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TWO STARTLING VIEWS ON THE AUTONOMY BILL

All Money Apportioned or to be Apportioned for Education Must Be Divided Pro Rata—Sir Wilfrid Overrides an Act.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—The World got two views of the Laurier school program in connection with the autonomy bill creating the new Provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta that are simply startling and are certain to cause even some of the friends of the government to pause. These views are not guesswork, but they are verified by the highest class of legal opinion on the constitutional issue raised.

Sir Wilfrid's bill as presented to the house appears to mean that not only must all the money that the new provinces devote to education be divided pro rata between public schools and separate schools, but all of the money that these provinces may at any time hereafter apportion for high school or university education, or any kind of education, must be also divided in the same way. This is much more drastic than anything yet known in the older provinces.

Something Worse.

But there is something worse. Sir Wilfrid Laurier declared that settlers had gone into the new provinces because they expected they would have separate schools. Is it not also fair to infer that the thousands of settlers who went in from the States and other places also expected that the law as set out in the Dominion lands act would be respected and maintained and that the lands set apart in that act for school purposes would be maintained in their integrity as set out in this act?

Here are the clauses:

Revised statutes of Canada, 1886, Vol. 1, page 823 in the Dominion lands act, school lands 23, section 11 and 29:

"In every surveyed township thruout the extent of the Dominion lands are hereby set apart as an endowment for purposes of education; and shall be designated school lands; and they are hereby withdrawn from the operation of the clauses of this act, which relate to the sale of Dominion lands and to homestead rights therein; and no right to purchase or to obtain homestead entry shall be recognized in connection with the said sections, or any part of them."

Note the Public Schools.

Sections 24 and 25 deal with the way they shall be sold. Sub-section 3 of section 25 goes on:

"All moneys from time to time realized from the sale of school lands shall be invested in securities of Canada, to form a school fund, and the interest arising therefrom, after deducting the cost of management, shall be paid annually to the government of the province or territory within which such lands are situated, toward the support of PUBLIC SCHOOLS therein; and the moneys so paid shall be distributed for that purpose by the government of such province or territories in such manner as it deems expedient."

The best constitutional authorities here say that by no process of constitutional distortion can the words "public school"—herein used be made to cover separate schools. And yet this is what Sir Wilfrid Laurier proposes.

BANQUET TO HANNA.

Petrolea Does Itself Proud for Provincial Secretary.

Petrolea, Feb. 23.—The banquet tendered the Hon. Mr. Hanna, provincial secretary, here to-night, was a success. Hundreds attended from all over the riding representing all shades of political feeling. Hon. Mr. Hanna and party arrived on the 6 o'clock train. He was met at the depot by Mayor Noble, ex-Mayor William English, H. Cory, F. W. Wilson, George G. Moncrieff and a large crowd. A bonfire on the market square made a good illumination. A torchlight procession a mile long with three bands escorted the guests. The banquet was held in Victoria Hall. Among the number who accompanied Mr. Hanna were Adam Beck, M.P., London; Mr. Montgomery, M.P., East Lambton; Major Beattie, London; John Farrell, Forest. Mr. Hanna was presented with an address from the Petrolea and Enniskillen Conservatives.

"MOONSHINING" NEAR LINDSAY.

Preventive Officer Moody Refuses $100 to "Square" the Law.

Lindsay, Feb. 23.—E. Floody, preventive officer, of Toronto, and J. Short, license inspector, of Lindsay, to-day located and seized an illicit still on lot 19, con. 3, in the Township of Brock, in the possession of Fred Patterson.

Patterson was not taken into custody. He is a bachelor and has a large amount of stock on the premises. He wished to plead guilty to the offence and offered Floody $100 for the fine, but the officer refused, saying he would lay the matter before the inland revenue department.

The still was shipped to the department in Toronto to-night.

DR. OSLER'S JEST.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

London, Feb. 24.—Reports and comments on Dr. William Osler's Baltimore speech appear in the leading London dailies. The Telegraph says he is to be congratulated on the success of his little jest. He will add to the gaiety of Oxford if he can as easily stir the depths by similar playfulness. It is no small feat to have deluded into seriousness a nation of humorists.

The speech referred to was made at Baltimore on Wednesday. Dr. Osler declared that nothing in the world is accomplished by a man more than forty years old, and that men of sixty years should be retired or chloroformed, that American medical colleges are teaching hybrid systems of medicine and producing ignorant practitioners and that Europe is far ahead of the United States in medical universities.

