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HORIZON

Arthur Meighen Declares Report on Transcontinental Reveals Sir Wilfrid and His Cabinet as Blackest of Political Transgressors.

"The blackest cloud on the horizon of this country," was the way in which Hon. Arthur Meighen, solicitorgeneral of Canada, referred to the ranscontinental Railway scandal before an audience of Ward Four Conservatives in Broadway Hall last night. "It is a debt." he declared. "that will take years of sweat from the brows of Canadians before it can be removed." In referring to the dis-closures contained in the recent re-port Mr. Meighen briefly ske ched the history of the Liberal railway policy. In 1904 when the Conservative for-In 1904 when the Conservative fortunes were at their lowest ebb, Sir
Wilfrid Laurier swept the country,
and R. L. Borden was defeated in
Halifax because he refused to endorse
the construction of the Moncton-Quebec end of the line, which the Liberal
leader under cook to build as a monument for himself, in emulation of the
late Sir John A. Macdonald,
Impress of Crime.

"After all," asked Mr. Meighen, "has
it proved to be such a monument as

it proved to be such a monument as you or I would care to have pressing down on our names before we are dead?" Everybody knew, he declared that the people had been misinformed as to the cost, but in this case the sentation was so gross as to bear the impress of crime and it stamped Sir Wilfrid and his late cabi-net as the blackest of political trans-

The reasons for the frantic Liberal effort to bring on a general election at the last session of parliament became apparent with the publication of the report and the revelations of graft it contained.

The Naval Issue.

Mr. Meighen devoted considerable time to the navy question, and he predicted that the next general election might hinge on that great issue. As a member of the government he declared that the Borden policy when clared that the Borden policy when it was ready to become law would adhere to every precept of every line of the resolution of 1909. The unity of control advocated by Selborne in 1902 and Churchill in 1907 would be preserved and every dollar spent for naval defence by the Dominion treasury would be added to the strength and might of steel that protects the empire and all its parts.

Within the Empire.

He emphasized the obligation on Canada to contribute towards imperial defence, the fact that there could be no empire without common concerns

Ville's story of the kill of William S. Benton, told to the reporters here cial statement given out Saturday.

Villa insisted that Benton came to no empire without common concerns and interests and the further considand interests and the further consideration that any possible enemies of Canada occupied the same position with regard to the empire as a whole Canadians must, he declared, so arrange the defence policy as to keep in mind that they were never to be an independent kingdom, but a growing and co-ordinate part of the British Empire.

mission concerning the welfare of his ranch as a pretext to gain admittance. According to Villa, Benton after the verdict of the court-martial confessed his guilt and declined to ask for mercy. He merely requested that his property be turned over to his widow.

Popularity of Martin Harvey.

President W. H. Smith was in the chair and Mr. Meighen was introduced by Miles Vokes. Mr. Meighen's remarks were frequently interrupted by enthusiastic applause, and he was cheered as he left the hall to catch the Ottawa train.

Popularity of Martin Harvey.

The crowded house that greeted Mr. Martin Harvey in "The Breed of the Princess Theatre last night and the complete sell-out for tonight's bill, "The Only Way," is ample evidence of the noted actor's popularity hereabouts.

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Senate Reading Rooms 15 an 14 What the City Council Did In a Ten-Hour Session

Approved a purchasing department.

Granted \$10,000 to the Mendelssohn Choir. Appointed T. J. Henry chief inspector of electrical

installations. Adopted the objection to the proposed allotment of Consumers' Gas Company's capital stock.

Decided to spend \$117,-000 for a temporary bridge at Bathurst street, to pro-

N.T.R. Needs \$18,000.000

OTTAWA: Feb. 28.—(Special.)—At the question hour in the house this afternoon, Hon. Frank Cochrane stated that the cost of the National Transcon-

tinental up till Jan. 1, was \$140,562,147, and that \$18,296,786

more would be required for its completion, including car shops

victed, Said Villa, Whose

Story Agreed With Offi-

cial Statement.

CHIHUAHUA, Mex. Feb. 28 .- Gen.

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take his life and referred to Benton's

Popularity of Martin Harvey.

WHAT WILL HE DO WITH IT?

PUBLIC NOT UNDULY GENEROUS

IN SUBSIDIES GRANTED TO C. N. R.

MACKENZIE DEFENDS POSITION

vide an eastern entrance to Exhibition Park this year. Gave R. T. Coady a retiring allowance of \$16,000.

Promoted John Patterson to city treasurer and A. E. Black to deputy city treasurer. Referred back the recom-

mended annexation of the area between Ossington avenue and North Toronto, extending north to Egl. ton avenue.

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Zsh Subvention Only Six

Per Cent. of Cost of Road

and Land Grants Greatly

Exaggerated-Other Enter-

prises Financed Entirely Out

OTTAWA, Feb. 23 .- Sir William

Mackenzie has issued the following

statement on the C. N. R. system and

"That the C. N. R. system has been

subsidized in excess of its legitimate

equirements, and that moneys voted

the case frankly.

