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Decide on Party Lines

The Joint Meeting of Vancouver Senior and Junior Liberal-Conservatives.

Mr. Carter-Cotton's Speech-The Vote Was Almost Unanimous.

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In opening, Mr. McAllister said that the notice calling the meeting had stated that it was for the purpose of ratifying the nomination of delegates...

Mr. H. Young, chairman of the committee for Ward IV, being called upon, said that he had called the colors to the mast to carry the election on party lines...

The chairman for Ward V, Mr. T. Cunningham, next came forward. He agreed with Mr. Young on party lines. He had been committed to party lines in British Columbia for the last 20 years...

Mr. W. G. Ross, chairman for Ward II, was in favor of carrying out the platform of the conventions. Party lines had worked well in other provinces, so why should not the same principle apply in Vancouver...

Mr. C. S. Douglas was asked to speak for Ward I, Mr. J. J. Banfield, the chairman, being out of town. He believed the time was ripe for the inauguration of party lines...

Mr. W. A. Macdonald, vice-president of the Young Conservative Club, was next called upon. He intended to stand by the fighting of the next election on party lines...

Mr. W. J. Bowser thought there was nothing to do but carry out the decisions of the conventions. This province wanted to be quit once and for all from personal politics...

Mr. J. H. Livingstone was next called upon. He thought the facts as they had stood were such as would give the Lieutenant-Governor a fair excuse to call on Mr. Martin...

Mr. C. E. Tisdall, M. P., was next called to the platform. While holding his opinion on party lines, he had to a very large extent agreed with Sir Herbert Tupper in what he had said at a previous meeting...

Mr. J. R. Seymour, chairman of the executive of the Conservative Union, was next called upon. He said that the party lines position was endorsed by letters from all over the province and by personal interviews...

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Alderman Wood, chairman of the Young Men's Club, suggested that Messrs. Carter-Cotton and Tisdall should be given an opportunity of speaking. There were many calls for Mr. Carter-Cotton, and that gentleman came forward on the invitation of the chairman...

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Mr. Davin's Liberty. Mr. Davin moved that the seed grain indebtedness in the Northwest and Manitoba should be dealt with in a comprehensive manner so as to do justice, give relief and meet necessities, should necessities be found...

Mr. Davis (Saskatchewan) took the view that the existing regulations prepared by the Minister of the Interior are quite sufficient to meet all cases. The whole case is this: When some of the farmers of the West were in financial difficulties some years ago the government advanced them seed grain, taking two sureties and liens on their farms...

Mr. Clancy (Bothwell) urged the government to cancel the debts altogether. The debate was finally adjourned and the House rose at 10 o'clock.

AN EXPANSIONIST. American Naval Officer Says the United States Must Increase Overseas Holdings. (Associated Press.)

New York, March 17.—The Tribune today prints a portion of a letter, which it says was written by one of the most experienced and accomplished officers of the United States navy, which concerns the new possessions of the United States. The officer writes:

"I can see nothing but foolishness in the idea of our giving up any of our present overseas holdings. We are bound by force of circumstances, as I see them, not only to hold what we have, but to extend somewhat. The islands of San Domingo and St. Thomas must be under the United States, and I can see no escape from our taking over the general management of a large part of Central America. This latter will be an inevitable outcome of an isthmian canal, though there are very strong reasons for our interference there in any case..."

BOY ACCIDENTALLY SHOT. Careless Handling of Firearms Results in Another Death in Chicago. (Associated Press.)

Chicago, March 17.—The careless handling of firearms by youths brought to death last night the third victim within a week. The latest is John Evans, the 12-year-old son of M. P. Evans, of the bureau of Identification. John emptied his father's revolver on a shelf and took possession of the weapon. An instant later his brother Emmett saw John fumbling with the trigger and looking into the pistol. He cried out a warning, and told John to put the weapon away. No heed was paid to the cry, and Emmett tried to snatch the revolver away. In the struggle the weapon exploded. John fell to the floor with a scream and died almost instantly...

