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VICTORY FOR GOVERNMENT IN WAR WITH THE VATICAN PARISHES OBEY LAW

**Net Result Will Be That Taking
Over of Episcopal Buildings
Will Occur Immediately Instead
of in December, 1907.**

Paris, Dec. 13.—To-day has been marked by the total absence of any sensational incidents in connection with the execution of the law of separation.

The parish priests everywhere celebrated mass in the presence of unusually large congregations, but the actions of the authorities were confined to noting infractions of the law. Everywhere legal notices have been served for the evacuation of the ecclesiastical buildings. Several of these buildings were abandoned without further ado, but a majority of the prelates, while fully prepared to go, announced that they would not depart except under duress.

In many parishes laymen came forward to-day and spontaneously filed declarations for the holding of services in the designated churches during the coming year. If this practice is generally followed it will be a distinct victory for the government. In the meantime the cabinet is preparing measures to be introduced before parliament to-morrow. The net result of the uncompromising attitude assumed by the Vatican in this conflict with the French Government seems to be the clergy will lose their pensions that are stipulated by the concordat and be compelled to perform military service, and thus the taking over of the episcopal buildings by the state department and the communes will occur immediately instead of in December, 1907.

ROOSEVELT REVOKES ORDER ADOPTING SHORT SPELLING

**House of Representatives Goes on
Record and President Bows
to Its Will.**

Washington, Dec. 13.—President Roosevelt will withdraw his simplified spelling order to the public printer, and hereafter all documents from the executive department will again be printed in the old-fashioned style.

Representative Landis conferred to-day with the president, and the latter said that he did not wish to have his order for the new spelling in case the house of representatives went on record as opposed to the system.

Accordingly, late to-day Mr. Landis introduced a resolution to the house to adhere to the old style, and the motion was adopted without dissent.

PASTOR DENOUNCES DANCE CALLS IT "MORAL LEPROSY"

Rev. R. E. Knowles Says No Self-Respecting Girl Will Attend.

Galt, Dec. 13.—(Special).—Rev. R. E. Knowles, pastor of Knox Church, unflinchingly denounces a public ball in the skating rink to-night, saying no self-respecting girl will attend such a promiscuous affair. Invitations issued to all at 50 cents a couple is characterized as "moral leprosy."

OTTAWA MAYORALTY FIGHT.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—(Special).—P. D. Ross has been pressed to enter the field for mayor for 1907. His election was looked upon as a certainty. This leaves practically a three-cornered fight between Ald. Hopewell, ex-Mayor Morris and D'Arcy Spott, son of the secretary of state. The two latter will split the Irish Catholic vote.

AID. FRYER RETIRES.

Galt, Dec. 13.—Ald. Fryer, three years in the council to-day announced his decision to retire from municipal life, owing to press of private business.

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PROTECTION FOR PUBLIC IS SOUGHT HOLDING DIRECTORS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL STATEMENTS IN NEW ACT REGULATING COMPANIES

The bill to be introduced next session embodies part of the consolidation and amendment of the Ontario Statutes now in course of revision. It is open to the fullest discussion and comment.

Full returns are required to be made at annual meetings placing the whole affairs of companies in possession of shareholders.

The provisions of the Imperial Companies Act relating to share warrants are adopted. Share warrants entitle their holders to the shares specified in them, and the shares may not be forfeited by the delivery of the warrant. They are in general use in Europe.

Directors formerly exempted from liability for error in statements based on expert testimony, and on government documents are now made liable for all statements in their prospectuses.

A fixed minimum share subscription to be fixed by the directors is insisted upon, so that companies may not be floated upon inadequate capital, and thus foredoomed to failure. No allotment of share capital will be permitted until this is complied with.

Corporate accounts must be examined annually, and if auditors be not appointed the provincial secretary may appoint them. Companies seeking to operate public utilities are more fully subjected to public control. Many acts dealing with public franchises are consolidated and special provisions are relegated to other acts, as in the Cemeteries Act, where provisions applying to cemeteries only and not to other property are added to the Public Health Act, so as to apply to all cemeteries and not merely incorporated ones.

