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'FLAP-DOODLE'

Offered By the Tory Opposition.

QUEBEC BATTLEFIELD

DISCUSSED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The Bill to Purchase Was Passed—The Vote Was 91 to 11—Even W. F. Maclean Scored His Unparliamentary Brethren.

Ottawa, March 7.—The battlefields of Quebec again occupied the attention of the House, and in reply to Mr. Foster's usual irrelevant questions, Sir Frederick Borden gave effectual, polite and quashing replies. Armand Lavergne (Montmagny, Que.) was again forward with the matter and raised the question about the future of the Ross rifle factory, which is on the Plains of Abraham. Sir Wilfrid Laurier informed the Quebec member that that was a matter for the proprietors to settle themselves when they had been bought out.

This brought Urial Wilson (Lennox and Addington) to his feet and he upbraided the government for not having ascertained what the annual cost of the upkeep of the proposed gardens would be and also what would be the cost of the buying up of the Ross rifle factory. He was compared to vote for the government on the resolution before the house, "but," he declared, "I cannot do so until the prime minister lays this information before the house."

The honorable member for North Toronto (Mr. Foster) again returned to the attack with a lot of uninteresting quibbles, but Sir Frederick Borden was in his best mood and easily turned the tables on the would-be leader of the opposition. Mr. Foster finally sat down without having drawn any information from the other side of the house.

R. Blair (Peel) pointed out to the government that when the Ross rifle factory was placed on the Plains of Abraham, it was by the majority of local opinion, but Sir Frederick Borden said that he had received a letter from the only people who did disagree were those who "had received a nasty kick as members of a disappointed golf club." Loud laughter greeted Sir Frederick's concluding remark, and Mr. Blair joined in it.

Dr. J. D. Reid (Grenville) asserted that the Ross rifle company would not be inclined to build up a fresh factory if they were obliged to shift from their present premises, and opened it was unfair of the government to take the steps which they proposed. He was in hearty agreement with the celebration of the tercentenary of the city of Quebec, but could not bring himself to the opinion that the rifle factory should suffer on that account.

W. B. Northrup (Ottawa) was of the same opinion and took a fifteen-minute long time to express the opinions of his fellow-member. He thought that the government was acting foolishly in trying to buy land which was really their own property and had been made a present of to

the Ross rifle company some five or six years ago.

Dr. T. S. Sproule (East Grey) added a gesticulating speech, condemning the idea of the public's money with a probable further cost to the country of the buying up of the Ross rifle company. Lorenzo Robitaille (Quebec county) followed in much the same strain and it appeared that the obstruction tactics of the opposition would see an all-night sitting.

D. Henderson (Halton) advised the government to delay the passing of the resolution for a year. Then, he said, the motion could be put to the people of the country and, by the returns of the members, they could then find out what the people thought of the proposed expenditure and the large sum which that would probably further entail.

George Taylor, Leeds, followed with a condemnatory attitude on the expenditure of \$300,000, while F. L. Shafliner, Souris, explained that he had had no word from his constituents to vote for such an expenditure. He had received, however, a number of questions, and to these he was unable to get a satisfactory reply. They were all more or less trivial in the extreme, but Sir Wilfrid Laurier, replying to one, said that the commission appointed to enquire into the matter "had no authority to spend one dollar without the sanction of parliament." Mr. Taylor quickly sat down, no doubt feeling sorry that he had suggested the rather silly question.

As Lavergne again returned to the attack on his own party's bill, and declared in an impassioned speech that the whole affair was a matter that belonged to the province of Quebec and not to the dominion.

Mr. Blair, Peel, "had a go" at the government for the measure and declared it was hasty legislation and one that ought to have been considered at least a year ago. He went on with a long tirade about his constituent's ideas on the subject, and successfully wound the house to sleep.

Dr. Barr, Dufferin, got on his feet and said that he could not see why the dominion parliament should vote \$300,000 to a particular province for that district's special own purpose. He declared that the initial cost of \$300,000 was perhaps nothing when the millions of extra expenses which, though they could not see it at the moment, was certainly bound to come. He could not, he said, vote for the motion, as if he did so he would be burdening the dominion with a most expensive item that belonged to the province which wished to celebrate its own tercentenary, not that of the dominion.

W. F. Maclean, York, though a member of the opposition, intimated that he was prepared to vote for the motion, which he declared again that there were no different races in Canada—they were all Canadians and sons of its soil, who ought to join together and celebrate such an historic occasion as the tercentenary of Quebec. (Loud cheers from the government.)

