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The Fishery Award Fiasco.

In our last issue brief reference was made to the Provincial Government's collapse on the question of the Fishery Award. If there is one question more than another that Premier Peters loved to dilate upon, during the last session and previous to the last session, it was the Fishery Award. To this question was pinned, ostensibly at least, the Government's last shred of political hope; from this source, according to the Premier's story, were to come forth the sinews of war to rescue him and his Government from ignominious political disaster. From this he was to rake in the cash to cover up years of recklessness and mismanagement, and to reimburse a depleted Provincial exchequer.

In the speech with which the Lieutenant Governor opened the Legislative Session in 1903, we were informed that our claim on the share had received favorable consideration by the Dominion Government, and that the matter would be adjusted at an early date. In his budget speech of that same session the Leader of the Government gave expression to the bright hopes he entertained of receiving a large amount of money from that source. Indeed, he sought to convey the impression that the money was as good as secured, and the formality of voting it by the Federal Government was all that remained. The year passed, the usual deficit was duly recorded by the Government; but no offset from the Fishery Award found its way into the Provincial coffers. The money had not been secured, we were informed through the press that a case had been prepared for submission to the Supreme Court, and that it was but a matter of a short time till our case would be gained. In accordance with these announcements, the speech placed in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the session of 1904 contained a lengthy paragraph in reference to the matter. We were told, "the matter has received the favorable consideration of the Federal Government, and it has been arranged that a case shall be stated for the opinion of the Supreme Court of Canada, as to the rights of the Provinces interested in their share of the award."

It will be noticed that we are here emphatically informed that it HAD BEEN ARRANGED that a case should go to the Supreme Court. Not satisfied with this announcement, the Government placed in the speech, the further statement that this "vexed question" was thus to be finally disposed of. The speech went even further than that and anticipated the decision of the court, by declaring that from it would be secured "a large sum of money for the use of the Province." All will surely agree that these were very emphatic declarations, and such as should not surely be made by any Government or individual unless believed to be true. These announcements of the speech with which the session was opened were backed up by the emphatic declarations of the Leader of the Government during his budget speech. He went so far as to say: "That case is now before the Supreme Court of Canada." Having got the case before the Court, as above stated, he expressed his hope of a favorable verdict in the following language: "I have little doubt, and no lawyer in Canada has any doubt but that the Supreme Court will decide in our favor."

After giving to the country all these bright assurances of the successful issue of the case already before the Court, as he said, the Leader of the Government went to Ottawa simply to arrange a few formalities leading up to the paying over of the money by the Federal Government. But the result of his visit was the biggest surprise and disappointment the people of this Province have experienced for many a day. Not only was there no case before the Supreme Court; but no case could be brought before the Court. He was informed by the Minister of Justice that the Province had no legal claim to its share of the Fishery Award, and only legal questions could go before the Court. This burst d the bubble which Mr. Peters had been blowing regarding the settlement of our claim by the Supreme Court of Canada.

The whole case having collapsed so far as the Court is concerned, and the sophistry by means of which he had so long sought to deceive the people being exploded, Mr. Peters felt that something must be done to save him from the people's wrath. In this extremity he had recourse to the arbitration fiasco. Our readers will remember that Mr. Frederick Peters managed to deceive by this same arbitration farce in 1897. We were told that we would receive a million dollars as the result of arbitration, and we are now told we will receive a million and a quarter from the arbitration revamped by Mr. Arthur Peters. Does he think the people are prepared to be deceived again?

We deeply regret to be obliged to record the death of Mrs. Maurice Blake, which occurred at her home, Davenport, Malpeque Road, on Monday afternoon. She had been ill of pneumonia for some weeks, but had so far recovered as to be considered out of danger. About 4 o'clock on Monday afternoon, however, she took a sudden turn for the worse, and in a very short time succumbed to heart-failure. Deceased, maiden name Johannah Grimes, was a native of Charlottetown, and was only 52 years of age at her death. She was an amiable Christian lady, and as wife and mother was idolized by husband and children in their beautiful home at Davenport. A disconsolate husband and nine children are left to mourn. Her family of seven sons and two daughters were present at her demise, except Dr. John J. of Ballingham, Washington State, and Fred, of Sydney, C. B., the last named arrived last night in time to attend the funeral to-day. Mrs. Blake will be much missed in the community, as she was an active mover in every good work. She was a highly gifted vocalist, and a faithful member of the choir of St. Dunstan's Cathedral for years. Her funeral took place this forenoon to the Cathedral and thence to the cemetery on St. Peter's Road. It was very largely attended. Solemn high Mass of Requiem was celebrated, in presence of the Bishop, by Rev. Dr. Morrison, assisted by Rev. F. X. Gallant as deacon, and Rev. J. C. Lean, as sub-deacon. His Lordship the Bishop, in cope and mitre, occupied his throne, attended by Rev. A. P. McLellan and Rev. J. J. McDonald. The ceremonies were directed by Rev. Father McPherson. After Mass the *Liberia* was sung by the choir, and the absolution was given by his Lordship the Bishop. Mr. Blake and his family have the sympathy of the community in their sad bereavement. R. I. P.