HOSPITAL OVERCROWDED.

Owing to the large number of patients in the general hospital, Dr. O'Reilly has issued an order to the effect that no persons living outside the city will be admitted, except by special arrangement either by personal application of friends or by letter.

KAISER TO VON BUELOW.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—Emperor William has sent an autograph letter to Chancellor Von Buelow, congratulating him on his "statesmanlike art and clear headed leadership," in bringing about recent commercial treaties, and begging him to kindly accept my bust in marble. The letter is signed as from "your grateful emperor and king."

Lakefield.

"The Grove," Rev. Mr. Mackenzie's well-known preparatory school is installing one of the new 1905 model Siche Bec machines. This school has used Siche Gas for three years—last year its lighting cost under fifty dollars—cheap lighting for a large boarding school.

PARENT NOMINATES GOUIN TROUBLE FIXED IN CAUCUS

Ex-Ministers Have Not Met Retiring Premier, But Third Parties Have Negotiated.

Montreal, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—As has been so many times predicted, Hon. S. N. Parent will accept the inevitable and retire from the premiership a few hours after the opening of the legislature on Thursday next. All those who knew anything about the feeling of the deputations have realized from the first that the crisis would have no other termination, as the premier saw at the close of the two days' cabinet session in this city that the great majority of the members well behind Gouin and Turgeon.

All the reports to the effect that the three ministers met Premier Parent at Quebec yesterday are erroneous, altho it is true that negotiations have been carried on by means of third parties. Hon. Mr. Parent has wisely decided that the party troubles are to be settled in caucus instead of on the floor of the legislature.

A Second Caucus.

The meeting at Quebec was followed by a second caucus here to-day, several Parent men meeting the ex-ministers for the first time since their resignation. The result of all this is that the present leader has consented to nominate Hon. Mr. Gouin candidate for speaker, and retire from the premiership in time for Hon. Mr. Gouin to get his cabinet together before the 6th of March, thus obviating the necessity of re-election.

Monet is Out.

F. K. Dupuis, M.L.A. for Chateauguay, a strong Parent adherent, attended the meeting and made a strong plea for Hon. Mr. Monet's retention in the new ministry, but all to no purpose. It is also uncertain if Hon. Mr. McCorkell will be retained, as Hon. W. A. Weir, who went out with Mr. Gouin, may be given the treasurership. The speakership will go either to P. Roy of St. John's or Mr. Tessier of Rimouski.

CUPID IN A BUFFET CAR.

Toronto Girl on Way to San Francisco to Be Married.

New York, Feb. 23.—A romance that began a year ago at the breakfast table of the Southwestern Limited, and which lasted from Syracuse to Buffalo, is believed to be the cause of the sudden departure of Miss Blanche Fields, the strikingly beautiful daughter of Joseph Fields, a rich Canadian, who left New York hastily yesterday with a thru ticket for San Francisco.

The friends of the young Canadian woman believe that the trip is a sequel to the proposal of marriage that was made to her on the Syracuse-Buffalo trip, and that her departure presages her speedy marriage to Judge Eugene Rosenthal, of San Francisco.

Miss Fields is twenty-three, with golden hair, blue eyes and fair complexion. Until a year ago, she was a student at a training school for nurses at Morristown, N. J. Her beauty and wealth, for she is said to be one of the richest girls of Toronto, enabled her to command at once a good social position. As for the nursing—well, her family regarded it as a harmless fad, and permitted her to continue her studies.

Last year she went home on a visit. She took the Southwestern Limited, and when she went to breakfast as the train left Syracuse, she was assigned to a table at which sat Judge Rosenthal. By chance he had known her father and sister in Canada, and recognized her at once. After breakfast they continued talking, and when the train pulled into the station at Buffalo he proposed to her. They had several hours' wait for the Toronto train, and during that time he pressed his suit. She told him that she wanted a year in which to finish her studies and take a post-graduate course at the Sloane Maternity Hospital in New York, and tho he protested vigorously, he was forced to accede.

The year passed tranquilly enough for her. Two weeks ago a letter came. Yesterday she anounced that she was going to San Francisco to see her sister, and, tho her graduation from the hospital was only two weeks away, she departed.

EXPLOSION AT ERINDALE.

Erindale, Feb. 23.—An explosion occurred this morning in the tunnel which is being built here for the Electrical Power Co., when there were several narrow escapes and three men were carried out unconscious from the fumes.

