

PHARISICAL ATTITUDE OF OPPOSITION

FIELDING SAYS CONSERVATIVES ARE NOT AS VIRTUOUS AS THEY CLAIM. Leader of Opposition Moves Vote of Censure on Government on Ground of Election Corruption—Finance Minister Shows Tory Record.

OTTAWA, April 16.—At the afternoon session upon the motion to go into supply, Mr. Fielding said that he had received a telegram on Saturday last from Mr. Hyman stating that he had forwarded his resignation to the Speaker. He understood that the Speaker had not yet received it.

Mr. Fielding: As a member of the House, I think the leader of the opposition should be made aware of this before proceeding with the discussion. Mr. R. L. Borden, proceeding, said that while Mr. Emerson had denied charges against him and resigned, his resignation was accepted by the Premier. Yet in the case of Hyman who also denied charges, the Premier refused to accept his resignation and asked him to retain his portfolio.

Mr. Borden then proceeded to read from old election cases to establish, as he said, a system of corruption to defeat the will of the people. Coming to the London elections, he said that in 1904, when the scheme of corruption, in some cases the returning officers carried out this scheme. In 1905, in one polling subdivision some 33 persons were bribed at the rate of \$5 per head. In 1905 in polling, 202 voters were bribed at an average price of \$10 per head. He next dealt with the Halifax election case, showing that the same system existed in the courts. He was a favourer of preliminary objections being done away with. He said that the law should be amended to do away with bribery, to prevent bribery, to do away with the substitution of ballots for the better regulation of elections, securing respectable men for deputy returning officers, providing contributions to elections by contractors. The House should not be afraid to discuss and meet these difficulties.

Hon. W. S. Fielding said that if he used his remarks in the need of an amended election law he would have agreed with what he had to say on that point, as the Liberals were equally as anxious as their opponents for purity in elections. But the tone, remarks and attitude of Mr. Borden was of a different kind. In the first place in regard to Mr. Hyman's election, Mr. Hyman resigned his seat and there long ago but the opposition to the Privileges and Elections committee and the committee held that the resignation was invalid. Just why this was done he could not say, but it was the fault of the men or the government.

Mr. Fielding proceeded to say that there was nothing remarkable in Mr. Hyman being allowed to sit. He was not the first and would not likely be the last. It was true that the election laws required reforming, but those who approached the subject ought not to endeavor to make the public believe that they possessed all the virtues and that all the faults were with their opponents. One would imagine from what Mr. Borden said that the record of the Conservative party was something to be proud of, that it could be compared with the record of the Liberals. Indeed such was not the case. The Minister of Finance proceeded to show that Sir John Macdonald was used for bribery and corruption. So was Sir Chas. Tupper, Sir Hector Langevin and Hon. C. Abbott. Dr. Waldon was willing to become a candidate at the last general election for the Conservative party. It was a clean record that the Doctor was not a candidate. The Borden amendment was defeated, 44 voting for and 87 against.

Yesterday's Baseball. American. No game at Detroit, owing to cold weather. Game at St. Louis postponed, owing to weather. At Boston—Boston 4, Washington 2. At New York—Philadelphia 9, New York 6. National. At Philadelphia—Boston 5, Philadelphia 6. At Brooklyn—New York 4, Brooklyn 1. At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 0, St. Louis 3.

PREMIERS FEASTED AT THE GUILDHALL

COLONIAL STATESMEN HONORED WITH FREEDOM OF EMPIRE'S GREATEST CITY.

By Associated Press. LONDON, April 16.—The Colonial premiers were presented at the Guildhall this afternoon, and subsequently were entertained at lunch by the Lord Mayor, Sir Wm. Trevelyan, and the Corporation. Each of the visitors received letters patent as freeman, enclosed in a silver case. The premiers drove in procession to the Guildhall, General Botha, the Transvaal Premier, and "The Benjamin" of the brotherhood, joining with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier bringing up the rear.

