

DEBATE ON ADDRESS STARTS IN LIVELY

Sir Wilfrid Laurier in Fighting Trim

Counters Neatly on R. L. Borden's Criticism of Naval Policy

Declares the Bye-Election in Arthabaska Was Won by Most Dastardly Tactics—Says Reciprocity is the Most Important Question Now.

Special to The Telegraph. Ottawa, Nov. 21.—The debate on the address began in the commons today. Mr. McGovern, of Ottawa, moved the address and Mr. Lapointe, of Kamouraska, seconded it, speaking in French. Both made good speeches and cleared the way for guns of bigger calibre.

The leader of the opposition followed and showed flashes of actual fire at the opening but soon got lost in a maze of quotations. Mr. Borden charged that on his western trip Sir Wilfrid had made promises of public works which amounted to virtual bribes to the electors for their votes.

Mr. Borden charged that on his western trip Sir Wilfrid had made promises of public works which amounted to virtual bribes to the electors for their votes. He had a good deal of sympathy with the view, that since we are doing so well why should we desire to do more?

There had recently been an election in Drummond and Arthabaska, and he thought that the prime minister was now sorry he had not listened to the Conservative advice of last year, that before committing this country to any scheme, he should first ascertain the views of the electors of the empire, there should be an appeal to the people. That was the policy of the opposition last year and today.

Mr. Fielding, Sir Wilfrid said this only showed the short-sightedness of Mr. Foster. For no man could believe that the whole of the eight million people of Canada objected to being given access to the great market to the south which was afforded by a consuming population of 90,000,000 people.

OPEN VERDICT IN DIGBY MURDER

Axe That Killed Edward McGregor Found Near Body of Victim

OWNER IDENTIFIES IT

Belonged to Suspected Murderer's Brother—Sister and Mother of the Prisoner on the Stand—Doctors Testify That the Wound on Head Caused Instant Death.

Special to The Telegraph. Digby, N. S., Nov. 21.—The coroner's inquest on the body of Edward McGregor was resumed at 10 o'clock this morning, the coroner being assisted in the work by Crown Prosecutor H. L. Dennison, K. C. Several witnesses were examined this morning, including Dr. Jones, and Dr. Morse.

Both medical men had carefully examined the decomposed body. They found no bones broken about the body. The scalp and skull contained a cut on the back of the head, completely through the bones of the skull, about four inches long, and on the left side of the head a hole two and a half by one and one half inches, an irregular oblong, such a hole as would be made by the head of an axe.

The chancellor was in excellent form, his wit as biting as ever, and the huge hall where he spoke was filled with an enthusiastic crowd. Referring to the Tories' sarcasm about John Redmond as the "dollar dictator," Lloyd George remarked that they bogged the last time was a German invasion.

In regard to the constitutional issue, he said, no country in the world would stand the British second chamber. It was like a car, running a horse car and electric car on the same track.

The "Aristocracy" in the Colonies. The chancellor took his hearers to the overseas dominions in search of a similar institution. In imagination he interviewed the Australian and inquired if they had anything like the descendant of the French filibusters in Britain.

Lords Present Their Case. London, Nov. 21.—The lords presented their case to the country in the coming electoral struggle, a case which John E. Redmond, leader of the Nationalists, in a speech at Islington tonight, characterized as "metaphorically" committing suicide as fast as possible.

Lansdowne's Resolutions. It is desirable that provision be made for settling differences that may arise between the house of commons and this house as respects the reduction in number in accordance with the recent resolutions of this house.

LLOYD-GEORGE RAPS PEERS UNMERCIFULLY

Likens Them to Bushrangers of Australia, Who Were Hanged Before They Had a Chance to Raise Families, and to the Indians of Canada, Who Did Nothing But Hunt and Shoot, and Are Kept on Reservations to Keep Them Out of Mischief—Lansdowne's Resolutions to Reform Lords.



MEXICAN UPRISING GAINING GROUND

Rebels Reported to Have Captured Two Towns—U. S. Troops Rushed on Special Train to Guard Border—Yaqui Indians Said to Have Joined Insurgents.

Associated Press. Laredo, Texas, Nov. 21.—The situation in Mexico appears to be serious tonight. For the first time in the fifteen years of operation, the leased wire of the Associated Press from Laredo to Monterey and Mexico City was commandeered tonight by the Mexican government on the plea of military need.

