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SENATE REFORM

The question of first importance to the people of Canada is Senate Reform. For no matter what progressive measures the Canadian electors desire, as voiced by their representatives in the house of commons, the irresponsible senate may block them all. The Liberal party is out of office, but in control of the senate, and therefore in power as far as voting any legislation that may come from the commons and the Conservative party in control of the commons! Why waste time on bills that cannot be got thru the senate? Why not rather put more time on getting the whole parliamentary machine responsible to public opinion?

Montreal Star: An academic discussion on senate reform always struck out in the house of commons whenever any action touching that body is proposed. But every sane man in the commons knows perfectly well that no government will ever seriously attempt the task of reform.

This was printed on Friday last, but before the senate had wrecked the government's bill dealing with increases for that body. The Star, as usual with it, has no good word for any effort made for any reform—it describes the debate of Thursday as "academic."

The Toronto Telegram got nearer the meat when it said on Saturday that the Borden government showed poor "strategy" in withholding important measures till the dying hours of the session, relying on "a frame-up" with a crafty ally to get them thru!

The whole story goes to show that the Conservatives were leading up to a point when they'd have the majority and then, as the Montreal Star is forced to admit, good-bye to senate reform—in other words, the Conservatives want no senate reform—if they've covered it.

Mr. Borden himself on Thursday to the arraignment of the irresponsible senate contained in the "academic" speeches of Major Sharpe and W. F. Macleod, but contented himself with saying that it was "too late in the session" to take up the issue then raised.

Now he's got to deal with senate reform, after an altogether unnecessary delay! The man who'd lead the house of commons can't afford to wait upon strategy, or to delay, or to be undecided, or to be undecided, or to be undecided.

Toronto News: It is ridiculous that a party which was defeated three years ago should still have the power to block the senate. It is time to abolish the senate.

Another article The News calls upon the Borden government to go to the imperial parliament and demand relief in these words:

The Liberal government of Great Britain has destroyed the power of the house of lords to override the judgment of the constituencies. It has made the upper chamber subordinate to the popular chamber, and the servant, instead of the master, of the people.

That was Mr. Macleod's argument, and he put it in his amendment in the so-called "academic" debate! Sir John Wilson must now see that the greatest issue in England is this same question of "senate reform," greater even than "home rule."

Hamilton Herald: W. F. Macleod's resolution for the reform of the senate, debated yesterday, may have been inopportune, but we are convinced that the opinions of so many intelligent and progressive Canadians.

An amendment to the one providing for an increase in the number of senators. But it is about time that the larger question of senate reform should be seriously considered.

It is not so much a weak second chamber as a responsible second chamber that is needed in this country. Indeed, a second chamber much stronger and more independent than the present one is to be desired.

The Herald's views on the subject of senate reform have recently been expressed. We favor an elective senate, elected by a certain number of senators would have to seek re-election each year.

There is a suggestion here to make the senate more responsible to the people. But we differ from the Herald at the time when the proposal was made to increase the number was inopportune to discuss the character of the senate.

The telegraph wires misreported one of Mr. Macleod's phrases. He spoke of "a responsible second chamber" and not "a responsible second chamber government."

London Free Press: The difficulties in the way of genuine senate reform are considerable, and it is perhaps to be doubted that anything will be accomplished for some years to come.

That is, the London Free Press is willing to let the situation continue—until a London man may be elevated to the upper house. The way to stop reform is by crying out that it is difficult to do.

The Ottawa Free Press gives a reason for the senate's throw-out of the Borden senate increase bill:

"There is no reason, either, why the senate should be made more responsible to the people than the commons should be made more responsible to the commons."

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BOMB EXPLODED DOUGLAS ADMITS CAUSING HAVOC IN CHURCH

Pews and Windows of Famous Edifice in Hanover Square Damaged After Congregation Had Left—Envelope Revealed That Explosion Was Suffragette Work.

Canadian Press Despatch. LONDON, June 14.—A bomb was exploded in St. George's Church, Hanover square tonight. There is evidence to show that the explosion was the work of suffragettes, and coming so close upon the bomb outrage in Westminster Abbey, the desecration of this famous edifice has increased alarm as to how far the militant women intend to go.

The caretaker of St. George's had locked the church after a careful inspection on the conclusion of the evening service. A few minutes after 10 o'clock a passerby heard an explosion and summoned the fire brigade. The firemen, forcing the door, found the church filled with dense white smoke.

