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# MINISTER OF RAILWAYS AND CANALS RESIGNS AND BEGINS THREE ACTIONS FOR LIBEL EMERSON DENIES GRAVE CHARGES ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE

## ROOSEVELT ACCUSED BY HARRIMAN OF BEGGING FUNDS TO SAVE PARTY

Magnate Charges He Was Summoned to White House to Make Deal for Contribution.

## BREACH OF FAITH ALLEGED

President Issues Indignant Denial That He Promised to Appoint Dewey to Paris.

Washington, April 2.—President Roosevelt characterizes the statement contained in a letter published this morning—purporting to have been written by E. H. Harriman to Sidney Webster, as "a deliberate and wilful untruth—by right it should be characterized by an even shorter and more ugly word. I never requested Mr. Harriman to raise a dollar for the presidential campaign of 1904."  
The president dictated the following statement:  
"After writing certain letters to Congressman Sherman on Oct. 3 and 12, 1906, the president was assured that Mr. Harriman had not made the statements which Mr. Sherman credited him with making. Inasmuch as the same statements appear in the major part in the letter of Mr. Harriman now published, the president deems it proper that the letters he sent to Congressman Sherman be made public."  
The president says in his letter to Mr. Sherman:  
"It shows a cynicism and deep-seated corruption, which makes the man uttering such sentiments and boasting, no matter how falsely, of this power to perform such a feat as a public citizen as Bebs or Moyer or Hayward."  
"I was horrified, as was Root, when he said to me to-day what Harriman said to you. I am sure you will meet him; you are entirely welcome to show him this letter, also of course I must not be made a public unless required by some reason of public policy, and then only after my consent has first been obtained."

## ROOSEVELT ACCUSED IN LETTER FROM HARRIMAN

New York, April 2.—A sensation was created here today by the publication of a letter written in December, 1906, and addressed to Sidney Webster, a lawyer and political writer of New York, and signed "E. H. Harriman."  
Following is the letter:  
"My being made an executor in the political situation is entirely due to my taking an active part in the autumn of 1904, at his request, in the undertaking to secure the election of Roosevelt to the presidency. It is a matter of public record that I was asked to do so by Mr. Roosevelt himself, the president sent me a request to go to Washington to confer upon the political conditions in New York State."  
"I complied, and he told me he understood the campaign could not be successfully carried on without sufficient money, and asked if I would help."  
"I explained that I understood the difficulty here was mainly caused by support being refused for election as United States senator. We talked, and finally he said it was necessary to appoint me as ambassador to Paris, and I called upon an intimate friend of his, who told me it was necessary to raise the amount of \$200,000, which I would raise for him, with the result that the amount was raised."  
"In December, 1906, the president told me he did not think it necessary to appoint me as ambassador to Paris, as he was in favor of favoring him for the senate. I had not expected that he would do so, and he said that it was necessary, but he arrogated to himself the right of course could not be made public."  
"Your sincerely,  
"E. H. Harriman."  
"Not intended for Public."  
The statement is a response of the president to a letter published in the Washington Post, in which it was stated that the president had promised to appoint Dewey to Paris, and that he had asked Dewey to raise the amount of \$200,000 for him, with the result that the amount was raised.  
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## SPEAKER ST. JOHN NOT IMPROVED DURING DAY; OUTLOOK UNFAVORABLE

Physicians Issue Disquieting Bulletin at Midnight—May Not Survive the Night.

## DUNCAN IN PENITENTIARY.

Former Bank Manager at Ayr Joins the Kingston Colony.

Kingston, April 2.—(Special.)—The penitentiary colony of former bankers and loan company men was further added to this afternoon by the arrival of John B. Duncan, formerly manager of the Bank of Commerce at Ayr, who entered upon his term of four years. Duncan was stylishly dressed and is a decidedly fine looking man, considerably under middle age. He was brought down by Sheriff Charles Huber and Deputy Tracy, both of Berlin. After dining at a hotel, the trio sat around the lobby for a short time, smoking, and about 2:30 o'clock proceeded in an open carriage to the penitentiary. Duncan was not shackled.

## HILL PLACES MCGUIGAN.

First Vice-President in Charge of Operating Department.

St. Paul, April 2.—The following statement was given out from J. J. Hill's office to-day:  
"At a meeting of the board of directors held here this afternoon the organization of the company was enlarged by the election of a chairman of the board of directors."  
"J. J. Hill was elected chairman; L. W. Hill was elected president and vice-president. Mr. McGuigan will have direct charge of the operating department, and the officials of the board remaining as at present."  
"The company's business has doubled in the past five or six years, which makes necessary the increase of the operating staff."

## SEEKS MRS. MASON FOR GEMS

Flying Roller Has Claim for \$10,000 in Jewels.

