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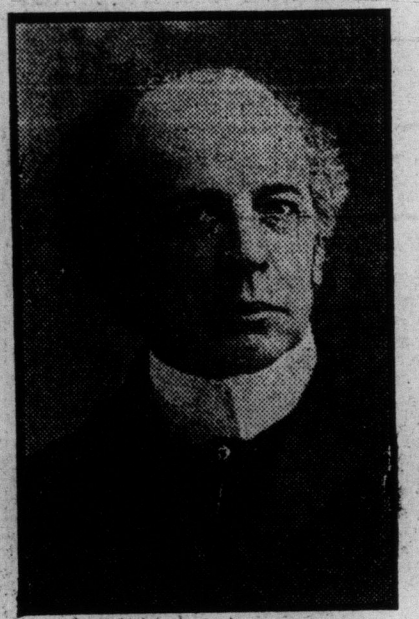
LAURIER SURPRISED AT ENGLISH DOUBTS OF U.S. INTENTIONS

Scoffs at Idea of Annexation Being Seriously Considered on Either Side of Border and Protests His Own Loyalty—A Prominent Figure at Pilgrims' Dinner in London.

SIR EDWARD GREY ON THE MONROE DOCTRINE

(Canadian Press Despatch). LONDON, May 23.—The dinner of the Pilgrims' Society to-night, in honor of the colonial premiers, was historic because of unexpected and noteworthy plain speaking by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the premier of Canada.

He began by expressing amazement that during his three days' stay in England he had heard so many people of standing voicing their doubts concerning the designs of the United States regarding Canada. He scoffed at the idea of the possibility of annexation being seriously considered on either side of the border.



SIR WILFRID LAURIER Chief speaker at Pilgrims' dinner in London, England.

BRIDGE ORDERED AT SUNNYSIDE

Railway Commission Not Swayed by City Council's Snap Vote—Cheaper Than Queen St. Extension by Over \$50,000.

After nearly three hours' discussion, the Dominion Railway Board yesterday gave its final judgment regarding the proposed plans submitted for a bridge or subway to be constructed at Sunnyside, in order to go away with the present dangerous level crossing over which an average of 60,000 people cross every 24 hours.

The original order was amended by striking out the provision for a subway and inserting a clause providing for the erection of a bridge at the junction of King and Queen-streets. The plans are to be filed at once, and the expense taken care of as provided in the original order.

The bridge will not only mean a saving of some \$50,000, but will also be equal to the demands which will be made upon it during the years to come. The commission were quite satisfied that a subway would be adequate, and favored a bridge from the very start.

Aid, McBride Satisfied. "If I had possessed the same information that the railway commission were given, I would have delivered the same judgment," said Aid, McBride, who was the principal promoter of the subway suggestion.

The city council voted 13 to 12 in favor of extending Queen-street west to Keele-street and building a subway. The Sunnyside property owners, especially Mrs. P. V. Myers, objected to this plan on the ground that it would be detrimental to her business.

Chairman's Little Jest. In a rather sarcastic manner Chairman Mabee asked Mr. Drayton if he expected Toronto ever to become as far advanced in civilization as Hamilton, where the radial cars run into the heart of the city.

Representing 200 High Park ratepayers, Mr. E. F. Johnston spoke strongly against the proposed subway, saying that it would be a death-trap. He stated that his clients were willing to pay for the bridge if that were necessary. He very eloquently dwelt on the dangers of subway travel, and of convenience and permanent use he declared the bridge to be by far the best scheme.

Estimates furnished by Mr. Mountain, chief engineer of the railway commission, showed that the bridge will cost \$115,000, with land damages amounting to \$245,000, a total of \$360,000. The subway would cost \$121,000, and the land damages would amount to \$330,000, making a total of \$451,000. Besides being equal to the demands which will be made upon it when Toronto's population doubles.

The management of the Princess Theatre will be congratulated in having an attraction like "Madame Sherry" for race week. It is one of the bright musical shows that appeals to all classes. The company is an excellent one.

