

Governor General Voices Sentiments On Stay in Canada

**Loyalty of People During
Term of Office is Ap-
preciated.**

**EASIER TO FEEL
THAN DESCRIBE**

**Quebec Inquiry Adjourned
While Welcome Was in
Progress.**

INTEREST IN COUNTRY

**Memories of Three Years
Stay in Dominion Will
Be Cherished.**

Quebec, Que., June 22.—The members of the Quebec bar and bench officially welcomed the Duke of Connaught this morning. The vessels on the river, including the grim looking representatives of the British navy, were gay with bunting. Along the route to the courthouse school children were drawn up and the courthouse itself was heavily thronged with people. The enquiry into the loss of the Empress of Ireland, over which Lord Mersey has been presiding for the past week, was temporarily suspended to enable his lordship, the other members of the court, and counsel engaged, to attend the reception.

Eusebe Belleau, Batonnier of the Quebec bar, read an address of welcome on behalf of the members of the Quebec bar. In the course of his reply the Duke of Connaught said:

"Our stay in Canada leaves with us only the most charming memories. Wherever we have been among the different people which form the Canadian nation, not only have we received evidence of the loyalty of the people and found ourselves in an atmosphere of friendship, but three years which I have passed in Canada will never be lost from my memory. They are among the best of my life and I shall always take in your beautiful country will not disappear with my departure."

Referring to the enquiry into the Empress disaster, the governor-general said:

"On an occasion like this there is on fact which I cannot pass in silence. I mean the tribunal that is sitting in this very courthouse presided over by a judge of the English court of admiralty, a judge whose reputation is world-wide. With him sit two eminent Canadian judges, one a distinguished French-Canadian, the other a chief justice from New Brunswick. Great English and Canadian members of the bar are conducting this case and with them are colleagues of theirs from the United States, to whom we are glad to wish the most cordial welcome."

* **SOLUTION OF COST** *
* **OF LIVING PROBLEM** *
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* Fort William, Ont., June 22. *
* Foodstuffs were not being pro- *
* duced by the farmers in pro- *
* portion to the population of *
* the country, said J. McDoug- *
* all, of Ottawa, chairman of *
* the board of inquiry to investi- *
* gate the high cost of living, *
* here today. The members *
* present were J. McDougall, *
* chairman, R. H. Coats, editor *
* of the Labor Gazette, and T. *
* J. Lynton, secretary of the *
* board. They leave tomorrow *
* for Ottawa. *
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**POSTAL CLERKS MEET IN
VANCOUVER NEXT YEAR**

Edmonton, Alta., June 22.—Vancouver will be the meeting place in 1915 for the convention of the Postal Clerks' Association of Western Canada. This was decided by the delegates sitting here in convention yesterday prior to the close of the convention.

Officers elected by the association for 1914-15 were as follows: President, F. R. Sutton, of Winnipeg; vice-president, H. D. Talbot, Edmonton; secretary, J. Green, Winnipeg; treasurer, A. S. Black, Vancouver.

The vice-presidents for each of the provinces affiliated with the association will be C. S. Bertrage of Brandon, for Manitoba; H. F. Hardy of Saskatchewan; W. L. Tuck, former president of the association, of Calgary, for Alberta, and H. W. Adams, of Victoria, for British Columbia.

Messrs. E. Sims and W. J. Tynes, both of Calgary, were elected auditors.

Honored by King George



RT. HON. SIR ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN, G.C.M.G.

Many Canadians Are Recipients of Birthday Honors

**Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden Receives
Knight of Grand Cross St.
Michael and St. George.**

LOCAL MEMBER HONORED
**List of Honors Bestowed by
The King.**

London, June 21.—The King's birthday honors announced today include a number of prominent Canadians in the list.

Chief of the premier, Right Honorable Robert Laird Borden, P.C., who becomes Right Honorable Sir Robert Laird Borden, G.C.M.G., thus reaching the same rank in the Order of St. Michael and St. George as is held by Right Honorable Sir Wilfrid Laurier, P.C., G.C.M.G., namely, Knight of the Grand Cross.

