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WEATHER REPORT.
Toronto (noon)—Moderate to fresh North and N. W. winds; local snow flurries, but mostly fair to-day and on Friday, with stationary or a little lower temperature.

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ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1914.

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HOUSE SAT TILL AFTER MIDNIGHT; SESSION WAS VERY STORMY ONE

Premier Refuses to Have Cashin Affair Investigated by House.

COAKER AND CROSBIE AGAIN IN COMBAT.

Member for Bay de Verde Made Insinuations Resented by Mr. Coaker.

APPEAL TO SPEAKER.

Opposition Make Scathing Criticisms of the Budget of the Morris Party.

The closing hour of yesterday's sitting of the Legislature was marked by an occurrence which stands unparalleled in the history of our Government, and for disgraceful conduct on the part of the Crown has rarely been equalled and certainly never surpassed in any dependency of British.

The earlier outraging of the House by the Prime Minister, when in the afternoon session he refused to go in to Privilege for the purpose of considering the serious charges against the Minister of Finance and Customs had created a tremendous excitement amongst all classes of the community and when the House met after tea a mob of citizens thronged the corridors of the Assembly building. Many persons were unable to gain admission and were obliged to remain outside.

All through the night standing room was at a premium. Not since the days of the railway deal has such intense feeling existed against a Government as plainly evidenced yesterday.

Mr. Crosbie's Attack.

Sir Edward Morris had just taken his seat having just made a labored speech of more than two hours in an effort to counteract the criticisms of the Budget of the Leader of the Opposition and other members, when J. C. Crosbie jumped to his feet. He was primed for the trade of abuse and dirty insinuations which he immediately began to throw out and had got to such an indecent stage of invective in his remarks as to say he would like to see provision made in the estimates for women who had been deserted by those who had sworn at the altar to love, cherish, and protect them, when the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Kent, evidently in great disgust arose and demanded that such unseemly conduct on the part of the member for Bay de Verde should be stopped at once by the Chairman of Committee, Mr. Parsons.

Public Approval.

Ringling cheers greeted the Opposition Leader. Mr. Kent contended that the remarks of the member were in no way relevant to the discussion before the chair, and that the Chairman should so rule.

Mr. Parsons became very excited and in the meantime Crosbie continued his jargon.

Mr. Kent again demanded that the Chairman do his duty and preserve the dignity of the House and compel the member for Bay de Verde to desist from his nasty insinuations against an honorable member, which

he was too cowardly to put in the form of a direct charge.

The unfitness of the Chairman to cope with the unruly member was now apparent, and Mr. Kent protested that he should give a ruling.

Wide Indeed!

Mr. Parsons.—The question before the chair has a very wide range.

Mr. Kent.—The Chairman of the Committee must give a ruling and I ask him absolutely to give a rule. I call on the Prime Minister to assist in preserving the dignity and decorum of the House.

Mr. Parsons.—I will do my duty.

Dr. Lloyd.—You are not doing it now.

Mr. Parsons.—I will give my ruling.

Dr. Lloyd.—Then let the member opposite resume his seat.

Mr. Parsons allowed the member for Bay de Verde to continue to make his insulting references which the whole House were well aware were directed against the honorable member for Bonavista, Mr. Coaker.

A Challenge.

Thereupon Mr. Coaker who had stood the taunts for twenty minutes called out "state it you contemptible clown."

The satellites were ready. Crosbie who for twenty minutes had outraged all decency in parliamentary warfare asked that the words be taken down and the Speaker called.

The Speaker was immediately on the scene and to his credit be it said dealt with the incident fairly.

Mr. Coaker refused to withdraw until the expressions used by Mr. Crosbie were also taken back, and then stated the language used.

Crosbie sought to mislead the Speaker, but that gentleman was insistent that the language used should be withdrawn.

Dr. Lloyd informed the Speaker that every person within the hearing of the member for Bay de Verde understood it is remarks to be directed toward the honorable member for Bonavista had been used for the purpose of offering insult.

Mr. Crosbie then said he withdrew the remarks and they were not insisted for the honorable member opposite.

Mr. Coaker then withdrew his remarks and the incident closed.

No Partiality.

Mr. Parsons sought to explain his position to the House, but Mr. Kent drew his attention to the fact that as Chairman of Committee he occupied an office which demanded strict impartiality and it was his duty to exercise his power immediately any violation of the rules of the House were brought to his notice.

The session opened yesterday with the presentation of petitions by Mr. Downey for a well, by Mr. Higgins from Pouch Cove on the subject of Temperance, Mr. Halfyard had ten petitions on various public matters relating to Foxe District. Mr. Clapp presented petitions from St. Julien's on the prohibition of trawling on that

part of the French Shore. Messrs. Clift and Jennings had petitions on various public matters and Mr. Coaker presented a petition signed by the Rev. W. P. Finn and 130 other residents of Holyrood, in the District of Hr. Main asking that the privilege of electing an unpartisan road board to manage the local affairs of that settlement be promptly granted to that settlement.