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 21.—It is reliably reported here that Francisco I. Madero crossed the Mexican border Sunday morning, sixteen miles below Eagle Pass. He is now said to be engaged in mobilizing a force on land owned by his father, near Allende. The Mexican officials have sent strong detachments of cavalry to effect his capture. It is reported but not confirmed, that the rebels have captured Guerrero, 40 miles below Ciudad Portillo Diaz, and that a regiment of government troops has been sent from Monolova to surround the town.

San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 21.—Troops of the Third U. S. Cavalry, Captain Arthur Thayer in command, left here tonight in a special train for Del Rio. The troop is equipped for a stay of a month in the field. It is said that other troops will be sent from Fort Sam Houston within a day or two, to do duty along the Mexican border.

Mexico City, Nov. 21.—Gomez Palacio, a town of 7,000 inhabitants and the junction point on the railroad near Torreon, is said tonight to be in the hands of revolutionaries.

KING'S GREETINGS TO CANADA'S PREMIER

Ottawa, Nov. 21.—(Special.) The message King George sent to Sir Wilfrid Laurier yesterday is as follows:—" Windsor, Nov. 20, 1910.—Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, K.C. M. G., Ottawa:—Please accept my sincere congratulations on your seventieth birthday. May you be blessed with many more years of health and prosperity.

Graham-White Takes Boston Society Girl for Another Flight. Philadelphia, Nov. 21.—Miss Eleanor Sears, of Boston, and Miss Violet Hild, well known in society here and in New York, were passengers of Claude Graham-White in his Farman biplane in flights made today at the meet of the Aero Club of Pennsylvania.

TWO GET-RICH-QUICK CONCERNS RAIDED

CHEERY REPORTS FOR PARLIAMENT

Blue Books Tell Story of Canada's Progress in Past Year

FISHERIES GAIN

Government's Action re Express Charges Drives American Fish from Upper Canadian Markets—Fire Insurance Companies Had a Prosperous Year—All the Reports Ready.

Special to The Telegraph. Ottawa, Nov. 21.—A number of annual reports in blue-book form were laid before parliament today. There were the reports of the auditor general, the superintendent of insurance, department of marine, department of fisheries, the secretary of state and the militia council. They are the last of the blue-books. Parliament has now every annual report, a thing which never occurred before.

The auditor general's report is in two volumes and with them the commons will be able to take up work after the debate on the address is ended. The auditor general reports there were no treasury board overhauls. The investigation of the printer's bureau he said showed that certain officials were not trustworthy and that the artificers furnished the audit office as to the cost of their work.

The death rate per thousand last year was 10,260, as compared with 10,154 in 1908. The total premium income last year was \$20,500,000 and the total amount paid to policy holders was \$16,382,135. For every hundred dollars in premiums received there was paid to policy holders \$49.19, leaving \$50.81 to be carried for reserve expense and profit.

Marine Report. According to the marine department blue book the total number of vessels on the register of Canada at the close of last year was 7,782, measuring 718,332 tons, an increase of 166 vessels and 16,229 tons, as compared with 1908.

The total value of the net registered tonnage of Canada is estimated at \$21,556,580. The value of new vessels built during the year is estimated at \$1,138,770. The number of Canadian vessels wrecked in foreign waters and foreign vessels wrecked in Canadian waters was, respectively, 71 totally and 221 partly wrecked, involving the loss of thirteen lives and \$770,383. On the inland waters 13 vessels were totally and 38 partly wrecked. The loss was \$390,383, and eleven lives were lost.

Fisheries Report. The annual report of the fisheries department shows that the total value of all kinds of fish and fish products taken by Canadian fishermen during the last fiscal year was \$20,629,109. This sum constitutes a record, being \$4,178,084 ahead of 1908 and \$189,907 better than the total of 1905, which was the previous record. The great increase in value is due to increased catches in the western provinces, British Columbia alone contributing nearly \$4,000,000 of the increase.

The total number of men directly engaged in the work of the fisheries throughout Canada last year was 90,357. According to the annual report of the secretary of state the total number of charters and supplementary letters patent for federally incorporated companies was 483, representing a total capitalization of \$348,377,800, nearly double the figures for the preceding year, and far in the excess of the record of any previous year.