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its relation to public assistance:

of Private Resources.

Consul Sent to El Paso

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23-

The British embassy announced late today that Charles Alexander Spencer Perceval, the British consul at Galveston, Tex. has been ordered to El Paso to confer there with British subjects concerning

Body Not Yet Surrendered Despite Insistent Demand -Bauch a Prisoner at Chihuahua.

EL PASO, Feb. 23 .- The request of he state department for the body of Wm. S. Benton, made last Saturday, has met with no response today George C. Carothers of the consular service visited Juarez today looking for a reply, but none had come.

Americans at last obtained a version believed to be true. It was that Villa into the back yard, where the rebel general presently followed, and fired

by parliament to the C. N. R. Co. have been diverted by Messrs. Macthe fatal shot or shots himself. kenzie, Mann & Co. for their own Mr. Carothers learned that Gustav private purposes, are charges that Bauch the German-American being had been demonstrated beyond perhave been made in the public press tried by the rebels as a spy, still is These statements have been previous- safe at Chihuahua and received re-Confessed Guilt When Con- is expressed privately, and the newsnewed assurances that he could not be s are now only putting into is said to have given the only damagprint ideas which have been repeated ing testimony against himself. Rebel. in Canada for some years. I propose friends testified as to his apparent matters, giving the official figures of court that he had been running an enharmlessness Bauch told the military gine for the federals between C. P. "There are few false statements Diaz and Monclova carried a pass made without some basis of truth, from the federal government and had and few misrepresentations which many friends among the Huertistas. have not had a more or less supposedly legitimate origin. The figures the fifteen rejected American soldiers

hat have been quoted in the public will be returned from Chihuahua . It press as to the bonds guaranteed and is hoped that among them will be subsidies granted to the C. N. R. are, found at least some of the foreigners as a rule taken from the official his reported missing, Harry Compton. as a rule, taken from the official blue Roger Laurence and a man named nooks of the Dominion of Canada. Curtis-One would naturally expect to find in these figures an exact account of

President Wilson Fully Realizes Grave Responsibility in Dealing Wth Mexico's Affairs.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Regardless to the large increase in the army of whether or not the execution of Wm. S. Benton, a British subject, by Gen. Stead of two as formerly. WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Regardless Villa was justified, today's develop-ments emphasized clearly that protec-the public in the subject under disments emphasized clearly that protection of foreigners in Mexico had become garded as the most critical one which a commanding problem of increased the government has had to face. international importance, appreciated no less by President Wilson than by leaders in congress. Briefly these were

the day's developments: After a conference with President Wilson, Acting Chairman Shively of the senate foreign relations committee, and nembers of the committee reached an understanding that the Mexic n question, if taken up in the senate, should

CONSTRUCTION TO BE RUSHED Hon. Robert Rogers' Announcement Greeted With Great Applause - Laurier Objected to Appointing Another Commission, But Was

Told Government Should

Have Final Report.

remarkal (a The Tomonto World) OTTAWA, Feb. 23 .- The support ers of the Georgian Bay Canal were greatly encouraged by the debate in he subject came before the house he government in favor of the im- newspapers. ingineering and commercial feasihe government to construct the

was warmly supported by Mr. Devof the killing of Benton which they lin, the Liberal member for Wright, y Mr. Lamarche, the Conservative knocked Benton down, and then had member for Nicolet, and Mr. White,

> Will Appoint Commission. Hon. Mr. Logers acciaied that the engineering feasibility of the project disturbed regions. adventure, and as to that aspect of ward Grey said: the case no commission was neces-

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Vote of Confidence Adopted on Issue Raised of Epidemic in Army Ranks.

PARIS, Feb. 23 .- The French Chamber of Deputies today adopted by 285 government, based on an interpellaon by the Socialists on the state of ealth of the French troops. From reached the war office of widespread to concur. epidemics of measles, scarlatina and cerebral spinal meningitis, which in many cases had been fatal. The chamber ordered the continuation of enquiry into the sanitation of the barracks to be carried out by the com-mission of health appointed by the government. It was pointed out that the barracks were overcrowded owing

expenditures.

tion, if taken up in the senate, should be discussed behind closed doors. Fending resolutions looking to better protection for foreigners soon will be taken up by the senate.

Amendments to Existing Statute.

TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS

AS CONSCIENCE MONEY

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—(Special).—
Hindstins were received thru semi-official channels that marines would be landed by Japan and France to act as legation guards in Mexico City along with those of Great Britain and Germany.

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TELLER WAS TOO CLEVER

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Committee to Consider

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OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—(Special).—
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Sir Edward Grey, in Defining Position, Inspired Cheers by I claration That Villa's Actions Would Probably Stir Europe Seriously - U.S. Not Blamed.

