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FAVOR THE RAILWAYS

House Votes Against Enforcement of Act by Government.

Hon. Mr. Aylesworth Refuses to Consider the Suggestion—Cannot Enforce Its Own Laws—Mr. W. F. Maclean Exposes the Absurdity—Bitter Pill for Western Liberal Members.

Ottawa, April 24.—The House yesterday went squarely on record by a party vote as opposing the enforcement of the Railway Act by the Federal Government.

It was Hon. Mr. Aylesworth who, Monday stripped the provinces of all control over railway corporations, and who, yesterday protested that the Federal Government should not be required to control these same corporations.

It was a bitter pill for the western Liberal members, who have been flooded with letters and telegrams from the constituents, driven at most to revolution by their mistreatment at the hands of the railway corporations. These members, however, were compelled to acquiesce in the decision that Federal laws cannot be executed by the Federal Government.

It is significant that no Ontario Liberal, representing a constituency crossed by the G. T. R., voted for this amendment, although if carried it would have devolved upon the Government the duty of obtaining two cents a mile railway fare for their constituents.

The matter came up yesterday morning upon Mr. Aylesworth's bill to amend the Railway Act. Its real purpose is to permit the employment of Mr. Shepley and other counsel before the Railway Commission in its investigation into the schedule of tolls filed by the express and telephone companies under the legislation of last session.

Mr. Aylesworth's Excuse. W. F. Maclean (South York), having given notice of his intention to move an amendment requiring the Minister of Justice to enforce the provisions of the Railway Act, and of their own charters against the railway companies, Mr. Aylesworth pointed out that it was unreasonable to expect this Government to enforce the Federal law as Federal laws were enforced by the Department of Justice.

In the United States were Federal courts. These could not exist in Canada without changing our constitution. We had gotten through 40 years of existence with the present B. N. A. Act. If it was so unsatisfactory to certain gentlemen, let them propose an address to the King.

Referring to the case in point, Mr. Aylesworth said that, supposing that as one of the witnesses a company put in their manager, it was necessary that he should be cross-examined, and such cross-examination to be effective should not be the ordinary fireworks of the Police Court, but should be conducted by some one instructed in technical knowledge and in a position to bring out of a hostile witness facts which otherwise might not be elicited.

After commenting upon this remarkable misstatement, as the British North America Act explicitly provides for the creation of Federal courts and the enforcement of Federal laws by the Dominion Government, Mr. Maclean (South York) said that it was idle for the Minister of Justice to humbug the country by claiming that our Federal statutes couldn't be enforced without an act of the Imperial Parliament.

Charged to Fulfill Law. He read from the act creating the Department of Justice, and by the terms of which the Minister, as Attorney-General, is charged with the duty of superintending the execution of the law.

Mr. Maclean challenged the Minister of Justice to state any reason why this country alone among the nations of the world was unable to enforce its own laws.

"True, Mr. Aylesworth says that he is willing to enforce the law if he is asked to do so by the Railway Commission," agreed the speaker.

"But the Commission is a judicial body not responsible to Parliament. This is a responsible Government, a political Government, and we have a right to have some member of the Government responsible."

Revenue and Right. "It is a curious situation," continued Mr. Maclean, "that the Customs Act is vigorously enforced by this Government. Evidently collecting the revenue is considered more important than protecting public rights."

Dr. Sproule feared that the bill was a step towards turning the Railway Commission into a court so that suitors couldn't be heard without going to the expense of employing counsel.

Mr. Bergeron suggested that the Solicitor-General was idle. Why not direct him to appear before the Railway Commission.

The Division. Upon third reading he offered an amendment to the bill providing that the Attorney-General should enforce the Railway Act, and employ counsel, if necessary, and should institute all such proceedings, civil or criminal, that might be necessary to enforce the law to punish violations thereof or to collect fines and penalties thereunder. The amendment was defeated by a party vote. Yeas 38, nays 80.

An amendment moved by R. L. Borden requiring the Attorney-General and Solicitor-General to appear before and assist the Railway Commission, was defeated by the same division, and the bill passed.

Patching the Cabinet. Ottawa, April 24.—Although there can be no formal Cabinet appointment until the return of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the leaders are busy preparing the Cabinet for him.

As Mr. Hyman will not return, it is agreed that Speaker Sutherland will enter the Cabinet, probably as Minister of Agriculture, Sydney Fisher assuming Public Works.

Mr. Maclell, the Deputy Speaker, cannot become Speaker, as a French-

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Canadian, Hon. Mr. Dandurand, is Speaker of the Senate. It is, therefore, settled that Arch. Campbell will be the Speaker for the next session, and then probably go to the Senate.