During the year naturalization papers were taken out by 16,350 aliens, who have come to live in Canada. Of these, 7,306 were Americans, 1,944 Russians, 1,388 Austrians, 886 Italians, 623 Swedes and 512 Grecians.

Gigantic Frauds Are Charged

Continental Wireless Co. and Burr Brothers Closed Up

Postmaster-General Says They Have Fleeced Public Out of Nearly \$50,000,000, and That "Easy Marks" Have Lost \$100,000,000 in a Few Years.

Associated Press. New York, Nov. 21.—In a raid so important that Postmaster-General Hitchcock himself took charge, his inspectors fell on two concerns today which they charge with swindling the public out of more than \$40,000,000 by fraudulent use of the mails. Sheldon H. Burr, president of Burr Brothers; Eugene H. Burr, secretary and treasurer of the firm, and Frank H. Toley, its vice-president, were arrested in the first raid and held in \$20,000 bail each. The government charges that the firm sold between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000 in mining and oil stocks worth little or nothing. Charles L. Laughan, a director of the Continental Wireless Telegraph & Telephone Company, in incorporated in Arizona, was taken in the second raid and held in \$10,000 bail. Inspectors charge the company has sold stock to the public at a price of at least \$1,000,000 which has not yet returned to the investors.

The present campaign of the government against persons whom it accuses of fraudulent use of the mails began some months ago, and resulted in the arrest of Louis Cella and his associates, charged with operating a string of bucket shops; the officers of the United Wireless Company, the El Progresso Banana Company, the United Exchange of Chicago, the Steele Miller cotton gin, the president of the United States, and more than sixty other cases in all parts of the country.

Fleeced Out of \$100,000,000. Postmaster-General Hitchcock estimates that the public has been fleeced out of at least \$100,000,000 by get-rich-quick concerns in the last five years, but he says their hey-day has gone. The post office department is under the impression that it is time to prosecute them assiduously and Postmaster-General Hitchcock said today that other arrests, involving corporations that have sought investors in the United States, are being made as rapidly as possible. His statement follows:

"The arrest today by post office inspectors of the principals in two important companies, the United Wireless Company, the Flatiron building, and the Continental Wireless Company, with headquarters at 50 Pine street, constitute two more cases in the series of investigation that the post office department has been making against their crusade against the fraudulent use of the United States mails.

"With the work accomplished today, seventy-eight such cases have been brought to a head during the year. It is estimated that the swindling operations of these seventy-eight cases have filched from the American people, in a period of five years, more than \$100,000,000. The crusade now in progress is the result of a carefully laid plan of some months ago, the first step in which was a thorough reorganization of the inspection service with the selection of new chief inspectors and certain changes and re-assignments in the force of inspectors in charge of fifteen inspection divisions. As soon as the reorganization was effected, instructions were issued to the newly assigned inspectors in charge to take up and prosecute vigorously all pending cases of frauds against the mails. Owing to the extent of these cases, and the large amount of work involved, it was necessary to detail a considerable portion of the force of post office inspectors. The best men in the service were selected for this work and were sent to their tasks with the assurance that the department at Washington would back them up to the fullest extent.

"In order to strike at the root of this evil, the department directed its agents to go after the swindlers, rather than the gullible. Schemes to defraud and to allow no influence, however powerful, to prevent the proper punishment of the offenders. Through the assistance of the attorney-general, the full cooperation of his department was secured in the successful carrying out of this crusade.

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THE CAUSE OF TUBERCULOSIS IN CHILDREN

New York, Nov. 21.—Fully one-half the children who contract tuberculosis do so because they are cared for by tuberculosis adults. Dr. Woods Hutchinson and Dr. W. H. Park made this assertion today in arguing before the committee on congestion of population for consumption hospitals and camps. The total outlay for New York city they estimated would be \$20,000,000 the first year.

AUTHOR OF PLAN TO REFORM LORDS

LORD ROSEBERY



Lord Rosebery figures very prominently now in the press. English nobility and the House of lords accepted his resignation.

Lord Rosebery is the author of the plan for the reform of the hereditary peers and nomination by the crown.

ROYAL BANK STOCK NOW ON TWELVE PER CENT BASIS

Montreal, Nov. 21.—Directors of the Royal Bank of Canada today declared a dividend at the increased rate of 12 per cent per annum. For some time the bank rate has been 11 per cent.