the North Shore. Supplies have already been brought in since and a new camp is being built near the mill, which will be in operation during the greater part of the spring and summer.

POLITICAL LETTER

FROM OTTAWA

Ottawa, March 7th, 1921.—There is clearer air on Parliament Hill since the debate and division on the Address. The notions of usurpation, constitutionally unfounded and belied by the by-elections, have been definitely destroyed by a decisive majority of the representatives of the people in Parliament. The Agrarians led by Mr. Crerar were careful to disassociate themselves from the usurpation idea in Mr. King's amendment, and the able speech of Mr. Fielding also helped to remove the hiatus from his leader's vision. It is now definitely accepted by the supporters of the administration and by the Agrarians that redistribution should precede a general election; an event that has been anticipated by executive provisions. In a word, Parliament has voted confidence in the Meighen Ministry after the manner in which support was given to the Abbot and Thompson cabinets in 1891 and it remains that with Parliament in session the Government should go forward with its program.

Looking back over the debate, three things are outstanding:
(1) the continued dominance of the Ministry over Parliament;
(2) the high place which Mr. Meighen has already taken as a House of Commons leader; and (3) the almost pitiable feebleness of the Opposition's attack. For perhaps the first time since Confederation Parliament witnessed the spectacle of an Opposition confronting a Government at the opening of a session even without attempting to impeach either its integrity or its capacity. The Meighen Government and its predecessors in office have dealt with problems of war and its aftermath on a scale unparalleled in our time. They have executed measures and reforms involving expenditures unheard of in pre-war days. Yet, despite these vast outlays, despite problems encountered which dwarfed into insignificance difficulties of previous Ministries, there has been no attempted indictment of the Government's administration not even the breath of a charge that a single dollar has been diverted from its proper channel. Under the circumstances, having regard to the great historic achievements of the past five it was perhaps little wonder

that the amendment of Mr. King, lacking even its pretended basis, should have so ignominiously failed.

The Financial Situation

The big question now before the Government and Parliament is the financial situation. It is a question of revenue, during the first two months of the calendar year (January and February) there has been a disturbing reduction of customs duties. Not only was the total amount collected materially less than in the corresponding months last year, but the ratio of duty to dutiable articles fell away to an even greater extent. In January, 1920 dutiable goods valued at \$66,318,000 yielded revenues amounting to \$18,083,000. In January 1921, dutiable goods to the value of \$51,281,000 yielded revenue of only \$10,063,000. The average rate of duty on all dutiable goods fell from 27.3 per cent in January 1921 to 9.6 per cent in 1921. Details of the February customs entries are not yet available, but the revenue shrank almost five millions, as compared with February 1920; and there is reason for believing that the March figures are equally serious.

The lesson conveyed by such a situation is obvious. It is that the country is faced with a decline in customs revenue so serious that the Government cannot hope to avoid a search for new sources of revenue. The plain truth is that with the decline of customs duties and the elimination of the business profits tax (which is widely demanded) the Minister of Finance is confronted with the task of making up something like 60 or 70 millions of revenue. The position shows the utter folly of those who talk about reducing the tariff, without as much as suggesting means for substituting revenue; such a course would spell national bankruptcy. Then, of course, there is the vital question of exchange. Canadian dollars are still at a discount of from 12 to 14 cents in the United States, a humiliating and costly position for Canadians; and any attempt to further decrease the tariff, resulting in the purchase of more American goods would only aggravate the situation. Mr. King and Mr. Crerar, realizing the position, are endeavouring to fight shy of the exchange argument by pretending that it is due to departure from the gold standard, forgetting that Canada's gold basis is second only to that of the United States, which has become the greatest gold nation in the world. The plain truth is that quite apart from the question of adequate protection for Canadian industries, any interference with the tariff at the present time is absolutely prohibited by the problems of revenue and exchange. The coming budget will indicate whether the argument for a turnover tax on all business transactions, which is receiving a good deal of support in financial quarters, impresses the Minister of Finance. Undoubtedly the sales tax as it exists now has been a success; and it is hard to see how its extension would be beneficial. At all events some important source of revenue must be found somewhere, as customs and income taxes will be quite inadequate.

The Imperial Bogy.

The bogy of an Imperial Conference, out of which certain members of the Opposition have been trying to make much, was effectively laid to rest this week by Mr. Meighen in reply to a question of Mr. Archambault. There will be a conference of Prime Ministers of the Empire in June, at which there will be discussions on renewal of the Treaty with Japan, imperial defence and foreign policy, though as yet the agenda for the meeting has not been settled. The Premier informed the House that while the Government could not depart from the invariable practice of making commitments in advance of the meeting, it would be prepared to meet any general desire for discussion in advance, and would welcome expression of opinion from all quarters. "Necessarily any proposals resulting from the conference and affecting Canada must be subject to the approval of the Canadian Parliament," the Premier added.

This is destroyed in a sentence an appeal which certain of the Opposition members (Mr. Crerar is among them) have been making to the fears of certain sections of the population. The coming week will be an active one. It will see the House engage in voting surely; preparation for estimates and the Budget; the probable appointment of the commission which is to inquire into the western grain trade.

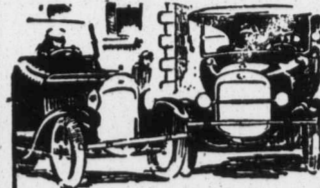
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