St. Dunstan's College.

The annual Commencement exercises at St. Dunstan's College, yesterday afternoon were largely attended and were of a most interesting character. The exercises were excellently carried out in accordance with the following:

PROGRAMME.

- Chorus—See Our Own Feathered Spray—Sir J. Staronson, Glee Club. Vocal Solo—The Heavenly Song—Hamilton Gray, Master Eddie O'Toole. Alumni Prize—Social Side of College Life. Piano Duet—Emile Fischer, Messrs. C. Lawlor and B. Hennessy. Distribution of Medals—Special Prizes and Diplomas. Vocal Solo—The Heart Bowed Down from Bohemian Girl, Mr. Bernard Gillis. Valedictory—Mr. T. J. Eagleton. Address to Graduates—His Honor Judge Warburton. Chorus—Here In Cool Grod and Mosey Cell, Lord Mornington; Glee Club. God Save The King. Judge Warburton addressed the graduates and at the close excellent and appropriate addresses were delivered by the Rev. Rector, Dr. Curran, his Hon. Governor McIntyre, his Lordship, Bishop McDonald, Dr. Taylor and John A. Mathieson, M. L. A. After the closing exercises of the College, the annual meeting of the Alumni Association was held in the College Library. The officers for the ensuing year were elected and other business was transacted. The annual banquet intended to have been held last night was cancelled in consequence of the death of Mrs. Blake. Following is the PRIZE LIST.

- PHILOSOPHY. Class I. 1st, A. D. McLennan, 2nd, Wm. Verge; 1st, ac, T. J. Eagleton, 2nd, Julius Poisson. Class II. 1st, Wm. F. King, 2nd, John A. McDonald; 1st, ac, R. J. McDonald, 2nd, S. J. McDonald. PHYSICS. Class I. 1st, W. F. King; 2nd, W. Verge; 1st, ac, J. Poisson; 2nd, S. J. McDonald. Class II. 1st, A. E. McCarvill; 2nd, W. E. Williams; 1st, ac, Jas. Daly; 2nd, J. A. Murphy. Class III. 1st, L. Smith; 2nd, D. S. McLennan; 1st, ac, A. P. Moan; 2nd, D. J. Smith. SCIENCE. CHEMISTRY. Class I. 1st, J. Daly and P. F. McDonald, 2nd, Jas. Murphy; 1st, ac, W. E. Williams, 2nd, J. P. Poirier. AGRICULTURE. 1st, P. F. McDonald, 2nd, L. Smith; 1st, ac, D. S. McLennan, 2nd, W. Croken. PHYSIOLOGY. 1st, L. Smith, 2nd, D. S. McLennan; 1st, ac, A. P. Moan, 2nd, A. Deagle. BOTANY. 1st, P. F. McDonald, 2nd, L. Smith; 1st, ac, Joseph Daley, 2nd, W. Croken.