Another "Protest." The firemen found a square tin box and several pieces of candle in the wreckage, and a member of the congregation said that the pew was occupied at the evening service by a woman in a checked dress. An envelope

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Was Married and Divorced Twice Before Meeting His Third Wife, Convicted for Several Bad Cheque Deals, and Sentenced to Four Years in Sing Sing.

NEW YORK, June 14.—Kenneth D. Douglas, newspaper man and social worker, who was arrested in Boston, charged with deserting his bride of six weeks, in Newark, was brought back to the latter city last night. Douglas is accused also of perjury and of having obtained money under false pretenses.

Douglas, the police say, has made a full confession, making the history of two previous marriages and of several convictions of irregularities in bank cheques.

When Douglas married Miss Margery Stoteman, a Wellesley graduate in Newark, he swore, in obtaining the license that he had never been married. Stories of a former marriage circulated after Douglas fled, led to the perjury charge.

The charges of obtaining money under false pretenses grew out of a \$50 cheque, Douglas is accused of having given Edwin S. Hull, a Newark merchant, in payment for a bill. Douglas got \$35 in change and the cheque came back marked "Insufficient Funds," the police say.

Gossips Were Busy. Douglas, who has been a religious worker and soldier, told a long story of his career, in which he did not spare himself, according to the police. He insisted he had "lived straight" in Newark, but was compelled to "jump the town" because gossips circulated rumors of his past.

The prisoner said he was first married in 1909 in Oklahoma City, to Catharine Anderson, a music teacher, who divorced him shortly afterwards. At that time he was known as John R. Macfarlane. His next matrimonial venture, he told the police, was with Abigail Anderson, another music teacher, and no relation to Catharine, in Painesville, Ohio, in 1911, when he was known as David D. Douglas. The second wife divorced him.

Douglas next volunteered the information that 15 years ago, in New York, Recorder Goff sentenced him to four years in Sing Sing for a "cheque deal." Friends interceded, and his sentence was suspended on condition that he emigrate.

Was a Soldier. He said his real name is Kenneth A. Hood. That he was born in Ireland, and then he went to England, enlisted first in the Royal Marines and afterward in other regiments, and saw service in the Boer war, in the Sudan campaign and elsewhere.

He confessed to having served as six months sentence received in Baltimore, Md., in 1907 for "another cheque deal," and to having put in three months in confinement in Hartford, Conn., in 1911, for "still another cheque deal."

John V. Ladday was retained to defend Douglas by the prisoner's wife and his friends. While Mrs. Douglas has not yet visited him in jail, it is understood she intends to stand by him. Mr. Hull is not expected to press the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses.

Republic Proclaimed. An outstanding feature in the general strike situation today was the news received at the capital of the proclamation of an Italian republic by the people of several towns bordering on the Adriatic, in northeastern Italy.

In some towns like Fabriano and Rimini scenes similar to those of the French revolution were enacted. The inhabitants misty by reports issued from the headquarters of the anarchist committee at Ancona, an important seaport on the Adriatic, to the effect that revolutionary movement had been successful in overthrowing the monarchy, proclaimed a republic and substituted for the national flag, the black banner of the peasants' league.

Black Banner of the Peasants' League. The black banner of the peasants' league, the moment they reached those towns in order to prevent the people from knowing the real condition of the country, as the revolutionary leaders had stated that King Victor Emmanuel had escaped to Montenegro, that the revolution had mastered the entire peninsula, and that the troops had joined with the people.

Fired on By Troops. In some instances, the soldiers were compelled to fire on the people before order was restored with the result that several persons were killed or injured. The tension caused by the general strike was ameliorated somewhat this evening by the announcement that the syndicate of railwaymen had ordered a cessation of the railway strike throughout Italy.

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RALLY OF THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY



Right Rev. Mr. McCann carrying the Blessed Sacrament around the grounds of Loretto Abbey, where 12,000 young men met yesterday afternoon.

SERIOUS REVOLUTION IN ITALY SUPPRESSED BY ARMED FORCE TOWNS PROCLAIMED REPUBLIC

False Report That King Had Fled to Montenegro Was Followed by Raising of Black Banner and Burning of Churches and Clubs—National Railway Strike Abandoned.

Canadian Press Despatch. ROME, June 13.—The threatened railway strike throughout Italy has been abandoned and order is being gradually restored, even in the towns where a virtual revolutionary movement was in progress.