They Are Within the Law.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The interstate commerce commission to-day rendered its decision in the California orange cases brought by Southern California Fruit Exchange and Consolidated Forwarding Company against the Southern Pacific and the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad systems, in which it holds that the defendant carriers are unlawfully engaged in pooling the traffic in citrus fruits and that by compelling the shippers to pay icing charges, as established by the car lines, have made such charges part of the cost of transportation and subject to regulation and law. A reduction of 10c or 15c per 100 lbs. is favored.

INDEPENDENT PHONE CO'S PIN HOPE ON PARLIAMENT

Markham and Pickering Co. by Resolution Thank Mr. Maclean, M.P., And Censure Past Legislation.

Brougham, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Markham and Pickering Telephone Company, Limited, was held at Whitevale to-day and was attended by Alf. Hoover, president; W. A. Fuller, William Hoover and Dr. H. Hopkins of Green River, J. A. White, Dr. G. N. Fish, F. L. Gleeson and John Miller of Brougham, M. Gleeson, and W. J. Devitt of Greenwood, Dr. R. Brodie, Dr. C. J. Brodie, D. E. Pugh and D. Forsyth of Claremont, A. C. Reesor, N. E. Reesor, F. E. Reesor, J. F. Pike and H. R. Forster of Locust Hill, Thomas Beare, A. E. Major, S. R. Pennock, H. Johnston and R. R. Beaton of Whitevale, H. G. Sanderson, Dr. T. A. Young and Dr. R. C. Teft of Markham. The annual financial report which showed the affairs of the company to be in a flourishing condition, was presented and adopted.

Making More Extensions.

It was decided to substitute for the present phones in use on the line the best and most up-to-date instruments procurable. Some important extensions and connections of the line with other independent lines were reported as having been made during the past year, and several other extensions are likely to be made as soon as the spring opens. A committee was appointed to draft a constitution and bylaws rendered necessary by the recent incorporation of the company, and the election of officers was deferred until the constitution has been prepared and adopted, which will be done at a meeting to be held at an early date.

Resolution of Thanks.

The following resolution, moved by Dr. G. N. Fish and seconded by A. C. Reesor, was adopted: That the sincere thanks of this company be extended to W. F. Maclean, M.P., for the able fight which he is putting up in the parliament at Ottawa in behalf of the independent telephone organizations with the view of securing for them telephonic connections with railway stations and other righteous privileges; that in Mr. Maclean we have recognized a man of the people, fighting for the rights of the people, rights of which they have been wrongfully robbed by the great corporations by means of legal but unrighteous enactments of parliament, fossilized by the railway commission; that this company hopes to see the present Dominion parliament, freed as it has been by the recent vote of the people, from many of the popularized corloration advocates who sat in that honorable body legislating away the rights of the people, going forward to remedy the grievances which independent telephone companies are at the present time suffering from."

COATSWORTH OR FORMAN?

Controllers Expected to Cut the Gordian Knot This Afternoon.

The question of appointing a successor to R. J. Fleming in the civic assessment department will be settled this afternoon by the board of control, unless the deal is queered again as it was two weeks ago, when Controller Spence left the meeting. Controllers Hubbard, Shaw and Ward are in favor of making permanent the appointment of J. C. Forman. The mayor and Controller Spence wish no division of the assessment and property departments and are united on Ald. Coatsworth as the "big" man capable of handling the duties of both positions.

The reason stated for putting forward Mr. Coatsworth strenuously is because, unless other [illegible]se disposed of, he will likely be a c[illegible]didate for next year's mayoralty, spoiling the chances of the present board of control in that direction. Ald. Coatsworth declines to talk on the matter, as do the controllers.

It will require a two-thirds majority of the members of the council present on Monday next to reverse the action of the board of control, altho the nomination may be sent back for recommendation by a majority vote.

PROTEST AGAINST PENSE.

Kingston, Feb. 23—(Special)—A petition was filed to-day with the high court registrar here by Donald McIntyre, the Conservative candidate against the return of E. J. B. Pense, as member for Kingston in the Ontario legislature. Only general charges are given as yet. The particulars will be filed after a date is set for the trial.

Over one hundred illegal acts are alleged, including bribery, corruption, intimidation, promise of positions, hiring and paying for cabs, placing bets on the election, aiding and abetting personation and giving liquor to voters on election day.

Besides the unseating of Mr. Pense his disqualification is asked for on the ground that he was cognizant that money was spent for bribery on his behalf.

