

RADIAL BILL IN HOUSE.

The Contentious Sections Not Taken Up Last Night.

Commission Will Have Power to Deal With Questions.

Intercolonial Employees Take Part in Political Meetings.

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Though a few clauses of the Hamilton Radial Railway bill had at once taken steps to secure information and at the same time had telegraphed that the employees specifically mentioned and all other employees of the Intercolonial Railway were to be told that they were not to take part in elections. "If employees, in the face of that, attempted to take part," said Sir Wilfrid, "they would do so at their own risk and peril." He had been told that he was responsible for all this, and in particular that he was responsible for promises said to have been made by Senator Gilmor. That gentleman was a good friend of his, and he had nothing to say against him. He knew that he had been the author of many good actions, but Sir Wilfrid could not take credit for them; and if the hon. Senator has been guilty of evil actions he would not take the blame for them either. So far as his memory went, he could say that he had not spoken to Senator Gilmor for six months, nor had any communication, written or verbal, with him. The rule that applied to officials of the Government in respect to elections, he believed, should not apply to members of Parliament. They were free as any citizen of the country to take part in elections, Provincial or Dominion. So far as the Minister of Public Works was concerned, that gentleman had assured him he had not made any promises. He had simply spoken as a native of the Province of New Brunswick.

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Mr. Graham, continuing, said that one of the complaints he had received since taking over the Department of Railways was that the men were not allowed the same latitude in political matters that they enjoyed in the old Conservative days. Mr. Foster was unfair when he charged him with having made no attempt to inquire into his (Foster's) complaint as to certain employees of the Intercolonial Railway. He had wired to the General Manager and received a reply that Alphonse Leblanc was at his work. The other gentleman, he was informed, was absent from duty, and he immediately wired instructions that he be informed that while the department wanted them to enjoy the fullest exercise of their citizenship, and to vote as they pleased, it did not want them to take an active part in Dominion or Provincial affairs. He had reason to believe that since he wired these instructions the Leblancs had not taken any part in elections, and he claimed that the department had done its duty in the matter.

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Mr. Pugsley was glad that Mr. Foster had modified his views on such matters. He remembered the time when the member for North Toronto did not express such views. He congratulated Mr. Foster on having had the courage to criticise him when he was present, in which respect he had shown an example to two of the New Brunswick members who had attacked him in his absence for going to New Brunswick, and had immediately afterwards hurried away as fast as they could to that Province to help the Opposition. (Laughter.) He denied that he had made any promises to the people of New Brunswick to induce them to vote in favor of the Government candidates. It was not necessary that he should point to the record of the Liberal party, and the course of Mr. Foster had given him a very good text. He had merely pointed out what the policy of the Liberal Government had been doing for the Maritime Provinces, and in that he saw no wrong.

Mr. Borden.

Mr. Borden thought the answers of the Minister of Railways and Canals were somewhat indirect and at times flippant. He read from the resolution passed by the House, placing on record his opinion that the members should not be engaged or permitted to be engaged in partisan work, but the Government, he argued, had taken no action in the particular matter brought to their attention, and it had remained for private parties to secure affidavits to show that Government officials were disregarding the unanimous resolution of the House. The Minister of Public Works has been as smooth in the House as no doubt he had been in the Province of New Brunswick. He had said he made no promises, but Mr. Borden contended that promises have been made in effect, without the use of explicit words. The hon. gentleman had raised the expectation that if the Provincial Government were sustained his hands would be strengthened and Federal public works would go on.

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Sir Wilfrid said the subject was not a new one; it had been before the House as long as he has been a member. No matter what Federal Government was in power it was charged against them that they took part in Provincial elections. The member for North Toronto, who had used strong expressions, had apparently forgotten his own record in regard to activity in elections. Sir Wilfrid Laurier agreed with the hon. gentleman that employees of the Government should not be allowed to take part in elections beyond exercising their franchise. There was a resolution of the House to that effect. The opinion of the Government in regard to Provincial elections was that the same practice should prevail. The Prime Minister was surprised at the attempt to cast reflections on the Ministers of Public Works and of Railways and Canals when the facts did not warrant them. Some days ago had brought to the attention of the House a statement to the effect that certain employees of

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such an agreement the clause had been inserted in the bill providing that the railway could not run over their high-ways without their consent. Another clause had also been added prohibiting the railway from selling electricity in municipalities owning their own electricity to deal with such roads. When the Bill was introduced, it was enlarged and its duties fully outlined under the amended act it would have all the provisions of the Ontario Municipal Railway Board and the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission, and the Act respecting same, chapter 15, of the statutes of Ontario, 1906, and amendments thereto.

