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**WOMAN SUFFRAGE DEFEATED IN BRITISH PARLIAMENT**

London, May 6.—The fate of the Woman Suffrage bill was sealed to-night by the votes of more than fifty Irish Nationalists who voted against it. The bill, whereby it was sought to enfranchise 6,000,000 women, was rejected by a majority of 47. The vote stood 266 to 219.

The debate today proved that the militant policy of the suffragettes has done the cause great harm as far as parliament is concerned. The Conciliation bill of last session was rejected only by a small majority compared with the Dickinson bill, which was under discussion today, and previous bills giving some measure of enfranchisement to women, have passed the second reading, although they never succeeded in running the gauntlet of subsequent stages. Recent police court disclosures of acts of incendiarism planned by the militants, far surpassing in magnitude anything heretofore attempted, and the burning of St. Catharife's church at Hatcham today, undoubtedly influenced many members to vote against the bill.

**Cabinet Divided**

Neither Andrew Bonar Law, leader of the opposition, nor A. J. Balfour voted in the division. Among the ministers who voted against the bill were Premier Asquith, Reginald McKenna, Lewis Harcourt, J. E. B. Seely, Winston Spencer Churchill and C. E. Hobbhouse.

The cabinet supporters of the bill included Sir Edward Grey, David Lloyd George, Sir Rufus Isaacs, Augustine Birrell, Sydney Buxton, C. F. G. Masterman, Sir A. J. Simon and F. D. Aekland.

**Premier Asquith Opposed**

Mr. Asquith said the bill created 6,000,000 new voters and it had never been approved by the existing electorate. He continued: "Would our political fabric be strengthened, would our executive fabric be more respected, would our social and domestic life be enriched, would our standard of manners—and by manners I mean old-fashioned virtues of chivalry, courtesy and interdependence of the sexes on one another—be raised or refined if women were given the vote?"

The premier strongly denied that parliament had been neglectful of the interests of women and said he saw no evidence that the British women as a whole wanted the vote.

**Sir Edward Grey Supports Bill**

Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, supported the bill. He said there was ample evidence that a very large section of the women of the country had shown by constitutional means that they favored the enfranchisement of their sex. Militancy he characterized as "the inconsiderate and criminal conduct of a small body of representative individuals, with whose outrages the law had dealt, and ought to deal, severely."

Nobody, he said, had greater reason to deplore the methods of the militant suffragists than those who desired the enfranchisement of women, but he argued that their outrages should not influence the discussion of the House on the bill. Many admitted that women were fitted to deal with social and industrial matters of legislation which vitally affected their interests, but they were not fitted to deal with the question of foreign policy. He contended that the demonstrated aptitude in dealing with abstruse economical questions involved in social and industrial legislation proved that they were possessed

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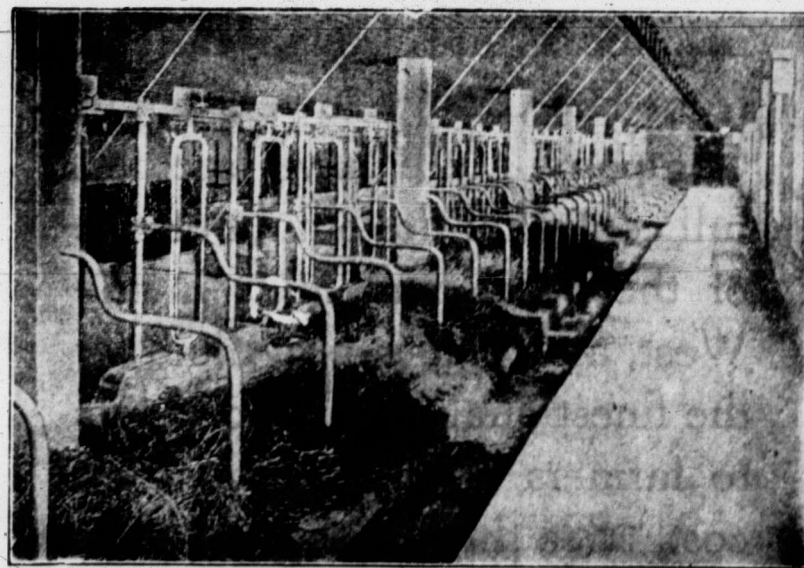
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of sufficient intelligence to pass judgment on questions of foreign policy, which were far less complicated and seldom an issue at the general elections.

**Text of Rejected Bill**

The following is the text of the bill which has been rejected:

1. Every woman who (a) if she were a man would be entitled to be registered as a parliamentary elector in respect of a household qualification within the meaning of the Representation of the People Act, 1884; or (b) is the wife of a man entitled to be registered in respect of a household qualification and has resided in the qualifying premises during the period required by law to enable a person to be so registered, shall be entitled to vote as a parliamentary elector in the constituency wherein the qualifying premises are situated.
2. A woman shall not be entitled to be registered unless she has attained the age of 25 years.
3. A woman shall not be disqualified by reason of marriage from being registered and voting.

**SIR WILLIAM MACKENZIE ENTHUSIASTIC OVER C.N.R.**

Montreal, Que., May 7.—Sir Wm. Mackenzie, president of the C.N.R., whose mission to England has caused so much comment throughout Canada, arrived here this afternoon, and previous to his leaving for Toronto, made the following statement:—

"Notwithstanding mischievous reports to the contrary, I have returned from the borrowing centre of the world feeling just as confident as ever over the success of the Canadian Northern enterprise. I am glad to be able to say that our financial friends on the other side are more enthusiastic than ever over the outlook of the company, and of the general development of the line, and we are all inspired by the fact that the last spike, uniting Toronto with Vancouver, over the Canadian Northern Railway, will be driven somewhere in the Rockies in November next. As for the connection at Montreal, the date will be a little later owing to a short delay in the completion of the line between Pembroke and Port Arthur. Montreal will, however, be hitched up with Toronto by an independent line by Dominion Day."

Speaking of the Brazilian issue, Sir William said that the money was required for extensions.

**RECIPROCAL DEMURRAGE COMES UP ON MAY 20**

Ottawa, May 7.—Demurrage of railway cars will again be taken up by the Dominion Railway Commission at the sitting to be held here, May 20.

Reciprocal demurrage, if passed, will provide that when they hold cars without unloading them over the allotted time, shippers will be fined, but will also make it possible for the merchant to have a fine imposed on the railway for every day the company is late in delivering a car.

The farmers of St. Pierre are calling a meeting of all farmers in that district on May 21, with a view of organizing a branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' association. This settlement is made up largely of French speaking people, and it is encouraging to know that they are getting alive to the benefit of identifying themselves with the Grain Growers' movement.