

LORDS' POWER MAY GO, BUT PEOPLE MUST SAY HOME RULE

A. J. Balfour Holds Out Hopes of Compromise on Constitution of Upper House.

Agrees There Must be Some Change but Forecasts Battle Against Irish Parliament.

London, Feb. 21.—The first day's debate on the government bill to abolish the veto power of the House of Lords...



(After MacLise's picture of the Meeting of Wellington and Blucher.)

Field Marshal Asquith—"Capital battle we won a few weeks ago." Field Marshal Redmond—"Yes, hadn't we better be photographed together like this, in case anything happens?"—Punch.

London, Feb. 21.—At a meeting of the Irish parliamentary party to-night it was decided to abstain from participation in the coronation ceremonies...

Mr. Balfour's speech was the great event of the day, seemed to be developing a line of policy which would admit of the veto bill passing the House of Lords without great obstacles...

"Attainment of Perfection." In introducing the bill, the Prime Minister declared that the country was strongly behind him...

STRAITON TOLD GALLERY APPLAUSE GREET'S CHARLES HE HAD DENOUNCING OF RECIPROCITY

LOANED \$80,000 Letter To Sir Edmund Walker Most Important Bit of Evidence Yet Submitted Against Trust Co. President.

8 PER CENT. INTEREST AND GOOD SECURITY

Toronto, Feb. 21.—The most important bit of evidence against J. R. Stratton, charged with hypothecation of the Farmers' Bank notes...

Dear Mr. Walker: I don't know whether a conversation I had with Mr. Stratton was to be considered by you as private or not...

Yet another "sensational" story was sprung in the case before the Hon. Mr. Justice MacLaurin...

THERE ARE OTHERS.

Bismarck, N. D., Feb. 21.—Annexation of Canada came before the legislature today, when Representative Sorlie introduced a resolution...

CROSS FIRING AT NEWCASTLE

Counsel For Patrick Carroll, Charged With Assault On Mrs. Phinney, Complain Of Treatment.

Newcastle, N. B., Feb. 21.—A series of cross firing between counsel and counsel for the defense unprecedented in police court circles here...

HEARTY TESTIMONIAL TO ROBERT KERR

In Making Presentation Of Valuable Gift, C. P. R. President Pays Tribute To Worth Of Retiring Officer.

Montreal, Feb. 21.—Robert Kerr, the retiring traffic manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company...

Intense Feeling Against Proposed Agreement Finds Expression During Dr. Sproule's Speech in Incident Without Parallel in History of Canadian Parliament--Lemieux Makes Weak Defence.

Complete Free Trade Preferred by U. S. House Committee, Coupled with More Talk of Annexation--Insults to Canadian Farmers in Senate Discussion--Commissioners Knew Nothing.

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—One day more of the reciprocity debate has sped, and with only three speeches to its credit...

Special to The Standard. Farmers and their representatives had their feelings before the Senate Finance Committee today on the subject of Canadian reciprocity...

Dr. Sproule's speech was not only a rebuff to the fishermen but also a rebuff to the inter-provincial trade...

Mr. Sproule countered on Mr. Kyle by noting that the negligently British market stood Canadian fishermen in for nearly six millions last year...

Mr. Borden voiced Madawaska Grievance. Complain That Fiats Have Not Been Issued In Lieu Of Lands Expropriated For The Transcontinental.

MADAWASKA GRIEVANCE

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—At the opening of the House today Mr. Borden drew attention to the delay in granting fiats in response to petitions of right from a number of land-owners in Madawaska county...

EVIDENCE ACCUMULATES.

Boston, Feb. 20, 1911. To the Editor of The Standard: Sir—I have been much interested in your articles on "Commission Form of Government"...

OIL TRUST IN AUSTRIA

Vienna, Feb. 21.—Negotiations between the Petroleum Refining Companies resulted in an agreement covering the whole dual monarchy. The immediate effect was a sharp rise in the market price of crude oil of 40 to 50 cents a ton today.

HON. A. BECK, JUDGE AT LONDON HORSE SHOW

Canadian Signally Honored By National Association of America—Elected Director And One Of Three Judges.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—Hon. Adam Beck has been elected a director of the National Horse Show Association of America, Limited, of New York.

STORY OF RIOT NOT CONFIRMED

London, Feb. 21.—No despatches had been received from Portugal up to midnight in any way confirming special despatch printed in the Westminster Gazette, that a riot had occurred at Guards.

RUSSIA SATISFIED WITH CHINA'S REPLY

Desire To Meet Demands Is Evident And No Further Difficulty Between Two Nations Is Anticipated.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 21.—The government considers the tone of the Chinese reply to the Russian note demanding a closer adherence to the provisions of the treaty of 1881...

FIFTY KILLED IN ARAB RAID

Jiddah, Arabia, Feb. 21.—The tribesmen, who are allies of Seyid Idris, the leader of the outbreak in Yemen against Turkish authority, recently captured at Zaps a convoy of eighty camels with provisions and...

HALIFAX LIBERALS BANQUET MURRAY

Nova Scotia Premier Honored On Resumption Of Active Duties—Speaks Of Reciprocity And Effect On Fish.

Halifax, Feb. 21.—The Liberals of Halifax tonight gave a complimentary banquet to Hon. George H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia.

DAMAGES AWARDED

Pictou, Ont., Feb. 21.—Judge Morrison today handed down judgement awarding Allan Harrington, of Rossmore, \$360 damages against Prince Edward County for two broken ribs sustained by falling over a plow left on the road by county employees.

ENGINEER ELECTROCUTED.

Calgary, Feb. 21.—Harry Ramsay, the engineer of the civic light plant, who came here from Hamilton, Ont., was electrocuted at the plant today.

At the present writing, February 3rd, an upheaval among "the City Fathers and Commissioners" is in progress, and it is difficult to state when the result will be.

Complete Free Trade.

Washington, D.C., Feb. 21.—Free trade with Canada, based upon identical tariffs of that country and the United States, as applied to all other countries of the world, was discussed by the ways and means committee of the House under a resolution by Representative Gains of West Virginia.

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