

LIVELY CLASH IN THE HOUSE OVER REPORT

Whitney Accuses Rowell
of Concealing Document
—Later Admits Error.

STINGING REBUKE FOR SIR JAMES

Members for North Bruce and
North Norfolk Also Take Part
in Fiery Exchange.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, March 12.—There was another diatribe in the Legislature yesterday afternoon. Such an interchange of attacks on the part of the leader of the Opposition and the leader of the Government has probably not been witnessed or heard in Queen's Park in years. An unwarranted charge made by the Premier against Mr. Rowell brought from the latter a quick and stinging rebuke, and it was not until an hour afterwards and just before recess at 6 o'clock that Sir James arose in his seat and admitted that he had been in error and stated that he had no intention of doing an injustice to the leader of the Opposition.

How It Started.

The trouble arose over the hydro-electric report. For some days past Mr. Rowell has been questioning the Premier as to when the House might expect this report to be laid upon the table. The invariable reply of the Premier was that the congestion of work in the offices of the King's printer was responsible.

After Mr. T. R. Atkinson (North Norfolk) had concluded his contribution to the budget debate, Sir James arose. "I have made the discovery," said Sir James, "that the draft copy of the hydro-electric report, which we sent down to be printed, instead of being in the hands of the printer, has been lying on the desk of the leader of the Opposition for several days. In fact, since Friday last, I have here his receipt given to the printer, showing that he took it from the department. He has been holding that draft of the report improperly, and at the same time calling upon the Government for an explanation. What renders it unbearable for me is to know that all the time he was asking in this House some time ago for the report he must have known that his improper retention of the copy was the direct cause of the report not being printed. Such conduct is possessing qualities which it would be unparliamentary procedure to mention."

Mr. Rowell Hits Back.

In an instant Mr. Rowell was on his feet. "It is a false and misleading statement," he replied. "I had that report here for the purpose which you pointed out to the House a while ago, to show that it did not contain the necessary financial statements which we could give out to the public. We have been told in the House repeatedly by the Prime Minister himself that the report had been sent down to the printers complete, and I drew from this that the statements of the Prime Minister had no foundation. It is only a few minutes ago that the honorable Provincial Secretary said openly that the copy which I hold was only a duplicate, that it was put here for the use of any members of the House who wished to consult it, and that there was another copy in the hands of the printers."

Whitney Rebuked.

"That is absolutely untrue, and has no justification," retorted Mr. Rowell. "It is of the character of the basest charges which the Prime Minister is constantly making in this Assembly. That copy was sent for in the regular manner, and I was only acting upon the

presumption that the Prime Minister's words were true, that when he told us before there was a duplicate copy in the hands of the printer, we could accept it as true."

"I believed them to be true," interjected Sir James.
"Then we can have the matter looked into," said Mr. Rowell.
"No," replied Sir James. "I will settle with my honorable friend right here. We have found that bunch of documents were not in the hands of the printer, and instead that they were improperly retained by the leader of the Opposition, who raises the cry of delay. Instead of allowing the honorable member such attacks for the copy, gets it, keeps it several days, and after that he is not ashamed to stand up there and ask when the reports are to come from the printer's hands."

Up to Hanna.

Mr. Rowell, pointing to Hon. Mr. Hanna, said: "We will simply ask the Provincial Secretary if he did not say in the House not an hour ago that my copy was a duplicate, that the original was with the printers?"
"The statement I made," said Mr. Hanna, "was strictly in accordance with the information which was given me and which I have believed to be correct for two weeks."

"Then, because I am of exactly the same impression as the Provincial Secretary," said Mr. Rowell, "I am to be subjected to this attack. Surely, as I shared the belief of the Provincial Secretary, I am not to be the subject of such attacks in view of the fact that the Prime Minister himself is the most frequent transgressor and there is no one stops him."

"And who is here to stop me?" queried Sir James. "It is only yesterday that we witnessed on the part of the Opposition leader such an attempt at revolution as is not often seen in a House of Parliament. I want that report hurried back."

Can't Ride Rough Shod.

"Then let him find the means of taking it," retorted Mr. Rowell. "The House learns that he cannot ride rough shod over me or the Opposition members, or the people of this province, the better it will be for himself."