- MATHEMATICS. TRIGONOMETRY. 1st, Jas. Daly, 2nd, W. E. Williams; 1st, ac, P. F. McDonald, 2nd, J. Murphy. GEOMETRY. Class I. 1st, P. F. McDonald, 2nd, W. E. Williams; 1st, ac, J. R. Murphy, 2nd, Jos. Doyle. Class II. 1st, L. Smith, 2nd, A. P. Moan; 1st, ac, D. J. Smith, 2nd, H. McDonald. Class III. 1st, Eugene Cauchon, 2nd, J. C. Leonard; 1st, ac, J. A. McDonald, 2nd, H. McKenna. ALGEBRA. Class I. 1st, P. F. McDonald, 2nd, W. E. Williams; 1st, ac, J. Daly, 2nd, J. Murphy. Class II. 1st, A. P. Moan, 2nd, D. J. Smith; 1st, ac, L. Smith, 2nd, L. McDougall. Class III. 1st, B. Hennessy; 2nd, H. McKenna; 1st, ac, E. McDonald; 2nd, J. A. McDonald. ARITHMETIC. 1st, L. Smith, 2nd, D. J. Smith; 1st, ac, W. Croken; 2nd, A. P. Moan. Class II. 1st, J. C. Leonard; 2nd, H. McKenna; 1st, ac, E. McDonald and J. A. McDonald; 2nd, E. Hennessy. Commercial. 1st, P. Murphy; 2nd, G. Leaby; 1st, ac, D. Phelan; 2nd, L. Turbide. Elementary. 1st, Claude Blake, 2nd, Jas. Demers, 1st, ac, Arthur Demers 2nd E. Toole. HISTORY. Roman. 1st, P. F. McDonald, 2nd, J. Daly; 1st, ac, W. E. Williams, 2nd, Jas. Murphy. ENGLISH. Class I. 1st, A. P. Moan and L. McDougall; 2nd, L. Smith, 1st, ac, D. J. Smith, 2nd, T. O'Balloran. Class II. 1st, E. McDonald, 2nd, Leo Blake; 1st, ac, Arthur Demers, 2nd E. O'Toole. CANADIAN. 1st, E. Cauchon; 2nd, J. Cauchon; 1st, ac, H. McKenna; 2nd, J. A. McDonald. UNIVERSAL HISTORY. 1st, W. E. Larkin; 2nd, R. J. McLean; 1st, ac, J. McKenna; 2nd, D. Carroll. GEOGRAPHY. Physical. 1st, L. Smith; 2nd, D. J. Smith; 1st, ac, P. Moan; 2nd, L. McDougall. POLITICAL. 1st, H. McKenna; 2nd, J. Cauchon; 1st, ac, G. Leaby; 2nd, B. Hennessy. Class II. 1st, L. Blake; 2nd, O. Blake; 1st, ac, E. O'Toole; 2nd, A. Demers. BOOK KEEPING. Class II. 1st, W. F. King; 2nd, L. Smith; 1st, ac, L. McDougall, 2nd, A. P. Moan. PENMANSHIP. 1st, Premium—E. Cauchon; 2nd, E. O'Toole; 1st, ac, M. Turbide, 2nd, ac, R. Hughes. READING AND DICTATION. 1st, William Mahar; 2nd, C. Blake; 1st, ac, M. Turbide, L. Blake. RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION. DOGMA. 1st, W. E. Larkin; 2nd, P. McDonald; 1st, accessit, R. S. McDonald; 2nd, J. A. McDonald. BIBLICAL HERMENEUTICS. 1st, Austin Bradley; 2nd, S. J. McDonald; 1st, ac, Fred Conroy, 2nd, Stephen Gillis. APOLOGETICS. 1st, Jas. Cauchon; 2nd, L. Smith; 1st, accessit, D. Smith; 2nd, Eugene Cauchon. CATECHISM (Butler's). 1st, Eddie O'Toole; 2nd, Martin Turbide; 1st, ac, Wm. Mahar; 2nd, Robt. Hughes. ENGLISH. Rhetoric. 1st, Adolphus McIntyre; 2nd, Reginald McLean, 1st, accessit, F. Conroy, 2nd, W. E. Larkin. Class I. 1st, J. Daly; 2nd, R. F. McDonald; 1st, ac, J. A. Murphy; 2nd, W. E. Williams. Class II. 1st, L. Smith; 2nd, W. Croken; 1st, ac, R. Mooney; 2nd, J. Cauchon. Class III. 1st, H. McKenna; 2nd, E. Cauchon; 1st, ac, J. A. McDonald; 2nd, F. Trainor. Elementary. 1st, Leo Blake; 2nd, M. Turbide; 1st, ac, E. O'Toole and O. Blake, 2nd, Arthur Demers. LATIN. Class I. 1st, Premium, A. McIntyre, 2, R. J. McLean; 1, ac, R. H. McDonald, 2, W. E. Larkin. Class II. 1st, Premium, W. E. Williams; 2nd, Joseph Daley. 1st, ac, Peter McDonald; 2nd, James A. Murphy. Class III. 1st, L. Smith; 2nd, A. Moan; 1st, ac, D. J. Smith; 2nd, W. Croken.

