

SHALL IT BE SENATOR LANDERKIN?

The unfortunate death of Senator Sanford has made speculation rife as to his successor. We notice in a Toronto paper an item professing to know that Mr. James is likely to be appointed. Mr. James is a worthy member of the Liberal party, reputed to be wealthy, and no doubt would make a capable Senator. We believe however that whatever honor is in the position can be more worthily bestowed by giving it to our worthy representative in the Commons Dr. Landerkin, M. P., and we are sure this idea will present itself to many minds in this riding, and to thoughtful public men throughout the country.

This constituency is not tired of the worthy doctor. It has no reason to be. For over a quarter of a century he has been before this riding and only once was defeated. He has faithfully represented Conservatives as well as Liberals, and now in the evening of life, he might well be spared the fighting of such battles as he has had to fight, and given a position where his services would still be of use to the country in a body which would be honored by his admission into it.

We do not know if he would wish to retire in this way. Some men wear out, others rust out, and the Doctor we believe belongs to the former class. Certain we are he would never seek the position, and this in itself is a strong reason why merit should be rewarded, always supposing he would consider it a reward.

From a party stand point his claims are far above Mr. James, or any possible candidate from the Western district. He has held for the Liberal party a riding with a very strong Conservative vote. He had to fight the Gerrymander of 1882 when Artemesia was thrown in to turn him out. The sinister intention of this act we know brought him supporters from fair fighting members of the Conservative party, but all the same it was an added burden. The ballot frauds in West Elgin and elsewhere were long antedated in Dr. Landerkin's experience, and to his cost, and he has been fought with a bitterness only less remarkable than the equanimity, the suavity and the good nature he has shown through it all.

We have confidence these claims will not be overlooked by the government, and they may be assured that the appointment of Dr. Landerkin to the vacancy will be popular not only with his friends but with those who have gone down before him in the political fray.

True a contest for the Commons here without Dr. Landerkin would be a novelty to this generation, but we hope his mantle will fall on some other champion, who will worthily follow in his steps.

SOME MONEY.

The supplementary estimates have been brought down, and as they amount to over \$5,000,000 have excited no little attention. The main estimates amounted to over \$46,000,000, so that taking both we have an expenditure planned for the coming year of over \$51,000,000. This is an enormous sum, but it should be remembered that over \$8,000,000 of this is charged to capital account, that is for expenditures which are reckoned national assets such as canal and harbor improvements, etc.

But what of the 43 millions? This is still a large sum: larger than any previous government ever spent or even contemplated, nearly twice as much as Alexander McKenzie found necessary to run Canada of his day, and some millions more than was necessary in the days of our Conservative friends, and yet the same tory papers which claim to have their breath taken away by the size of the expenditure can point out delightedly the expansion going on in the country, the brightened prospect for all classes of inhabitants, the absence of any black flags denoting workmen looking for bread, and the heavy increase taking place in immigration.

What does this mean? Simply that a widening horizon calls for new expenditures, and a larger population will increase receipts without finding the burden greater. It is well that Canada has men at the helm who can "take occasion by the hand"

and make the bounds of prosperity wider than "has been," who, though they spend millions more than their predecessors have not disgraced themselves by Curran bridge scandals, etc.

No use now for either side to refer to ante-election promises of retrenchment, which Liberals have no way of answering except by pointing to a relatively larger revenue. They can point too to a few other things: they have secured a larger revenue with a 25 per cent. British preference, proving their loyalty at the same time; they have given us very great postal advantages, they have given cheaper raw material for the manufacturer, they have brought Canada into notice as never was done before, thus attracting capital and capitalists to carry on further development.

We notice that items for 1,000 miles of telegraph lines, for trails, road and bridges, for public buildings, for line from Bennet to Dawson, for military contingent, for salaries and contingencies, all in the Yukon amounts to over \$1,000,000, and this amount the Yukon will pay. There is also \$5,000 to enforce the Alien Labor law, Paris Exhibition \$175,000, arms, ammunition and defence equipment \$203,000, the total militia vote being \$280,199.

\$5,364 to pay for Bremner's furs confiscated and used by Gen. Middleton in the 1885 rebellion in the Northwest. \$700,000 to the Intercolonial railway. (Capital account).