Then Mr. Proudfoot (Centre Huron) reminded the House that as long as ten days ago the chairman of the hydro-electric commission had told him that the original copy of the report was in the hands of the printer. The honorable gentleman has nothing to do with it," protested Sir James.

"It is my business," insisted Mr. Proudfoot, "that fact was told me and you are making a most unwarranted charge."

Following this the Speaker arose and said he was sure Mr. Rowell was not up in his seat to explain. "I would not knowingly do anybody an injustice," he said, "as far as I understand the matter now, the fact that one copy of the report was kept here is of no consequence. The fact remains, however, that the copy was not sent down to the printer and kept there. If the leader of the Opposition will say that he understood from the chairman of the commission that there were four or five copies of the report—"

"I understood that several days ago," said Mr. Rowell.
"If so, that relieves him from any responsibility, and I am glad to be able to say so," replied Sir James.

More Personalities.

A renewal of the personalities indulged in between Mr. J. G. Anderson (South Bruce) and Mr. A. C. Pratt (South Norfolk) on Monday, came yesterday afternoon in the course of the budget debate, when Mr. Pratt, in his speech, in a veiled manner alluded to what Mr. Anderson had said the previous day in his attack upon the experimental fruit farm at Jordan Harbour. Mr. Anderson simply asked the member for South Norfolk to renew his charges.

Mr. Pratt also indulged in further opprobrious words. While dealing with the work done by the department of agriculture under the direction of the Whitney Government in connection with immigration he declared that the Laurier Government at Ottawa had been antagonistic to the farmers of Ontario. He said, "Scratch a member

of the Laurier following and you will find an enemy to the farmer of Ontario. I will go farther and say, 'Scratch a Liberal in this House and you will find an enemy to Great Britain.'"

Mr. C. M. Bowman (North Bruce), who followed Mr. Pratt in the debate, declared that the member for South Norfolk had insulted the intelligence of the people of one-half of the Province by declaring that the Liberals were disloyal to the mother country and that Mr. Pratt had made an unsatisfactory exhibition of himself.

BOARD OF HEALTH TO SEND DELEGATES

Dr. Hutchinson and Mr. Wm. Abbott Will Attend Dr. Friedman's Clinic.

Dr. Hutchinson, medical health officer, and Mr. William Abbott were elected delegates to Dr. Friedman's clinic at Ottawa at a meeting of the board of health on Tuesday afternoon. They left for Ottawa Tuesday evening. Cars have been fitted up as a health exhibit by the provincial board, and these will be in London on the 17th and 18th of this month. On one of these a lecture on health, illustrated by moving pictures, will be given in the Auditorium.

Little Disease.
Very few cases of contagious diseases were reported to the board during the month of February. A recent analysis of the Springbank water showed the city's water supply to be pure. A communication was received from Dr. Amyot, the provincial analyst, relating to the city's ice supply, but on motion of Mr. J. R. Haslett this was laid on the table and action deferred.

Attention was called to the practice of spitting in street cars, and a communication will be addressed to Superintendent Young, asking him to see that signs prohibiting it are in place in all the cars.

Dr. Burton, chairman, presided at the meeting.

BABY MINE MAKES HIT AT THE GRAND

Leading Parts Well Played and
Supported by Minor
Parts.

"If you had told the truth to your husband about that lunch," Margaret my Jinks in "Baby Mine," Margaret May's funny farce, which was played at the Grand Tuesday night to a highly-amused audience, "we would never have got into this trouble."

"And if you had tipped that waiter large enough," replies the petulant Zoie, "he wouldn't have told."

Poor Jimmy Jinks did appear to be treated rather unfairly. In this original role, Walter Jones was perfectly natural and irresistibly funny. Marjorie Cortland is almost ideally adapted to the part of the childlike, clinging, dancing, pointing, womanlike Zoie.

A Happy Suggestion.
Zoie does not care for babies, but when her husband leaves her as a result of a victim to the suggestion of Aggie, Jimmy's wife, that she adopt a baby in her husband's absence, and foot him, as a New York paper, credits 300 other Chicago women with successfully doing.

To Jimmy falls all the embarrassing work planned by the two female conspirators, but he bungles slightly, and the happy father, called home by a telegram announcing the birth of a child, finds himself before the play concludes, the father of three of them.

It is a terrible shock to him when the real parents, after having the police, refuse to gain their children. But there is one shock greater to have his wife volunteer to tell him the real truth after deceiving him so cruelly.