BURNED TO DEATH. Explosion Followed an Attempt to Start a Fire With Gasoline. (Associated Press.)

Columbus, Ohio, March 17.—Five persons dead, one fatally and one seriously injured, resulted from an attempt to start a fire with gasoline here last night. Geo. White used the fluid at Jas. Weaver's residence, and an explosion followed. The building was set on fire, and the inmates were covered with the burning fluid. The dead are: Philip Weaver, Roy Weaver, Leroy Weaver, Tilly Weaver and Geo. White...

CAUGHT IN AN ICE-FIELD. (Associated Press.)

Detroit, Mich., March 16.—A special to the Journal from St. Joseph, Mich., says: "The steamer Louisville, of the Graham & Morton Co., which is due to arrive from Chicago early to-day, is lodged in the ice-fields about five miles out. When last seen she was entering the ice to the southwest. Four short blasts of her whistle were heard, signifying the need of a tug or in distress. The steamer could not be seen owing to the heavy snowstorm prevailing. The tug Andy was ordered out to render assistance. The tug disappeared in a snow storm on the southwestern course, and constantly blew red flares to which the lodged steamer did not reply."

SIR F. W. BURTON DEAD. (Associated Press.)

London, March 16.—Sir F. William Burton, former director of the National Gallery, is dead. J. Donaldson, of Nelson, is a great at the Dominion.

Dominion Parliament

Government Ownership of Railways and Telegraphs Considered.

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Ottawa, March 13.—Yesterday was private members' day in the House of Commons, and there was little or no business of any moment put through. The following bills were introduced and given their first reading: To incorporate the Accident and Guarantee Company of Canada (Mr. Davis), to incorporate the Crown Life Insurance Company (Mr. Burnett), respecting the Dominion Atlantic Railway Company (Mr. Bethune), respecting the Bay of Quinte Railway Company (Mr. Bethune).

Government Ownership of Telegraphs. Mr. Casey (West Elgin) introduced a bill for the establishment of a government system of railways. In explanation, the proposer said that his object was to give power to the government to acquire a system of governmental telegraphs when the money therefor shall be provided by parliament. He referred to the fact that we have already the nucleus of a system in the lines along the St. Lawrence and from British Columbia to Yukon, and based the reasonableness of his suggestion upon the success which has attended the nationalization of the telegraph lines in the United Kingdom and Europe generally.

Excessive Telegraph Tolls. Complaint was made by Mr. McLenan (West Prince, P.E.I.) and by Sir Louis Davies of the excessive charges for telegraph messages on the island and the practice of closing all telegraph lines at 8 o'clock in the evening. Sir Louis intimated that unless matters changed he would advocate the building of a government line over to the island, which there is nothing to prevent.

Reference was also made to the telegraph line down the north shore of the St. Lawrence, which the government in this session asked \$10,000 to complete. Communication is not yet had with Belle Isle, but a scheme is under contemplation for a cable across from Anticosti and another for the use of wireless telegraphy from the neighboring mainland. The bill respecting the Montreal and Ottawa Railway Company was given its third reading. The bill to incorporate the Canadian Bankers' Association was put through its second reading and sent to the committee on banking.

Another Growl From Col. Prior. Lieut-Col. Prior asked whether the Minister of Public Works had had his attention directed to a report in a Vancouver paper that the men sent out to work on the government telegraph line from British Columbia to Yukon were French-Canadians, and that Mr. Charles, the superintendent of the construction gang had purchased supplies in the East when they could have been had cheaper on the Pacific coast. The Minister of Public Works' reply was that he did not think he should consider communications evidently inspired by a desire to raise race hatred, but the majority of the men Mr. Charles took with him were English-speaking. In view of the success which had attended his construction of the Bennett-Davison line, he had been allowed proper discretion as to the employment of men and the purchase of supplies.

Out of the amount voted last session for the building of a winter road to Yukon, 110 miles of road have been constructed from Lake Labarge towards Dawson and a few miles of road in the vicinity of Lake Labarge.