Any company desiring an act to operate a public utility of any kind, or any municipality submitting a by-law in such connection, must lay the whole scheme before the municipal board for approval. The winding-up act is superseded by sections providing for the economical and voluntary winding up of any company. This will be under the high court, which also administers the Dominion act. Should any unfairness appear, an interested person may apply to the high court for an order. No suit or action can be brought against a corporation after the winding-up proceedings have been instituted.

All companies must be incorporated in the provincial secretary's office, except that railways are excluded and insurance and loan corporations within the meaning of the Loan Corporations Act. All companies must make returns to the provincial secretary's office, and these returns will be much more extensive than heretofore. Benevolent societies holding real estate will be relieved of some difficulties.

Four different kinds of expropriation proceedings under the old act are exchanged for the method pursued under the Railway Act. The provincial secretary will be enabled to investigate the books of any public utility company, such as the Consumers Gas Company, if required.

The government will probably include a section limiting the capital of companies, or in other words, restraining the watering of stock.

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CRIMINAL TO SELL RAILWAY TICKET W. F. MACLEAN MOVES TO REPEAL STATUTE BILL PASSES ITS SECOND READING

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—(Special).—R. L. Borden has given notice that on Monday next he will move:

"That it is expedient that the board of railway commissioners for Canada enquire, determine and report, with the least possible delay, whether or not the tolls charged in standard passenger tariffs should be reduced so as not to exceed two cents per mile upon all or any of the railways in Canada."

"That the government, under the provisions of the Railway Act, and especially the 24th section thereof, should forthwith take such steps as are necessary for this purpose."

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Report of Deputy Minister of Labor Foreshadows Legislation to Refer Disputes to a Board of Arbitration

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—(Special).—The formal notice which was posted to-night that Hon. Mr. Lemieux on Monday next will introduce a bill entitled, "An act to aid in the prevention and settlement of strikes, and lockouts in coal mines," lends additional interest to the report of Deputy Minister Maclean's 'Kin', which closes with the following significant paragraphs which no doubt foreshadow legislation.

"The purpose of parliament in enacting both the constitution and the railway labor disputes act, it seems to me, be considerably furthered were an act, applicable to strikes and lockouts in coal mines, similar in some of its features to the railway Labor Disputes Act, also enacted."

"Inasmuch as coal is in this country one of the most important industries, but also as the recent experience has shown, much of our coal production and life itself depends, it would appear that if legislation can be devised which, without encroaching upon the recognized rights of employers and employees, will at the same time protect the public, the senate would be justified in enacting any measure which would make a strike or lockout in a coal mine a thing of the past."

"Such an end, it would appear, might be achieved, at least in part, were provision made whereby, as in not the case of the Railway Labor Disputes Act, all questions in dispute might be referred to a board empowered to conduct an investigation under oath with the additional feature, perhaps, that such reference should not be optional, but obligatory, and pending the investigation and until the board has issued its findings, the parties be restrained on pain of penalty from declaring a lockout or strike."

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KING OSCAR FAILING.

Stockholm, Dec. 13.—King Oscar, whose health for some time has been weak and anxious, and who yesterday exhibited symptoms of heart weakness, to-day is failing fast.

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MARRIAGES.

CLARKSON-SHAW.—In Milton, on Dec. 12, 1906, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. E. J. Young, M.A., B.A., L.L.B., only daughter of Samuel Shaw, Esq., to Matthew Clarkson, son of Braintree.

CLOBY.—At Markham, on Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1906, at her late residence, Jane Elizabeth Millholland, relict of the late W. D. Crosby, in her 70th year, to St. Andrew's Cemetery, Markham.

STEELE-MOWAT.—At the residence of the bride's parents, 12 Ladbroke street on Wednesday, Dec. 12, by the Rev. Dr. Terry, Ella, eldest daughter of Mr. Geo. Mowat, to John B. Steeles.

ROTHWELL.—On Dec. 12, 1906, at St. Michael's Hospital, William H. deary, relict of Benjamin Rothwell, aged 24 years, to the late Mrs. E. J. deary, aged 29 years, daughter of the late Mr. Geo. Mowat, to John B. Steeles.

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