

# MANITOBA WAS REFUSED RIGHTS

### Another Blow Aimed at Provincial Authority by Action of Laurier Government.

### Resolution Favoring Extension of Boundaries of Prairie Province Defeated by Liberals.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., April 27.—The debate of the day was the complaint of Manitoba at the scandalous delay in granting the province the long promised extension of her boundaries. The subject was brought up by Mr. Alex. Haggart, M. P. for Winnipeg who, on a motion to go into supply, moved an amendment claiming justice for the postage stamp province. After reciting the principal documents in the case, i. e., the parliamentary resolution of 1906 and the offer of Manitoba to accept the area offered upon receiving equality of treatment with Saskatchewan and Alberta on the one side and Ontario and Quebec on the other, the amendment went on to say: "This House affirms that the province of Manitoba is entitled to equality of treatment with either the said provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan to the west or with the said provinces of Ontario and Quebec to the east and regrets that the government of the Dominion did not agree to give to Manitoba such equality of treatment."

It is the deliberate theory of the Laurier government that there are two orders of provinces, the superior which have their own lands and make their own revenue, and the inferior which may not have their own land, but which are granted in lieu of their own lands certain allowances. But Manitoba is not treated as liberally as the other inferior provinces. Her allowances are smaller and more meagre.

Mr. Borden in his speech came out once more in unequivocal terms in favor of turning the public domain over to the western provinces, all of them.

The debate was brief. Mr. Alex. Haggart put the case for Manitoba concisely and moderately. Sir Wilfrid Laurier made a rather labored reply and Mr. Borden wound up the debate with an effectively put rejoinder. His action being challenged, he quibbled about it, but the speaker disallowed his vote. Everybody was amused except Mr. Borden. He was angry.

Government in Disfavor. Mr. Haggart's speech contained little beyond a citation of the documents. Public feeling in Manitoba is against the Laurier Government in this matter, he said. The majority of the members in the Manitoba House thought eleven of the thirteen are in the pay of the Dominion Government, had to shift their ground and withdraw from the platform contains a plank advocating acceptance of the Dominion Government's offer, providing that the natural resources be turned over to the province. Mr. Haggart also noted the veiled threat of the Manitoba Free Press that Manitoba would get nothing so long as she remained in the government persons so distasteful to Sir Wilfrid Laurier as Mr. Roblin and Mr. Rogers.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier went over the history of the agitation describing the claims of Ontario, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. In this connection he used some curious language to the effect that Manitoba had claimed territory down to Lake Superior, a claim which had been abandoned since the famous boundaries fight of a quarter of a century ago. Also he said, that Ontario had claimed right up to the Churchill river. Dealing with the question as to what compensation should be given to Manitoba to enable her to administer this additional territory, he complained that Mr. Rogers and Mr. Campbell had treated the Federal Government with discourtesy in making public their version of the conference of 1909 without consulting it.

Discussing the financial claims of Manitoba Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that Manitoba demanded that the Federal Government pass a resolution through the House offering terms and then leave it to the Manitoba Government to accept or reject. That did not comport with the dignity of the Federal Government. They should hold another conference and come to terms. He had invited Mr. Roblin to another conference and to accept or reject it. He asked what was the difference between passing a resolution defining

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# LORDS GIVE FINANCE BILL FIRST READING

Lloyd-George's Bill Left Commons With Final Majority Of 93—Passed Quietly By Upper House.

London, April 27.—Chancellor Lloyd-George's finance bill, the rejection of which by the House of Lords, cost the nation, as Premier Asquith announced in his final speech tonight, \$6,500,000 in actual money, passed the third reading in the House of Commons by a majority of 93, amid enthusiastic cheers from the ministerialists. It was immediately carried to the House of Lords, which was waiting in session to receive it, and in quite uneventful fashion, the Lords passed the first reading of the bill.

# BAD HABIT OF TORONTO MAN

After Serving Twenty Years At Kingston For Murder Of First Wife, Charged With Assaulting Second.

Toronto, Ont., April 27.—Samuel Rowatt, who in May 1897 was sentenced to twenty years in Kingston penitentiary for shooting his wife and who was released in May 1906 appeared before the police magistrate this morning charged with assaulting his second wife Elizabeth Rowatt. The woman said Rowatt struck her two weeks after their marriage a year ago, and threatened to take her life and that since then he has assaulted her whenever she was displeased. Rowatt denied the woman's charges, and said she was to blame for any trouble. She followed him on the street he declared and called the attention of his neighbors to the fact he had murdered his first wife. Rowatt was remanded for a week pending the result of communications with the department of justice regarding the disposition of the case.