The decorations of the streets through which the procession passed were not pretentious, but the visitors received a hearty welcome from large crowds of people. The luncheon at the Guildhall was a brilliant function. It was presided over by the Archbishop-Bannerman, and other cabinet ministers: Field Marshall Lord Roberts, who cracked jokes with General Botha, and other members of the House of Commons, and military and naval men in uniform sparkling with decorations, while the women present were dressed in the most elaborate costumes. The Boer flag captured by the City Imperial Volunteers at Jacobsdale, which usually ornaments the banquet hall, was removed on this occasion so as not to offend General Botha and his party.

Replying to the Lord Mayor's toast to the premiers Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who was seated on the Lord Mayor's right, predicted that the results of the conference just opened would demonstrate to the world that the British Empire was a living entity and that its success depended on the presence of General Botha and Dr. Jameson at the same conference board, the speaker added, showed that the meeting could not be a failure.

GRAIN EXCHANGE TAKE BACK EXILE

GRAIN GROWERS GRAIN CO. TO BE RECEIVED BACK INTO MEMBERSHIP.

WINNIPEG, April 16.—The government and the council of the Grain Exchange and several concerns last week re the Grain Growers Grain Co., arriving at a basis of settlement, which was considered at a meeting of the Grain Exchange yesterday and ratified. The Grain Growers Grain Company will now be taken back into membership.

TRAIN DERAILED BY SPREAD RAIL

CAR OF EASTBOUND LEAVES THE TRACK—PASSENGERS ESCAPE INJURY.

Passengers by yesterday morning's east bound train report that owing to the spreading of a rail near Tomkins, 65 miles west of Swift Current, a portion of the train left the track about 11 o'clock on Monday night. A delay of two or three hours occurred, but beyond that no very great damage was sustained and no persons were injured.

CHICAGO'S NEW MAYOR

Takes His Seat—First Republican Mayor for Ten Years.

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, April 16.—Fred A. Busse was installed as Mayor of Chicago at the regular meeting of the city council last night. His inauguration marked the accession of the first Republican mayor to hold the office in ten years and Mr. Busse becomes the first four-year term in the history of the city.

MACCABEES CHOSE GRAND REVIEW MAN

DR. MORDEEN, OF WINNIPEG, WILL REPRESENT SIX PROVINCES AT DETROIT.

Special to The Leader. WINNIPEG, April 16.—The Maccabees in six provinces of the Dominion have chosen a Winnipeg as their candidate for supreme Grand review which will be held in Detroit in July. Montana has nominated a candidate to run against him, but stands alone, the Canadian tent being satisfied that a citizen of the province is capable of handling the work at the grand review which this year owing to the marvelous increase of the membership in Canada will be of grave importance to them.

PRINCE OF WALES MAY VISIT CANADA. By Associated Press. LONDON, April 16.—It is rumored that the Prince and Princess of Wales will pay another visit to Canada in the near future.

CHICAGO'S POLICE IN BIG SCANDAL

ILLEGAL ASSESSMENTS LEVIED TO AID CAMPAIGN OF EX-MAYOR DUNNE.

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, April 16.—Police Inspectors Kelly and Hovey, who recently opened the prison doors for the former Chief of Police Collins yesterday when under a searching fire from the service commission they disclosed all the details of one of the most far-reaching scandals that ever involved the police department of Chicago. They told of the levying of two hundred assessments to aid a campaign of Mayor Dunne. What they told will be presented to the grand jury next week. Almost the entire office has taken the preliminary steps with the prosecution of Collins in view. Commissioner Ewold after the latest evidence, went so far as to say that every man who participated in the assessments, even patrol men who contributed, were liable to be indicted by the grand jury under the civil service act.

BRANDON ALDERMEN WON'T PAY TAXES

CITY TREASURER OF WHEAT CITY ISSUES 400 DUES WARRANTS.

