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THE DEADLOCK In the heat of the discussion at Ottawa last night Hon. Mr. Fielding was understood to say that there might be a dissolution. It would be a curious spectacle if the Liberal government should appeal to the country in defence of a principle which formerly it opposed, even to the verge of obstruction. Briefly, the question at issue is whether the provincial lists are to be used in federal elections, or whether there is to be a special federal franchise in certain provinces selected by the government to suit its own purposes.

The opposition point out that there is no objection to such legislation as will ensure every voter on the provincial lists a vote in the federal election, but they protest against a violation of the established principle of provincial control of the lists, especially when there is no pretence of doing it in any province where the provincial government is in league with the Ottawa administration. Mr. Scott makes the point at issue very clear in the letter already referred to, and we quote further: "All that Sir Wilfrid needed to do to have peace with supply was to strike out of Clause One everything except the one Manitoba matter in which he had shown cause for interference. He says that the provincial lists are prepared for provincial electoral divisions and that federal divisions cut through some of these so that these several provincial districts are in more than one Dominion constituency. This makes it necessary to divide the list for the divided provincial district and assign the elections to their respective Dominion constituencies. "This is plain. But in the first place a number of the Manitoba constituencies do not cut provincial ridings. Therefore no interference is needed in these cases. In the second place, a Dominion constituency usually includes about five local ridings, most of which are wholly within the federal riding, so that only a small minority of the forty provincial districts are cut. These are the only ones in which on the government's showing intervention is called for. It is not needed in more than half the federal constituencies and only in a few of these ridings. Yet because of these few cases, which might be arranged by cooperation between the provincial authorities and the federal returning officers with the sanction of parliament, the government proposes to take charge of the whole provincial electoral lists, not only

assigning voters to their respective polls in every Manitoba constituency, but also adding names and striking off names of persons whom federal officers may judge to be qualified or not qualified. "Under the pretence of regulating a few boundaries in a few constituencies, the Dominion proposes to usurp the control of all the electoral lists and franchises of the whole province. "What is the good of Sir Wilfrid promising to give this work to judges? The judges have it now. Manitoba is the only province in Canada which has given the whole work of revision and registration to judicial authority. Still the machine in Manitoba complains that the registration is unfair. "If it is unfair when handed by judges under provincial law, how do we know that it will be fair if handed by judges under the federal secretary of state? "But in any case Sir Wilfrid stands for provincial control of the franchise and registration. He sticks to that in Quebec and Nova Scotia, in Alberta and Saskatchewan, where his party control the local government. If it is good for provinces under gulf government, it is constitutionally good for provinces under gulf government. "Let us have one thing or the other, a Dominion franchise act which works in the open or a provincial franchise act which is also above board. "But no self-respecting party will support a sneaking pretence of a provincial franchise with unadmitted federal control in provinces where it can do the party and the machine the most good. Today's despatches indicate that Mr. Sifton, who was behind the effort to hand Manitoba over to the machine in 1903, is again taking an active part, and endeavoring to induce Sir Wilfrid Laurier to abandon his proposal to effect a compromise. The opposition are determined to stand for the principle which the Liberals have abandoned, and are ready to face the country on that issue. "At the inquest at Moncton to enquire into the cause of the death of two Indians who were shown to have purchased a large quantity of heavy gun at a drug store and died from the effects of drinking it, the drug clerks were asked if the rigid enforcement of the Scott Act increased the demand for alcoholic preparations. If the purpose of this question was to discredit the Scott Act, it failed, as the clerks replied in the negative. The jury, however, very properly protested against the loose system of selling poisons, which as one result has cost the lives of two persons who as wards of the nation should be especially protected. The Montreal Gazette says: "The New Brunswick government proposes to investigate the agricultural conditions in the province and get the views of farmers with the purpose of ascertaining what may be done to encourage the settlement of lands, develop dairying and fruit growing and generally raise the standard of the basic industry. The good effect of the recent political revolution in New Brunswick is being noted already. The work thus outlined will be of benefit to the province even more than to the men who start it."

The Sun reports Sir Wilfrid Laurier to have said yesterday that before long he hoped to see the C. P. R., G. T. R. and C.N.R., as well as the Intercolonial at Moncton, and the outlet from there to the ocean would doubtless have to be enlarged. The attention of Sir Wilfrid should be called to the fact that the ocean may be reached by some of these lines, and is reached by one of them, without going near Moncton at all. Why should Moncton be named as the objective point of all railways from the West? After a struggle which involved them in much hardship and loss of wages, the men employed in the British shipbuilding trade have accepted the employers' terms and returned to work. The strike was a failure. In Montreal the bricklayers' strike has been broken. The Springfield mines dispute has been decided against the men, by the board of conciliation. It is clear that labor organizations suffer much from unwise leadership. Prof. Leacock, who is pleasantly remembered in St. John, and has promised to address the Canadian Club here for a second time during this year, has been appointed professor of political economy at McGill University. The proposal to give a measure of home rule to Scotland, now before the British parliament, will give much encouragement to the friends of home rule. It will provide them with an effective argument. The Victoria Colonist says: "The term 'effete east' is a misnomer. Now Brunswick can give pointers to most other provinces in the Dominion when it comes to methods of showing surprises."

