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FIELDING'S WEIRD EXPLANATION. NAMES TO BE KEPT SECRET

On Behalf of Government Announces That N. A. T. Direc- MA torate Shall Not Be Revealed Dr -The Utility of Committee In- KEAUI guiries-Investigation of Marine Dept. Denied on Division.

Ottawa, May 18 .- (Special.) - This afternoon was devoted to the debate upon an amendment offered by R. L. Borden to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's resolution providing for a select committee to investigate the charge respecting supplies for the steamer Arctic. It resulted in two divisions, the government being sustained by 87 to 45. Mr. Borden's amendment sought to widen the June 30, 1902. The debate was at times direct attack upon the late Minister

nau decided not to reveal the names of the stockholders of the North Atlantic supposedly containing the names with

Before the orders of the day were to open the envelope until he received Before the orders of the day were called Sir Wilfrid Laurier called attention to the charges made in the house respecting the supplies for the Arctic. These charges involved a direct accusation of larceny. They could not be ignored, as were many statements made in the heat of debate. He ments made in the heat of debate. He ments made in the appropriate of a special on record as having said the names

tee. There had been a charge that not began negotiations with the trading all of the supplies which the country company in 1899 at Bremen, and afhad paid for were placed on the steam- terwards at Hamburg. He stated that er but many other grave offences were alleged against the department. For example, there had been in one year supplies for the department to the amount of \$405,000, purchased from a Mr. Merwin without tender. He instanced the sale of coal for the steamer King Edward and the extravagant prices charged for the furnishings of the Montcalm. He proposed an amendment embracing all transactions of the department since June, 1902.

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justice to the late Mr. Prefontaine. In saw Lord Strathcona, the con justice to the late Mr. Precontaine. In saw Lord Strathcol the other cases nothing wores had been er could not say. the other cases nothing wores had declared than mismanagement. In the case of the Arctic, members had, in effect, accused the late minister of declared that I'm aware of. There

premier's resolution as a "cheap expethat international complications might dient." The supplies for the Arctic arise." Preston said that in this conwere before the public accounts com-mittee for examination the same as the others mentioned. There was no reason for singling it out for a special sor for singling it out for a special committee. It was folly to say that any investigation could be had before any standing committee. The premier to England he found an accumulation of literature. There was a difficulty should be a support of the committee. had issued orders to the various of literature. There was a distinct, men to trick investigation. If any wit about carrying on immigration work on the continent. It appeared that most of the money spent in twenty evidence he was admo

not compelled to answer. If their charges were sent to a special committee the public would watch it so closely that no chairman would dare to muzzle a witness who had pre-viously burned up important testimony. He read from the auditor-general's report a schedule of supplies furnished the steamer Kestral. The mere food the steamer Kestral. for twenty-two men had cost the government in one year \$7500. Canada's Honor.

Mr. Fielding replied, defending the overnment. If the standing committees were helpless, how would a special committee do any better? A majority of its members would also be Liberals. As to the so-called suppression of testimony, the charge was absurd. Lord Strathcona had cautioned secrecy. This government had promised the members f the North Atlantic Trading Company that their identity should not be disclosed to the public. The honor of Canada was at stake. Their confidence would not be betrayed.

Northrup (East Hastings) re minded the premier that the speeches on Tuesday night, which led to the pro-posal for a committee, included specific harges in addition to those respecting

MacLean (Lunenburg) defended the government, as also did Mr. MacDonald

Mr. McLean (P.E.I.) pointed out that Sir Wilfrid Laurier's resolution, as drawn, would not apply to the pur-

Dr. Reid (Grenville) repeated his wholesale charges of graft in the pur-chase of coal cement and other ar-He disclaimed any desire to reflect upon the late Raymond Prefon-taine. He had expressly said that Sir Wilfrid Laurier was just as culpable as the deceased ministe

Who Profits?

He showed by a telegram just received from New York that the marine and fisheries department had puid \$1550 to a middle man for a boiler which sold in the open market for \$800. He cited offer cases where the government had paid to Mr. Merwin, or to his firm, F. paid to Mr. Merwin, or to his firm, F. L. Brooks, fully double the market

Who got the rake-off? Mr. Brodeur claimed that the very accounts denounced by the opposition civil officers appointed by the Conservative party. He challenged Mr. Esrden to put his seat in jeopardy by making a specific charge against the challenged Mr. Esrden to put his seat in jeopardy by making a specific charge against the charge

specific charge against the late Mr. Mr. Borden disclaimed any intention to reflect upon the memory of Mr. Pre-

Upon division the amendment was st-yeas 45. hays 87. Another division was ordered upon and the same was carried—yeas 132, navs none.