Special to The Leader. BRANDON, April 16.—The City Treasurer has issued some 400 dues warrants for neglect to pay taxes. Among the 400 are two aldermen, several business houses, a bank and several prominent people who are kicking at the extra dues. But the treasurer says the people should not be discriminated against owing to his inability to pay.

SENATE COMMITTEE FAVOR BAY ROUTE

RAILWAY TO CHURCHILL WOULD OPEN UP LARGE TRACT OF ARABLE LAND.

Special to The Leader. OTTAWA, April 16.—The special committee of the Senate on the Hudson Bay route held its final meeting this evening and on the motion of Geo. A. Ross adopted the report recommending the government to try and settle the disputed jurisdiction on the east coast of Labrador with Newfoundland. It also declares that the navigation created by way of Hudson Bay for three and a half months in the year. Some of the men employed by the Crow's Nest Coal Co. and the International Co. Coleman, quit work yesterday because of a notice posted by the company that wages would be reduced generally on May 10th next and because they are unable to raise technical difficulties in the way of the enforcement of the act with a view to making the coal enquiry a fact. The department of Labor has, however, telegraphed explaining the progress already made toward the appointment of a board and assuring the men that the enquiry would be impartially conducted. It is expected that when present misunderstandings are corrected the men will return to work.

VERY SERIOUS SITUATION AT COAL MINES

C.P.R. OFFICIAL SAYS ALL RAILWAY TRAFFIC MAY STOP IN FEW WEEKS.

Special to The Leader. CALGARY, April 16.—The situation in Western Canada caused by the action of the miners in leaving work is demoralizing throughout the country. "No condition quite so serious has ever existed since this country came before the public," said Supt. Jamieson of the C.P.R. tonight. Already the cement works here have closed down and it is only a matter of a few days until all work and passenger trains on the C.P.R. will have to stop. The manufacturing in this city are also closing down. The domestic supply so far has not been interfered with. There is no strike, and the men are steadily leaving their work. There is no law to prevent them and there is no conciliation act over them which they do not want to do. If a miner does not want to work there is no law compelling him to work. He is not on strike, he is simply resting.

Supt. Jamieson announced this afternoon at a meeting of the Board of Directors that he had been unsuccessful in getting a supply of coal from Duruth and there is great alarm in the city over the result. At the meeting of the Board of Trade this afternoon a resolution was passed that the C.P.R. should be asked to make an arrangement for the purchase of coal from the various western towns. So far the boycott which has been proclaimed by the miners and along the Crow's Nest line has not reached Bankhead in the same proportion, though the mines there have been partially deserted.

THIRTY-SEVEN PERISH IN EARTHQUAKE

MEXICO CITY, April 16.—The extent of the damage to life and property in the earthquake is greater than hitherto reported. The first belated press telegram announced that 37 persons were killed in the earthquake. At one o'clock today it was learned that the town of Ayuela, not far from the Pacific Coast, and the town of Acapulco, were completely destroyed.

COMPANIES ASKED TO ASSIST C.N.R.

COMMISSION REQUESTS G.T.R. AND C.P.R. TO ACT IN INTERESTS OF THE WEST.

WINNIPEG, April 16.—The Railway Commission has made an official request to the Canadian Pacific and Great Trunk railways to assist the Canadian Northern Railway in order to alleviate the congested traffic now hampering trade and setting back the progress of the West.

CUBAN "FANS" MOB UMPIRE

DECISION OF OFFICIAL, GIVEN REVOLVER IN HAND, LEADS TO RIOT.

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, April 16.—A dispatch from Havana says: There was a sensational scene on the ball field when Umpire Borrato in the presence of 20,000 excited "fans," gave a close decision against the last man out on first which gave the game and Cuban championship to the Almendares club by a score of 4 to 2. Things had been hot and gave his decision with a revolver in his hand and then darted behind the line of police. The mob charged, but the police and rural guards closed around and saved him. The victorious team divided \$5,000.

LABEL ACTION AGAINST TELEGRAM

WINNIPEG EDITOR TO ANSWER CHARGE OF CRIMINAL LABEL IN RECENT ARTICLE.