LONDON, Feb. 23. - The British parliament and press have been stirred purchase of a site for the new Montthe house this evening and the an- by the recent killing of William S. Ben- real barracks at Lachine, took occacouncement of government policy on, a British subject, by order of the sion to say that he would probably which it elicited from Hon. Robert Mexican Constitutionalist general, have occasion, after examining the paogers, minister of public works. Francisco Villa, at Juarez, and today pers, to make a charge against the the question of protection for British minister of militia and defence, and to the subject came before the house interests and for Englishmen reside demand a drastic investigation. Within the petitions and representations reeived during the past two years by of commons and the columns of the declared that the militia department

but the debate turned upon the for foreign affairs, outlined the atti- than twice what the land was really tude of the British Government, and Worth. bility of the work and the duty of the nature of the communications which the British ambassador at Washington dleman was a Montrealer named Rohad had with the government of the den, who made over a hundred per cent. same as a great national undertak- United States. He said that Sir Cecil profit in his deal with the government. Spring-Rice had told Secretary of State A portion of the land had been pur-Sir Wilfrid Laurier declared him- Bryan that the public of Europe was chased by Roden only 16 days before self in favor of the canal, and thought likely to be seriously affected by the its transfer to the government, he time had gone by for any more action of General Villa, which ancommissions, and in this position he nouncement was greeted by the mem- action and invited the fullest investibers with a cheer.

Britain is Powerless. house that the government was taking pointed out that the government was powerless to take any measures in the

Referring to Benton's death, Sir Ed-"Before this incident occurred the Mr. Lemieux in opening said that

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Resolution Passed Asking That Contribution to the Party Funds Be Barred as Influence.

LONDON, Feb. 23 .- The house of Lords today unanimously adopted a against 25 a vote of confidence in the motion by the Earl of Selborne that contributions to party funds should not be considered in awarding honors. numbers of garrisons reports had The house of commons will be asked

Viscount Milner, the Marquis of Lansdowne and other notable Unionists supported the motion.

The Marquis of Crewe formally denied that the present government had been influenced by money considerations in recommending to the king those upon whom titles were to be conferred.

Baron Charnwood said that while election expenses were on such a lavish scale party managers would be under dire pressure to replenish the war chests. Lord Milner said that the clouds of

nonors synchronized with the periods in which the government of the day was in want of funds. Several of the speakers advocated publicity for all party donations and

TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS

his bo rding h use last evening.

According to the police S.rong attempted to cash a \$41 cheque, to which he had forged the name of "Stratton" in favor of George Wilson, at the College and Spadina branch of the Northern Crown Bank vesterday afternoon. The teller detected the forgery and refused payment. Detective Cronin was placed on the case and within half ah hour had landed his man.

Detective Cronin at he house that such would be done.

Mr. Doherty's resolution provides fashionable garment you can wear if you are to accept the exclusive dresses of the cold climate cities of the world Dineen's are showing some new coon coats, regular \$75, reduced to \$55, \$100 reduced to \$75, and regular \$120 for \$90. See us today. The W. and D. Dineen Co., 140 Yonge street, corner Temperance street.

Hon. Sam Hughes Denied That Excessive Price Was Paid for Montreal Barracks Site - Seller Alleged to Have Made Big Clean-Up.

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, in moving today for the papers in connection with the had purchased an inconvenient and mediate construction of the canal, Sir Edward Grey, secretary of state undesirable site, and had paid more

According to his statement, the mid-

Col. Sam Hughes defended the transgation. He took occasion to criticize the purchase of the Farnham camp in The foreign secretary assured the the eastern townships by the late government, which, he said, had been wo of his men take the Scotchman the Conservative member for North the back yard, where the rebel Renfrew member for North the Benton case, and to secure full protection for its nationals in Mexico, but eral members of parliament. He also declared that the Laurier government had ceded real estate in the City of Montreal valued at \$55,000,000 for the nominal consideration of \$200,000.

Cleaned Up \$96,000. Government a few years ago had transferred St. Helen's Island to the City of Mon real for \$200,000. which money was to be expended in the construction of barracks upon property belonging to the Dominion at ongueuil. However, nothing was done toward the construction of the barracks and after the present government came into power, to wit, in June, 1912, another site for the barracks was purchased at Lachine for \$180,000, or about \$1232 an acre.

The property was purchased from a man named Roden. Roden. according to Mr. Lemieux, had purchased two tracts of land in order to make up the acreage which he sold to the

(Continued on Page 2, Col. 5) STILL PUTTIN' DOWN TH' REBEL.



Jaff: Is that ye, John? Fa's bitin' ye th'

day?

John: Billy won't lay down an' let us take Donlan's from him.

Jaft: Fatna says he?

John: That if it's to be a Inkerment tax he wants it to be all round—not for farmers an' roos, only. He wants you an' me to pay our share—

Jan: God save us frae sic a face o' brass!