Empress Hotel. Yonge and Gould Sts., R. Dissette, Prop. \$1.50 and \$2.00 per day.

Must Not Look at Them--Says Strathcona Knows All About the Company. *

bert McIntyre and Ralph Smith, voted with the opposition to-day on a motion by Mr. Monk to report the evienquiry so as to include the entire de- dence in the North Atlantic Trading nent of marine and fisheries from Co. scandal, and ask the house to intervene to compel W. T. R. Preston yery bitter and the government was driven at last to protesting that the Borden amendment was intended as a know the names, beyond "a well-Mr. Fielding in his reply to Mr. Bor- two," but that last night he had re-Mr. rigiding in its legit to the government den announced that the government had decided not to reveal the names of supposedly containing the names with an accompanying note forbidding him

Ottawa, May 18.-Two Liberals, Gil-

moved for the appointment of a special on record as having said the names committee.

R. L. Borden expressed surprise at the narrow limits assigned the committee, and was on record as having said the names must never be disclosed.

To Mr. Monk, who interrogated him in committee, Mr. Preston said he

department since June, 1902.

Straight Theft.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier declined to accept the amendment. In all of the cases mentioned there had been investigation by the public accounts committee. This particular investigation was sought in particular investigation was sought in particular investigation was sought in particular investigation. In the straight of the late Mr. Prefontaine. In

Mierate larceny.

Hon. George E. Foster denounced the first arrangement. It was thought nection he saw Mr. Vesey Knox as

most of the money spent in twenty shilling bonuses had been secured by firms in Hamburg and Bremen, who simply picked up prospective emi-grants at the ports of embarkation to the detriment of agencies sending them here.

Preston enquired among the agents who told him that to carry on a propaganda was a dangerous business, buildings, the authorities having been much exercised over a visit by Lord Strathcona and Mr. Colmer in the interests of immigration.

Complaints had been made about this visit, and Lord Strathcona had habitants, was burned. been told thru official channels that Quinneseo, with 1000 if he could not show the German complaints to be unfounded it would Continued on Page 10.

"CONFEDERATION" FIRST.

When Insurance Commission Resumes Its Sessions Next Week.

When the royal commission on ination Life Assurance Co. would be the area is 200 square miles. next company to be investigated.

whose head offices are in that city.

Promenade Concert, Armories tc-night. Grenadiers Band, assisted by Hamilton McCauley. Admission 10c. Smoke Taylor's Maple Leaf Cigars

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of Cache): Alas! more of the devilish work of Tory polar bears.

IN UPPER MICHIGAN AND WISCONSIN

Many Places Already Reported Destroyed - in Wisconsin, a Track 200 Miles Square is Swept by Flames --- Settlers in

Peril. in Menominee County, having already at the farm of Charles Jarvis, a neighdone much damage.

wiped out by fire this evening. Several other villages and many farm buildings, including lumber stocks, are

Talbot, with 300 population, twenty-

It is reported that Saunders, 300 in-

Quinneseo, with 1000 population, is reported on fire. The station agent at Daggett at 10 o'clock wired that the fire was half a mile from town and blowing directly toward the village.

Marinette, Wis., May 18.-(11 p.m.)-The best information obtainable at this photograph. hour is that a forest fire, which is surance resumes the investigation on sweeping the country north of here, Monday at the city hall, it was an Dickonson. This makes four country nounced last night that the Confeder- ties which are suffering from fire. The

The country swept by the flames var-The North American Life will be ies from pine timber land to barrens. taken up following the Confederation. Part is iron mining country, and the The commission will be in Toronto distict includes immense tracts of hardchases for the Arctic. The supplies were not purchased until after 1903. The premier, therefore, made the desired probably go to London for a day or so to look into the Northern Life, so to look into the Northern Life, Information received at Marinette is that the Village of Shaffer on the Metropolitan branch of this North-Western Railroad in Dickinson County was wiped out. Shaffer is a lumber town owned by the Cleveland Cliff Company. The village consisted of a big mill and a couple of hotels, with

warehouses and headquarters for the umber camps.

SIX BLOCKS BURN.

Stanley, Wis., May 18.-Fire started by a spark from a sawmill this after-noon burned 100 residences and a dozen business buildings, entailing a loss of \$200,000. Six blocks were burned out.

Promenade Concert, Armories to-night. Grenadiers Band, assisted by Hamilton McCauley. Admission 10c. Babbit Metal. The best made Canada Metal Co.

