

BILINGUAL ISSUE DIVIDING SENATE

Senator Mason of Toronto Expected to Defend Ontario's Policy.

NEAR CRUCIAL STAGE

Senator Power to Move Rejection of Senator David's Resolution.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, March 19.—The Dominion senate, which always moves slowly, adjourned this afternoon until Tuesday evening, and the debate upon the bilingual question will not be resumed until Wednesday. The resolution before the senate was moved by Senator David of Montreal, and reads as follows:

"This house, without derogating from the principle of provincial autonomy, deems it proper and within the limits of its powers and jurisdiction and in pursuance of the object for which it was established, to regret the divisions which seem to exist among the people of the Province of Ontario in connection with the bilingual school question, and believes that it is in the interest of the Dominion at large that all such questions should be considered on a fair and patriotic basis and settled in such a way as to preserve peace and harmony between the different national and religious sections of this country, in accordance with the views of the fathers of confederation, and with the spirit of our constitution."

An amendment will be moved on Wednesday by Senator Bolduc, which will make the resolution read so as to omit any reference by name to the Province of Ontario. Senator Power of Halifax will then probably move for that they call in the house the six months' rule. His motion will be to the effect that further discussions be postponed until the next session of parliament.

The debate up to this time has been rather one-sided. The government supporters have refrained from taking any part in the debate with the exception of Senator Porter. Mr. Porter, who is an Acadian, suggested that all controversial discussions should be avoided at the present time.

Great interest attaches to the speech which it is anticipated Senator Mason of Toronto will contribute to the debate on Wednesday next. It is expected that he will clearly define and defend the almost unanimous sentiment of Ontario and his deliverance will carry additional weight because of his religious prejudice can be attributed to him. It is believed that Col. Mason will state the position of Ontario so fairly and fully that even the Liberal majority in the senate will be glad to shelve the question indefinitely.

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WILL EXPLAIN MONDAY

In the county court sessions yesterday morning, John Curry, who claimed to be representing the New York Herald, the recent Nerlich trial, pleaded guilty to a charge of bigamy. Whether he had pleaded guilty he said he would explain it all on Monday.

PRESIDENT GOES AWAY.

President Falconer of Toronto University left yesterday afternoon for Chicago, on a visit in connection with university matters. He will return early next week.

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TRIBUNAL TO GUARD RIGHTS OF NEUTRALS

Sir John Macdonnell Makes Suggestion — British Reprisal Plans Criticized.

LONDON, March 19.—Sir John Macdonnell, who is considered an authority on international law, in an article in The Nation, discussing the "New Blockade," suggests that "if the new order-in-council is to be put into operation on a large scale the proper complement to it is an Anglo-American commission, by which questions arising under the new order might be referred to a joint tribunal."

Sir John says that he considers the order-in-council "a measure of reprisals of a degree of stringency unexampled since the order-in-council, which were England's answer to Berlin and the Milan decrees of Napoleon," and that if it is the business of the civilized world that a neutral must stand aside, that his rights always are to be suspended in a state of war, let us have the courage to say so.

HOPE ALL EMPLOYERS WILL LET MEN OFF

Effort Being Made to Make Today's Parade Greatest Yet Held in Toronto.

Lieut.-Col. Peuchen and the officers of the Queen's Own Rifles expect that their regiment will be the strongest of the units taking part in the general garrison parade this afternoon, and hope to see a turnout of the full membership of over 1500 men of all ranks. It is hoped that employers who number among their employees members of the regiment will aid in making the parade a success by allowing all such men to absent themselves from work for two hours this afternoon, commencing from 2 o'clock, in order that they may take part in the parade.

IRISH RIFLE CLUB HELD SOCIAL TIME

Members of the Irish Rifle Association held a social evening in the Temple building last night, the nature of which reminded the guests more of St. Patrick's night than any other occasion. Samuel Dean, the crack shot of the regiment, was made the recipient of a medal presented by Capt. E. W. Murry of the University Rifle Association.

Ald. D. Spence presided, and in a brief address told of the grand reception accorded the committee which waited upon the minister of militia recently.

Major McGee, who is to be appointed colonel of the regiment, was introduced, and thanked the gathering for the honor to be bestowed. Major McGee said that the good work the men had done in the past. A musical program was given.

THIRD LECTURE TOMORROW.

Dr. Frederick B. Gruel will deliver the third of his four lectures tomorrow in Parkdale Baptist Church, the subject being "Who will pay the Kaiser's murder bills—the economic slaves who bear the burden?"

HELD BATTALION DRILL.

Presenting a fine appearance in their new service dress, the 48th Highlanders paraded over 500 strong at the armories last night under Colonel Donald, and went through battalion drill.

LOANS TO FARMERS ON COMING CROPS

Funds to Be Applied to Purchase of Seed Grain.

PROPOSAL OF WHITE

Proulx Would Restrict Members' Right to Get Federal Contracts.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, March 19.—The House spent the greater part of the day in committee of supply.

Mr. Proulx (Prescott) introduced a bill to amend the Independence of Parliament Act. At present members of parliament cannot buy from or sell to the government, but the statute is often evaded by the formation of joint-stock companies in which some member has a controlling interest. The bill would make illegal all dealings between the government and corporations in which a member of parliament is a director or largely interested.