Mr. Lennox thought that the whole bill should be recast and expressed the opinion that the preamble was necessary for the benefit of the people of Canada. Sir Wilfrid disagreed with the motion, but Sir Sproule and the latter retorted that he was prepared to go with the government, but he thought that the country ought to know more about the management of the concern. He also thought that the Ross Rifle company was not receiving fair treatment from the government. The prime minister replied and urged that there was no mismanagement in the proceedings necessary for the purchase of the historic battlefields of Quebec.

And so the argument went on, but when a division came on, the bill of the opposition was beaten by 91 to 11, figures which proved to the House how much time had been lost on the "flap-doodle" offered by the opposition.

The house then went on to consider the third reading of the Hamilton-St. Catharines railway, and Dr. Sproule, East Grey, got up and tried his best—futile were his efforts in the extreme to condemn the measure.

At this stage there were in the house eleven conservatives and twenty-two liberals, so that the value of the discussion may be gauged by the members present, and more than half of those who were in attendance spent their time in writing letters. And so the evening ended, nothing being done!

HEART AFFAIR

Caused the Banishment of a Woman FROM CZAR'S DOMAINS

THE CZAR'S BROTHER LOVED A LADY Whose Name is Kept Secret—The First Affair of the Heart of Grand Duke Michael Was Cut Short by the Czar.

St. Petersburg, March 7.—Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, the czar's only brother, a bachelor and nearly thirty years of age, is having his first affair of the heart and the woman he loves has been promptly banished from Russian soil. She is the daughter of a South Russian landed proprietor, but her name cannot be learned at present.

At the court of St. Petersburg, it had been noticed for some time that Grand Duke Michael secured an unusual number of furloughs, but his military superiors were not informed where he spent his frequent vacations. Indeed these were forbidden by the imperial highness to inquire, until recently, the czar himself ordered a strict investigation. It was then learned that the grand duke's outings were all in South Russia and that his goings and comings were attended by the utmost secrecy.

The emperor a trifle later learned the truth from one of Michael's valets. The grand duke, he said, "had become smitten with the daughter of a South Russian landed proprietor, and since he passed in the girl's family a simple gentleman of leisure from St. Petersburg, there was no objection to his repeated visits to the estate." As to the young woman, the czar's informant described her in extravagant terms "as the loveliest girl in all Russia," a circumstance that caused Nicholas to cut short his brother's romance without delay.

The czar ordered a trusted army officer to accompany the valet and learn all that was to be learned of the affair. The imperial representative did not go a minute too soon. A day or two before his arrival the grand duke's incognito had been accidentally lifted on the occasion of a dinner, only attended by his lady love, by the father of his lady love. The disclosure caused consternation among the guests and the girl swooned away. But the grand duke quickly revived her by declaring before her whole audience, that he was serious and would marry her, even if obliged to give up name and fortune.

When the report reached Nicholas he knew at once that half measures were out of the question, since his brother is a most determined young gentleman. Unless atrocious measures were adopted at once, he might actually marry the girl. So the czar telegraphed to Gen. Kaulbars, governor of Odessa, ordering him to repair to the estate on the spot and without ceremony inform the young woman's father that he and his daughter were desired by the czar to leave Russia at once and live abroad, at the czar's expense, until such a time when his majesty allowed him to return.

It was intimated that the banishment might be shortened if the girl married a man of her own class. Gen. Kaulbars delivered this cruel message with such energy, promptness and dispatch that Grand Duke Michael's sweetheart and her parents departed from their estate within six hours. Their destination is Gen. Kaulbars' and the czar's secret.

TAKES OUT HEART

And Sews Up Wound—German Doctor's Feat.

Berlin, March 7.—An astounding surgical operation is reported by Prof. Sultan, in the German Medical Weekly. The heart of a person who attempted suicide and fired a bullet into it was taken out, and as soon as the patient discharged from the hospital six weeks later absolutely cured.

Prof. Sultan gives the following account of the operation, which is believed to be without parallel:

"On June 23rd last the patient, a cabinet-maker, thirty-eight years old, fired at his heart with a small-caliber revolver. Examination showed a small powder-blackened hole in the heart through which hardly any blood issued. Late in the evening of the second day, thirty hours after the shooting, we decided to operate, and made an incision in the sternum.

"As soon as the cardiac sac was opened a great quantity of dark blood oozed forth. The heart, lying quite free for its entire length, was carefully lifted up. Upon the frontal side appeared only a small extravasation the size of a lentil, but as soon as the heart was turned toward the right there appeared a small wound with ragged edges about half a centimeter in diameter. With three stitches of fine silk thread the edges of the wound were neatly joined, while, for safety's sake, another seam was made at the extravasation.