Canals, Public Buildings, Harbors, Dredging, etc. take very large sums, and the only thing we kick about is the modest little sum of \$2,200 for "leather trunks for new members."

Toronto gets \$50,000 for her harbor, and several appropriations for elevators some might think should have been left for private enterprise.

THE SENATE.

"Has been and gone and done it." Done what? Killed the repeal of the Gerrymander. This body which supported two iniquitous gerrymanders, whose chief Conservative leader, Sir MacKenzie Bowell, had a hand in the framing of them, has voted down the Liberal measure whereby the judges of the land were to delimit the constituencies. This irresponsible body has refused to sanction a measure which concerns only the Commons. The Commons got a mandate from the country three years ago to legislate for it; the Senate's mandate, if it can be said to have one, will average about 20 years old, but the partisan majority of the body has declared that the Commons knows not how to regulate its own representation: that it cannot trust the Judiciary, and has confirmed an iniquity which Mr. Dalton McCarthy and many other Conservatives lived to acknowledge was a barefaced piece of political trickery. The Globe predicts with the utmost coolness, that at the average rate of dying of Conservative Senators, this body will be Liberal about 1904. What then? Why, with human nature as it is, the Liberals may be found doing the same thing. It is surely time some change was inaugurated or representation of the people is a farce.

The proposal of the Premier that on a difference between the houses, a joint vote of the two bodies should decide is certainly moderately conceived but will certainly be thrown out by our "masters," the Conservative majority in the Senate, who yet rule this country by destructive votes. The nod of Sir MacKenzie Bowell is at this moment supreme in Canada whether we like it or not.

—Mr. A. McNeill, M. P., has long been nursing a motion condemnatory of Sir Wilfrid for not accepting the alleged trade preference offered by the Duke of Devonshire and others in the Jubilee year. Mr. McNeill set it out last week and after a characteristic speech by Sir Chas. and a few others, Mr. Mulock cruelly crushed the whole contention by reading a letter from the Duke of Devonshire denying he had ever made such an offer, or that he had authority to make such an offer! This of course ended the matter, but the Mail has discovered that the letter was a snub to Mr. Mulock!

—The War correspondents in the Philippines have published a united protest against the way their despatches have been garbled to hide the truth as to operations there. Gen. Otis has acted with a high hand, and begins to appear as if Alger and Otis were both playing for effect in the Presidential election next year while 25 per cent of American troops are in the hospital and the insurgents as defiant as ever.

United States Secretary of War, Alger, has resigned, and his resignation accepted by the President. All very politely of course, but pressure of public opinion that he is mis-managing the war, is the cause.

Premier Laurier and his government have got many compliments, but surely the greatest they have received is from Sir Chas. Tupper. This worthy now finds that a railway to Dawson from a Canadian point is necessary. Liberals thought this more than a year ago but the plucky Senate didn't, and threw the bill out. Seattle will feel like erecting monuments to them all. Away with an irresponsible Senate who flout the people's representatives in the face.

—Striking has been the removal of three prominent parliamentarians of late. Following the drowning of Senator Santford, came the collapse of Mr. Ives in a railway car, from which he never recovered, then Hon. Mr. Geoffrion on the Liberal side died from a hopeless malady, both the latter since our last issue.

—The Globe of Saturday July 15, has over four columns devoted to the speech made by Landerkin on the distribution bill, and gives in full the Dr's table of changes made in 1882 which it calls "the most complete and detailed statement yet presented of the effect of the gerrymander of 1882."

—The South African troubles, owing to Boer Concessions, seems to be vanishing. Extraordinary war preparations are going on on both sides however.

—Admiral Dewey is now in Austria, getting home slowly. He is suing for increased salvage on Spanish vessels sunk or captured by him at Manila. There's a business side to the glory of it all.

—W. T. R. Preston has cabled his solicitor from London to enter action for criminal libel against the Toronto World for defamatory articles.

—The Peace Conference has frowned upon the practice of dropping explosives from balloons as a war measure.

—Dominion Parliament now meets in morning sessions and the beginning of the end is in sight.

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