Special to The Leader. WINNIPEG, April 16.—An action for libel has been entered against the Winnipeg Telegram as the result of an article published last Friday commenting upon the alleged methods used by Geo. Woods in conducting the business of the Canadian Stock and Grain Co. M. E. Nichols, editor of the Telegram has been summoned to appear next Thursday.

CANAL ROUTE TO EDMONTON

AMBITIOUS SCHEME KILLED BY SENATE—DOUBTED COMPANY'S AIM.

Special to The Leader. OTTAWA, April 16.—The Senate railway committee this morning killed a bill to incorporate the International Canal Power Co. The company proposes to construct a canal from Lake Superior to St. Louis, making use of Rainy Lake, Rainy River, Winnipeg River, Lake Winnipeg, Cross Lake, Grand Rapids, Cedar Lake and the Saskatchewan River. The committee thought the intention of the promoters was to get power rights only.

STATE OF JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN SERIOUS

BOSTON, April 16.—Having received word that the illness of her son-in-law, Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, the distinguished statesman, continues serious, Mrs. W. C. Endicot, accompanied by her son and his wife, have sailed for England. The party is hurrying to Chamberlain's bedside.

TOOK MANY VOLTS TO KILL ED. SEXTON

FIVE DISTINCT SHOCKS ADMINISTERED TO MURDERER IN ELECTRIC CHAIR.

AUBURN, N. Y., April 16.—Edward Sexton, who was convicted at Canada on Friday, April 29, 1904, of murder in the first degree, for killing Thomas Mahoney, was electrocuted at Auburn prison this morning at 6:14 o'clock. Sexton was small of stature and thin. He was dressed in a suit of three amperes, to 1,740 volts at three amperes. State Senator Durand, who officiated, said that Sexton was one of the hardest subjects that had been in the chair for the past ten years. Sexton went to the chair composedly.

NO CHEAP LUMBER SAYS D. S. SPRAGUE

WELL KNOWN WINNIPEG DEALER THINKS PRESENT PRICES REASONABLE.

Special to The Leader. OTTAWA, April 16.—D.S. Sprague, of Winnipeg, was examined before the lumber combine committee today. The witness said that he was probably in the lumber business for 22 years. He was all that time in the lumber business. He was a member of the present association for 15 years, a director for six years and president for one year. He did not think that as long as the demand was greater than the supply there would be any more cheap lumber. There were two men after every thousand feet of lumber. The retail association reserved the right to select its members. In the opinion of the witness the lumber business could be handled by the Western retail association, if it didn't think the association was acting in restraint of trade. In the United States, he said, the prices were higher than in Canada.

SLAYER PAYS PENALTY

WEATHERFIELD, Conn., April 16.—Henry G. Bailey, murderer of Geo. H. Goodale, was led to his execution in the state prison at 12:05 this morning, and 18 seconds later he paid the penalty for his crime. He showed no fear. Bailey killed Goodale, who employed him on a small farm on the boundary between Middletown and Middlefield, in July last with an axe. Goodale's body was found in a chair near the window.

MCGILL MEDICAL BUILDING GUTTED

SECOND FIRE IN FORTNIGHT AT UNIVERSITY DOES HALF A MILLION DAMAGE.

Special to The Leader. MONTREAL, April 16.—The second fire at McGill University at an early hour this morning practically destroyed the medical building, one of the oldest and most valuable of the splendid collection on the college grounds. The results of the fire are most disastrous, as in addition to the usual equipment of a college medical building, the museum, one of the best on the continent, was destroyed.

The main building and one wing are completely gutted, the wing containing the library being the only part standing. The most valuable in the museum, as it has been collecting for nearly three quarters of a century and contained many priceless specimens. The magnificent medical library, however, was saved, but in a damaged condition, and this is no small comfort to the authorities as it contained many works as valuable in their way as the big collection in the museum. Money cannot cover the loss which will be caused by the university by this second disaster, but a conservative estimate places the damage at half a million.

