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THE JOCKEY CLUB'S BILL

REVOLUTION MAY SPREAD

AMENDMENTS WHICH WILL LIKELY CARRY IT THROUGH.

A Strong Delegation Representing the Sporting Interests Will Attend the Committee Meeting To-day.

The Pearson Divorce Bill Recommended to the Senate—Political and Personal Matters.

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—(Special.)—Ontario horsemen are greatly interested in the bill to incorporate the Canadian Jockey Club, which will be up in committee to-morrow. A large delegation representing Quebec and Ontario sportsmen, which will be among other things, legalize betting on race tracks throughout the Dominion. Among those here are John Davies of Windsor, William Hendrie, sr., of London, William Hendrie, jr., of Hamilton, Robert Davies of St. Catharines, and Chatham and Adam Beck of London. There is opposition to the scheme from the town of Detroit, where a race track was established last summer, bringing hundreds of American horsemen across the border. Sol White, ex-M.L.A., has been sent to oppose the passage of the bill.

With a view to settling the different interests likely to be affected, Mr. Sol White and the supporters of the bill had an interview with Dickey this afternoon. Certain amendments were agreed upon of a permissive character, by which the provisions of the bill will only apply to those associations which become affiliated with the Jockey Club. The bill now stands at good stage of passing the committee.

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LEGAL RATE OF INTEREST

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By the Banking and Commerce Committee at Ottawa Yesterday—Bankers and Representatives of Boards of Trade Opposed to the Reduction—The Rate Will Remain at Six Per Cent.

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DISSOLUTION IS THE TALK.

THE CONSERVATIVE CAUCUS WILL NOT BE HELD TO-DAY.

As the French-Canadian Members Have Declared That They Will Not Attend—The Government Announced That They Cannot Carry the Remedial Bill—Members Going Home.

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—(Special.)—The situation grows more critical for the Government, or rather, they are coming to the conviction that they will not be able to carry their Remedial Bill and that they will be forced in a few days to consider what steps should be taken looking towards a dissolution. The 20 odd Conservatives who have declared against the bill threaten to grow to 30, and this has suggested to the Government that they make one effort to stop the defection. The caucus called for to-morrow morning, it is said, to-night, will not meet, as the French members have declared they will not attend.

Several Ontario members leave for home in the morning. All sorts of efforts are being made to employ to-night to call the meeting off. It is not interest taken in the Budget debate. The debate will finish to-morrow without any division, as the Opposition do not intend submitting any amendments.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMONS.

Dr. Weldon Denies That He Had a Quarrel With Sir Charles Tupper.

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—(Special.)—In the House of Commons Dr. Weldon called attention to a statement in The Mail and Empire of yesterday, that he and Sir Charles Tupper had a quarrel between Sir Charles Tupper and himself. After having read the article, he said: "If there is a long-standing personal quarrel between us, I do not know of it."

Sir Charles Tupper—I am equally ignorant.

Mr. Mills—Where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise. (Laughter.)

Mr. Choquette that the Government had no knowledge of the letter alleged to be sent to the Ontario Province by the Northwest Bishops asking if the Northwest Legislature had power to impose. From my inspection on Catholic schools and expressing a fear of such a course being carried out.

The Budget of the Province.

Mr. Stairs, who dealt with the charge of the Liberals that sugar refineries were yielding a profit in excess of the expense of consumers. He said as a matter of fact, the profit upon actual cost of the refined sugar in Ontario was about 6 per cent. This was certainly not exorbitant. Previous to this the refineries had run at a loss.

Mr. Fraser (Guyabour), dilated on the evils of the tariff and the benefits of free trade in Europe. In his opinion Canada ought to follow England's example.

After the debate was continued by Mr. Campbell (Kent), who dealt with the question of reciprocity.

Mr. Edwards (Rustico) dealt with the question of the export duty on logs and contended that Canadian lumber was not being sold in the United States and that if an export duty on Canadian lumber imported into the United States thereby brought into the Dominion would inflict serious injury on the Dominion.

"The People's Jimmy" Grows Familiar.

Mr. McShane (Montreal Centre) entered the House with a description of the meeting taken by the Conservatives to defeat him, contending that was opposed by the men who were making fortunes out of the tariff. He took exception to the remarks made by Mr. McLeannan (Glengarry) the other day.

He considered the remarks of the Conservatives of the Montreal parties, and read several letters repudiating the strictures. One of the letters said: "You are the first live man that had reported us in such a depressed condition as last year, and getting familiar, addressed the Speakers as 'My brother-in-law'."

He referred to the farmers as being unfairly dealt with by "vampires" and bloodsuckers. He said that the "people are always with you" and that he would continue to sit in Parliament to watch their interests.

None of the relatives of the deceased yet been heard from.

Charged with Burglary.

Buffalo, Feb. 27.—Burglars entered the house of Henry Kreitzer at 623 Carroll street about Monday night or early Tuesday morning, and after rifling the house, carried away \$300 cash and amounts to the value of \$200. There was no clue to the thieves.

Women in N.B. School Board.

Fredericton, N.B., Feb. 27.—In the Legislature this afternoon a bill providing for the appointment of two women on every School Board in the Province—on the Governor's consent—was passed after the city or town concerned—was passed after some objection by one member.

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