

MR. PUGSLY MAKES REPLY.

Answers Mr. Bennett's Attack On Civil Servants.

Not to be Influenced Or Driven By Opposition Speakers.

Passes Estimates of Over Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Mr. Pugsley had his first brush with the Opposition in the House to-night, and the manner in which he acquitted himself was in striking contrast to the bearing of his critics. Mr. Bennett used language evidently designed to provoke the Minister of Public Works to angry retort, but the latter in a brief reply, couched in the most dignified terms, administered a sharp rebuke to the member for Simcoe, and at the same time informed those who had been attacking him that he would exercise his own judgment as to the course he would take. The session was mainly devoted to a consideration of the estimates, over \$900,000 being voted. In the course of the discussion members of the Opposition and Mr. Fisher joined in expressing their appreciation of the valuable work being done by Dr. Doughty, Dominion Architect.

Inducements to Undesirables. Mr. Borden called attention to the terms of a circular which he said had been issued by an individual in one of the large cities of Canada, holding out inducements to undesirable immigrants. Sir Wilfrid Laurier promised to give the matter attention.

Replying to Mr. Bergeron, Mr. Templeman said the patent medicines bill was still under the consideration of the Government.

The House then went into Committee of Supply and took up the civil Government estimates.

Government Officials and Other Jobs.

In connection with the public printing items, Mr. Bennett drew attention to the fact that Mr. Draper, an official of the Government Printing Bureau, was a candidate for the Ottawa Board of Control, and asked whether there was not a rule that Government employees should not take a prominent part in Dominion or local politics.

Mr. Fielding said he was not aware of any general rule forbidding Government officials to become candidates for municipal honors.

Mr. Henderson contended that a Government employee should devote his whole time to the service for which he was paid.

Mr. Fielding thought that if Mr. Draper were elected to the Ottawa Board of Control, where he would be paid, he would resign.

Mr. Bennett said that as a general principle an official who received pay from a city for services which required a considerable portion of his time should not be employed by the Government, but whether that should exclude a Government employee from taking an administrative position he was not prepared to say.

Mr. Foster considered that an important principle was involved, and cited the case of Mr. Allan, of the Intercolonial Railway, whom he had seen mentioned as a candidate for York County, New Brunswick.

Mr. Pugsley advised Mr. Foster not to believe all he read in the Conservative press, and assured him that Mr. Allan was not present at the York convention.

Conditions in Indian Schools.

On the items of \$67,100 for salaries and \$15,355 for contingencies for the department of Indian affairs, Hon. Mr. Foster asked if Dr. Bryce's report on the conditions in Indian schools, and particularly in respect to the mortality rate, had been considered and acted upon.

Hon. Frank Oliver said the matter was one of grave importance, and had not been lost sight of. Two industrial schools were under direct Government control, but other Indian schools were managed by the respective recognized religious denominations, the Government contributing per capita grants.

Mr. Foster thought it would be found that the giving what was known as higher education to Indians was folly, and that it would be better to teach them only farming or trades.

Mr. Oliver said that later in the session he would be prepared to go more fully into the matter, and at the same time to present to the House a suggestion made to the Government in respect to the schools, and now under consideration.

Mr. McPherson and Mr. Ross raised the question of Indian reserves in British Columbia, many of which occupied the most fertile lands, and suggested methods whereby the question of their control might be settled as between the Province and the Dominion so that they might be opened up for agricultural purposes.

Mr. Oliver hoped the Province and the Dominion would be able to reach a proper settlement. The latter could not, however, admit the contention of the Province that whatever the Indians did to release any portion of the lands, such action thereby transferred the area to the absolute control of the Province. If that attitude was maintained there was no ground for negotiations, though, speaking generally and without prejudice, it was admitted that on the decrease of a band of Indians on a reservation the lands should revert to the Province. The Dominion, however, had the rights of the Indians as well as those of the Province to consider, and could not consent to a suggestion simply because a Province urged it.

Officials in Elections.

When the salary estimate of the Public Works Department was under consideration Mr. Blain asked Mr. Pugsley if he was aware that the clerks in the departments had acted in elections in various capacities.

The Minister of Public Works answered in the negative, adding that for his part it would not be allowed. He had received one request that a clerk in the department be allowed to do some clerical work in an election, but he had declined to consent.

Mr. Bennett's Charges.

Mr. Bergeron and Mr. Bennett had the usual budget questions concerning the duties and salaries of Mr. Preston, Mr. Jackson and other agents of the Trade and Commerce Department, and Mr. Bennett followed up his queries with a speech, in which he branded certain officials of the Government as

thieves and embezzlers. He specifically referred to the case of an official in the Public Works Department, who, he alleged, had to refund money which he had misappropriated.

