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THE BORDEN AMENDMENT

R. L. Borden, in a Carefully Given Address, Shows That Liberal Government Has Failed to Protect Canada's Interests in Oriental Immigration.

FISHER DENIES EXISTENCE OF "ASSURANCE" OF 1903

OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—(Special).—In a lengthy contribution to the discussion on the oriental immigration question, R. L. Borden this afternoon declared that the government had absolutely disregarded the warnings of the secretary of the British colonies to secure a protocol to the British Japanese treaty on the lines of Queensland, which would retain the control of the immigration of laborers from Japan.

It had been left to Japan, Mr. Borden contended, to do what Canada should do—regulate the number of those who should be allowed to enter this country. Sir Wilfrid Laurier declared Mr. Borden's motion clearly defined the difference in the policies of the two parties. If Japan failed to abide by the understanding Canada, as a "last resource" could put an end to the commercial treaty.

Mr. Borden declared that in 1903 and 1906, at critical times, the statement of the minister of agriculture arose and declared that he was unable to find any such document in his files and that it did not exist. Mr. Foster gravely reminded him that in 1903 and 1906, at critical times, the statement of the minister of agriculture had been allowed to pass uncorrected.

Beginning of the Debate. Mr. Borden, in giving an account of his mission to Japan, had taken occasion to justify the good faith of that government, and with his remarks in that regard he was bound to concur. The government of Japan was not asked to accompany the treaty with any stipulation which would leave the control of immigration in the hands of the government of the Dominion. The government of Canada had accepted the treaty, giving full liberty to citizens of Japan to enter and travel in this country.

Mr. Borden referred to the correspondence with respect to the ratification of the treaty, and stated that Canada had been warned by the British authorities of the necessity of Canada restricting, suspending or prohibiting the immigration of Japanese. It was urged that there should be a protocol inserted retaining control over the immigration, similar to that inserted in the United States treaty.

SEMPATORS VOTED TO MAKE RAILWAYS STATE WHY FOR GENERAL ADVANTAGE OF CANADA.

OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—(Special).—The clash of authority between the federal and provincial governments in respect to the incorporation of railway companies, declared to be for the general advantage of Canada, was discussed in the senate to-day on Senator Comeau's resolution to change the rules so that when the committee reported a bill containing such a declaration, the grounds should be stated.

Secretary of State Scott favored the motion. Those seeking legislation had secured under more and more the powers of the provinces. The senate would do itself honor and serve one of the purposes for which it was devised by seeing that the bill is allowed to go thru in future which infringed upon legislative right of any province.

Senator Power was of the opinion that the rules proposed for what the motion sought to accomplish. The motion would require the reporting of practical reasons to the committee. Bills Lobbied Thru. Secretary of State Scott asked if any man could remember of the senate having given reasons for any bill being declared for the purpose of Canada.

Canadian government would restrict Japanese immigration to Canada, and he had the consent of Japan to the insertion of a protocol containing a treaty on the terms agreed to by Japan, and he addressed a despatch to the governor-general on July 14, 1905, stating the substance of this.

On July 15, 1906, after the change of government, Colonial Secretary Chamberlain asked the Canadian government if it was willing to adhere to the treaty on the terms agreed to by Japan, and Sir Richard Cartwright reported to the cabinet his adherence to the treaty.

When the question became serious. On Jan. 25, 1907, the government affirmed the same reasons as before for refusing. The question of Japanese immigration into British Columbia became a matter of serious concern to the British Columbia Government set out between Jan. 1 and April 30 1909 Japanese had landed in Victoria and Japan cover.

By a speech of Hon. Sydney Fisher, it was learned that the government had absolutely abandoned any intention of restricting in any way against Japanese laborers, and that Canada was prepared to accede absolutely to a treaty with Japan.

THE ICE LOOKED DANGEROUS



SO CZAR LAURIER RETRACES HIS STEPS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—With no attempt on the part of the state to claim with scientific testimony the claim of insanity urged in behalf of Harry K. Thaw, the taking of evidence in the second hearing of the famous Madison Square Garden murder trial ended today.

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CUT IN LICENSES NOT ALL FOR THE BEST

Action of Council is Severely Criticized as Being Arbitrary. The decision of the city council to order the reduction of the city licenses to 110 was a big surprise to Toronto generally. Few there were who believed that the aldermen would pass upon such an important question in such a hurried manner and without some attempt to secure accurate information on which to base their action.

Col. Davidson Disapproves. "I think it is hardly desirable, justifiable or just," said Lieut.-Col. J. I. Davidson, a former license commissioner, last night in candid comment upon the action of the city council in overruling the decision of the aldermen on the license reduction issue.

Should Have Been Voted On. J. W. Flavell, another former commissioner, declined to express an opinion. His paper, the News, says editorially: "It is to be regretted that the question was not raised during the municipal elections, and in view of the adverse popular vote of two years ago, it was natural to expect that the proposal would be submitted to the people before it came to the council for their consideration to take effect. On the other hand, the council acted entirely within its authority, and it is only in view of the course taken in a previous year that its proceeding can be challenged."

Prof. Goldwin Smith, when asked for an expression of opinion concerning the reduction of licenses, said: "The sudden cutting down of the number of hotels in the city seems to me, I confess, an arbitrary act. Such sweeping measures are hardly fair. Has it been shown that the hotel licenses which are to be withdrawn have been guilty of encouraging intemperance, or that there has been anything objectionable in their management? If this has been proved, let justice by all means take its course, but with due discrimination."