It is announced that Premier Pugsley of New Brunswick will not be put in charge of railways or of any other spending department. He may enter the Cabinet without portfolio. Neither will Mr. Carver secure this coveted position. He may, however, succeed Sir Frederick Borden as Minister of Militia, thus clearing the way for the almost certain appointment of E. M. MacDonald as Minister of Railways.

Opposition to Pugsley. St. John, N. B., April 24.—Premier Pugsley will not have it all his own way by any means at the Liberal convention on Friday night.

Already Mayor Edward Sears has announced his intention of contesting for the nomination. Failing in this, he will not, however, be a third candidate in the bye-election if a Conservative should take the field.

Disaffection in the party is shown in the complaint that a Conservative has been made Lieutenant-Governor; an old Conservative has been given an important commercial position in South Africa; an old Conservative has been made Senator, and finally, an old Conservative is being put forward by the Liberal organization.

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Pittsburg, April 25.—The Chicago express on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which left this city for New York at 10:45 p.m., was wrecked last night near Bennet Station, on the West Pennsylvania division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, shortly after 11 o'clock.

Bennet Station is ten miles east of here. The express collided with a freight train.

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Places of Honor. When the Kiowas have a feast dog meat is given the first place as a special honor to the invited guests. When the guest happens to be a white man he dares not refuse the proffered delicacy if he desires to preserve his friendship with the red man. A paleface has thus been compelled to eat dog meat or lose his Indian friend's good-will, and, as a result, comes away with a longing to again taste the toothsome meat. Few white men in Oklahoma who have eaten dog meat will say that it is not good.

Blanket Indians. Almost any day it is common to see neatly dressed Kiowas riding into town in the finest equipages that money can buy. They are principally blanket Indians, wearing their long hair hanging in neat braids down their backs or plaited with bright-colored strips of muslin, gaudy blue, red and yellow intermingled with white. The squaws carry the Indian babe in cradles or "pontakas" strapped on their backs, and go about the streets apparently not the least hampered by their burdens.

The young bucks are fond of playing billiards, but seldom are seen in the bowling alleys, presumably because billiards, to the average young Indian, require less exertion. At night the Kiowas are seen on the streets or in the places of amusement. They return to the reservation before sundown.

AFTER THE MAD MULLAH.

Some Adventures in Somaliland—Fashionable Native Beauties.

Major Scott-Harden, F. R. C. S., recently gave a lecture on Somaliland to the students of Toronto University. The major is a charming lecturer, as well as a first-class fighting man, and his humorous descriptions of the trials and discomforts of the Somaliland Expedition, in search of the Mad Mullah, was greatly enjoyed.

The major said the Mad Mullah is not mad, the title being a gratuitous one from the ready pen of a Times correspondent.

Much applause was given to the story of Col. Plunkett's last stand with his 300 men against 10,000 Dervishes at Gumburn, where, after the last white man had fallen, the natives set a rampart of dead Dervishes over the high pass.

One highly amusing story was told. Water is scarce in Somaliland, and the expedition had to dig for its water. They telegraphed to the War Office: "Want pumps. Send four Parson's"—the Parson's pump being the best for that kind of work.

In the course of the expedition, a consignment of four Anglican clergymen.

Somaliland is a land of great game, and the captain possesses many fine hunting trophies.

The native men are tall and thin and talkative; the women are short and ugly.

Fashion, which penetrates wherever women are to be found, is already known in Somaliland, being recognized by the various ways of dressing their hair.

Hard times tell the expedition, and Major Scott-Harden had to eat his camel. Camel is not likely to become a fashionable dish in western society, for the major tersely described it as tasting "like an old leather boot."

This was at Damat, a place which the lecturer said justifies its name. Soon afterwards a shower fell, which an artist depicted under the title of "A gift from heaven."

Woman Beats the Bank. The Casino management has lost several million francs because of the fact that a roulette wheel was out of gear and periodically the ball stopped at a certain number. The winner is a French widow nicknamed "Mamma Viand" by the habitués of the place.

Some weeks ago she lost heavily at the gaming table and having noticed the fault of that particular roulette wheel, asked that her money be returned to her. The management refused, and Mamma Viand took her revenge.

With the help of two other adventurers she set to work to study the wheel and placed her money whenever she had found out that certain numbers would be the winners.

The managers were for some time mystified, and after the closing hours held experiments with the croupiers to find out how the woman won. The numbers played by her and her assistants, which had been carefully taken down by special detectives during the day, were played over again by the employees and to the astonishment of the directors it was found that they won.

The management finally decided to come to a compromise with Mamma Viand, and paid her \$500,000 to learn that one roulette wheel was out of order.

Superfluous Sugar-Tongs. Fish-knives and sugar-tongs are among the delicacies of English table manners, but I am not so keen on sugar-tongs. That lump of sugar which you may take with your coffee—if you want the unnecessary addition—is an individual matter. It is your own lump, your own fingers, and Oxford has done well in standing out against the new causes and refusing to supply sugar-tongs.—London Chronicle.