3000 CADETS ARE REVIEWED BY EARL GREY

Empire Day Celebrated in Toronto by Great Gathering in Queen's Park, Following Parade of School Children—Decoration of Monuments Was Ceremony of Striking Picturesqueness.

Sons of the blood. That is the spirit of Empire Day, as observed in the schools of Toronto yesterday, and the 3000 youngsters, clad in scarlet tunics who paraded before the governor-general, were thoroughly emblematic of that spirit.

"This has been the happiest day of the seven years of my term as governor-general," said Earl Grey, and there was a ring of sincerity in his voice when he said it. The veterans have memories and traditions to look back upon, but these youngsters have ideals before them, and perhaps the honor of the scarlet tunic is one they did credit to themselves, they did credit to the city. Only the day previous had the different companies met in battalion formation, let alone brigade order, and yet when moving in column of fours the mass was as steady as trained veterans.

The girls, too, performed their part well—260 of them. They handled the garlands. Two schools were assigned to each monument, and with the assistance of the members of the board of education and workmen, the flowers were soon in place.

Praise must be given to the public school bugle band. Under the leadership of John Slater, these laddies won words of praise from everybody. They led the march from the promenade. They played in front of the parliament buildings, giving way for a short time to the 48th Highlanders and Cadet Band, and finally furnished all the music for the march past of the entire brigade on university lawn.

Earl Grey was pleased. He said so, and he was not alone in the message sent by the King one year ago to his subjects across the seas the determination was expressed to maintain upon the "four freedoms" of freedom, justice and peace the great heritage of a United British Empire. Toronto's answer to that, given on successive Empire Days, was taken care of as provided in the original order.

It was six years ago since he first made the acquaintance of the children of this city. It was a beautiful day and his exclamation at the sight of his family still recalled with unending satisfaction the pleasure they had derived from the ceremony on that occasion.

He congratulated Inspector Hughes and the various authorities concerned on the steps they had taken to make this annual ceremony a more and more important exposition of the loyalty of Toronto. Toronto was giving an example which the other cities of the empire would have to follow.

Two years ago the number of uniformed cadets was about 600. They had now reached over 3000. His excellency congratulated the cadets on the bugle band the schools had provided.

Last year it had been their privilege to receive from the hands of General French, the South African general, the colors presented by the various Toronto branches of the Daughters of the Empire. Next year they would have the honor of giving their salute to Field Marshal H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught.

The struggle of last year had been for the possession of liberty. It was now becoming generally recognized that the possession of liberty would be maintained.

Continued on Page 3, Col. 5. REFUSED BELL CO.'S REQUEST. SARNIA, May 23.—News was received yesterday from the Dominion Railway Commission that the Bell Telephone Company had been denied its application for an increase in the long distance rate between Sarnia and Detroit. The company sought to raise the rate from forty to fifty cents. The increase was opposed by the board of trade, town council and marine interests here.

A DISGUSTED SPORT



MR. TAFT: That Reciprocity dope of yours, Doc., is on the blink. The colt's doing worse here than on the other side.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING AT SAULT STE. MARIE

Barns Burned in Neighborhood of Midland—Hail Does Damage in Minden and Vicinity.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont., May 23.—(Special.)—George Sayers, 21 years of age, was instantly killed this afternoon by lightning, while engaged on cement floor work in the west end. Sayers was engaged by Kidd & Co., and while the storm was at its worst, he sought shelter with the rest beneath a tree. A bolt descended, killing Sayers instantly, and proving three others of the men who were with him. The deceased is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sayers of Bay-st. He was unmarried.

Barns Burned. WELLAND, May 23.—(Special.)—The electrical storm on Monday night caused considerable loss by fire in the section west of Welland. The following losses are reported: Ennis Priestman, Forks-road, large barn and shed, with contents; loss \$1600, no insurance. Oakley Beamer, Boyle, barn, 50 by 40, and shed, with contents; loss \$2300, insurance \$1200. William Lapp, Lowbarns, barn, with contents; loss \$1500, insurance \$500.