Two other Canadians attained entrance into the order of St. Michael and St. George. They were Honorable George Elias Foster, who becomes Sir George Elias Foster, K.C.M.G., and Honorable Charles Eugene Broderick, senator and former premier of Quebec, and one of the oldest legislators in the British Empire, who becomes Sir Charles de Boucherville, K.C.M.G.

Knight Bachelorhood.
In the list of knight bachelorhood there are found Canadian names: Mr. J. A. M. Aikins, M.P. of Brandon; Honorable Adam Peck, of London, Ontario minister without portfolio in the Ontario cabinet; Dr. Thomas George Roddick, the celebrated surgeon of Montreal, and Chief Justice W. W. Sullivan, of Prince Edward Island.

The minor honors include the bestowal of the dignity of Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George upon Mr. William Kipparick McNaught, ex-M.P.P. for North Toronto, and one of the chief citizens of Toronto.

Sir James A. M. Aikins, Kt., James Albert Manning Aikins, M.A., K.C., M.P., Kt., was born at Grahamsville, Peel County, Ont., on Dec. 10, 1851, and is a son of Hon. J. C. Aikins, P.C., LL.D., and Mary Elizabeth Aikins. He received his education at Richview public schools, Brampton grammar school, Upper Canada college, and Toronto university, where he received the degree of B.A. in 1875 and the degree of M.A. in the following year.

He was called to the Ontario bar in 1878, and came to Winnipeg and was called to the bar in 1879; called to the Northwestern Territories bar, now Saskatchewan bar and Alberta bar, in 1882, and was created Q.C. in 1884. He is counsel at Winnipeg for the Imperial Bank of Canada, Bank of Ottawa, Great West Life Assurance company, and other financial corporations. He is president of the General Assets and Agency corporation, director of the Northern Trusts company, Canadian Fire Insurance company, Canadian Indemnity company, a Canadian director of the Gresham Life Assurance society, and a director of

other companies.

He was counsel for the department of justice from 1879 to 1886, and in 1880 was appointed by the Dominion government as one of the royal commissioners to investigate and report on the administration of justice in the Northwest Territories. He represented Canada at the International Congress of Moral Education, at The Hague in 1912. In 1902 he was appointed by the Manitoba government a member of the royal commission concerning agricultural education.

President Bar Association.
He has been president of the Manitoba Bar association, and is a director of Wesley college. He acted as counsel for the government of Manitoba in 1900 during the drafting of the Manitoba Liquor bill. He has been a member of the Manitoba Law society since 1880, and has served as its secretary, treasurer, and president. He is also a member of the council of the University of Manitoba, and has acted as honorary bursar since 1887. Among other positions he has held in the province are—Chairman of the royal commission of the University of Manitoba, chairman of the Wesleyan College board, president of the Y. M. C. A. from 1879 to 1882, and counsel for the C. P. R. in Western Canada from 1881 to 1911. He has presented numerous cups and medals to military and other organizations, including a silver cup to the Manitoba Mounted Rifles for efficiency in 1907. He was appointed honorary lieutenant-colonel of the Ninetieth Winnipeg Rifles in 1910 and of the Ninety-ninth regiment of Brandon in 1911. He was

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SIR JAMES A. M. AIKINS, Kt.

elected to the house of commons for Brandon in 1911, which constituency he still represents.

In 1884 he married Miss Mary B. McLellan, and in 1899 Miss Mary F. Colby. He is a Conservative in politics and a Methodist in religion. He resides in Winnipeg, and is senior member of the law firms of Aikins, Fullerton, Foley & McWilliams and Aikins, Loftus & Aikins.

WELL KNOWN PIONEER OF BRANDON DISTRICT PASSED AWAY SUNDAY

**Mrs. G. Matheson Died Sunday
Afternoon—Regretted by a
Wide Circle of Friends.**

The news of the death of Mrs. Ann Matheson, widow of the late Gilbert Matheson, which occurred at 3:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, at the residence of her son, Dr. J. S. Matheson, on Fifth street, will be received with deep regret by a very wide circle of friends and acquaintances as the deceased lady was not only one of the pioneers of Brandon, but was much loved by all who knew her.