REPORT MAYOR DEFEATED. MONTREAL, Jan. 28.—(Special).—The so-called reform mayor of St. Louis de Mile End, Mr. Gelinais, was defeated to-day by Mr. Turcotte by 275.

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CANADIAN YOUTH CONFESSES TO MURDER

DETROIT, Jan. 28.—(Special).—Fercy Boyne, a youth of Woodville, Ont., tonight confessed to murdering Mr. Cornelia Welch, who was found dead in her home in this city on Jan. 7. Boyne was arrested in Woodville on Jan. 17, and brought to Detroit, where he was locked up. Since then the police have dragged her body into her bedroom and tied her hands and feet, torn her diamond earrings out of her ears, scattered the house, stole \$14 in money and escaped.

He went to Buffalo, where he sold the earrings, and then went to his home in Woodville, where he was arrested. Altho Mrs. Welch was murdered, according to Boyne's confession, on Jan. 7, her body was not found until Jan. 17.

CLAIMS AGENT INTO CABINET

Premier Robinson Takes in Edmund H. Allen. FREDERICTON, Jan. 28.—(Special).—Premier Robinson has announced that he has offered Edmund H. Allen, the former minister of railways, the portfolio of provincial secretary. Mr. Allen has accepted, and to-night forwarded the minister of railways his resignation. He will head the government ticket in York County.

A MILLION DOLLAR FIRE

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—A million dollar fire occurred at 144 Wabash-avenue to-night. The heaviest losers are: Alfred Peate and Company, \$250,000; John A. Colby & Sons, \$200,000; Edson, Keith & Co., \$100,000; Page Bros., \$25,000; Theodore Ascher Company, \$25,000.

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NEW COUNTY WARDENS, THAW TRIAL NEAR AN END

BRANT—A deadlock. BRUCE—H. Hiker, Fort Elgin. CARLETON—Reeve, W. J. Armitage, Toronto. ESSEX—E. J. O'Neill, Sandwich. FRONTENAC—John Foley, reeve of Howe Island. GREY—R. J. Ball, reeve of Hanover. KENT—George John, Bothwell. HALDIMAND—William Bain, reeve of St. Cayuga. HURON—Robert McLean, reeve of Goderich. HASTINGS—W. C. Farley, reeve of Thurlow. HALTON—J. McKibbin, Milton. LENOX AND ADDINGTON—C. W. Hambly, Napawan. LEEDS AND GRENVILLE—James B. McMureh, Gananoque. LINCOLN—Frank Lowrey of Niagara Township. LANARK—Ebbes, reeve of Drummondville. MIDDLESEX—D. Graham, Mosa. NORFOLK—G. Walker, reeve of Houghton. ONTARIO—W. L. Parrish. PERTH—C. Hazenplus, reeve of Milverton. OXFORD—J. A. Fleming, reeve of North York. PRINCE EDWARD—Delos Spafford. PETERBORO—James Thompson, Havelock. SIMCOE—D. C. Barr, reeve of Colingwood. STORMONT, DUNDAS and GLEN GARRY—E. O. Callahan, Stormont. WENTWORTH—Dr. R. M. Mason, reeve of Fenelon Falls. WATERLOO—Dr. R. J. Lockhart. WELLS—Major Donald Sharpe of Thorold Township. YORK—William Keith, reeve of Newmarket.

CZAR STARTS SUIT IN CANADA

WINNIPEG, Jan. 28.—(Special).—One of the most extraordinary law suits that has been instituted in Manitoba has been commenced in the prothonotary's office in Winnipeg. The plaintiff is a man at whose name 14,000,000 persons tremble, for he is no less a personage than the Czar.

HIGHER SALARIES FOR MANITOBA'S MEMBERS

Sessional Indemnity Will Be Increased From \$400 to \$1000—Ministry Also. WINNIPEG, Jan. 28.—(Special).—It is proposed in parliamentary circles that the cabinet ministers' salaries and members' sessional indemnity be raised all around. The proposal meets with unanimous approval on both sides of the house. The premier's salary will be raised from \$390 to \$620 a year, the other six ministers will be increased from \$270 to \$500 each per annum. At present even the four controllers of the City of Winnipeg receive a higher wage, \$400 per annum, than holders of provincial government portfolios. The other 23 members will be raised from \$400 a year to \$1000. A bill to this effect will come before the local house this week.

RYCE TO RESIGN?

Rumor From Berlin Says He Has That Intention. NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The Berlin correspondent of The Herald cables: "I hear that for a cause which I am unable to ascertain Mr. James Bryce has the intention of resigning his position as ambassador. A diplomat who said this morning, and who knows the conditions at Washington, prophesied in the event of Mr. Bryce going to resign, that the British minister to Persia, would surely be his successor; that is to say, if President Roosevelt's inclinations are in any way consulted."

PERCY BOYNE KICKED AGED WOMAN TO DEATH AND THEN STOLE JEWELRY

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BRITISH PREMIER IMPROVING

Gave Banquet to His Followers Last Night. LONDON, Jan. 28.—The condition of the premier, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, was improved to-day, and he was able to preside at a meeting of the cabinet council. He gave a banquet to-night to his followers, as is customary on the eve of the reassembling of parliament, but he did not risk attending the reception given by Lady Beauchamp in his behalf. He will still observe all precautions, but it is expected that he will be present at the state opening of parliament.

REFORM MAYOR DEFEATED

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