Windsor, April 2.—A son of John R. Swinton of the Flying Roller community says that he will apply to Chief of Police Wills for a warrant for the arrest of "Mother Elton," Mrs. Mason, to recover \$10,000 worth of jewels she is said to be wearing and which belong to the Swintons.  
The rings were obtained by the elder Swinton during his 25 years service in the British army in India, and are valued at \$10,000. It is said that Mrs. Mason, a Toronto mining stock broker, would like to find the woman and get from her \$300,000 which he lent to her while she was in Toronto last winter, pretending to negotiate a big contract here.  
There is a long story that Mrs. Mason will be caught.

## JUST GETS SALARY.

Government Pays for Time He Was Under Suspension.

Ottawa, April 2.—(Special.)—The supplementary estimates for the fiscal period ended March 31, 1907, were submitted to the house to-day, and being pretty well scattered over the various services.  
One item of special interest is that of \$275 to pay J. E. Just his salary from Dec. 14, 1904, to Oct. 31, 1906, which covers the period during which he was under suspension by W. T. R. Brewster.  
"The Crown Service" is now recognized as one of the best in the city, and busy business men need not fear long waits or delay when they lunch at Crown Hotel, 15 Bay Street.  
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## AMBASSADOR BRYCE IS LOST IN STATION BEFORE GUIDE COMES

Reaches Toronto in Evening and is Bewildered by Depot Arrangements.

## RECEIVED BY MARK H. IRISH

Distinguished Diplomat Will Address Canadian Club on Modern Democracy.

A great man visited Toronto last night—great as an author, an historian and a diplomat.  
A few weeks ago he was chief secretary for Ireland; to-day he is British ambassador to the United States.  
When the vessel which bears James Bryce arrives in an American harbor a royal salute belches forth from the guns of the forts and the fighting ships, because James Bryce is the representative of his imperial majesty.

## CHICAGO FOR MAYORALTY

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The issues in the campaign have been largely based upon the improvement of the local traction system. Both parties agreed that present conditions are intolerable, but differed as to the best method of reviving them.  
The Democratic party, headed by Mayor Dunne, stood for immediate municipal ownership, but the Republican party, headed by Mayor Dunne, stood for the street car property, if the result could not be obtained in any other way. The Republican party favored ordinances which were recently passed by a Democratic council over the veto of Mayor Dunne.  
These ordinances provided for 20-year franchises for the street car companies, the city retaining the right to purchase the systems for \$50,000,000.  
The amount to be spent for immediate rehabilitation of the lines, six months' notice being necessary for the city's intention to acquire the property.  
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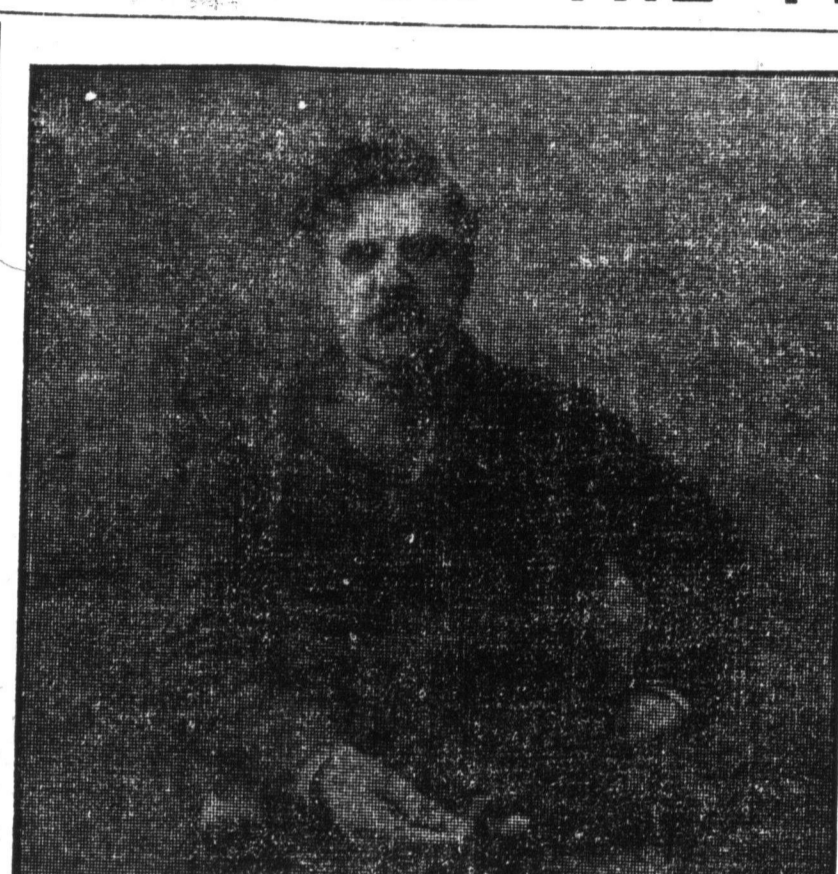
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## CANADA NOT INDIFFERENT TO THE IMPERIAL IDEAL

British Papers Declare Laurier's Speech at Bryce Banquet Will Be Welcomed.