The Speaker notified the House that the Legislative Council had passed the Combine and Monopolies Bill without amendment.

The Leader of the Opposition drew further attention to the article which appeared in The Daily Mail on Tuesday evening. He personally believed the Minister of Finance to be innocent of any wrong doing; but this was a matter which contained a charge against a member of the House holding a high and most responsible position and it was due to the members themselves, due to the House and the dignity thereof, due to the whole Country that these charges should be immediately investigated by the House sitting in Privilege, not that he believed the Minister guilty but to the end that a thorough investigation made be had and the whole Country satisfied.

He therefore called on the Prime Minister as Leader of the Government to state what course of action he intended to pursue. The whole House must be impressed with the seriousness of the situation and the consideration of the tariff now before the House ought not to be further proceeded with until an investigation was held.

The Prime Minister said that seeing action was being taken in the Supreme Court by the Minister that it was a question as to whether it would be desirable to proceed now with a legislative investigation. He understood that there was a libel suit to be started against the paper and had been informed such instructions were given to a city solicitor this morning; but if the writ was not issued by to-morrow morning then he would agree to an immediate investigation by the House.

Dr. Lloyd contended that it was the duty of the House to proceed at once His own position was that he could not believe the Minister was so unscrupulous as to jeopardize his reputation in any such manner. He did not believe the rumors; but such was the talk of the street for days before the Minister came down with the Budget Speech. Two days previous to the Budget Speech he had been told by a business man in this city what was going to happen to the tariff, and subsequently events had proven that the information was marvellously correct.

Whether or not the Minister had appealed or intended to appeal to the Courts was a matter of absolutely no concern for this House. No harm could come by an investigation of the conduct of an innocent member of the House, and it was due to the dignity of the House that every particle of rumor should be immediately investigated and narrowed down to the parties who started them. We ought not to proceed further with a consideration of the tariff changes until it had been shown that the skirts of every member of this House and especially of the Finance Minister were absolutely clean.

A lengthy conference followed between the members of the House.

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LIBERAL PARTY WILL NOT HOLD AN ELECTION

Asquith Government will Finish Its Five-Year Term.

BILLS UP TO-DAY.

Country Eagerly Awaits Asquith's Pronouncement on Home Rule.

London, Mar. 5.—The Chronicle which enjoys in a large measure the confidence of the Liberal Government declares that, despite assertions to the contrary, the Government has no intention of dissolving during the present year, and that Ministers anticipate finishing the full five-year term.

The Government, according to the Chronicle, will introduce today for their first readings during the present session, the Irish Home Rule Bill, Welsh Church Disestablishment, and Plural Voting Bills and expect to carry all through before the expiration of its present term of office.

Tremendous interest is being taken in the Premier's promised statement for Monday on the Irish Home Rule Bill. Seats in the Commons are already being held at a premium.

All factions believe that the Premier will offer Ulster counties temporary exclusion from the Act.

Much Surprise Over Asquith's Announcement

London, March 5.—The promise of Premier Asquith that his Home Rule proposals shall be forthcoming on Monday, has caused much surprise.

MURDERED MAN; THEN KILLED HIMSELF

Chief of U.S. Armament Work Brutally Slain by Fireman.

CAUSED BY STRIKE.

Murderer Then Threw Himself on Machinery, and Was Killed.

Pittsburg, March 4.—Capt Von Stahl chief of works at the Schrapnel Tube factory of the Puttloff armament works was brutally murdered to-day, by one of the foremen.

The murderer then threw himself into the electrical machinery and was crushed to death.

There was a strike at the works, and the captain's attitude to the strikers is the supposed cause of the tragedy.

Mr. D. Feder and his bride, left by last evening's train for Holyrood where they will remain until to-morrow night.

A large number of friends were at the station to bid them adieu.

Disastrous Fire in Brit. Guiana

Georgetown, British Guiana, March 4.—A disastrous fire occurred at New Amsterdam, south of this city, when many business houses in the town were destroyed.

Hon. F. B. Monk Has Resigned

Ottawa, March 4.—Hon. F. B. Monk, who withdrew from the Borden Government on the Naval issue, has resigned his seat in the Federal House of Commons. Ill-health is the cause.

FROZEN IN ICE; SOME OF CREW ARE PICKED UP

Steamer Easington Drifting About in Floe Off Cape Cod.

OUT OF SUPPLIES.

Ran Short of Provisions and Had to Send For Help.

Louisburg, March 4.—Frozen in the ice-pack, drifting at the mercy of the ocean currents off the coast of Cape Breton, out of coal and water, and short of provisions,—such is the predicament of the steamer Easington, long overdue at this port.