- IV. 1st, Eugene Cauchon; 2nd, Herman McKenna. 1st, ac, John A. McDonald; 2nd, B. Hennessy. ELEMENTARY. 1st, J. C. Leonard, 2nd, Leo Blake. 1st, ac, Rad Iph McLellan, 2nd, Justin Gallagher. FRENCH. Class I. 1st, Premium, R. J. McLean, 2nd R. H. McDonald; 1st, ac, W. E. Larkin, 2nd, A. McIntyre and Jos. Carroll. Class II. 1st, J. A. Murphy; 2nd, J. P. Poirier; 1st, ac, Jas. Doyle 2nd, L. McCarthy. Class III. 1st, Premium, L. Smith; 2nd, D. J. Smith 1st, ac, Emile Godreau, 2nd J. Gallant. Class IV. 1st, Herman McKenna; 2nd, B. Hennessy; 1st, ac, J. A. McDonald; 2nd, Wm. Mahar. GREEK. Class I. 1st, Premium, R. J. McLean, 2nd W. E. Larkin; 1st, ac, Jos. Carroll, 2nd R. H. McDonald. Class II. 1st, W. E. Williams, 2nd, P. S. McDonald; 1st, ac, L. McCarthy 2nd Jos. Doyle. Class III. 1st, Premium, O. McCarthy 2nd T. Gorman; 1st, ac, O. A. McDonald 2nd, J. Quinn. LIST OF SPECIAL PRIZES. Special prize for Biblical Hermeneutics presented by Rev. J. C. McLean and awarded to Austin Bradley. Gold medal for Religious Instruction presented by his Lordship Bishop McDonald, awarded to W. E. Larkin. A gold medal for the essay on "The Social Side of College Life" Awarded to S. J. McDonald. Special prize in English presented by R. F. Maddigan, awarded to J. Daly. Special prize for Latin, presented by A. P. McLellan, awarded to A. McIntyre. Special prize in French, awarded to R. J. McLean. Special prize in Greek, awarded to R. J. McLean. Five dollar gold piece for Philosophy, presented by a friend, awarded to A. D. McLennan. Special prize for Philosophy, class II, awarded to W. F. King. Special prize for Physics awarded to W. F. King. Special prize in Chemistry, equally merited by J. Daly and P. F. McDonald, drawn by P. F. McDonald. Five dollar gold piece for Mathematics presented by Rev. J. J. McDonald, awarded to P. F. McDonald. Special prize in Botany, presented by J. Conolly, awarded to P. F. McDonald. Special prize for Book-keeping presented by Thomas Handrahan awarded to Adolphus McIntyre.

Our Ottawa Letter.

THE WEEK IN PARLIAMENT.

The Grand Trunk Pacific contract, as intimated in the interests of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, passed the Commons this week. The Government majority was 46, the vote standing 105 to 59 in favor of the deal. The Government to the very last refused to accept any amendment to the measure which was voted through as it came from the railway promoters. Mr. B. L. Borden, the Conservative leader, placed himself on record as strongly in favor of government ownership of the transcontinental line, and declared that if his party be returned to power at the next general election, they will bring in legislation to take over the road, no matter how far its construction will have been proceeded with. Mr. Borden also condemned the control of the country by a railway corporation. The policy of the Conservatives, he announced, was to place the Government above any and all corporations. He pointed out that the people instead of being given a government owned railway were to be presented with a railway owned government. He moved an amendment calling upon the administration to assume liability one-tenth greater than it is undertaking and build and operate the road. Of course this was voted down by order of the Grand Trunk. A feature of the closing hours of the debate was a speech by the Minister of Railways, who had hardly been in his seat during the entire discussion of the bill. Mr. Emmerson swallowed all of his past professions in favor of government ownership. Mr. Fielding again repeated his absurd statement that a line from ocean to ocean could be built at a cost of \$14,000,000. The opposition made another effort to secure protection for Canadian engineers, who are being excluded by the Grand Trunk in order to employ Americans. All that the Minister of Labor would promise was a commission to enquire into the matter, and

meanwhile the Americans are to be allowed to remain in the employ of the company, who are spending the peoples money to pay foreigners. At the last moment, the government through Mr. Fielding, submitted a statement of the demands of the Grand Trunk for a subsidy for a line from North Bay to the Pacific. This was referred to as a confidential document by the late Mr. McCreary, on April 29th. Sir Wilfrid Laurier had declared that all papers had been brought down on this question. This was absolutely untrue on the face of the Premier's announcement, and Sir Wilfrid is the first man, who, as Premier of Canada, has made a deliberately false statement to Parliament.

