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TALK OF IMPERIALISM

Mr. Asquith Presses His Amendment To the Address.

He Distinguishes Between Mr. Chamberlain's Followers and Pure Balfourians—Replied to By the Chancellor of the Exchequer—The Importance of Decisions On Future Generations—The Debate Continued Till Midnight.

London, Feb. 16.—The discussion in the House of Commons was robbed of interest by the unexpected and unusual calling of a second Cabinet meeting, which sat two hours last evening. It is believed that the meeting had no connection with Parliamentary affairs.

There is a rumor that it was owing to the receipt of important despatches from the Far East connected with the possibilities of peace, but nothing reliable is known on the subject.

London, Feb. 16.—(C.A.P.)—In the House yesterday, Right Hon. H. Asquith, M.P., moving his amendment to the address asking that an appeal should be made to the electorate on the fiscal question, asked Premier Balfour whether or not he sympathized with the efforts the "Missionary of the Empire" is making to "dispel the Cabinet clouds which prevent our people looking for fiscal salvation in that particular direction." Distinguishing between the followers of Mr. Chamberlain and the "pure Balfourians," he said the Balfourians will soon leave the unpromising subject of tariffs to draw the only arrow left in the shape of the colonial conference. He asked, where the representatives at such a conference to have unrestricted authority to entertain any proposal involving the taxation of food coming from abroad? He asked if a scheme were arrived at whether the next Parliament would be disabled from dealing with the matter until after another general election and a series of elections all over the Empire. Even Chamberlain had seen objections to this proposal, he said, which would tie up the trade of the Empire for years. Thus he came to the main issue before the House, namely, what were to be the instructions to the members of the conference? This could only be solved by a prompt and direct appeal to the electorate.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying, dealt especially with the Imperial side of the question, which required the dispassionate attention of Great Britain. He could conceive no subject more fraught with good or evil for the Empire. A wrong decision in this would bring certain disaster and a heavy weight of responsibility in the eyes of future generations. He deprecated Mr. Asquith's assertion that the delegates to the conference should be instructed beforehand, emphasizing in that case the absurdity of inviting our colonial kinsmen to a conference at all, when the subject of most interest was taboed. He hoped the Opposition would see what was at stake, and take its share in endeavoring to maintain the bond of union within the Empire. The debate continued till midnight, when the House adjourned.

Another British-Canadian M.P. Possible.

Montreal, Feb. 16.—All those who have appreciated Donald MacMaster's abilities at the bar, as well as in the House of Commons, will be interested to learn that his departure from this country may furnish another Canadian to the Imperial Parliament. It is said that the candidature for Parliamentary honors in an English constituency in the Chamberlain interest will be proposed to the Montreal lawyer and his acceptance may be counted upon. Mr. MacMaster was questioned yesterday, and although he was non-committal there came no denial. It is no secret that Mr. MacMaster had several interviews with Hon. Joseph Chamberlain during his recent trip to London. Mr. MacMaster formerly represented his native County of Glengarry in the Canadian House of Commons.

Died Under Chloroform.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—Coroner Young has issued a warrant for an inquest on Charles O'Reilly, who died yesterday at St. Michael's Hospital. O'Reilly went to the hospital to undergo an operation for blood poisoning. It is claimed that he was put under the influence of chloroform, and while unconscious the doctors were called away. When they returned he was dead.

Sends 40,000 Words An Hour.

Paris, Feb. 16.—Interesting experiments were made yesterday between Paris and London with a new rapid telegraph apparatus. The inventors, Pollak and Virag, claim that the instrument can transmit 40,000 words an hour with the help of six clerks. The messages arrive in written instead of telegraphic characters.

Political Organizer Presented.

Winnipeg, Feb. 16.—R. E. A. Leach, Liberal organizer for Manitoba, arrived in the city this afternoon, and appeared before Magistrate McKenna on the charge of tampering with the provincial voters' list, and a remand was granted to Feb. 23.

One way to prevent editors from returning your stuff is not to enclose any stamps.

BOYS MAINTAIN GOOD RECORD

Windsor Walloped at Hockey in a Great Game at the Local Rink.

Old Lacrosse and Football Faces Noted—Same Old Fate for Windsor—Lawson's Fine Playing.