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One of Party of Three Meets Death in Barn Near London. London, May 18 .- Lorne Wickerson

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

aged 24, son of Henry Wickerson of Menominee, Mich., May 18.—Forest the base line, about a mile from fires are raging to-night in a large area Byron, was killed by lightning to-day Clarence and Everett, sought shelter in the barn. All were near the door five miles north of Menominee, was when lightning knocked the three men down.

Ingersoll, May 18-(Special.)-This afternoon the barn on the farm of Joseph Couch of Putnam was struck evening and endangered Daggett Pow-ers and other towns.

The by lightning and burned, together with three horses.

narrowly escaped destruction. casing of a window was ignited from an electric wire.

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THE CZAR'S REPLY. Will Say Parliament is Trying to Infringe Royal Prerogative.

people hangs for the minute in the balempire adopted addresses in reply to has been given to either address, and with the one dollar men

none is expected before Monday. The imperial reply, which will be dedent Mouromtseff has been received at ada. Peterhof, will be temperate and deliberate, seeking to avoid occasion of ruperate, seeking to avoid occasion of ruperate. A vote of thanks was moved by Sectorate, seeking to avoid occasion of ruperate. cealing the emperor's view that parliament in many respects has attempted to infringe the imperial prerogative. On these points the response will be a calm

GERMANY CLIMBING DOWN. Tageblatt Suggests That Canada Re

Approached for Trade Settlement

London, May 18.-The German home office has published figures showing a great reduction of German trade DesMoines, Ia., May 18,-Five commis- by the Canadian surtax. Commentsigners to the Presbyterian general assembly were bruised this afternoon by the collapse of a stand which had been gests that Germany take the first step erected for the purpose of grouping the towards bringing about an undertak- stalling "Siche."

not to be a sign of weakness, but a installing "Siche proof of farseeing commercial and po-TORPEDO BOAT CAPSIZES.

Seven of Crew of British War Craft Die-23 Are Saved.

Port Said, May 18 .- TheB ritish torpedo boat No. 56 capsized off this port during the night. Seven of her crew were drowned. The torpedo boat sank during a storm.

BROUGH—On May 2nd, in London, England, Theodore George Brough, general manager of the Dominion Bank.

Funeral (private) from his late residence, 81 Admiral-road, on Monday, May 21st, at 4 p.m. Please do not send flow-London, May 18-The admiralty de-

Have you an accident and sickness ment of the loss of the British torpedo boat No. 56, says she was in tow of the protected cruiser Arrogant, when she capsized and sank. She carried a crew of thirty officers and men, seven of whom are missing.

ENGLEHART LOTS SELL.

Over \$20,000 Realized at Sale Held by T. & N.O. Commission.

Englehart, May 18.-(Special.)-The railway commission of the T. & N. O. had a successful sale of town lots at Briar Pipes half price. Alive Bollard the present railway terminal, to which the name Englehart has been given. An excursion train reached here at 11.15 this morning, having run up from Latchford, and several hundred were Over eighty lots were sold, and \$20,000 realized.

EXPLOSION, AND THEN FIRE DYNAMITE DESTROYS 20 PLACES

James A. Emory of New York Addresses the Local Employers' Association.

interest, was the reiterated urging of C.P.R. at North Bay was out of busi-James A. Eméry of New York, secretary of the Citizens' Industrial Association of America, before the Toronto Employers' Association at a banquet last night. President W. C. Phillips was in the chair.

The address was thruout an admontion to controllers of industrial interests to stand together against any attempt by labor organizations to wrest from the employer that which was his right. The problem of capital and labor could only be solved on the basis of a compromise fair to both

A principle as "abhorent as slavery" was declared to be the compelling of man to join a labor union before he would be allowed to work.

Mr. Emory, in asserting the need for employers to organize that they might not be discriminated against in legislation, referred to the United States congress as having enacted a law that practically prevented any steps being taken to deal with strikes and disorder till they had developed. The experience of the past few years had shown that coercive methods wouldn't succeed in the long run, but so long as there were weak-kneed poliso long as there were weak-kneed politicians willing to sell principles, the industrial laborers might continue a

A Monopoly of Labor. Labor organizations attempted to Oil and beef trust controlled market

Labor organizations, it was stated owed their success to their continued activity, and individual loyalty. When employers' organizations became strong St. Petersburg, May 18.—The issue of enough to be respected the problem of the first encounter between the mon-

Two-thirds of the troubles that arose people hangs for the minute in the balance. The the representative chamber of parliament and the council of the empire adopted addresses in reply to empire adopted addresses in reply to it was unreasonable that men should very largely signed in Newmarket, the speech from the throne, no answer be placed on one scale, the ten dollar Lloyd's old home.