Loans to Farmers.

Hon. Mr. White put thru committee a resolution to amend the Bank Act, and a bill founded upon the same was introduced and read the first time. The measure authorizes chartered banks to make loans to farmers for the purchase of seed grain upon the security of the crops to be grown therefrom.

Mr. Pugsley thought the bankers' lien should not be extended unless it ceased to be a secret lien. He could see no reason why a bank should not be required to register a chattel mortgage or bill of sale the same as any other creditor.

Mr. White said it would be impracticable as a matter of business, and that in any event chattel mortgages were absolutely forbidden by the law of Quebec.

Insurance Company Licenses. Judge Doherty, minister of justice, introduced a bill founded upon the following resolution, which was adopted by the house after a brief discussion.

Resolved: "That it is expedient to provide that any insurance company whose power to apply for a license under the provisions of the Insurance Act, 1910, will expire before the end of the next session of parliament, may obtain an extension of such power until the end of the next session of parliament, by filing a notice in prescribed form with the superintendent of insurance, and paying a fee of one hundred dollars."

CANADIANS ACTIVE ON BATTLEFRONT

Men Have Made Good in the Trenches, Officers All Declare.

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to go into the trenches had been gladly granted. The correspondent stood on his way down the dark road, with a sergeant from Ottawa as his guide to the battalion headquarters.

Passing thru the ruins of a village, the sergeant remarked: "The Germans are not satisfied yet. They chuck a few shells into the wreckage every day. The shells make us kind of nervous at first, but we are used to them now, all right."

In a peasant cottage, battered as tight as a photograph, a darkroom, an enemy fire at a light. The correspondent found the battalion commander in the cellar and the other officers of the battalion staff in dugouts. The officers remarked that a shell had knocked off a piece of the roof the other day, but that the mischief did no harm except to make some dust. The colonel was going down into the trenches himself for the night, and

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"Right along here is a favorite place for the Germans to loosen up with a machine gun, for they have a clear field for fire," the colonel added when an open space was reached.

"There is nothing to it but to lie flat and wait until they are done shooting."

A German searchlight's rays swung toward the colonel and the correspondent and then rested on the clear spot.

"Stand still," said the officer, "That's the rule until it sweeps off. Thus they are not able to spot us."

Occasional shots were heard behind the trenches. "That's a sniper in our rear," the colonel said. "Occasionally one gets thru. We don't know how. He is always in khaki. We are out after this fellow, and we will get him before morning."

The colonel and the correspondent kept passing lone soldiers carrying food and ammunition to the trenches or returning from the trenches empty-handed. The colonel spoke to them as "boys," a greeting which one never hears from an English officer.

Turn Off Flash for Patrols.

As the trenches were entered a sudden command was given to someone showing an electric flash to turn it off, as the "patrols are coming in." Several men who had been out crawling up in Indian fashion to see if the Germans were up to anything new, came hustling over the top of the trench. Some bullets swept overhead. The Germans had noted the movement and fired, but hit nobody.

"We got within seven feet of the

bunch in that old house and heard them whispering," said one member of the patrol.

Too Tall for Trenches.

When the strapping, tall Canadian took the position over from an English regiment they found the crest too low for their height and had to raise it several inches. The Canadians have shown characteristic ingenuity and initiative in arranging the trenches to suit themselves, and, besides, have made them wholly dry and comfortable.

"This beats Salisbury Plains," they kept saying, referring to their experience in drilling and waiting in England. "All we needed was to be in," said the colonel. "We came from home to fight and we are fighting. There is no trouble about discipline. Every

man is keyed up and right on the job."

Like Winning Baseball Team.

The entire contingent of Canadians was as chipper as a winning baseball team. "We won't care for the fireworks any more when we return home," said a man from Ontario, who asked the correspondent if he knew Toronto and Buffalo. "We get enough of German clares," the man added as the flames kept rising at intervals, illuminating garishly the 300 yards of space between the trenches. "They are worried less, we are going to spring an attack on them, and we shall, pretty soon, too, I hope," the soldier said.

Occasionally the correspondent walked along he could hear distinctly the sounds of snoring. In their shell-proofs the men, wrapped in blankets in frontier fashion, and despite the German flares and firing which go on all night, were sleeping until their turn came to go on watch.

"The absence of exhaustion among the men as they came out of the trenches is the cause of universal comment."

"They say we are making good, and I believe we are," the colonel declared when he bade the correspondent good night.

GEN. ALDERSON PRAISES CANADIANS' FINE WORK

OTTAWA, March 19.—Major-General Sam Hughes has just received a cable from General Alderson in reply to a message of congratulation from the minister on the work of the Canadians at Neuve Chapelle.

General Alderson thanks the minister for the congratulations, "upon the heroic work of the Canadians in the recent fighting."

GALT MAN WOUNDED.

Special to The Toronto World.

GALT, March 19.—The first Galt man to enlist for active service has been wounded in the fighting in France. In today's casualties Lance Corporal Frank Codrane was reported as having been admitted to the hospital at Neuve, suffering from shrapnel wound in the hand. He is about 25 years of age and was born in Dundee, Scotland, but had lived in Galt about three years.

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