The hockey game at the rink last evening, between Chatham and Windsor, was one of the fastest exhibitions of this winter sport ever seen in the city. It was far superior to the Detroit game, in that the play was much faster at times. Occasionally the players seemed somewhat fatigued but they always rallied and kept the game exciting and interesting.

The score at the end of the game stood 9-6 in favor of the Chatham team. Much of the credit for this is due to O. K. Lawson, Chatham's fast left wing man. The enthusiastic spectators voted his initials well deserved. Lawson played a beautiful game throughout and his splendid rushes, which always resulted in a good shot or a score, were the features of the game. He was also playing against a hard check in White, of Windsor. The game started off decidedly in Windsor's favor, and they scored two goals before the Chatham team realized they were on the ice, but at half time the score stood 4-3, still, however, in favor of Windsor. As was the case in lacrosse last summer, however, the Maple City boys were the finishers and they rounded into excellent shape at the last of the game. When Lawson's shots came pouring in the Windsor goal keeper was unable to stop all of them. Captain Elliott, of Chatham, also played a good game, scoring two of the goals, while Lawson scored the other seven. Grace, in goal, made some excellent stops, and Hicks, at point, was always there and behind some effective rushes. Fraser was at cover point and they had hard work to get past him. Brundage played cover, as Dr. King-ley Holmes was in Detroit, and Quesnel looked well after the centre of the ice.

Douze, the Detroit lacrosse player, was in goal for Windsor. The Chatham team protested against him playing out of goal, and Hartnett, the regular goal keeper, was forced to play rover. Gauthier, the well-known football player, was also on the visitors' team.

There was a good crowd to see the game and the interest and enthusiasm was unbounded. The following was the lineup:

WINDSOR.

Goal—Douze.
Point—Turnbull.
Cover Point—Gauthier.
Rover—Hartnett.
Centre—Peck.
Right Wing—White.
Left Wing—Ouellette.

CHATHAM.

Goal—F. Grace.
Point—J. Hicks.
Cover Point—Max Fraser.
Rover—Claude Brundage.
Centre—W. Quesnel.
Right Wing—Walter Elliott (Captain).
Left Wing—O. K. Lawson.
Referee—Jack Bray, Chatham.
Goal—Lawson 7, Elliott 2; Peck 2, Ouellette 2, White 2.

ARE HAPPY

A Deputation from Ottawa Thanks Mr. Whitney and Congratulates Hon. Dr. Reaume.

A deputation from the French-Canadian Conservative Club of Ottawa arrived in Toronto to-day, and this afternoon conveyed to Hon. Dr. Reaume the congratulations of that organization on his appointment to the Whitney Cabinet.

"As French-Canadians," said President Vincent this morning to the Star, "we esteem it a personal compliment, and we intend to thank Mr. Whitney."

The delegation includes Ald. C. S. O. Boudreau, Ald. E. J. Leclerc, Oscar Le Clair, Arthur Charbonneau, F. A. Labelle, T. Lemay, Ed. Chevrier, G. W. Seguin, V. Gauthier, Dr. O. J. Rochon, and J. U. Vincent.

COURT OF APPEAL

Before Moss, C. J. O.; Oaler, MacLennan, Garrow, MacLaren, J. J. A. Ullman vs. Chaplow.—Judgment (oral) on motion by plaintiff for leave to appeal from judgment of Divisional Court reversing the judgment of Idington, J., upon findings of a jury, in favor of plaintiff for \$700 damages for loss occasioned him by misrepresentation as to quality and value of farm purchased from defendant. Motion dismissed, with costs. J. A. Robinson, St. Thomas, for plaintiff. T. W. Crothers, St. Thomas, for defendant.

L. Newman, of Ottawa; J. R. Longmore, of Chatham; W. S. Fraser, of Meaford, and W. E. A. Peer, of Freeport, are registered at the Rankin House. These gentlemen are engaged in addressing Farmers' Institute meetings.

THE HORRORS OF WAR

Details of Russia's Enormous Losses Outside Port Arthur.