The $1,000 necessary has been far more than subscribed and will be deposited in a couple of days. The Conservatives are a unit in fighting the protest to a finish and are confident of unseating the Liberal member. His majority is 20.

JAPS SHOW ACTIVITY.

Tsinkhetchen, Manchuria, Feb. 23.—The Japanese continue to press the Russian advanced divisions on the left flank. On February 21 with a strength of no less than eight battalions they attacked the outposts. The Russians made a vigorous counter-attack and occupied the village of Dapindu forcing the Japanese temporarily to abandon their advance.

Colored Signal Lights.

Mukden, Feb. 23.—In addition to searchlights the Japanese are employing colored lights in signalling. Eastward of Coudzhou Pass the Russians have detected a party of three hundred Japanese moving north. Aside from unimportant skirmishes no movements have been reported during the last few days.

Czar Elects to Continue the War Believes Kuropatkin Can Win Out

Under the Delusion that Facts of Campaign, Love of Country and Expediency Are Against Peace.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—The Emperor of Russia has elected to continue the war. His position is absolutely firm, and the German court has been advised in that sense. The war will be pressed with the utmost energy, the domestic situation being now within the control of the authorities.

Those who have advised peace, and suggested inquiries for Japan's terms, the French and the British governments, are for the present silent, and are likely to remain so unless events of an extraordinary character shake the Russian Emperor's resolution.

The considerations that led to the emperor's decision as understood here are:

FIRST—The judgment of the chiefs of the army that Field Marshal Oyama not only cannot defeat Gen. Kuropatkin, but stands in danger of defeat himself. How cowardly, therefore, for Russia to ask for mercy with all the men and money essential to a successful war.

SECOND—All the forces of criticism now directed against the government for having fought rather than yielded to legitimate interests and for having failed to win victories would be continued with added fury against the government that accepted war and then betrayed the country. A government that would crave peace of Russia's enemy while still capable of winning victory would be giving the party of change genuine grounds for a revolution. The facts of the military situation, love of country and arguments of expediency were all against peace and for pressing the war hopefully.

ABOLISH THE BAR.

The annual convention of the Ontario Alliance was held in Guild Hall yesterday, with G. F. Marter presiding and delegates numbering about two hundred present. The morning was taken up with the executive committee's report, which was discussed at considerable length and acted upon in the afternoon. G. F. Marter presented his annual address, in which he regretted the result of an effort to establish voters' leagues, and criticized the political parties for their views in regard to proposed temperance legislation.

In the evening the executive made arrangements for a delegation to wait upon Premier Whitney at 12.30 to-day in the reception room, Parliament buildings. He will be asked to abolish the bars.

The Royal Templars of Temperance, who also favor the move made by the Alliance, will form part of the delegation.

A committee was appointed in the morning to prepare resolutions to be presented to the legislature. The committee worked assiduously and brought in a carefully worded report.

The officers on the platform seemed desirous of forcing the Alliance into a groove, and when the report was read every clause was criticized and eventually thrown out altogether. The powers that be were bent upon putting Premier Whitney in the same position that G. W. Ross was placed in and decided to ask for one thing only and that the abolition of the bar.

Committee is Annoyed.

The members of the committee which had prepared the resolution were clearly annoyed at the report being treated so lightly. There were many features in it which would be valuable to them and the cause of temperance in their respective localities and they could not understand why their efforts should be thrust to one side. The opposition to the report called the amendments trivial and said that to go with such resolutions to the legislature would give the government an opportunity to adopt some and make amendments which would not be satisfactory to the Alliance. Nothing short of abolition of the bar would be satisfactory and they should state their case definitely, not surround it with amendments to existing legislation. The committee report struck out was worded thus:

This Wouldn't Do.

The committee, composed of movers and seconders of resolutions to be presented to the legislature, reports: "That whereas the premier representing the legislature has declared himself in full sympathy with well-directed efforts to promote temperance and all moral reform, and whereas the Conservative conference expressed itself in favor of such amendments to the liquor license act as will best promote the enforce ment of the same, this convention, while not departing from their declared view and aim in reference to the abolition of the barroom and treating system and drinking in clubs, respectfully request the favorable consideration of the following amendments:

"1. That 20 per cent. of the voters of a municipality be sufficient to compel a local option bylaw to be submitted.

"2. That non-resident voters be not permitted to vote on local option bylaws.