A HILL OF GOLD.

The Wonderfully Rich Find on Vancouver Island.

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Report comes from Victoria of a bank of some 100 feet high at Wreck Bay, which proves fabulously rich in gold. According to samples analysed by Walter Myles, an old-time miner from the Yukon, the sand pans out five to fifteen cents to the pan. The yield per ton varies from \$43.20 to \$104.40. The sand stretches a long distance, running into millions of tons. Myles stated out and registered eight claims. Myles states Colorado capitalists are interested. Development work commences at once.

Mr. Henderson's Amendment.

Mr. Henderson moved an amendment, additional clauses providing for penalizing the company if it failed to keep the agreements with the municipalities.

Mr. Clarke, introducer of the bill, thought the amendment would defeat the objects aimed at. These matters could be dealt with by the Railway Commission.

ONE LONE BATTLESHIP.

Washington, Feb. 24.—A petition against the proposed increase of the United States navy by the expenditure of over \$80,000,000 for four new battleships was laid before the Senate to-day by Senator Hale, chairman of the Committee on Naval Affairs. The petition is signed by Bishop Henry C. Potter, of New York, and other clergymen, who desire the naval programme limited to one battleship.

Representatives of law societies conferred with Hon. J. J. Foy regarding law reform.

The death of Mr. F. C. Miller, senior member of the firm of Messrs. Miller & Sons, florists, occurred at Brantford.

GWILLIMBURY GIRL IS SENT FOR TRIAL.

MABEL ALLEN HELD ON CHARGE OF BURNING BARN.

Hearing at Mount Albert—Prisoner Released on Bail With Two Sureties—Big Crowd Attends Preliminary Hearing.

Toronto, Feb. 25.—Mabel Allen, the young woman accused of causing the fire which destroyed the barns and the stock of Jacob Hopkins, an East Gwillimbury farmer, was committed for trial by Magistrate Moore and Associate Magistrate Coulson at Mount Albert yesterday. Bail for her appearance at the General Sessions was applied for by her counsel, Mr. C. R. Fitch, and was granted by the court in two sureties of \$500 each. The prisoner will not be liberated until to-day, as her bondsmen were not ready when the court adjourned.

The Town Hall was crowded with an audience of curious farmers when court opened. Mabel Allen pleaded not guilty through her counsel, and the first witness called for the prosecution was Mrs. Hopkins, mother of Jacob Hopkins. She was aware of hearing the girl threaten to burn the buildings while she was in a rage. In cross-examination, Mr. Fitch endeavored to show the kind of treatment the girl was subjected to, but Mrs. Hopkins said that she had no right to get angry if she had been doing right. She accused the girl of "bad deeds" in the house. At the afternoon session Walter Thompson, one of the party that traced the tracks in the snow from the Hopkins' barns to the Allen home, was called. He described the journey through the snow and mud, following the freshly-made marks with a lantern. His brother measured the footprints and they were nine and a half inches long. He knew they were a woman's tracks, because they were three and a half inches wide. There were no tracks leading away from the Allens' house. He could not swear that the tracks were those of Miss Allen, but he was sure they were made after 9 o'clock that night.

Thomas Moore, a farmer for whom the Allen girl had been working, swore that she left his place the Tuesday before the burning of the barns and returned the Saturday after. His little daughter, Ethel, aged 10, had told him of a conversation which she had with the prisoner, of which she told him the night after the fire.

The little girl, herself, was called, and because she was timid, the drop curtain on the stage of the Town Hall was lowered while she was giving evidence to shield her from the gaze of the crowd. She said Mabel Allen told her that she was going home to kill a man or burn his barns. She would not say who the man was, but she said his hair was turning grey. The youthful witness cried a good deal, and her evidence had to be taken down in writing by Clerk Lyndsdaile.

Joseph Kay, the next witness, swore that he traced the tracks in the snow to within a rod of the burned building. Two or three witnesses were called for the defence, and Mr. Fitch asked for a dismissal on the ground of insufficient evidence. The magistrates decided to send the case for trial, however, and the committal was accordingly made.

Mrs. Lydia Allen, the prisoner's mother, swore that her daughter had not left the house on the night of the fire. The girl had, she said, only one dress with her, and this was dry in the morning and it could not have been had she walked ten miles through the snow drifts.

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The dangers of bull-fighting were graphically illustrated, for the first bull in the ring tossed the chief matador, and disabled him from further work. The fifth bull gored the throat of the second matador, and he was carried bleeding to his quarters. It is not likely that he can survive.

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