"To hold the strongly beating heart while sewing was in progress required considerable force. Every time the heart was turned to the right in order to make a stitch the pulse was diminished until it was scarcely audible. But when the heart was turned round the beats again became normal. After all the blood had been drained from the sac the entrance hole of the bullet became visible, and it was immediately closed by catgut. When the chest incision had been repaired, the breathing and pulse became entirely normal."

WANTS WIFE'S TONGUE TIED.

Clergyman Applies to Scottish Court For Unprecedented Order.

London, March 6.—A case unprecedented in the annals of the Scottish courts came before Lord Guthrie in Edinburgh court when the Rev. Herbert Heriot Hill, an Episcopalian clergyman of Dundee, asked for an interdict against his wife, from whom he is living apart under an English deed of separation.

His wife, he said, having made up her mind to make his life miserable in Scotland, followed him wherever he went and spread unfounded and slanderous stories about him. He had been compelled to leave three or four places, he said, because of his wife's slanderous work.

By the advice of his ecclesiastical superiors, he sought to have his wife interdicted from spreading these slanders in Dundee.

Lord Guthrie said that there was no authority for giving judgment against persons who said things. He would, however, grant an order for the issue of a petition which Mrs. Hill could answer within six days.

A ROBBER IN A SACK

KILLED BY WOMEN IN A TERRIBLE CONFLICT.

A Daring Plot of Armed Bandits to Enter a Village Was Frustrated at Budapest.

Budapest, March 7.—A lonely farm on the estate of Count Karolyi has been the scene of an exciting encounter with armed robbers, who had conceived the idea of pillaging the house in the absence of its owners.

Late in the evening a man, carrying a huge sack, and apparently almost exhausted, knocked at the door of the farm and begged for a night's shelter. The only occupant of the house at the time was the farmer's young daughter, who, not liking the man's appearance, did not care about admitting him; but, at his earnest entreaty, allowed him to leave the sack. The stranger, depositing his burden in the kitchen, then left, and the girl began to prepare the evening meal.

Whilst she was doing so a noise caused her to look round, and to her horror, she saw that the sack was moving, as though some one were inside. Then the blade of a knife appeared, slowly cutting through the sack. Thoroughly terrified, she looked up, and saw a man, armed with a long gun, and a woman, armed with a revolver, who, with the result that the movement stopped at once, and blood commenced to ooze through the sack on to the floor.

The girl, now almost mad with alarm, fled from the house and went in search of help. After going some distance, she met her father and told him what had happened, at which he obtained the assistance of two gendarmes and hurried home. The gendarmes speedily cut open the sack, and inside found the dead body of a fairly man, armed with a revolver, and a long knife, which was wound in the head, which had evidently caused death. Suspended from his neck was a whistle, and believing it was intended as a means of summoning accomplices, the police blew a series of whistles. Almost immediately three men ran up, and a king himself trapped, opened fire with revolvers. A desperate fight followed, the gendarmes using their revolvers freely. One of the robbers was shot dead, and his two companions were captured.

A MARE'S NEST

Says Daily Mail of Anti-German Scare.

Berlin, March 7.—The foreign office admits that Emperor William writes a letter to Lord Tweedmouth, first lord of the British admiralty, some time ago, but the assertion made by the London Times that his majesty had endeavored to interfere in the naval plans of Great Britain is characterized as untrue.

The Kaiser in his letter, corrected certain erroneous impressions in England with regard to the development of the German fleet.

In naval matters the Kaiser is entitled to consideration as an expert, it was explained at the foreign office and he is recognized as such in England as well as in Germany. As Emperor of Germany he would reject any foreign attempt to decide the proportions of the German fleet, and on this basis would repudiate the idea that he would interfere in the naval affairs of Great Britain. The German official view is that there is no reason why the letter should not be published, but it is declared that the matter is a personal one between the Kaiser and Lord Tweedmouth.

KAISER WOULDN'T DREAM OF INTERFERING.

Conservative Papers Treat Matter Rather Lightly—Government Papers Bitter Against Times For Trying to Stir Up Strife.

London, March 7.—So far as the London morning papers are concerned the Times' thunderbolt has failed of its apparent intention to stir up anti-German fury. The Daily Mail, which itself is often vehement, declares that the whole affair is a mare's nest, an epistolary comedy, not containing the making of a case, much less an international crisis. Conservative papers like the Morning Post, the Standard, the Graphic, none of which spare criticism of Germany, or any other foreign country, while not treating the matter as lightly as the Mail treats, in the lightest manner, the Kaiser's share in the incident.

The Morning Post thinks the letter could have been written only in consequence of a misapprehension of the peculiar position occupied by a British minister.