"3. That the executive of the government be requested to use efforts to strictly enforce the local option law.

"4. That no hotel or shop license owner be permitted to sit in a municipal council.

"5. That a petition of 20 per cent. of resident voters shall compel councils to submit bylaws to the people for regulating hours of sale and regulating the number of licenses in municipalities."

Not "Peeved With Satisfaction.

"6. Views with satisfaction Mr. Whitney's proposal to take the granting of licenses out of politics by relegating the duty to independent commissioners."

The last clause was hotly debated and was finally struck out. Then the whole report was struck out.

The convention unanimously adopted the clause in the executive recommendations reaffirming its demand for effective temperance legislation against the liquor traffic, meaning the abolition of the bar-room and the treating system, also drinking in clubs and imposing upon the traffic other restrictions.

Joseph Gibson of Ingersoll said it was unwise to ask Hon. J. P. Whitney for a hop, skip and jump policy. The new government should get a fair chance to get a grasp of the situation.

Rev. Dr. Carman said that they could not afford to wait until the old hands in the traffic had died off. He advised the convention to only ask for important changes in the law.

Subscribe to Cover Deficits.

F. S. Spence, financial secretary, reported receipts of $3822.70, which left a balance due to the treasurer of $420.06. The liabilities are $1648.49, which is an improvement on last year. Mr. Spence said this money was largely expended in publishing the manifesto against the Ross administration and the reply to Hon. G. W. Ross' pamphlet.

Joseph Gibson was called to the platform and made a public request for contributions. He was successful in getting cash and promises amounting to $1658.32, or about $10 in excess of the debt.

Mayor Urquhart was given a warm welcome. He said that temperance conventions are becoming a force and a power in the land never realized before. He believed the day was not far distant when the bar-rooms would be abolished in Ontario.

Officers Elected.

These officers were elected: President, G. F. Marter; vice-presidents, Rev. Dr. Carman, Rev. Dr. McKay, Senator Vidal, Hon. G. A. Cox, Mrs. A. O. Rutherford, Mrs. McKee, Rev. Dr. Frizzell, Jas. Hales, S. Holland, George Spence, Mrs. Thornley, Rev. Dr. Goodspeed, Rev. Canon Greene, Rev. D. S. Hamilton and chief officers of Dominion and Provincial W. C. T. U. and temperance organizations; secretary, F. S. Spence; treasurer, R. J. Fleming; executive committee, Mrs. Bascom, Mrs. E. A. Stevens, Mrs. E. S. Cummer, Mrs. Gordon Wright, Hon. S. C. Biggs, K.C., J. S. Robertson, Wm. Hamilton, Dr. Emery, M. Anger, Rev. Father Minehan, D. J. O'Donoghue, W. H. Orr, Rev. Dr. Chown, Miss Wiggins, Rev. A. B. Winchester, L. C. Peake, R. J. Daley, Mayor Urquhart, J. Ellis, E. Gorman, Rev. J. W. Cooley, Rev. Dr. Bates, J. M. Walton, Alex. Mills, Dr. J. S. Ross, Dr. Williamson, Rev. J. H. Oliver, Rev. M. L. Pearson, A. B. Spencer, Rev. Dr. Bond, Rev. R. Whiting, Rev. Dr. Sowerby, D. R. Ross, C. G. Scott, Ald. Coatsworth, J. O. McCarthy, J. Gibson, D. Graham, M. A. James, Rev. R. H. Abraham, J. Gunn, Dr. Courtice, W. Lawrence, Rev. J. H. Hazlewood, Rev. J. J. Redditt, C. H. Larkin, Ald. S. Carter.

How about Desks? Need any? The Office Specialty, 17-05 Wellington W. near York St., make a specialty of business furniture. Inspection invited.

About forty-five members of the Unity Club of the Unitarian Church participated in a sleigh-ride last night. After a tour of the city the party adjourned to Albert Williams', where an informal supper was held.

David Hoskin, F.C.A., Chartered Accountant, 27 Wellington St., Toronto.

There was a record attendance last night at the second of Prof. A. T. DeLury's lectures on astronomy in the University chemical building.

LI HUNG LOR YER'S IDEA OF FREEDOM

SQUAW WEST: Ugh! Papooses better in blanket than have feet tied up in Chinaman shoes forever so never can grow or walk like man.