Mr. Boyce followed with more scandal talk, repeating the old charges against the postoffice and other officials, and predicting what would happen when the popular vote came to be taken.

Mr. Fielding observed that they were accustomed to hearing what the Opposition were going to do with the popular vote, and suggested that if Mr. Boyce wanted to make any impression on the House he should give them something fresh.

Mr. Fisher said if only Mr. Bennett were concerned he would not take the trouble to reply. But others who might not know so well might imagine that there was some foundation for the utterances of the hon. gentleman. The utterances of the hon. gentleman in the Province of Quebec at the time of the prohibition plebiscite were absolutely unfounded, and had been shown to be so.

Mr. Fielding, answering some comments by Mr. Lalor and others as to the usefulness of the circulars issued by the Trade and Commerce Department, with information from commercial agents, showed that the Canadian Manufacturers' Association made use of the circular, and had in various ways expressed to officials of the department their satisfaction with them.

Mr. Pugsley Defends Officials.

Hon. William Pugsley, reverting to the statement made by Mr. Bennett in Simcoe, in which that gentleman had used the word thief and embezzler in reference to the expense account of a clerk in the Public Works Department who had afterwards refunded some money, said he had read the correspondence in the Auditor-General's report dealing with the incident, and could not find a word to justify the charge. It was unworthy of the hon. gentleman to make a charge of such a nature, when the young man concerned was not able to defend himself, as in the case of a member of the House.

Mr. Bennett returned to the charge. The hon. gentleman, he said, had been very brave now, but he had been very judicious and careful a few days ago. The Minister of Public Works was today in the position he occupied in a cartoon published recently, "Under the Barn." He had come to the House with a reputation for brag, blatt and blarney, but he had kept up outside; but not inside the House.

Mr. Pugsley replied that he was a stranger to the House and a stranger to a large number of its members. "I trust, however," he proceeded, "that I shall be so able to conduct myself as to gain the respect of the members of the House." There have been some statements made by some gentlemen which he did not expect to hear in a Parliament of gentlemen. "I think hon. gentlemen ought to cultivate a manner and discuss matters of public interest in a way which will not reflect discredit on this Parliament or on any of its members. I should like to say that when I become necessary to defend myself, I am prepared to defend myself, here or in any other tribunal, or in any other way. But I will not permit any member of this House to say that I shall speak or what course I shall take in this Parliament or anywhere else. I should like to see my judgment." He again took issue with Mr. Bennett on the question that had caused this interchange, stating that if it could be shown that any man in his department was guilty of theft or embezzlement, he would be at once discharged. He added in reply to the remarks by Mr. Bennett, Borden and others, that the system now followed in the department on his instruction was for itemized expense accounts certified to by the Dominion Minister.

Messrs. Bergeron and Borden on an item for the archives heartily praised the work of Dr. Doughty, the Dominion Architect, and his enthusiasm in all that related to it.

Hon. Mr. Fisher said his appreciation.

The House adjourned at 10.30, after approving estimates totalling \$915,993.

THE MAURETANIA AGROUND.

Stranded in the Mersey, But Safely Floated Again.

Liverpool, Dec. 14.—The Cunard Line steamer Mauretania, which is scheduled to sail today for New York, went aground last night in the Mersey, opposite the landing stage, but was floated with the aid of tugs and her steam power, and left early this morning.

The grounding was due to the anchors dragging while the Mauretania was swinging to the tide.

No Light in Bordeaux.

Bordeaux, Dec. 13.—The city is in darkness to-night as a result of a strike of gas men and employees of the electric light company, who are demanding an increase in pay. All business houses are compelled to close at nightfall.

Derrick Cable Broke.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—W. J. Lucy, aged 47, of Ottawa, died in the hospital here this morning, the result of being injured yesterday afternoon through the snapping of the cable of a derrick with which he was working on the Rideau River. His skull was fractured by the blow. He leaves a widow and several children.

Fireman's Injuries Were Fatal.

Regina, Dec. 13.—A. Morris, the C. N. R. fireman, of Winnipeg, who was badly injured here last night, died this morning. His parents reside in Toronto. The unfortunate man had one leg completely severed and the other was terribly mangled.

Those Horrid Bilious Spells

"It is nothing when you get used to it" is a common expression which many seem to apply to attacks of biliousness. Year after year they suffer from the queer spells of bilious headache, indigestion, constipation followed by looseness of the bowels, dizziness, despondency and ill-temper, and the habit seems to have become so firmly established that they do not think of breaking the chains of biliousness.

Why not make a break for liberty, health and happiness. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills stand ready to help you. They have helped thousands under just such circumstances to know again the joys of healthful living.

