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Our Ottawa Letter

W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., would regulate Grain Prices—Sir James Aikins for Wider Markets—Soldiers' Boots were

(By The Guide Special Correspondent)

Ottawa, March 5.—The parliamentary week has closed with the budget discussion still in progress. The debate was side-tracked on Thursday owing to an acrimonious discussion developing in regard to certain statements made by Prof. Shortt, chairman of the Civil Service Commission, relating to dismissals. Not a great deal relating to dismissals. Not a great deal of interest centered in the speeches made. The discussion, however, produced a rare example of a member of parliament who does not appear to live in constant dread of his constituents. It was quite re-freshing on Tuesday night to hear E. W. Nesbitt, Liberal member for North Ox-ford, stand up and declare against the construction of a couple of public build-ings in his own constituency, althoubles construction of a couple of public buildings in his own constituency, altho they have been petitioned for by the two towns interested. Mr. Nesbitt was holding forth in protest against the large number of revotes for public buildings in Ontario when he was asked if he was opposed to the granting of these requests. When the average member is asked to condemn, any proposed expenditure in When the average member is asked to condemn any proposed expenditure in his riding, he usually "takes to the tall timbers." But not Mr. Nesbitt. "The construction of these buildings should not be proceeded with this year," he said. "When they are built the cost should be regulated by the amount of annual revenue collected." Someone made the usual remark that he would have a time justifying his position with his constituents, but Mr. Nesbitt does not think so, and he is probably right in assuming that they will be reasonable. Hou Wm. Pügsley was almost as "brave" in regard to a number of votes for his in regard to a number of votes for his own constituency of St. John. He said they had been in the estimates for years, that there was no likelihood of them being gone on with, and that they should be struck off the estimates.

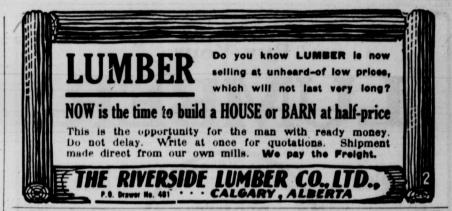
There is still speculation as to whether or not there are to be any amendments to Mr. White's budget proposals. It is understood that the Western Liberals are unanimously in favor of a declaration and vote against the increase in the British preference, but it is not known yet whether the more protectionist Eastern wing of the party will consent to a vote being taken.

Professor Shortt and Dismissals

The fight in the house over Prof. Shortt was due to the statement made by the chairman of the civil service commission that two thousand dismissed civil servants had been replaced by 10,000. Mr. Rogers characterized the assertion as "Dishonorable, dishonest and unfair." Prof. Shortt being responsible to parliament and not the government, Sir Wilfrid Laurier demanded that he should be given an opportunity to be heard. The request, was refused and several ministers. given an opportunity to be heard. The request was refused and several ministers said some very hard things about the chairman of the commission, charging him with partizanship, etc. Their chief complaint was that he had not made any allowance for resignations. Subsequent to the debate, Prof. Shortt, in a statement to the press, said he had based his remark upon a newspaper article which did not make any mention of resignations. He admitted that he had been indiscreet, but said that if the government could prove that he had been a partizan before an impartial tribunal he would resign his position. By a somewhat remarkable coincidence the government tabled a few minutes before the debate commenced an additional return showing 4,000 disan additional return showing 4,000 dismissals and 9,000 appointments in the post office department. Naturally this came as a welcome windfall to the opposition and was much quoted from during the course of the debate.

Cockshutt and Wheat Prices

W F Cockshutt, member for Brantford, got some hard knocks in the house on Monday, and not the least vigorous of them came from fellow Conservative members, more particularly Sir James Aikins, member for Brandon. The trouble for the member for Brantford arose over a resolution proposed by him setting forth that: "The circumstances arising forth that: "The circumstances arising out of the present war are such as to justify the government of Canada in exercising supreme control over the quantity and destiny of our food exports, thereby regulating the prices at which bread, meat and other food products



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