REBELLION IN CAUCASUS NEW GOVERNMENT SET UP

St. Petersburg Hurries Heavy Reinforcements to Cope With Coalition of Armenians and Tartars.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 24.—After a silence of ten days news of actual warfare between the populace and the troops has been received from the Caucasus. All direct telegraph communications with that corner of the empire have been broken for almost two weeks, and any information that may have been obtained by the government has been held from the public.

Not only have the revolutionists succeeded in making effective resistance to the troops sent against them, but they have gone to the length of setting up a provisional government. In letters received here to-day by leaders of the Terrorists it is said there is strong hope of decisively defeating the czar's forces.

Spirit Officers Away.

Almost all of the prominent government officials have been captured by the rebels. Scores of army officers were caught and spirited away to mountain fastnesses before there was any real indication of the inflamed temper of the people. Thousands of reserves have refused to obey orders to go into barracks, and instead have joined the revolutionists. Desperate fighting has taken place in Batoum, Pati, Katais and Baku. Hundreds of bodies lie in the streets of these cities, and many wounded have died in the open without an effort to save them. The military hold sections of each city, and are opposed by the revolutionists, armed with rifles and side arms, hung in private houses and stores.

It is Important.

The St. Petersburg officials profess to make light of the situation in the Caucasus, but there is no concealing the gravity of the outlook. This is the first opportunity that the oppressed Caucasians have had of succeed in an uprising, he province having been drained of roops for the war in the far east.

No sooner had the news been received in Batoum of the massacre in St. Petersburg on Jan. 22 than trouble began. The following day a prince riding in an open carriage was shot and killed from ambush. This murder made the authorities adopt harsh measures against the entire populace, and day by day the crisis intensified until about two weeks ago, when the first armed collision took place in the main street of Batoum between 500 workmen, fully armed, and a regiment of Cossacks. The workmen were dispersed, with a loss of twenty dead and about fifty wounded. A dozen Cossacks were slain.

News Held Back.

No inkling of this bloody work was heard here until the delayed mail came to hand this morning. It is looked upon as remarkable that a line of news of the fighting got thru, as a searching inspection of all mail was ordered a few days ago, and especially of the mail of districts seething with revolt. The semi-weekly service between Batoum and Odessa has been interrupted, and the only telegraphic communication is by way of Constantinople.

Nothing of any significance is coming thru by this route, and it is feared nothing further will be known of the developments in the Caucasus until another mail comes a week hence. Then, it is said, there will be little likelihood of any information getting to the public, as the government, forewarned, will have taken effective measures for the inspection of every letter.

Fighting has been going on intermittently for more than a week in the districts named. It is intimated that the Armenians and the Tartars, which hitherto have been bitter enemies, have for the time being forgotten their racial differences and combined their strength against the czar.

In this event it will severely tax the resources of the empire to stamp out the rebellion. Troops are now on their way south to the affected regions from Moscow, and it is reported that three regiments have been dispatched by steamer from Odessa, with orders to land near Batoum and march into the place and join the force fighting for existence there.

Rebels Will Take to Mountains.

It is disclosed that the purpose of the revolutionists is to retire from the towns and make their strongest fight in the mountainous country, where all the advantage will be on the side of the natives. It is recognized that the regular troops would, in all likelihood, clear out the rebels in the cities, and that the better plan is to evade useless losses by drawing the troops from their strongholds.

The argument advanced by the ministers here in scoffing at serious trouble is that the Tartars and Armenians are fighting among themselves. This, however, is flatly denied by the leaders of the Terrorists, who say they have positive information that the two races have joined forces.

Karnak Cigarettes, absolutely pure. 135

FUNERAL DAY OF SERGIUS PASSES OFF AMID QUIET

Dowager Empress Declares She Is Not Afraid of the Assassins.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 24.—All the members of the imperial family who attended the requiem for Grand Duke Sergius at Tsarskoe Selo yesterday remained to a family council in the evening. The dowager empress, who has been at Tsarskoe Selo since the eventful Red Sunday, Jan. 22, becoming impatient at the restraints which were advised by the police for her safety, rebelled against the alleged necessity of remaining at Tsarskoe Selo, declaring that she is not afraid, that the sands of her life have almost run out, and that if assassins want her life they may have it. The imperial family and authorities implored her not to return to St. Petersburg, and she finally yielded. General satisfaction is expressed even among Liberals that the funeral day of Grand Duke Sergius passed off with no untoward incident. Even the extreme radicals respected the day of grief of the imperial family. The police precautions both here and at Moscow, the extensive, apparently were not needed.