The late Mrs. Matheson, who passed away at the age of 88 years, was a descendant of the Sutherland clan, coming to Ontario as a child from Sutherlandshire. With her family she arrived in Brandon in 1882 and went onto a farm nine miles north of the city. At this farm, which is looked upon as one of the show farms of Manitoba, an open house was always kept and the house being continually filled with guests. Last summer during the Dominion exhibition Aviator C. H. Blakeley journeyed from Brandon to the Matheson farm just to give the late Mrs. Matheson an opportunity of seeing a real flying machine. On returning, Blakeley said he had never experienced a more pleasurable impromptu visit and he was more than pleased with the evident joy he had caused for his aged hostess.

Seven sons are now prominent in the business affairs of the country. She is survived by the following children: W. A. Matheson, Geo. Matheson, Colin Matheson and (T. S. Matheson of Winnipeg; R. M. Matheson, J. S. Matheson and Mrs. J. W. Fleming, of Brandon; McKenzie Matheson of Vancouver and Mrs. Isaac Ingram, Wawanesa.

Dr. J. S. Matheson is now in Philadelphia to receive a degree from

the American College of Surgeons, and funeral arrangements are held over pending his arrival from the States.

The family is one of the best known in Manitoba. Mr. R. M. Matheson has been for many years grown prosecutor here, while Dr. J. S. Matheson is one of the best known surgeons west of the Great Lakes.

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Ulster Counties To Express Opinion On Home Rule Question

**POSSIBILITY OF
GREAT RAILWAY
STRIKE IN WEST**

Winnipeg, Man., June 22.—A Winnipeg paper this afternoon says: "Local members of the Locomotive Engineers and Firemen's Union are discussing the possibilities of a general strike of their unions following the failure of the railway companies and unions to agree upon a schedule at the recent congress in Chicago."

"According to present information received by the men, a general strike on all lines west of Chicago, including the United States and Canada, will be ordered by July 15 next. This covers 95 different railways and hundreds of thousands of men. In Western Canada all systems are involved and 3,000 men, roughly, will go out."

BRITISH LABOR LEADER GIVES HIS EXPLANATION OF LIBERAL DEFEATS

**Philip Snowden M.P. Says the
Weakness of Govt. has Provoked
Unionist Opportunity.**

London, June 22.—Philip Snowden, the Labor leader and member of parliament for Blackburn, brushes away all explanations of recent by-elections and gives a candid statement of actual influences at work in the course of his weekly article in the Christian Commonwealth.

In respect to Ipswich he points to Mr. Gannon's strong advantages in local associations over "a sort of political Japhet in search of a father."

"But there was one other feature," he asserts, "in this by-election which was probably in a larger measure responsible for the result than any other. In Ipswich there is a Labor party of considerable importance. A Labor party, standing as the properly accredited candidate of the National Labor party, there would have polled probably nearly as many votes as did the Labor candidate in Northeast Derbyshire."

"The whole Labor movement in the country is at the present moment in a state of extreme exasperation with the action of the Liberals in opposing the Labor party in Northeast Derbyshire. Their action in that constituency prevented them winning Grimsby and it has lost them Ipswich."

"Recent by-elections, when the results are properly understood, show that the country is against the Unionist policy, and that would be shown much more emphatically if the government would be a little more courageous in dealing with the Irish problem. The weakness of the government is the opportunity of the Unionists."

"The scandal of the minority candidate securing the seat has become intolerable. Beyond the natural feeling of gratified revenge upon the Liberals for opposing Labor representation, the Labor party get no satisfaction from seeing a Tory candidate returned on a minority vote. Such contests as that in Northeast Derbyshire do a great deal to exasperate and engender political malice and ill-will. I have never seen an election in which any party stopped so low as did the Liberals in this contest."