The most serious situation exists in the province of Ravenna, where villages and small towns are being ruled by the local republican committees, thus giving the ignorant masses the impression that any kind of violence will be permitted. Churches and clubs have been sacked or burned, but in the case of private residences, the revolutionists have asked the owners' permission to take possession of their belongings.

They have been sold for next to nothing so as to give the poor people the impression that the "republic" will maintain its promise to bring back the Golden Age, and end forever the high cost of living.

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Six Killed by Lightning

LONDON, June 14.—Lightning killed six persons and injured several others on Wandsworth Common this afternoon during a severe storm. Four of those killed were children. Many buildings in South London also were struck by lightning.

DAMAGED LINER SAFELY IN PORT

Service of Thanksgiving Was Held on Board Steamer New York on Entering Harbor.

Canadian Press Despatch. NEW YORK, June 14.—With more than 650 persons on board, all of them thankful to have escaped a disaster similar to that in which the Empress of Ireland recently went to the bottom, the American liner New York, a gaping hole in her stern, where the Hamburg-American liner Pretoria struck her in the fog off Nantucket early yesterday, reached port safely today.

As the steamer passed Fire Island on her way into port, an impressive service of thanksgiving, presided over by the Rev. Francis E. Clark of Boston, founder of the Christian Endeavor Society, was held. There was scarcely a dry eye among the congregation, while "Nearer, My God, to Thee" was being sung in memory of those less fortunate than the New York's passengers in wrecks at sea.

Counting up the day this afternoon, the wounded liner wore a big tarpaulin bandage over the gash in her side, cut by the Pretoria's prow and anchor. Altho the hole covers a range of three of the broad plates of the liner, and extends from her upper works to within ten feet of the waterline, it was said that repairs would be made immediately and that the New York would sail on her regular schedule for Europe.

ON MAIDEN TRIP NORTH NORONIC REACHES SOO

Special to The Toronto World. SAULT STE MARIE, Ont., June 14.—With 350 passengers on board, 240 of whom were members of the International Circulation Managers' Association, the Northern Navigation Co.'s new steamer Noronic arrived at the Soo this afternoon at 3.30, on her maiden trip up the great lakes. Thousands of citizens of the Soo turned out to welcome and inspect her during her one-hour stay in this port. Owing to the vessel arriving on Sunday, the city reception was postponed until the boat's arrival on Thursday downbound.

FIREMEN CAUGHT IN A DELUGE OF DEBRIS

Three Were Injured in One of Three Esplanade Fires—Constable Roughly Handled by Gang of Roughs—Young Man Drowned—Woman Badly Injured—Gasoline Launch Burned.

Three firemen were caught in a deluge of debris in a fire that destroyed the junk sheds of M. C. Fink at 136 Esplanade, Saturday evening and caused \$5000 damage.

The three men, Capt. Dave Gordon, of the high-pressure wagon, Adelaide Hall, Fireman Britton, of Adelaide, and Fireman Villiers, of Bay street, were on the roof of the building when the whole upper portion collapsed, taking the men with it into a mass of smoldering rags in the interior of the building. Their comrades rescued them before they had sustained serious injury, but all were more or less overpowered by the heavy smoke.

Twenty-five horses belonging to the Chapman Cartage Agency stampeded when the smoke began to pour in their stables, but all were caught by policemen and bystanders. The total loss is \$8000.

Two Other Fires. Following the blaze in Fink's junk shop came two more in quick succession at Polson's iron works, which gutted the blacksmith shop, did considerable damage to the store room and caused a total loss of more than \$10,000, which fortunately is covered by insurance.

On the run to the first fire at 2.30 a.m. the fire trucks were held up by a long G. T. R. freight train at the Frederick street crossing, and this delay was responsible, in a large measure, for the heavy damage done by the fire. The cause of the first blaze is unknown.

While touching the tin roofing and causing a short circuit, which melted the gas pipes near the meter in the store room, it is said to have caused the second blaze, which damaged the contents of the store room, at about 3.30 a.m., to a considerable extent.

Col. Miller stated that no loss of business would follow and men would be at work as usual today. Drowned at Island.

Disregard of "safety first" rules was responsible for the drowning at Hanlan's Point Saturday night of James Mooney, 20 years old, of 37 Brock avenue. The accident occurred on the "Joy Ride" an amusement device in the "Joy Ride" an amusement device in the "Joy Ride" an amusement device.

