

WHAT IS HAPPENING FROM DAY TO DAY AT THE DOMINION CAPITAL

SYNOPSIS OF THE BUSINESS IN THE CANADIAN PARLIAMENT.

Public Opinion Is Not Yet Ripe for the Introduction of System of Old Age Pensions, Says Hon. W. T. White.

OTTAWA, March 4.—That public opinion in Canada is not yet ripe for the introduction of a system of old age pensions was the declaration made in the Commons today by Hon. W. T. White, minister of finance.

The declaration followed a debate on a resolution introduced by George Kite (Richmond, N.S.), advocating the establishment of a federal old age pension system. Mr. White said that while his disposition was to favor any proposal which would result in the amelioration of the condition of the old and indigent, he was not satisfied that the force of opinion back of the proposal was sufficient to warrant government action at the present time. He pointed to the fact that the introduction of old age pension system in Great Britain has been the subject of many years of agitation and was backed by a very decided public opinion.

The motion of Mr. Kite received the support of Mr. Burnham, Mr. Carroll (Cape Breton), Mr. MacDonald (Pictou), and Hon. G. B. Macdonald. They all quoted from the evidence given before the committee and were unanimous in expressing the view that the time is at hand when federal aid to the aged should be entered upon by the federal government.

Dismissals in Inland Revenue Department Are Again Discussed—Minister Maintains Dismissed Officers Were Partisan.

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MONTEAL MAYORALTY CAMPAIGN IS MIXED UP

Ex-Mayor Stephens, Who Returned From Europe to Be Candidate, Finds He Is Disqualified

Montreal, Mar. 6.—A bomb has been fired into the better-civic-government camp in the announcement yesterday by ex-Mayor Stephens that he withdraws from the mayoralty contest, owing to a legal doubt about his residential qualification. Mayor Stephens, who came back from Europe expressly to be a candidate, with promises of influential support, had to be away from Montreal a good deal during the past few months and gave up his house. He took legal advice upon his standing and following the lawyer's adverse report, now announces his retirement.

This leave definitely in the field at present only Mayor Martin, M.P., but it is said that ex-Mayor Lavallee wants to run again, although long standing custom makes it the turn of the English-speaking residents to choose a candidate. Huntley Drummond, last year's chairman of the board of trade, and C. C. Ballantyne are also taking part. As the elections are only about a month off, the mix-up in the mayoralty situation is likely to help Martin's chances.

To Triple Salary of High Commissioner

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Senate Considers Amendment to Criminal Code Preventing Newspapers Using These Pictures

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Attention was called to the fact that the bill had not been distributed as second reading was adjourned.

The following bills were given second reading: Respecting the Canada Pacific Railway Company; to incorporate the National Council of Women of Canada; to incorporate the Empire Life Insurance Co. of Canada.

Farmers to Take Over Product of Wire Fence Co.

Western Organizations Will Retain Output at Working Margin Above Cost

WINNIPEG, March 4.—A deal unique in its conception was completed today when the Harris Fence Company agreed to turn over its entire Western business to the Grain Growers' Co., which will pay an agreed price per ton for the output of the factory and will retain it among the members of the Grain Growers' association of Manitoba and the United Farmers of Alberta, at a working margin above cost.

The agreement goes into effect within ten days. This is characterized by Vice-President Lloyd Lott of the Harris Fence Co., as the first step in the evolution whereby farmers will ultimately control and own the producing sources of their mechanical necessities.

TRUE BILLS RETURNED

Hazel and Westlake Indicted on the Charge of Conspiracy in Escape of Krafchenko.

Winnipeg, March 5.—The grand jury today returned true bills against Percy Eldon Hazel and John Westlake, committed for trial charged with complicity in the escape of John Krafchenko from the central police station. The prisoners will be arraigned this afternoon and the case will be remanded until tomorrow, when it will come up for hearing should the other cases preceding it be completed.

BRANDON WINTER FAIR

BRANDON, Man., March 4.—Tonight was the record one in point of attendance at the winter fair, there being over 7000 persons present. A championship has been awarded since noon, this being Albie Forester, of Brandon, for the best skater. Hackney station class of any age.

Bank of England Issues Warning to Lloyd George

Unprecedented Action Is Said to Have Been Taken by Bank's Directors

Toronto, Ont., March 6.—Messrs. Laidlaw and company, New York brokers, received this morning a cable message which was transmitted to Toronto over a private wire. It has caused considerable interest in financial circles. The cable reads: "London, March 6.—It has just been known that an exceptional step has been taken by the directors of the Bank of England in connection with the threatening trouble in Ireland over home rule. Following the usual mid-week meeting of the directors of the Bank of England, the governor of the bank subject to endorsement by their council, the exchequer, warning him that the directors of the Bank of England have gone forth by a plottish to vote in Ireland would seriously hurt British finance. Action of this nature on the part of Bank of England directors was said to be unprecedented."

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