The governmental papers bitterly attack the Times for attempting to stir up strife. The Daily News declares the Times' action throws the atrocity of yellow journalism into the shade. The Morning Leader denounces the Times for irresponsibility and malignity. W. T. Stead says the editor of the Times ought to be shot. Lord Tweedmouth comes in for a severe scoring for allowing the receipt of the letter to be known. He is twitted as being so flattered by the Kaiser's attention that he could not forego the pleasure of bragging about it without the Kaiser's sanction. The letter will not be published, but its contents are known to many persons.

A violent gale swept the coast of the British Isles yesterday, causing numerous wrecks of small craft most of them on the east coast of Ireland. Altogether about twenty lives were lost.

BOMB THROWER FREED.

An Austrian Jury Acquitted a Young Lady.

Vigona, March 7.—The existing tension between Russia and Austria is not likely to be improved by the remarkable acquittal, by an Austrian jury, of a Russian girl revolutionary who tried to assassinate Gen. Skallan, governor-general of Warsaw, in August, 1906.

Wanda Dobroziocka, the prisoner, is twenty years old, and was formerly a student at Warsaw University. While Gen. Skallan was driving in his carriage she threw four bombs at him, but only succeeded in wounding some Cossacks.

She succeeded in escaping to Trieste, and afterward settled in Galicia, where she married an Austrian painter. The Russian government finally ascertained her residence and demanded her extradition. As she had become an Austrian subject, however, she could not be extradited, and her trial took place at Wadowice, Galicia. The prisoner gloried in her attempt, which she described fully in court.

She stated that she had been designated by the revolutionary party in Warsaw to carry out the "sentence of death" on the governor-general, and an elaborate conspiracy was organized by the leaders of the terrorist group.

In a self-possession manner she informed the court that she was guilty of throwing bombs, and added that she considered herself as a soldier who gave his life for his country and was not a murderer. She never expected to escape, thinking the bomb she killed by the explosion or shot in the subsequent confusion.

Military officers were forbidden to attend the court, which was crowded when the jury returned, after fifteen minutes' retirement, a unanimous verdict of acquittal. The public cheered loudly, and women in the gallery showered flowers on the young woman.

NEGRO CONFESSED TO MURDER.

Report Regarding the Secretary of State is Incorrect.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 7.—John Grubbs, colored, who was charged with the murder of William Colgan, near Rushville, Ind., confessed, yesterday, that Mrs. Colgan assisted him in the crime. He said she threw her arms around her husband's neck while he struck Colgan with a hatchet. Another man formed yesterday, and Grubbs was brought to Indianapolis for safe-keeping.

Sent to Prison For Forgery. Keonora, Ont., March 7.—Theodore Chedailer, a Frenchman, was sent to Kingston penitentiary to serve three years for forging checks amounting to some forty dollars.

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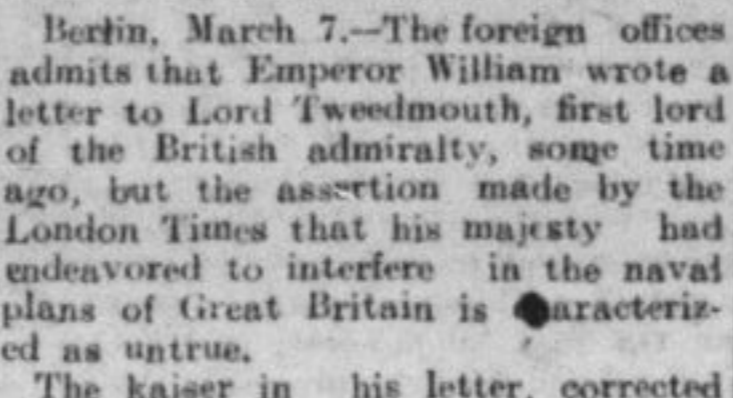
PROBABILITIES

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Report Regarding the Secretary of State is Incorrect. Ottawa, March 7.—There is no truth in the report sent out that Hon. R. W. Scott, secretary of state, has resigned owing to a recent statement made by him about the city of Montreal, which has been re-stated by members from that city. There is said to be no immediate prospect of the secretary of state giving up the care of office.

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Fate of A Foolish Lover.

New York, March 7.—Because he was refused permission to wed Katherine Hass, Alexander Gibbons swallowed chloroform in the home of his employer, Dr. Frederick R. Hargrave. In doing so he made good his threat to his fiancée's mother the night before, when he released her daughter's hand.

The Trusts and Guarantee Company, Limited, of Toronto, are executors of the estate of the late Thomas Hutchinson of the city of Toronto, who died recently, leaving a large estate.

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Submit To Hague Tribunal.

London, March 6.—The Times, in an editorial this morning, suggests that China and Japan should submit their disputes over the steamer Tatsu Maru to The Hague Tribunal.

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