Baby-Loving Husband.
Benedict MacQuarrie, as Alfred Hardy, the baby-loving husband, is a very fair actor. Vera Rial plays the part of Aggie, the fourth principal, very well. The minor parts are satisfactorily taken, the work of Isabel Windtorn as Maggie O'Flaherty, sister of the twins, being especially creditable.

CLEVER CAPTURE OF TEESWATER BURGLAR

Tracks Made by New Rubbers
Were Followed For Ten
Miles.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Teeswater, March 12.—The local police are receiving credit for their speedy work in connection with the arrest of John Carson, the Englishman who was sentenced to 18 months in the Central for theft at Walkerton on Monday.

Carson's capture was due directly to prompt action.
Walter Rowe, of the Electric Light Company, while engaged in his duties Monday night, noticed a store of R. J. Mann, 10th, who was long past closing time, he telephoned and aroused the owner, who on arriving at his store found the proof of the burglar's work. An entrance had been effected in the rear of the building, the light turned on, and the burglar got to work. He filled a suitcase with boots and socks, ties, gloves, etc., appropriated a valuable fur coat, and cleaned up the money till.

At once Constable Ryan, Will Mann and W. Rowe tracked him by new rubber marks in the snow, and caught up with him some five or six miles away on the 10th concession of Cullross.

When confronted, he was compelled to own up, and was brought back to town, where he was brought before S. R. Brill, the justice of the peace, and was safely in jail. The stolen goods were returned to the owner.

Ratepayers are called upon to vote their opinion in connection with the proposed Carnegie donation for a public library, and while the council may move it itself, it desires to get the feeling of the citizens.

Rev. J. J. Haylock will take the work on the circuit on Sunday next. On Sunday last, Rev. A. J. Langford, of Kincardine, preached educational sermons, morning and evening in the Methodist Church.

Rev. Mr. Haylock was called to take the work on the Brussels charge last Sunday, as the pastor, Rev. Dr. Oaten, is under medical care.

HOW MR. BORDEN STAGED THE CHURCHILL LETTER

Did Not Tell Sir Wilfrid of
Intention Although Latter
Was His Guest.

Ottawa, March 11.—The staging of Premier Borden's final play to the galleries last night and the manner in which the scenes were set was characteristic. The "emergency" was sprung on Mr. Borden last night with equal force and with the same eye to spectacular effect. The Premier's speech was deliberately handed out to the press and was in type and even published both in Canada and in Britain in full before it was read to Parliament.

The same Rogeristic type of political strategy was employed in the firing of the last Government bullet. Yesterday afternoon, in response to repeated demands from Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his followers for the production of all the official correspondence dealing with the Government's statement as to cost of building, the Premier declared that the Premier's letter was confidential and could not be disclosed. He promised, however, to see what could be done in the way of securing its release for presentation to Parliament.

A few hours afterwards Sir Wilfrid Laurier was the guest of the Premier at a dinner at the latter's home, given in honor of Right Hon. J. B. Hays. At the conclusion of the dinner Sir Wilfrid bade good-bye to his host and left for home. The Premier, without giving the Liberal leader any intimation of the coming grand play in the Commons chamber, ended to his followers had already been summoned. Then amid enthusiastic cheers of the "Little Canada" ministerial Premier Borden announced that Mr. Churchill had agreed "on Sunday" giving authority for making public the full text of the correspondence for which Sir Wilfrid had asked in the afternoon. The Churchill letter was thereupon read, Mr. Borden did not finish until after midnight, when obviously any counter attack from the small Liberal relay on duty, who were not even furnished with a copy of the correspondence, had little chance of getting publicity.

GODERICH D. O. E. ELECT OFFICERS

Mrs. D. McDonald Was Elected Regent at a Big Meeting.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Goderich, March 11.—The annual meeting of the General Brough Chapter of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire was held yesterday afternoon in the jury room at the court house. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Regent, Mrs. D. McDonald; vice-regent, Mrs. George Williams; secretary, Miss W. Watson; treasurer, Miss Alex. Saunders; standard-bearer, Miss Grace Rhynas. After the meeting Rev. Mr. George Ross gave an interesting address on "Loyalty."

Miss Isabel Proudfoot gave a tea in honor of Miss Kathleen Clark, of St. Catharines, today. Miss P. Knox, of Detroit, is spending a few days with friends here.