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HEAD OF FLYING ROLLERS.

Is Madame Dis de Barr, Famous Woman Convict.

"Mother Elinoir," sometimes known as Mrs. E. L. Mason, head of the Flying Roller Colony, of Detroit and Windsor, Ontario, has been proven beyond all doubt to be none other than the notorious Anne Dis de Barr. Also it has been learned that she was known in England as Editha Loleta Jackson, where she served time with a man reputed to be her husband for a serious offence.

The Editha Loleta Jackson, of London, was positively identified as the "Mother Elinoir" of Windsor. F. E. Swinden, a member of Mother Elinoir's cult, made the identification in a sworn statement.

Madame Dis de Barr was liberated last August on ticket-of-leave from Aylesbury Prison, in England, to which she had been sent on Dec. 20, 1901, sentenced to seven years' penal servitude for connection with an alleged immoral cult of which her reputed husband, Theodore Jackson, was the head. It was her third imprisonment during a singularly sensational career. For years she had been known as the "notorious" Madame Dis de Barr.

Her Trump Card. The trump card of her life was probably played when Mme. de Barr wheedled Luther R. Marsh, the New York lawyer, out of a fortune and made him the laughing-stock of his old age. In the seventies she travelled about America representing herself as a medium who could reveal hidden truths. While living in Madison Square she met Mr. Marsh. By means of alleged spirit manifestations and spoke-painted pictures she so infatuated the old man that he gave her large sums of money and decided to her his house in Madison avenue. There she officiated as a priestess of spiritualism, and got fame and more riches.

Finally she was sued for conspiring to defraud Marsh. The grand jury indicted her, the Gerry Society took her children, she was convicted and sent to prison. After experiences in Europe after her release she turned up in Chicago and under the name Vera P. Arr was sent to the Joliet penitentiary for two years. Free again, she married William J. McGowan, in Chicago, in 1895. He had money but quiet domesticity didn't suit her.

Brotherly Love Colony. In 1899 she was run out of New Orleans with Theodore Jackson, whose wife she claimed to be. They were spirit materializing again, and were also said to be running a "fruitarian" colony in Florida. As "Helena" and "Horus" they performed in South Africa. Mme. Dis de Barr incidentally getting some money from a rich contractor to establish a brotherly love colony.

They turned up in London, where their Theocratic Unity scheme turned into a scandal, and wound up with their arrest.

Mme. de Barr has claimed to be the child of Louis I. of Bavaria and Lola Montez, a famous dancing beauty. She really was the daughter of a school teacher in Harrodsburg, Ky., John C. F. Salomon. At the age of 14 she was taken by her father to Louisville, and soon became a "medium" of powers. She was born in the forties.

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Delegate to Dairy Federation. Ottawa, April 25.—J. A. Ruddick, chief of the dairy division of the Department of Agriculture, has been appointed Canadian delegate to the International Dairy Federation at The Hague, Holland.

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EMPIRE NAVAL DEFENCE.

No Monetary Contribution From Colonies to Creation of Central Staff.

London, April 24.—(C. A. P.)—"That conference welcomes and cordially approves of the exposition of the general principles embodied in the statement of the Secretary of State for War, and without wishing to commit any of the Governments represented, recognizes and affirms need of the development for the service of the Empire, of a general staff selected from the forces of the Empire as a whole, which shall study military science in all its branches; shall collect and disseminate to the various Governments military information and intelligence; shall undertake the preparation of schemes of defence on a common principle and without in the least interfering with questions connected with the command or administration shall at the request of the representative Governments advise as to the training, education and war organization of the military forces of the crown in every part of the Empire." At yesterday's sitting of the Colonial Conference the foregoing resolution was agreed upon, which means there will be no monetary contribution to the creation of a central staff on which the self-governing dependencies can be represented if they so choose.

The conference in addition to the resolution respecting the general staff for Empire, as already cabled in an official report issued last evening, announce the following:

"The First Lord of the Admiralty explained the general principles upon which the Admiralty held that the defence of the Empire should be organized. He specially insisted on the necessity for unity in the control of the fleet, and explained that the one aim of the Admiralty was to maintain the naval forces on such scale as to ensure retention of the command of the sea in any reasonably probable contingency. He stated that he did not desire to press for further contributions of men or money, but cordially welcomed the co-operation of the colonies in a form most agreeable to themselves. Whether the colonies contributed or not, the Admiralty would do its best to secure them from over-sea attack."

After general discussion, it was decided that the question of naval defence should be adjourned, the colonial representatives being meanwhile invited to confer separately with the Admiralty regarding the position of their respective colonies."

The conference adjourned until Thursday.



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