Heart Failure From Heat. MONTREAL, May 23.—Another death was recorded to-day as a result of the sweltering weather that hangs over the city. Mrs. Joseph Hebert of Outremont was found dead by her husband, and an investigation showed that there had been heart failure, consequent on the strain of heat prostration.

Hail Breaks Minden Windows. LINDSAY, May 23.—Between the hours of 4 and 5 to-day a severe hail-storm covered this village and surrounding section, including the Village of Minden. The window glass of the west side of most buildings was shattered, one house reported a loss of 16 panes, while damage in Minden is covered by a rush order to Toronto for about 500 panes. Trees were stripped of their foliage and all crops were leveled to the ground. The fruit in this section will be a total failure.

Vagaries of the Thermometer. QUEBEC, May 23.—A drop of 23 1-2 degrees in the temperature is a sample of the weather which has been prevailing in Quebec since Sunday. On Sunday the mercury registered 92 degrees in the shade, and that was warm enough for May 21 any place. Yesterday the thermometer registered 61 degrees lower than on Sunday, and to-day 17 1-2 degrees lower than yesterday, which constitutes a drop of 23 1-2 degrees in two days.

BISHOPS PROTEST. LISBON, May 23.—A collective protest of the bishops against the separation law has been issued. It consists of a long exposition in four sections under the heads of injustice, oppression, spoliation, and mockery, and concludes by declaring that the bishops, priests and faithful will always unite in manifesting their loyalty and fidelity to the country.

Aviator Killed. STRASBURG, Germany, May 23.—During an aeroplane competition here this afternoon the aviator, Lammlein, fell 200 feet and was instantly killed.

King's Plate and Power

The win of the King's Plate by St. Bass on Saturday and his win of the race yesterday for Dominion-bred establish his predominance as a Canadian racehorse and must end in a revolution in all contests hereafter for the King's Plate. In fact, St. Bass will force all the Canadian breeders to reconsider their program. As long as the rights of W. S. Fielding, the other day, St. Bass is of the heavy, almost cart-horse type, and under the higher conditions only a horse of this class—one that has reserve power—can hope to go the distance and make the speed at which this race will be run hereafter. In the old days it was run in 2:15, and then down to 2:14 and 2:12, and then down to 2:10, and now it is less than 2:09, and in two or three years it will be run at 2:06, which is the New York time, weight for age, for this distance. This time of 2:05 means a mile in 1:40, or every quarter of a mile in 25 seconds. A thin-like horse may be able to do this distance, but the chances are that the race hereafter will be to the thickest, powerful horse, instead of to the skyscraper or one of the skanky build.

All the Canadian breeders and trainers will have to model on something else other than the winners of the past three or four years. They will rather have to think of St. Bass, King James and Fitzherbert, for this is the kind of horse that can do a mile and a quarter in 2:05 when they have to do it. There will be no more demand for skyscrapers in the King's Plate, or we judge the situation wrong. We might make mention that St. Bass weighs 1125 lbs., that King James weighs 1145 lbs., and Fitzherbert weighs 1175 lbs., and that he weighs 150 pounds less than this is not in it when speed, weight-carrying and staying qualities are considered.

On our Canadian breeders go and look at St. Bass and at King James, and at Fitzherbert. And then look at them again. Measure them, lift them, try and get that kind. Sell your giraffes and yoke stims, and your little ones, and think of weight and power and heart, and in three years the King's Plate will be worth \$10,000 and the time 2:05.

PREMIER MONIS BETTER. PARIS, May 23.—A bulletin issued to-night concerning the condition of Premier Monis announced that his improvement continued, and that he had been able to take increased nourishment. The news of the relief of Fez was communicated to the premier, who expressed great satisfaction.