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills cure biliousness by reason of their direct and specific action on the liver, causing the bile to be properly filtered from the blood, where it acts as a poison, and passed into the intestines, where it is necessary to aid digestion and regulate the action of the bowels.

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25 cents a box, at all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

Mother Lodge's Tribute To Honored Dead.

Acacia Lodge Honors Memory of Late Grand Secretary at Its Annual Meeting—Eulogy by W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope.

Acacia Lodge, A. F. and A. M., the mother lodge of the late Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, held its annual meeting last night. On account of the loss it has sustained the usual banquet was not held, but in its place W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope delivered an address upon the career of the loved departed. R. W. Bro. Dr. H. S. Griffin was present, and conducted the election, which resulted as follows:

W. Bro. E. E. Linger, I. P. M.
Burwell Griffin, W. M.
Hugh Murray, S. W.
Geo. W. Wilson, J. W.
G. E. MacLachlan, Chaplain.
R. W. Bro. Geo. C. Holden, Treas.
Wm. Ostler, Secretary.
W. W. Tocher, Tyler.
R. W. Bro. Lyman Lee and W. Bro. F. H. Yapp, Auditors.

Mr. Wardrope's Address.

After the election W. Bro. Wardrope delivered the following address:

Worshipful Sir.—Among the many tributes of respect, admiration, and love that are being daily offered to the memory of Most Worshipful Brother Hugh Murray, Acacia, his mother lodge, wishes to lay hers.

Of one whose span of usefulness has been so long and whose talents were so varied it is hard to determine within reasonable limits what to say and what to omit.

Brother Murray came to Hamilton about the year 1860, when he was a lad of eighteen. From that time to the end of his life he has been an open book to the people of this city. He arrived without letters of introduction or under the favorable circumstances which enable some of the young men to make their way in the commercial world. Employment was not found for him. He sought it. First as a boy, then as a clerk, and finally as the master of his own business he forged ahead. He was industrious, thorough-

going, and intelligent; a man of robust body and vigorous mind. He was what is known as a "strong man"; a man of marked individuality. Although headed and perhaps stubbornly practical, he was yet withal of a most genial disposition. He was "true, brave, and downright honest." Like all able men he was ambitious. He always took a great interest in public affairs and in 1878 was chosen as the standard bearer for the city of Hamilton of the political party to which he yielded allegiance in the Provincial House. Fortunately for him, I think, he was defeated, because he was thus enabled to devote a great deal of his energy to the cause of popular education, a matter which lay always very near his heart. For many years he occupied a seat on the School Board, for some years as chairman, where he showed sterling qualities. I have enumerated a made him not only a most useful member, but a real living force, whose whole weight was ever cast into the scale on the side of what was right and in the interest of the whole people, regardless of private ends or party affiliations.

The work he did in the church he loved so well has cast a halo round his memory that will endure as long as those who knew him live. His loyalty to the clergymen who ministered to his wants from time to time in spiritual things, his broad friendship with his fellow members, his devotion to the Sabbath school of which he was for so many years the honored superintendent, his unremitting labors in all the various channels of church work will be an inspiration to those who follow him to years to come, as they were during his lifetime an inestimable help and blessing to those who co-operated with him in his allotted task in the portion of His Master's vineyard. His great love for the children and the heartiness and sincerity of his affection for the adherents as a whole will long be cherished as a sweet smelling savor of a fragrant flower by those who attended the First Methodist Church. Those of you who heard the tributes paid to his memory by some of the pastors who addressed the vast concourse assembled to do him honor at the impressive funeral services will have a faint idea of the loss the church has suffered by the death of this man. I say "church," I do not confine my meaning either to the First Methodist Church or to the Methodist Church at large, because, although Brother Murray's life was especially identified with that denomination, his Christian character was such as shed a radiance upon the church universal.

He was a many-sided man. Those of you who know only the zeal, the earnestness, and the constancy with which he labored in the church have been surprised at the knowledge he has shown, the energy he exhibited and the influence he exerted. How great must be the amazement of those who have seen him engaged in many lines of work, in each of which he showed the same care, the same faithfulness and the same capacity.

One of the most pleasant memories in connection with his useful life was the

great interest which he always showed in the young. This was exemplified not only in his work in the Sabbath School but also in his official position as Honorary President of the Hamilton Football Club, where he showed to great advantage. His knowledge of the wants of young men, his sympathy with them in all their legitimate sports, his desire to correct if there was an exhibition of irreverence or blasphemy. All this he did in so fine a spirit that he not only placed the young men on a higher moral plane but at the same time he succeeded in securing their admiration and their love.

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