The public is discussed with astonishment the sweeping statement of the Metropolitan of Moscow attributing the guilt of the assassination to the entire Russian society, critics saying that if this be true it justifies the contention of reformers that all Russia is at odds with the present system. The wisdom of such statements at this crisis is generally questioned.

MANITOBA MAKES PROTEST.

Against Sir Wilfrid's Refusal to Let the Province Extend.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Hon. Colin Campbell and Hon. Robert Rogers to-day filed with the government a strong protest against its attitude in the question of extending Manitoba's boundaries. Sir Wilfrid in his speech the other day flatly refused Manitoba's request to extend its boundaries westward and even threw cold water on the scheme for an extension northward to Hudson Bay. Regarding the latter proposition Sir Wilfrid said it was one in which Saskatchewan, Ontario and Quebec, should have something to say. The Manitoba ministers who are here and who had seats on the floor of the house during Sir Wilfrid's speech were greatly disappointed over the position assumed by the prime minister. The protest which they entered to-day is strongly worded.

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AGED WOMAN DEAD IN SHED WITH DEEP GASH IN SKULL

Coroner to Investigate Brant County Tragedy—No Clue As to Cause of Accident.

Brantford, Feb. 23 (Special)—The dead body of Mrs. Doyle, a widow 84 years of age, who resided with her son, Felix Doyle, on a farm three miles from Burford village in Brant county, was found in a woodshed this morning. A deep gash in the head, penetrating the skull, was the cause of death. As so how this was inflicted there is no evidence. The woman was not wealthy.

Dr. Johnson, the coroner, has decided to open an inquest to-morrow.

The son is still at the homestead and is in no way suspected of the death, which may have been accidental.

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Doric at Home.

The "at home" given by the officers and members of Doric Lodge, A., F. and A. M., at the King Edward Hotel, takes place this evening. A large number of tickets have been sold, and the affair promises to be the Masonic event of the season.

Cigars, Japs, Arabellas, Irvings, reduced to 5c. Alive Bollard, 148-199 Yonge St.

Glad to Hear It.

A commercial event of considerable prominence and worthy of special mention is the announcement that the exclusive Canadian selling rights for the famous "Macey" Office Filing devices have been secured by The Adams Furniture Co., Limited, who are to be congratulated on landing so good a line.

Varsity Women's Glee Club.

The University of Toronto Women's Glee Club gave their first concert in the west hall last night. Altho being a female chorus, it lacks the weight of a mixed choir, it ranks as a musical organization second to none in the city. The club was assisted by Ross B. McKinnon, baritone. Miss Irene C. Love is president of the Glee Club, Mrs. Emma Scott Raff, Mrs. W. Hewes Oliphant and George F. Smedley's Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club rendered selections.

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Legislature to Assemble On Wednesday, Mar. 22nd

The Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario is called to assemble on Wednesday, March 22nd.

Premier Whitney made the announcement last night at the Queen's. He had nothing to add in the way of a statement.

In the afternoon a cabinet meeting had been called, but owing to the absence of Hon. W. J. Hanna, Hon. J. S. Hendrie, Hon. Dr. Willoughby and Hon. Dr. Pyne, it was stated that the settlement on the date of calling the House together would be deferred until this afternoon when a full cabinet meeting will be held.

FALL OF ICE FROM ROOF KNOCKS MAN UNCONSCIOUS

Wm. W. Mason Seriously Hurt on Yonge-St. and Clerical Friend Has Narrow Escape.

The danger which, in these "soft spell" days, lurks in the accumulated masses of snow and ice on eaves and roofs, was made evident yesterday when Wm. W. Mason of 15 Pacific-avenue narrowly escaped sudden death. He was on his way to the Ontario Alliance convention in Guild Hall when a large piece of ice from a roof at 377 Yonge-street was loosened and fell. It struck his head, rendering him unconscious.

Mr. Mason was accompanied by a clerical friend wearing a silk hat. Portions of the ice struck the hat and forced it down over the wearer's eyes. But for the hat the minister might also have been badly hurt.

Dr. Johnston was summoned and Mason was taken to his home in the ambulance. His head was badly cut, and it is impossible as yet to say whether or not there is a fracture of the skull. Mason is an engineer at the Central Prison and was a delegate to the convention.

The street commissioner yesterday had all the men he could command at work removing snow from the streets. The snow is not being entirely removed, between four and six inches being left to provide sleighing. A plow was used with success in some portions, while in other parts it was unsatisfactory, the north side of Queen-street for example proving almost impenetrable, while the south side was like a clay loam.