Yesterday afternoon near Gabarus Cape in a badly used-up condition were picked up some of her men with their hands frozen as a result of their experiences in an open boat.

In the morning the captain of the Easington resolved to send the first officer and three of the crew out in a dory, in the endeavor to locate Gouin Island, and, if possible, to report the steamer's predicament.

Dense fog, which prevailed, prevented them from locating the light, and also from returning to the ship, thus leaving them exposed in an open dory at the mercy of the elements to face the biting storm among the drift, sea and fog.

It was in that condition, benumbed with cold and almost exhausted, that the men were rescued.

Assistance will be sent the steamer.

Halifax Honors Captain Inch

Halifax, Mar. 4.—A presentation of a silver cup was made by Mayor Bligh to Capt. Inch of the Volturino, this afternoon.

Lieut. Governor McGregor was present and spoke.

Capt. Inch's ship, the Principello, arrived from Rotterdam this morning more than a week overdue.

Wells Knocks Out Blake

London, March 4.—Bombardier Wells, former British heavyweight champion, knocked out Bandsman Blake, the middleweight champion, at the fourth round.

BOY FIEND KILLS HIS EMPLOYER AND 4 OTHERS

Struck Employer with Axe, and Killed Him Instantly.

SLAYER ENRAGED DURING A DISCUSSION.

Also Murdered a Woman and Three Helpless Children.

Nantes, March 4.—At Basbrriage en Landreau, a boy named Ridereau, aged 15, who was employed on trial as a vine-cutter, became angry, during a discussion with his employer, and seizing an axe, cut the man's throat from ear to ear, killing him instantly.

The murderer then entered his employer's houses, where he killed his employer's mothers and three children.

Ridereau admitted in court all the accusations.

SUFFRAGETTES ARE NOW AFTER LABORITES

Raise a Riot at a Laborite Rally Held in London.

LOCKED LABORITE MEMBERS IN HALL

And Workmen had to be Summoned to Get the Doors Unfastened.

London, March 5.—Militant suffragettes give further proof that their bitterest animosity is reserved for the Labor party, the only political party which has espoused their cause.

As soon as J. Ramsay MacDonald, Chairman of the Labor Party, began speaking at a labor rally in the Albert Memorial Hall, the suffragettes in all parts of the Chamber, aided by a number of male supporters started to howl him down.

For nearly an hour a fierce struggle raged in the hall, frequent free fights taking place between men, while women grabbed one another by the hair, scratched at faces, tore clothing, smashed windows, and broke chairs.

Eventually, the police were summoned to restore order and MacDonald got a chance to finish his speech.

In concluding he said that if the vote could be gained for women by turning out the Government, the Labor Party would assist them. The worst enemy to the women's cause, he declared, were militant suffragettes, of whose methods the people in the hall had just had a striking illustration.

The Laborites cheered heartily the speeches of the delegates favoring giving women the ballot.

The delegates only found out at lunch time that they were prisoners.

Workmen had to be summoned to cut the bars and chains and release them.

Kipling on The Sick List

London, Mar. 9.—Rudyard Kipling who returned from Spain a fortnight ago, has been ordered to return to the Pyrenees at once.

He is suffering from nervous trouble.

May Purchase Armor Abroad

London, Mar. 4.—Churchill has stated that the Admiralty is prepared to go abroad for armor plate if prices were artificially forced up in England.

PUNISHMENT MUST BE GIVEN THE MURDERERS

British Papers Admire Moderation of Grey's Statement,

BUT DEMAND ACTION.

Men Responsible for the Killing of Benton Must be Brought to Book.

London, Mar. 4.—The Pall Mall Gazette says that the temperate and restrained language in which Sir Edward Grey referred to the murder of Benton will have the approval of all Englishmen.

Its moderation will not, however, disguise the depth of feeling. Every reason of moral and international right requires of the United States the punishment of Benton's murderers without delay.

Civilization stands flouted and Britain outraged, whilst the application of the Monroe doctrine is paralyzed and mocked, Sir Edward Grey says much to emphasize the gravity of recent events, but little to relieve the disquiet.

The Westminster Gazette and Standard agree with Sir Edward that the only possible policy is to await reparation when circumstances permit.

Would Abolish Panama Toll

Washington, March 4.—President Wilson will personally address a joint session of Congress on Thursday, advocating the repeal of the clause in the Panama Canal Act which exempts American coastwise shipping from payment of tolls.

Want England To Take Part

London, March 5.—By a substantial majority the Commons put on record their desire that the Government reconsider its refusal to officially participate in the Panama-Pacific Exposition and agree to participate therein.

NEW PARTS ARRIVE.
The new parts for the Parthenia arrived by the Digby. The S.S. Bonaventure takes them to the dock.

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