"We have no objection to a uniform scale of wages, if the union will sup-The imperial reply, which will be de-livered thru the medium of a speech mented by the speaker, who saw the by Premier Goremykin, probably at the socialistic platform creeping into the first session of the house after Presi- with evidence also of the kind in Conwith evidence also of the kind in Can-

ture but on the other hand not conexpressed concurrence in the senti-

LIGHTING UP.

Bright Times Coming in Muskoka. "Maplehurst" Hotel, Lake Rosseau, installing Siche Gas thruout the whole premises.
"Juddhaven" is abandoning acetylene

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price of a sure, safe, proved article by writing "Siche," Toronto, Winnipeg,

Montreal, and Plainfield, N.J.fl

OSTELLO-At Toronto, May 17th, 1906

Mary (Minnie) eldest daughter of the late May 18
Michael Costello, and sister of the late La Savole....
Rev. J. J. Costello, aged 34 years 8 Campania.... Funeral on Saturday, at 9 a.m., from 18
Sussex-avenue, to St. Basil's Church,
thence to St. Michael's Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers.

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SKELTON—At West Hill, on Saturday, May 18, John, infant son of John and Blanche Skelton, aged 3 months. Funeral on Sunday at 2 o'clock, to St. Margaret's Cemetery, West Hill, Friends will please accept this intimation. WOOD-Friday morning, at 797 Bathurst-street, Samuel George Wood, LL.B., eldest son of the late Rev. Samuel S.

Funeral on Saturday, at 2 p.m., from his late residence, 797 Bathurst-street, thence to Holy Trinity Church, at 2.30 p.m., thence to St. James' Cemetery, p.m., thence to St. James Montreal papers please copy. Requiescat

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50 COBALT HOUSES BURNED Bulletin Despatches Indicate a Calamity More or Less Serious

A disaster has befallen Cobalt. Meagre despatches received last night indicate that an explosion of dynamite has been followed by a fire

-Blaze in Shack Explodes

7 1-2 Tons of Dynamite Stored

of more or less destructive scope. Wire trouble has prevented details coming to hand, a despatch to The World breaking off short with the exguarding the interests of invested planation that the government telecapital and creating a community of graph system connecting with the

ness.

The World's special correspondent at the following bulletin: Cobalt sent the following bulletin:
"A TERRIFIC EXPLOSION TOOK PLACE HERE AT FOUR

"A LARGE POWDER HOUSE, FILLED WITH 7 1-2 TONS OF DYNAMITE, NEAR THE NORTH END OF THE TOWN, WAS IG-NITED BY A FIRE, WHICH BE-GAN IN A SHACK A FEW YARDS

"THE EXPLOSION WRECKED A SCORE OF HOUSES AND DE-STROYED NEARLY EVERY WIN-DOW IN TOWN. "ABOUT FIFTY HOUSES WERE

DESTROYED BY FIRE, BUT IT HAS BEEN GOT UNDER CON-A G.N.W. telegraph despatch, timed

7 p.m., says:
"North Bay. May 18.—Word just reached here that the Town of Cobalt was almost completely wiped out by fire. Bad explosion killed several peo-

Insurance companies, it is under-stood, have so far refused to take

PETITION TO FREE LLOYD.

the control of labor as the Standard Large Number of Signatures Recorded to Open Prison Doors.

> terday forwarded to the minister of justice at Ottawa asking for the release from prison of Thomas H. Lloyd, of misappropriating trust funds.
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> Lloyd's sentence was for 18 months, of which barely six months have ex-

The petition is said to have been

HE WORE A LUCKY HAT. a San Francisco Man Outfitted and Beat the Bookies.

how he was once sent to the Woodbine track, on the eponing day, to hunt around and learn the names of some of the visitors from distant parts, and where they came from. He made a success of the assignment. He no sooner got into the paddock than he came across a gentleman who introduced him to two brothers, one an army officer on leave, from India, the other a broker from San Francisco. The third was a well-known contractor in Dawson City, on his way north again from Ottawa. The reporter made good copy out of the group. The San Franhow he was once sent to the from Ottawa. The reporter made good copy out of the group. The San Franisco man was a regular visitor to Toronto during race week, and he had a superstition that to have any luck with for Siche Gas, as also is "Morinus "Rossmoyne" is putting in Siche.
The proprietor of "Rostrevor" says the Siche Steam Table is the finest thing out for a summer hotel kitchen to the Toronto races. Whenever he Compact, hot where you want heat. lost on a race he explained: "Well, I and cool where you do not want heat. guess that booky has been down to the

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