Mr. Jones says he is doing everything possible with the funds at his disposal. The streets, tho, were never in such condition as they have been for the past few days. For the whole length of Yonge-street not an attempt has been made to open a gutter, accepting a few efforts by private individuals, who feared for their basements. Under the old snow cleaning bylaw property owners or occupants were compelled to keep clear the gullies fronting their premises, but in consolidating the bylaws this requirement was struck out, because the city was compelled to do the work in any event, and the ordinance was called a dead letter.

SIFTON WALKED IN.

Created Surprise Among Members of Commons Last Night.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Hon. Clifford Sifton gave a genuine surprise to the house to-night by walking coolly into the chamber when business was being renewed at 8 o'clock. Everyone supposed that the minister of the interior was in the midst of a prolonged recuperation in the south. Such was the impression created by Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the house the other day when he stated that Mr. Sifton was not likely to return for some time. The minister received a warm welcome from the ten or twelve Liberal members who were in the house at the time. Sir William Mulock's greeting was marked with a superabundance of effusiveness. To some of his intimate friends Mr. Sifton announced that he was feeling well and that he was fully prepared to take what medicine may be awaiting him in the house.

Whipping Post for Thugs.

Copenhagen, Feb. 23.—The whipping post for thugs appears destined to become an institution in this country in the near future. The minister of justice has reintroduced in the Rigsdag the bill which was defeated at the last session providing for the re-establishment of a whipping post.

Dunlap's New Men's Hats.

The spring fashions in men's hats by the great Dunlap Company of New York arrived in Toronto yesterday. The Dineen Company are their sole Canadian agents. We do not think it necessary to comment on the staple quality of these celebrated hats, for they are acknowledged to be without question the "proper thing" in fashion's catalogue. The quality is guaranteed. The Dunlap shipments include silks, Alpine and Derby hats. Call to-day and purchase your new Dunlap.

Good morning. Smoke Lord Nelson cigars 135

MILDER.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Feb. 23.—(8 p.m.)—Gales, accompanied by light snowfalls have prevailed to-day in the Maritime Provinces, and it has been moderately cold there and also in Quebec; elsewhere in Canada the mild conditions have continued.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 24 below—4 below; Victoria, 40—48; Kamloops, 38—46; Calgary, 32—40; Swift Current, 38—46; Winnipeg, 12—40; Port Arthur, 12—30; Parry Sound, 22—34; Toronto, 28—38; Ottawa, 18—28; Montreal, 12—22; Quebec, 12—22; St. John, 6—18; Halifax, 8—26.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Southeasterly winds; cloudy to fair and milder.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Cloudy and milder.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fresh winds; fair and moderately cold.

Maritime—Decreasing northerly and westerly winds, clearing and not much change in temperature.

Superior—Fresh southerly winds; cloudy and milder.

Manitoba—Fair and mild.

No paste used in Tuckett's Cigarettes 135

BIRTHS.

ORAM—On Wednesday, Feb. 22nd, 1905, at 12 McMaster-avenue, Toronto, to Mr. and Mrs. George A. Oram, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

CRAIG—RICHARDSON—At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Craig, Danforth, by the Rev. B. D. MacDonald, Janet Craig to William W. Richardson, all of Scarboro.

DEATHS.

HOLMES—On Thursday, Feb. 23, Winnifred Irene, youngest and dearly beloved daughter of Arthur W. and Nellie Holmes. Funeral from her father's residence, 39 Northcote-avenue, on Saturday at 2.30 p.m. to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

McCOWAN—At Agincourt, on Feb. 23, Mary Bena, daughter of the late Geo. McCowan, aged 4 years and 10 months. Funeral on Saturday at 1 p.m. to St. Andrew's Church Cemetery.

SAMUELSON—On Thursday, Feb. 23, at his late residence, 413 Manning-avenue, John Samuelson, aged 63 years. Funeral notice later.

The F. W. Matthews Co., Undertakers.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Feb. 23	At	From
Baltic	New York	Liverpool
Vaderland	New York	Dover
Saxonia	Liverpool	Boston
Patricia	Dover	New York
Sarmatian	Glasgow	Boston
Lake Michigan	London	St. John
Celtic	Genoa	New York
Calabria	Leghorn	New York
Arabic	Constantipole	New York
Ivernia	Boston	Liverpool
La Touraine	Havre	New York