EVERYONE SHOULD BE INTERESTED IN POLITICS SAYS REV. QUAINTON

**Interesting Subject Dealt With
By Rector of St. Matthews
Church Yesterday.**

At the morning service at St. Matthews church on Sunday before a large congregation, the rector, Rev. Cecil S. Quainton, preached a strong sermon that outlined ideal political principles. He contended that every one should be interested in politics and that it was incumbent on every man to take his share of the responsibility and to use his franchise. He urged the necessity of clear politics, and admitted that there was much room for improvement in this respect. The preacher declared that it was not only in Canada that bribery obtained, and cited many instances from the time of Walpole when bribery and corruption was rampant in England. That a higher standard now obtained the preacher said there was no doubt, but there was still room for a better state of things, though many people declared, said Mr. Quainton, that the pulpit should not interfere in politics. He could imagine certain events arising where it was the duty of the pulpit to interfere, but he did not think there was any call for it at the present time.

**Bill Will Be Introduced
With this Object in
View Next Week.**

**PRESSURE FROM
LORDS IS REASON**

**So Declares London Times
In Some Pointed Com-
ment on Situation.**

UNIONISTS OBJECT.

**Carson Declares That His
Party Will Prevent Such
Measure Becoming Law.**

London, June 22.—(C. A. P.)—"Next week you will have introduced in the house of lords on behalf of the government a bill that will give every county in Ulster the option to vote itself out of home rule until two general elections have passed in this country." So spoke Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George on Saturday, at Denmark Hill, in South London.

The Times today says the assumption is that the government, which is fully aware of the inadequacy of its original offer, intends to yield to pressure from the house of lords rather than frame an acceptable scheme itself. It hopes thus to save its face with John Redmond, who has plainly prevented the government so far from making concessions which the bulk of the Liberal party plainly regarded as desirable.

While Lloyd George was declaring that this week's bill in the house of lords would embody the prime minister's standing offer of county option to Ulster, Sir Edward Carson, in Lancashire, was saying that if it did he would once more describe it as a hypocritical shame and his party would prevent it becoming law.

In the near future, therefore, says the Daily Chronicle, the government will be confronted with the alternative of either widening county option or letting it be vetoed by the house of lords. The government's right course then will be to let it be vetoed. The fact is, continues the Chronicle,

that scarcely anybody in Ireland wants exclusion. The Carsonites never wanted it except as a cry through which they could defeat home rule. Ever since it was definitely offered them in conjunction with the certainty of home rule for the rest of Ireland and their one card has been to find excuses for not accepting it. For these reasons, we shall shed tears when the house of lords tumble the possibilities of exclusion to the ground. The country will then take note that exclusion has been fairly offered and its rejection is due to those who pretend to want it.

IMPORTANT SCHEME TO PREVENT FLOODS IN THAMES VALLEY

**Engineer to Conservancy Board
Has Project Which Will
Cost \$15,000,000.**

London, June 22.—An important scheme for the prevention of floods in the Thames valley has just been drawn up by C. J. Griffiths, the engineer to the Thames Conservancy board. The total estimated cost is £3,000,000, including parliamentary, engineering, and legal expenses. In a brief preface to the report, Lord Desborough, the chairman of the board, points out that:

"At the present time the river, when all the weirs are fully drawn, can discharge 4,500 million gallons daily at Teddington without flooding. Floods of a volume of about 7,000 million gallons are daily and fairly frequent and to discharge this quantity of water without flooding the river must be removed, and flood channels formed."

After alluding to the great cost and the fact that the amenities of the Thames would be to a large extent destroyed, he adds:

"It may also be questioned whether the result would justify this expenditure. On the other hand, if floods are to be prevented, some adequate method must be found for discharging the flood water into the sea; and though the conservators do not recommend the adoption of the scheme, they submit it as a method by which ordinary floods could be prevented. The discharging capacity of the whole river must be greatly increased if this is to be brought about."

The value of the scheme lies in its comprehensive character as a basis plan upon which a piecemeal solution of the problem could be effected over a number of years, the work of course, being begun at the lower end of Teddington, and gradually executed up to Oxford.