In reply to a question by Mr. Taylor, the Minister of Railways said that the first reading of the bill to incorporate the claim of Mr. Snelinger, M.P., for damages to his water-mill in the building of the Cornwall canal, that the river St. Lawrence belonged to the Federal government, and that Mr. Snelinger's lease was from the Ontario government, so that he was not entitled to any compensation. In June last the same officers reported that since their previous opinion had been given the Privy Council had decreed that the ownership of rivers had not been transferred from the provinces to the Dominion, and that Mr. Snelinger had a good title he was entitled to compensation. The claim was arbitrated, and Mr. Snelinger was awarded and paid the amount of \$20,000.

The Joint High Commission. Mr. E. F. Clarke (West Toronto) asked if any negotiations were in progress between the governments of Canada and the United States looking to the resumption of the meetings of the Joint High Commission.

The Premier—No such negotiations are now in progress. Mr. Gilmour (Middlesex) asked by what authority the pay of the permanent force was forty cents a day, while the militiamen received fifty cents. The Minister of Militia responded that that authority was an order-in-council of June, 1879, when the Macdonald government was in office and Sir Adolphe Caron minister of militia. The pay of the permanent corps was then struck down from 50 cents to 45 cents, and in 1883 from 45 cents to 40 cents.

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Liberal and Tories

Vancouver Conservatives Decide to Postpone the Selection of Delegates.

Terminal City Liberal Association Calls a Provincial Convention for April 5th.

(Special to the Times) Vancouver, March 16.—Two ward meetings, taking in the whole city, were called for last night by the executive of the Conservative Association for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the city convention for choosing candidates to contest the coming provincial election on party lines. The meeting for wards one and two convened only to adjourn to join the second meeting of the remaining three wards. The first part of the session was taken up by an address of H. McBride, M. P. for Dewdney, who spoke strongly in favor of party lines, and the Conservative convention platform, whose planks he spoke to in general terms.

It was the feeling, even after they had called the meeting, that the appointment of delegates should be delayed. The question of the presence of Conservatives from wards one and two at the meeting for other wards caused some discussion, and the former consequently withdrew.

Then the executive was criticised for calling the meeting and not wishing to go ahead after it had been called. The meeting adjourned shortly after, without electing delegates.

To-night a general meeting of the senior and junior association is to be held. The executive of the Vancouver Liberal Association met last night and passed a resolution calling a provincial convention of Liberals to be held in Vancouver on April 5th. The basis of representation at the convention will be ten delegates for each member in the legislature.

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STORMS IN THE STATES. Traffic Stopped in New York—Six Thousand Miners Idle. (Associated Press.)

New York, March 16.—Nine inches of snow and sleet cover the streets of New York to-day. Traffic was partially paralyzed in some sections of the city from early morning. Brooklyn bridge traffic was at a standstill for hours. Shamokin, Pa., March 16.—Snow began falling yesterday, and when the storm ceased at 4 o'clock this morning the ground was covered to a depth of sixteen inches, and this place was snow bound. Over 6,000 men and boys residing between here and Mt. Carmel and employed at various collieries are idle, owing to the blockade. The storm was especially severe in the hilly regions, the snow being very heavy in drifts.

Atlanta, Ga., March 16.—Freezing weather was reported to-day as far south as a line running east and west through the centre of the cotton belt. Killing frost is reported at Fort Smith, Ark., near Mobile, and at Macon. The rain and snow of yesterday in many parts of the south was followed by clearing and much colder weather. Fruit men say the trees cannot stand a continuation of the cold. The recent warm weather had considerably advanced the trees.

New York, March 16.—A dispatch to the Mail and Express from Utica says: "Reports received from the hunting and fishing preserves in northern New York state says that the recent storm has caused death in the game life in that section. Snow is said to be seven feet on the level, and is causing the deer much difficulty in securing food. From Lewis county it is reported that deer have been found completely exhausted, that many have died, and that many more will perish in the cold and for lack of food. Hunters said the numbers now endangered will surpass even those of last winter."

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