London, April 2.—The Post, commenting on Laurier's speech at the banquet to Mr. Bryce, says he seems to have expressed sentiments which will be welcomed throughout the empire as an indication that the Canadian government after all is not indifferent to imperial ideas.  
In Quebec, says The Post, there is not much enthusiasm for active imperialism, such, for example, as might be detected in any scheme for the partition of Canada in imperial naval defence.  
This sentiment Premier Laurier seems to recognize when he refuses to be drawn into the vortex of European militarism.  
Referring to Laurier's declaration that Canada is no longer begging for favors from her neighbor, The Post says: "This declaration is a timely rejoinder to the report circulated in the American press that Secretary Root had declared the intention of his government to negotiate commercial union with Canada."  
The Times says the most striking feature of Laurier's speech was his emphatic declaration concerning the preference doctrine which must gain all the more significance from the circumstances in which it was made. Laurier's singularly outspoken endorsement of the preference shows it was no want of government. Bryce must have been rather taken aback by this affirmation of policy which his late colleagues have rejected.

## MRS. EDDY NAMES TRUSTEES

Estate Will Be Directed for Christian Science Leader.

Concord, N.H., April 2.—A motion to substitute Henry M. Baker of Boston for Archibald McLellan of Boston and Josiah F. Bernard of Concord, as plaintiffs in place of the so-called "next friends" in the proceedings instituted last February against certain government officers, was filed in the superior court late to-day by Frank S. Stroeter.  
The motion declares that Mary Baker Eddy in March of this year conveyed to Baker, McLellan and Bernard, by deed, all her interests in all property of every description.  
By the terms of a trust deed dated March 6, Mrs. Eddy transferred her estate to the trustees for a consideration of one dollar, "to manage, care for and control" "to manage my earthly life, and at the termination thereof, to dispose of the same in accordance with the provisions of my last will and the 'odds' thereto."  
Mrs. Eddy reserves the right to occupy the homestead "for as long as she may desire."  
The trustees are to pay Mrs. Eddy any such sums as she may desire.

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## HYMAN MUST EXPLAIN BEFORE HE RETURNS TO THE MINISTRY, LAURIER ASSURES PARLIAMENT

Member of Cabinet Retires to Free the Premier From Embarrassment on Eve of Conference.

## "ARE THERE NOT OTHERS?" HE ASKS

Sir Wilfrid Reads His Colleague's Letter and Replies, and Emmerson Then States His Position.

OTTAWA, April 2.—(Staff Special.)—When Mr. Hyman was on the carpet his mere denial and a second denial at that, abundantly satisfied Sir Wilfrid Laurier.  
Mr. Emmerson's denial of a less serious rumor about him apparently has availed him nothing. He has ceased to be the minister of railways and canals.  
There was sympathy with him this afternoon as, struggling with emotion, he delivered a long address fraught with human interest, brightened here and there by epigrams suggesting revelations which might be felt hereafter upon either side of the house.  
He had intended to confine himself to a brief written denial of the charge against him, coupled with a statement that writs had been issued against three newspapers.  
That he has some bitterness, not only against the opposition, but also against some of his own political friends, is quite apparent. That, if pushed too far, he may explode some dynamite not less destructive than any carried about by Mr. Fowler is more than apparent.  
Thru it all was the feeling that the minister was dealt with harshly by comparison. He pleaded guilty to weaknesses and foibles, and he asked:  
"Are there no others?"  
It is evident that his retirement is final. Premier Pugsley, who will stand for the seat vacated by the death of Dr. Stockton (city and county of St. John), it is said, will succeed him.  
It is understood that, until Sir Wilfrid Laurier returns from England, Mr. Fielding will be acting minister of railways and canals. Mr. Pugsley is to be the successor of Mr. Emmerson.

## E. M. MacDonald to Succeed Borden.

Sir Frederick Borden is to retire as minister of militia and defence, perhaps by translation to London, succeeding Lord Strathcona.  
In any event, upon the premier's return from England, E. M. MacDonald (Pictou, N.S.), will be gazetted minister of militia.  
Before the orders of the day were called, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said:  
"I have a communication to make to the house. For some time past, my hon. friend and colleague, the minister of railways and canals, has been subjected to insinuations and rumors of a most injurious character—rumors and insinuations hitherto implausible and intangible, but which have at last taken the form of a very injurious newspaper article. The article, I have no doubt, is familiar to members of the house."  
"My hon. friend, the minister of railways and canals, absolutely denies the truth of the allegations set forth in that article and, in order better to vindicate his character, has tendered his resignation, which has been accepted. The correspondence, which has taken place between my hon. friend and myself, is as follows:  
"Office of the Minister of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, April 1.  
"Dear Sir Wilfrid,—You and I, and indeed the whole country, have been aware that the attention of the parliament has been interrupted by certain intemperate members of your cabinet. Mere gossip is difficult to meet, but when the medium of the press has been sought to name me as one of your colleagues in a slanderous article, I have decided that proceedings be taken against certain newspapers for the purpose of vindicating myself, not only against the direct charges, but also against the insinuations involved therein.  
"I am conscious that I am in a position to be exonerated in the eyes of the country and yourself."

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