The decrease of 37 per cent. in immigration in the first four months of this year is not to be regarded as a bad thing for Canada. This country can afford to wait and choose its citizens.

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IN LIGHTER VEIN HAD THE PROOPS. "That woman next door is really dreadful," said Richard, as he looked at her censoriously. "She does nothing but talk the whole day long. She can't get any work done, I'm sure." "Oh," remarked the husband, "to whom does she talk?" "Why, to me, dear, of course," was the reply, "over the fence!"

STILL IN THE MARKET. (Glasgow Times.) The editor of the Times attended a Jersey cattle sale Tuesday, and his attention was attracted by a bull of two, a few cows and a lot of heifers. He saw an aged bull sell for \$5,000 and a yearling for \$1,500. He didn't purchase a bull. He saw a cow sell for \$2,000. He decided not to buy a cow. He saw one heifer sell for \$1,500 and yearlings change hands at \$400. He concluded not to invest in heifers. He is now in the market for a kind, gentle, up-to-date milk-goat.

DUCKS' PARADISE. (Philadelphia Ledger.) "How far is it from here to your new cottage?" asked the city man as he stepped off the train at Greengrove. "One mile as the crow flies," hastened the suburban friend with much enthusiasm. "The city man glanced at the mossy hogs and green ponds that stretched away in all directions and said: 'Possibly, but I think you are wrong, old man. Look to the lake it is one mile as the duck wades.'"

OUT OF FASHION. A teacher in England complained to the mother of a little girl that she had no "curtsey" to some compass lady—possibly the lady's wife. "Well, m'am," said Mrs. Hodges, deprecatingly, "you see curtsey's gone about now. It's like it is one mile as the duck wades."

GERMANIZED ENGLISH. A party of tourists who were comfortably established in a hotel in Germany discovered a new contribution to "English" as she is spoken, only this time they found it in the written word. The city man glanced at the mossy hogs and green ponds that stretched away in all directions and said: "Possibly, but I think you are wrong, old man. Look to the lake it is one mile as the duck wades."

DID NOT REPAIR IN HALIFAX DRY DOCK. The Montreal Gazette says: "Despatches from Halifax state that the damaged C. P. R. steamer Mount Temple has steamed out of Halifax harbor for Newport News, U.S.A., where she will be permanently repaired. In view of the fact that Halifax was supposed to have one of the best graving docks in the continent, this has caused considerable surprise among Montreal shipping people. The fault is not with the C. P. R. authorities, for while the vessel was in Halifax harbor they advertised for tenders to repair it at a single offer was forthcoming from either a Halifax firm or any Canadian one. Sending the vessel to a United States port for repairs was, therefore, inevitable."

WOMAN SUFFRAGE GAINS VICTORY (Ottawa Journal.) Mr. Asquith's pledge of the Radical victory for the suffragettes. Although the British Premier declined to commit himself definitely to the inclusion of woman suffrage in the Electoral Reform Bill to be introduced during the present session of Imperial Parliament, he said if an amendment were moved to the bill in principle favoring the extension of the suffrage on democratic lines to women, the government would not oppose it. This is a greater concession than the suffragettes expected at the present time, and its effect is to bring the question of woman suffrage within the sphere of practical politics in Great Britain.

Although the parliamentary franchise has so long been withheld from women in the United Kingdom, women have for years been conceded the right to vote in British municipal elections. The testimony is almost universal that the influence of women in municipal elections has been a distinct gain. An article on the subject of woman suffrage in general, by Miss Bertha Danvers in the American States of Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, and Idaho, women are fully enfranchised. The Danish Parliament is now considering the extension of the municipal franchise to women. In Kansas they vote in municipal elections and in twenty-four other states of the American Union they have either the tax-paying or school suffrage. In France they vote for members of commercial tribunals and other minor offices. Thirteen nations send delegates to the International Woman's Suffrage Alliance, which meets at New York in May, 1909. The list includes Great Britain, Canada, Australia, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Norway, Russia, Sweden, Holland, the United States, with Switzerland, Belgium and France as prominent possibilities. The movement for woman's suffrage is clearly enough growing and must be reckoned with.

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