WHAT THE LIBERALS HAVE REJECTED. The Liberal party has voted down amendment after amendment offered by the Conservative party in the interests of the public. The following is a synopsis of the improving clauses submitted by the opposition this session, and bowled out by the party which is tied to the apron strings of the Grand Trunk:

1. That the G. T. P. Company should pay a fair rental for any lease of the line from Winnipeg to North Bay.
2. That the Government should supervise the agreement between the two companies (the Grand Trunk and Grand Trunk Pacific) respecting the sale of issue of the G. T. P. and thus prevent any creation of watered stock.
3. That the Government should receive shares of the common stock of the G. T. P. in proportion to the support given by the Government to the enterprise.
4. That alien labor shall not be employed in the construction of the railway except where the Department of Labor decides it is necessary.
5. That the stock of the G. T. P. should not be placed on the market unless issued payable a par.
6. That in case the Grand Trunk or Grand Trunk Pacific shall divert traffic to Portland, any complaint thereon shall be investigated by the Railway Commission and reported to Parliament for action.
7. That the Prairie section shall be completed within four years of the passing of the act.
8. That if the G. T. P. attempt to force upon the Government unprofitable branches, the Government secure all or any remaining branches.
9. That the Government should have haulage rights and running powers over the Western division for the same period granted to the company over the Eastern division.
10. That the Government be empowered to expropriate the railway from ocean to ocean upon paying fair compensation.
11. That the Government be given the powers of expropriation in the event of any diversion of freight from Canadian channels.

DARK AND DIVIOUS WAYS.

The Minister of the Interior showed, in his speech on the G. T. P., that Parliament has been treated in a most disrespectful way by the Government. Mr. Sifton told the House that he had all the data covering the section of the Eastern division from Winnipeg to Lake Abitibi. When the members of the Commons asked for the papers, they were told that they could not have them as they are regarded as the private property of the Grand Trunk. The information secured by the geographer of the Interior department, who went to Montreal and interviewed a Mr. Stevens, one of the men imported from the United States to do work which should be carried on by Canadians, and was given certain facts on the merits of which, he, not being a competent railway man, was unable to pronounce. How did it happen that one of Mr. Sifton's assistants was selected for this important duty, when the Railway department had in its employ a large staff of efficient railway men? And how does it happen that the information used by Mr. Sifton was not laid on the table of the House, where the people could have access to it? The whole thing is too transparent to deceive anybody with a grain of common sense. Over and over again Ministers have been forced to admit that there had been no accurate information furnished for the guidance of Parliament in this matter involving the expenditure of \$150,000,000 to \$170,000,000. Mr. Sifton had no information such as he attempted to lead the country to believe he had, and the failure of the Ministry to produce the papers is best explained in that way. There is not a business man in the land who can conscientiously say that in private life such methods would be tolerated for a moment.

ANOTHER HOLE IN THE CONTRACT.

Another serious defect has been discovered in the Grand Trunk Pacific contract, but the Government absolutely refuse to accept an amendment calculated to cure the evil. When the C. P. R. contract was made, it was stipulated that a

majority of the directors must be British subjects, thus guaranteeing that for all time the road will be subject to the control of men who are in sympathy with the development of this country. The Conservative party proposed to have a similar clause incorporated in the G. T. P. contract, but for some unknown reason, unless it be that the Premier has lent himself to an arrangement which means Grand Trunk and nothing else, the suggestion was not accepted. On page 8066, of the reports of the proceedings of the Commons of 1903, it will be seen that Sir Wilfrid Laurier pledged himself to have such a stipulation embodied in the contract. He explains that the promise escaped his memory. Is the memory of the premier of Canada so defective that he cannot remember matters of such vital importance to the public as a whole? If so it is a sad confession. The Conservative party, whatever may have been their short comings, never lost sight of Canada. But the great statesman, now at the head of the improving clauses submitted by the opposition this session, and bowled out by the party which is tied to the apron strings of the Grand Trunk:

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