BURIED AT FOREST

Mrs. Cecil Head Had Only Been Ill for a Short Time.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Forest, March 11.—The funeral of Maggie Frayne, wife of Cecil Head, was held yesterday from their home, Gore street, to the Methodist Church, afterwards by Rev. A. J. Thomas, assisted by Rev. Walter Cannon.

The pallbearers were Lorne and Frank Platter, Frank Freese and Frank Proctor, George Culley and Roy McFarlane. Among other a handsome floral tribute was sent to the

house by the employees of the Forest Basket Factory, where Mr. Head is employed.

Besides her husband she is mourned by her father, seven brothers and a sister, Anson, of Lethbridge, Alta.; Gilbert, of the Toronto Veterinary College; Adam and Richard, of Sarnia; Reuben, Abram and Orlo, of Bosanquet. She was married the 6th of March, 1912, and her mother died in May of last year.

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Zurich, March 12.—The recently-acquired Jackson Manufacturing Company, Zurich's new industry, has demanded the bonus of \$200 offered for the establishment of its works here. There was, it is alleged a verbal understanding that the factory would give employment to 25 people. There are less than a dozen employed at present, and none of the operators, it is claimed, have reached half the wages pictured at the beginning.

Owing to the quarantine at Exeter, no goods are coming to Zurich from that town.

The hockey match between Zurich and Seaford played at Hensall Monday night was won by Zurich by a score of 4 to 1.

A Liberal Club for Zurich is one of the possibilities for next week. Already material is being looked over for winning candidates. The township being Liberal, and the village about equally divided, an easy victory in this district is assured.

The herring fishing at St. Joseph will be of short duration if the sunny weather continues. The catch so far has been very small.

Over 1,000 live hogs have been shipped from this point during the last two days. The price was \$9.20 per hundred weight.

Real estate is moving some.

BIG DEMAND FOR CATTLE AT GORRIE

Shipments for the Year Totalled
Over Half a
Million.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Gorrie, March 12.—Why go West? Yesterday at the station one could have imagined it was fair time. Five cars of cattle were shipped at prices ranging from 6 1/2 to 7 cents. Three cars of hogs at \$9.15 per hundredweight.

CAPT. M'DOUGALL STRICKEN SUDDENLY

Widely-Known Skipper on Canadian
Lakes Died at Paisley.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Paisley, March 11.—The funeral of Capt. Alexander McDougall took place from his late residence, Queen street south, yesterday afternoon and was largely attended. He was in his 46th year and came here from Glasgow, Scotland, about twelve years ago. He had been the captain of a steamboat between Glasgow and Wales. For some years he sailed on Canadian lakes. Until four years ago he became crippled by rheumatism and was disabled from active work. He died suddenly on Saturday afternoon from heart failure. He is survived by two daughters, Cassie and Dolly. The funeral was in charge of the Masonic Order. Interment was made in Starivale Cemetery.

Mr. William Giles, of Calgary, is here on a business trip.

Mrs. E. J. McIntyre, of Toronto, is a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. B. Putnam.

Word came to relatives today of the death of Mr. David McIntyre, of Regina, son of Mr. Donald McIntyre, formerly of Locherbie. The deceased died following an operation for appendicitis. The remains are expected here on Thursday to be interred in Paisley Cemetery.

CAMLACHIE MEETING

Fine Program of Young People's Society Was Thoroughly Enjoyed.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Camlachie, March 11.—At the regular meeting of the Y. P. A., held in the Methodist Church, the topic for the evening was "Conscience," which was given by Wm. MacRoberts read a poem on the topic. Miss C. McCordie read the Scripture lesson, and Oliver Crawford gave a reading also. Mr. W. Mathews rendered a solo most acceptably, and the president closed the meeting with prayer.

The literary meeting was a grand success. The Y. P. A. had hoped and expected to have Yvonne Literary Society at this meeting to debate, "Resolved, that automobiles and telephones had done more for the country than good roads and rural mails," but were disappointed. However, two capable parties of the Y. P. A. took the debate in hand at a later date, but were defeated by the affirmative side by two points.

Other items of the program were solos rendered by Mrs. MacRoberts and Miss C. McCordie. Miss C. Alexander gave two humorous readings. The social evening will be held in the Maccahee Hall on March 12.

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