FIRES THREATENED VILLAGE. HALIFAX, May 23.—Forest fires at Hubbard's Cove this afternoon threatened the destruction of the village, but fortunately the efforts of a hundred men, who turned out to fight the flames, prevented a general conflagration. The fire started from a spark from a locomotive on the Halifax and Southwestern Railway, and was carried along by a northerly wind. A house and barn owned by Frank Schwartz was destroyed, at a loss of \$2000. Valuable trees fronting on Major Drevin's property had to be cut down to save this house, and other minor damage was done. At 6 o'clock in the evening the fire was under control.

24TH OF MAY. It was always the "Twenty-fourth of May" that figured largest in our school-day outings. The day has grown larger with us as the years go into history. It is the first day for summer outings even now. It is a question of new hats—of new clothing. The Dineen Company is your better if you require something exclusive at the lowest price. Panamas begin at Five Dollars and up to Twenty-five. All good value. The store is open until one o'clock holiday afternoons.

LIBERALS WAGE BIG CAMPAIGN IN QUEBEC

Holding 250 Meetings Throughout Province in Next Seven Weeks—Opposition Also Active—Everything Points to Hurred Election—A Difference of Opinion.

(Canadian Press Despatch). MONTREAL, May 23.—Following by a few hours only the opening of the political campaign by the Nationalists of this province, the Liberals will open the biggest political campaign ever made outside of a general election campaign in this province. It now appears that the general elections will take place in the fall, and M.P.'s back from Ottawa since Saturday do not hold their feeling that whatever campaign may be waged between now and the 18th of July, at which date parliament will reconvene, is the prelude of an exceedingly short one, that may be decided on at any time after the return home of Sir Wilfrid Laurier from attending the Imperial conference and the coronation celebration. Not less than 250 Liberal meetings will be held throughout the province during the next seven weeks; there will be at least three or four meetings in every electoral riding and large general mass meetings will be held in the different districts. On the opposition side also the campaign will be waged with alacrity. A Conservative local member for one of the counties surrounding Montreal is authority for the statement that a fund of \$2,000,000 will be available to defeat reciprocity, and that this immense amount could be gathered together within two weeks.

Two Points of View. The World's special forecast in yesterday's paper as to the chances of an early election does not chime with an article in The Globe of the same date. The Globe says that it is granted that when the house meets in July the opposition will oppose supply, will oppose a redistribution measure, and will force the government to go to the country. The forecast in the paper says that without a redistribution of the seats. The condition of the opposition is that the redistribution would in all likelihood take place, and after it, the election. In the meantime the holding of conventions and the selection of candidates would have to await the redistribution proposals. But if what The Globe says is true, it is clear that the redistribution would in all likelihood take place, and after it, the election. In the meantime the holding of conventions and the selection of candidates would have to await the redistribution proposals. But if what The Globe says is true, it is clear that the redistribution would in all likelihood take place, and after it, the election. In the meantime the holding of conventions and the selection of candidates would have to await the redistribution proposals.

THE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEST

Globe, May 23.—In an interesting forecast of political probabilities the Ottawa correspondent of The Globe says that the Liberal members of parliament were warned before the election that if the general election might come very soon after recess. They were asked to make all necessary preparations for the coming census of the population in the event of continued obstructive tactics on the part of the opposition. It is a matter of common knowledge that the Liberal members would have gone to the country ere this on the reciprocity issue had redistribution been possible in advance of such an appeal. Redistribution, however, depends on the population returns of the census, and it will be August before the census is sufficiently complete to permit of the rearrangement of the seats in the commons. THE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEST. BEFORE REDISTRIBUTION BY OBSTRUCTING SUPPLY. Obviously from the point of view of out-and-out opponents of reciprocity it was good politics to do so. The west is very strongly in favor of free trade in natural products. On the figures of the coming census the four western provinces will be entitled to about twenty additional members, and in Alberta and Saskatchewan at all events, every member added to the representation is likely to cast a vote in favor of the ratification of the reciprocity agreement. GENERAL ELECTION BEFORE REDISTRIBUTION WOULD THEREFORE BE DISTINCTLY ADVANTAGEOUS TO

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