Daniel Carter, inventor and manager of the "Joy Ride," speaking to the World last night, declared the accident was the result of Mooney's carelessness not obeying instructions. "The boy was acting 'smug' when he entered the car," said Carter, "and I went on as a precaution. When we were about 50 feet out on the water, Mooney rose in his seat to look around. I attempted to save him, but was too late. He was overboard and drowned before we could bring the car to a stop and return to save him."

Constable Roughly Handled. Constable Wormwald (498) was roughly handled by a gang of hoodlums in the Trinity College grounds, Saturday evening while attempting to arrest two of them for disorderly conduct. Of a gang of fourteen, six were intoxicated, and Wormwald cautioned them twice about their conduct and offensive remarks to women and children in the grounds. On both occasions the gang laughed at him, and finally, when two of them jostled two young girls, Wormwald attempted to make the arrest. Four of them injured.

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Corpus Christi Procession at Montreal Not Shorn of Customary Military Trimmings.

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CROWD ASSAILS WOMEN'S STALL

Canadian Press Despatch. LEICESTER, Eng., June 13.—Before the police were able to intervene, a hostile crowd today attacked and demolished a stall in the market place where militant suffragettes were selling confectionery in order to raise funds for the Women's Social and Political Union.

Women were conspicuous in the attack and were prevented from setting fire to the stall only by the arrival of the police who escorted the terrified militants to a place of safety. Suffragettes burned the cricket pavilion at Reigate tonight.

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LORD MERSEY TO SCENE OF WRECK

Accompanied by Hon. Mr. Hazen and Judge McLeod, He Embarks on the Government Steamer.

By a Staff Reporter. OTTAWA, June 14.—Lord Mersey, who will preside at the inquiry into the wreck of the Empress of Ireland, arrived in Ottawa on Saturday and was met by Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries, and Alexander Johnston, deputy minister. Last evening Premier Borden gave a dinner in honor of Lord Mersey at which a number of the cabinet ministers were present, as well as Justice McLeod, one of the Canadian representatives on the board of inquiry.

Lord Mersey accompanied by Mr. Hazen and Judge McLeod, left this afternoon for Montreal where they will board one of the government steamers and sail down the St. Lawrence to the spot where the Empress of Ireland met her fate. The inquiry is expected to open on Tuesday at Quebec.

BLAME TO BE PLACED WHERE IT BELONGS

Canadian Press Despatch. MONTREAL, June 14.—Lord Mersey was in Montreal a short time this morning on his way from Ottawa to Quebec, where the inquiry is to begin on Tuesday. His lordship, in an interview said: "We're going to find out if anyone is to blame and if so, who and in what way." The party will arrive at Quebec tomorrow afternoon.

PANAMA CANAL BILL AWAITS WILSON'S PEN

Canadian Press Despatch. WASHINGTON, June 13.—The Panama canal tolls exemption repeal bill was signed today by Vice-President Marshall and by Speaker Clark and will be sent to the White House in time to receive the signature of President Wilson on his return from Princeton.

C. P. R. ACCOUNTANT ADMITS EMBEZZLING. LONDON, June 14.—Drink, gambling and motor cars were responsible for the appearance of a Canadian Pacific Railway accountant at the Bristol Police Court yesterday on a charge of embezzling \$10,000. The accused, whose name is Frederick Boulter, admitted the charges, and attributed his downfall to liquor, betting, and the hiring of motor cars. A remand was ordered.

GREECE ROUSED AGAINST TURKS

Athenian Paper Declares War With Porte Inevitable and Prints Reports of Ill-Treatment.

Canadian Press Despatch. ATHENS, June 13.—War between Greece and Turkey is inevitable, according to the newspaper Hestia, which is considered as voicing the majority of Greek public opinion. The government has not as yet received any intimation of the nature of the sublime port's reply to the Greek note, demanding that Turkey cease its persecution of the Greeks in Turkey and make reparation to them for the loss of life and property.

It is feared here that in accordance with the usual method of Turkish diplomacy the Turkish note will contain vague promises and demands, and will seek to delay a settlement until public opinion is strongly opposed to dilatory tactics, says the Hestia, and will compel the government to insist that the persecution cease, or they will follow at once.

It is reported that there have been several encounters between Turks and Christians in the Asiatic littoral, and that the Turks are concentrating arms and ammunition at various points. Several sailing vessels with Greek refugees aboard, it is also reported, have been captured by the Turks.