The Killed in Battle Estimated to Be Between 40,000 and 50,000—Recoveries From Wounds Show a Remarkably High Average—Over 130,000 Officers and Men Passed Through the Hospitals Going North.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 16.—The official returns for the first year of the war, not including the Port Arthur statistics, show that 130,439 officers and men passed through the hospitals going north, of which number 1,710 were officers who were wounded and sick; 52,980 men were wounded and sick; 72,581 were sick; 4,007 subsequently died in hospitals, 6,478 wounded and 11,248 sick were invalided; 9,429 returned to Russia and 21,554 are still in hospitals. Over 77,000, therefore, presumably returned to the ranks. These figures do not include the number of those killed on the field of battle nor probably those slightly injured. The showing is considered to be remarkably good. The proportion dying in hospitals is very low, the total loss to the active army in wounded and sick being a little over 50,000, of whom almost half have still a chance of returning to the ranks. The other half will be invalided or returned to Russia. The killed in battle are estimated to have numbered between 40,000 and 50,000.

Fired All Day.

Mukden, Feb. 16.—The Japanese began a heavy cannonade Tuesday afternoon on the Russian right flank, and the firing continued all through the day. It is thought the Japanese are preparing for a general attack. The Russian guns are replying.

Russians Take the Aggressive.

Tokio, Feb. 15.—(3 p.m.)—The Russians have begun an extensive cavalry movement against Field Marshal Oyama's extreme left. Last night they were attempting to cross the Hun River west of Liaoyang with 8000 horsemen. The operation began west of Chitatsu.

One force of cavalry stole into Loanhung and simultaneously another cavalry force approached Tachia, which is situated 13 miles southwest of Chitatsu and 27 miles west of Liaoyang. Nine thousand cavalry with artillery approached the river a mile below Tachia and attempted to cross at 6 o'clock in the evening, advancing on Heikou-tai (Pekowtai).

The shelling of Oyama's centre continues.

Russians Drive Japs.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 15.—Lt. Gen. Sakharoff telegraphs that the Russian artillery, Feb. 13, destroyed the buildings and walls of Nangazi, from which the Japanese had been bombarding the Russian trenches. The Japanese were driven out. In regard to the attack on the bridge between Gaspin and Fantziatun, Feb. 12, Gen. Sakharoff says the Japanese force comprised 100 cavalry and 200 Chinese bandits. Russian frontier guards drove off the attackers, who subsequently destroyed a few rails, blew up a telegraph pole southward of the bridge and then fled. The Russians were reinforced and pursued the Japanese 35 miles.

Special despatches from Mukden report the wiping out of an entire detachment of Japanese cavalry, which had destroyed the railway bridge between Mukden and Harbin. Russian cavalry overtook the raiders who refused quarter and fought until the last man was killed.

One Shell Told.

Russian Headquarters, Huan Mountain, Manchuria, Feb. 15.—During the Japanese bombardment of Poutloff (Lone Tree) Hill, a projectile from a siege gun entered an underground hut and tore off the head of a lieutenant and wounded a colonel and two staff captains, who were playing cards. In front of Koudezi on the right flank, the Russians are trying the effect of concentrated siege and mortar batteries, with good results, firing as many as 20 mortars simultaneously.

Russians Rejoicing.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 15.—The departure of Admiral Nelagoff's division of four battleships, one cruiser and two auxiliary cruisers from Libau yesterday to reinforce Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron in the far east is a source of gratification to the admiralty in view of the difficulties caused by the strike. The point of rendezvous with Rojestvensky is not stated, but it is understood that it is beyond the Indian Ocean. Admiral Rojestvensky being instructed not to delay into the monsoon period the resumption of his cruise. Along the Hun River the booming of heavy guns is sounding the overture of hostilities that are likely to be opened within a short time.

Third Pacific Fleet Sailed.

Libau, Feb. 15.—The third Pacific Squadron sailed at noon to-day. Grand Duke Alexis and Admiral Birloff inspected the squadron before its departure. The icebreaker Brumak cleared the way. The battleship Vladimir Monomach was the first to start and the others were towed out in turn. All the vessels were out by nightfall.

Child Fatally Scalded.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—Louise Gracey, the 2½-year-old daughter of J. J. Gracey, 7 Maplewood place, was fatally scalded last night. She had been sitting at the tea table and, noticing her father's tea cup empty, attempted to get the tea pot off the stove. Her mother, seeing the danger, uttered a startled exclamation and the little girl let go the handle, but the kettle upset its contents over her chest, body and arms. Dr. Harris was called, but his services were in vain.

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