# MONTREAL WOMAN CAUGHT AT NEW YORK

Mrs. Alfred Grouge Arrested On Charge Of Kidnapping Yvonne Duval—Was About To Sail For Florida.

New York, N. Y., April 27.—A well dressed woman, who said she was Mrs. Alfred Grouge, of 421 Laval St., Montreal, was arrested on board the Clyde Line steamship Comanche, to-day, just as she was about to sail for Jacksonville, Fla., on a charge of having kidnapped two-year-old Yvonne Duval from the home of its foster-parents in Canada. With the woman was a two-year-old child. Magistrate O'Connor held Mrs. Grouge until tomorrow, to allow communication with the Canadian authorities. The child was turned over to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

# MILK STROKE IN BOSTON

Fifty Farmers, Representing 5,000 Producers, Will Withhold Supply Unless Rate Is Raised One Cent Per Quart.

Boston, Mass., April 27.—A declaration of war between milk producers and contractors in the so-called Boston district with the innocent consumers as the principal sufferers probably was proclaimed today by the producers at the close of an enthusiastic meeting at the American House. It is expected that hostilities will begin on May 1st. The fight is on the rate per can of 3 1/2 quarts. The producers demand 23 1/2 cents, the rate paid during the winter, while the contractors have decided to maintain the 25-cent rate, which has been obtained during the summer months for the past three years.

# WILLIONAIRE KILLED BY FOLDING BED

Henry W. Smith Of Lee, Mass., Crushed In Treacherous Springs In New York Boarding House.

New York, N. Y., April 27.—Henry Wellington Smith, millionaire paper manufacturer of Lee, Mass., and delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1896, met death last night in a New York boarding house, crushed by the springs of a treacherous folding bed. With him was an elderly woman who was slightly injured and who has subsequently disappeared, leaving behind a case of mystery. She was known at the boarding house as his wife but investigation showed that Mrs. Smith had not left her home in Lee, and that Smith started for New York yesterday unaccompanied.

# COMMITTEE TO REPORT ON PULP WOOD EXPORT

Surveyor General Grimmer, Hon. J. K. Flemming And Hon. John Morrissy To Gather Evidence At Once.

It is expected that the committee will make a report to the Lieutenant Governor in Council not later than next fall, and the question of whether New Brunswick will or will not prohibit the exportation of pulp wood cut on the Crown lands of the province will then be decided, it is thought.

# NASHWAAK DRIVES IN SATURDAY NIGHT

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, April 27.—Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer, who is here, announced today that a committee of the Executive Council, composed of the Provincial Secretary, the Chief Commissioner of Public Works and himself, would commence their work of gathering evidence on the pulp wood question at an early date.

# RAILWAY PROJECTED FROM QUEBEC

Special to The Standard. Bangor, Me., April 27.—A syndicate composed of Charles D. Stanford and R. H. Wing of Bangor and twenty five New York capitalists has offered an agreement with the Anglo-American Development Co., Ltd., of St. John's, Nfld., whereby the syndicators develop a vast tract of timber in Newfoundland and Labrador, on which lease rights were recently secured by the Anglo-American Company from the Newfoundland government. This tract, extending from Byrns Bay to Port Manners, along the coast of Labrador, across the strait of Belle Isle from the Island colony embraces 13,853 square miles, of 8,865,000 acres, about equal to the area of the State of Massachusetts, or to the entire area of the timberlands of Maine. Upon it stand dense spruce forests, estimated conservatively to contain 300,000,000,000 feet of lumber or 50,000,000 cords of pulp wood so that, allowing for natural growth the supply is practically inexhaustible.

# NEWS OF THE RIVER

The water in the river has fallen between four and five inches since noon yesterday and the probabilities are that it will continue to fall now until it gets down to its normal condition. Advances from river points today are that the water is at a standstill or falling.

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# FRENCH HERE ON JUNE 11

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# NO FOUL PLAY IN ESTELLE REID CASE

Washington, D. C., April 27.—Miss Estelle Reid, the American art student, whose body was found on the seashore near Naples, Italy, last Saturday, in the opinion of the United States consul at Naples either committed suicide or was accidentally drowned. This view was expressed in a telegram received at the state department today from Consul Crowninshield. The telegram eliminates the theory of foul play.

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