WHITE MOB LYNCH NEGRO

Taken From Officers, Colored Man Pays Penalty for Assault.

NEW ORLEANS, Ala., April 16.—Charly Strauss, the negro who was charged with attempting a criminal assault on a white woman last Sunday was taken from the officials by a mob from Bunkie, while being taken to jail. His body was riddled with bullets.

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SECONDARY EDUCATION AND THE CATHOLICS

ALD. KRAMER AND KUSHG SAYS CATHOLICS CANNOT BE TAKED.

Question Raised on Bylaw to Erect High School District for Regina—Ald. Ball and the Appointment of a Building Inspector.

The City Council was in a business-like mood last evening and managed contrary to several recent meetings to dispose of all the business upon the agenda paper in less than three hours. The correspondence read out by the City Clerk included a letter from Nelson Bros. stating that owing to the smallness of the contract awarded to them they were unable to accept it. They could, the letter said, see "no logical reason" why the work should be done cheaper in Regina than in Winnipeg and the price quoted by them was a reasonable one for the high class of work required by the specifications.

The bylaw to appoint a returning officer and deputy returning officer for the taking of the votes on the following being the officials appointed: Returning officer—J. Kelso Hunter. Ward 1, Deputy John McCarthy, Polling booth, Welch House. Ward 2, Deputy J. C. Secord, Polling booth, City Hall. Ward 3, Deputy R. B. Davidson, Polling booth, St. Mary's church. Ward 4, Deputy S. K. Duff, Jr., Stanton's stable. Ward 5, Deputy E. Meadows, Canadian Elevator Co. Roman Catholics.

The bylaw brought in by Ald. Peverett for the purpose of creating a high school district for Regina was interesting as disclosing the attitude of at any rate a section of the Roman Catholic ratepayers of the city towards the question of secondary education.

Ald. Kramer in asking to be excused from voting, said that he did not wish to rake up old scores. He had the objection to the creation of a high school district, but he objected to the act which would make a large number of ratepayers pay a tax which according to the Antonomy Act they were not called upon to pay. The Catholics had no objection to higher education, as said probably by the Antonomy Act. Ald. Kuech spoke in almost identical terms to those used by Mr. Kramer. He was in favor of higher education, but as the representative of Roman Catholics he could not vote for the bylaw as he understood that by the Antonomy Act separate school ratepayers need not pay taxes other than those imposed by themselves.

The two aldermen were accordingly excused from voting, the rest of the council then unanimously declaring in favor of the creation of a high school district.

Ald. Bell Proposes. The suggestion of Mr. Ball, that Ald. Gillespie should make a trip to Winnipeg with engineer Smith in order to see how the subway in that city was constructed was generally frowned on by the rest of the council, the general impression appearing to be that, for the present, at any rate, sufficient information could be obtained without the city being put to the expense of such a trip. Seeking the temporary aid of council Mr. Ball did not press his proposed amendment to the Works Committee report, which accordingly passed as usual.

WORKS REPORT

(1) That the report of the City Engineer on wooden sidewalks to be laid this year be approved. (2) That in the opinion of your committee it is desirable to straighten out Hamilton street so as to substitute a new crossing over the C. P. R. tracks in a direct line north and south with Hamilton street and that the City Clerk be instructed to ask the City Solicitor to prepare the necessary application to the Railway Commissioners to open up Hamilton street across the C. P. R. tracks in a continuous line and that the City Engineer be instructed to prepare the necessary plans to accompany said application.

(3) That steps be taken to erect a subway at Albert street crossing and that negotiations be entered into between the city and the C. P. R. with a view to ascertaining if they will share the cost equally with the city of a subway there and that the City Engineer be instructed to prepare a plan and estimates of said subway.

Waterworks Improve.

The following important report of the Waterworks Committee, carrying out the recent recommendations (Continued on Page 3)