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ARE TALKING

Budget Debate in House of Commons.

STOOD FOR FREEDOM

IN TRADE AND EXPLODED FOSTER'S THEORIES.

Bonities a Clear Hand-out to Interested Parties—The Situation in the Yukon—A New Method in the Administration of Oaths.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—The budget debate was resumed, yesterday, by Dr. Michael Clarke (liberal, Alberta), and continued the whole of the afternoon and evening. Several members took part, including Mr. Crothers (conservative, Elgin), Mr. Congdon (liberal, Yukon), Mr. Bradbury (conservative, Selkirk), Mr. Paquet (conservative, L'Islet), Mr. Turcotte (liberal, Quebec county), and others.

Dr. Clarke gave an exceedingly able review of the various phases of the fiscal programme as reflected in the policy of the government and in the doctrines proposed by the opposition. He stood firmly for the doctrine of free trade, and exploded many of the theories put forward by Hon. George E. Foster and other members of the ex-finance minister's party. In regard to the bonities on iron and steel, Dr. Clarke declared that Canadians were paying a premium to get in Canada goods which Providence evidently intended should be made elsewhere. One portion of the country was being helped at the expense of another. "While we are paying a bounty and making the necessary steel rails more expensive, bonities are a clear hand-out to some interested portion of the community." He said that the present government had in its trade policy observed the natural order of development of industries by encouraging agriculture.

Mr. Crothers (conservative, West Elgin), criticizing the glowing accounts put forward by liberal members as to the prosperity of the country, said he questioned very much whether Canada's advancement had been commensurate with her opportunity.

Mr. Congdon (liberal, Yukon) discussed the situation in the Yukon. He declared that it was far from being played out as a gold-producing country, and remarked that within twenty-five years Canada would stand foremost amongst mineral-producing countries. He asserted that if a more equitable system of accounting had been adopted by the government, it would be impossible for Mr. Foster to say that the administration of the Yukon territory had resulted in a deficit. In the Yukon accounts appeared payments which should have been shared by other parts of Canada, such as the cost of maintaining a large mounted police force in the territory, and the expenditure upon the telegraph system. The government had imposed heavy taxes upon the territory. He predicted that the Ontario government would one day realize that the royalties collected from the Cobalt mines should be expended in the district. Mr. Congdon declared that mining machinery should be admitted to new sections of the country free of duty.

HE USED A RAZOR

TRIED SUICIDE AFTER MURDER OF GOVERNOR.

Make Tragedy Appear as Part of Burglary—Suspect Found Bleeding Under a Bed.

Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Jan. 15.—Sarah O. Brynner, aged twenty-six years, a pretty and cultured governess at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Barnes Compton, Millbrook, Dutchess county, was found in her bed, strangled to death.

Frank Schermerhorn, of the same age, and who is employed as coachman on the Compton place, has been brought to this city charged with the murder. He made an unsuccessful attempt at suicide, cutting his throat with a razor.

Schermerhorn was too weak to make much of a statement. He did say, however, that he stood watching under a window of the Compton mansion while Shiro Ohashi, the Japanese butler, committed the deed. This statement the police discredit and say there is no doubt in their mind but that Schermerhorn strangled the governess to death either during or following a criminal assault.

Chief McCabe is of the opinion that Schermerhorn blackened his face to avoid committing the crime. The servants in the house stated to the police that when the coachman first appeared after being summoned there were patches of black on his face, also black finger prints on the wainscoting in the room occupied by Miss Brynner.

Store Front is Blown Out.

Ogdensburg, N.Y., Jan. 15.—The entire front of James S. Bowman's hardware store was blown out by an explosion of gasoline in a new galvanized iron motor boat tank which was tested by the use of a pint of gasoline, compressed air and a lighted candle.

The place caught fire, but only slight damage was done. Mr. Bowman and his help suffered burns in fighting the fire but though at work on the tank, they escaped injury from the explosion.

Customs Collector Resigns.

Washington, N.Y., Jan. 15.—William J. Grant, the collector of customs at Cape Vincent, N.Y., telegraphed his resignation to the treasury department and it was accepted, to take effect on the qualification of his successor, not farther than the 31st inst. No reason is given at the department for the resignation.

Shot Pedlar in The Eye.

Woodstock, Ont., Jan. 15.—Thomas Stalker was out shooting rabbits on the 12th inst., when a bullet from his rifle hit Omer Mullover, puck pedlar, in the eye, destroying the sight. Mullover gave himself up. He will be charged with shooting on the public highway.

Five automobiles were seized, at Windsor, Jan. 15, when a lot of cost \$4,000. Four were sold and it cost \$1,000 of the fifth \$4,000 to keep the car.

SPANISH OFFICERS PUNISHED.

Takes Severe Measures Following a Manifestation.

Madrid, Jan. 15.—The government has adopted severe measures following a manifestation of the military, and in front of the offices of a military newspaper here, which has been waging a campaign of criticism in connection with the distribution of honors to the troops of the Melilla expedition. Count de Villar, captain-general of Madrid, has been removed from his position and all heads of the army corps of which the manifestants were members have been relieved of their commands. Several of those who took part in the demonstrations have been sent to the fortress, while other arrests are certain to be made.

Cadets to be Dismissed.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Colonel Scott, superintendent of the military academy at West Point, has forwarded a report to the war department on several instances of bawling at the academy. After a searching inquiry by the academy board three members of the third class were reported to the department for having fourth class men. The three third classmen will be dismissed as the law passed a few years ago to wipe out having at the military academy makes it obligatory for the war department to dismiss cadets found guilty of having.

Forget Baseball Tickets.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 15.—Abraham Cutler and Louis Warner, who pleaded guilty to having forged Yale-Princeton baseball tickets, were sentenced to state prison for from one year to fifteen months each. Julius Rahano and Joseph Hoffman, charged with the same offence, were sentenced to four and six months in jail respectively.

"Wildcat" Mining Schemes.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—Prof. Haultain, at the engineers' club, referred to the anxiety of "wildcat" mining schemes to get favorable reports from reputable engineers. The engineers by their honorable conduct have saved the public in many cases would still further save them if the public only insisted on seeking the reports of the engineers.

Port Colborne Grain Elevator.

Welland, Jan. 15.—The report of the million dollar government elevator at Port Colborne shows that from September 25th to the season's close 250,000 bushels of grain were received for export, 970,000 bushels for Montreal and 780,000 bushels for consumption at nearby points. About 250,000 bushels are still in the elevator.

THE FIRST ELECTIONS ARE IN PROGRESS.

HOW BETTING GOES

IT IS AGAINST THE TARIFF REFORMERS.

A Joint Manifesto Issued by Ba, four and Chamberlain to Show that a Tariff Will Not Raise Prices of Food or Taxation on Working Classes.

London, Jan. 15.—The morning of polling day, both parties outwardly full of hope; the liberals confidently anticipate a comfortable majority at any rate, while the conservatives think at the worst such a majority will be so small as practically to be useless. The betting seems to be five to three or six to four against the conservative tariff reformers, who made a desperate final effort to convince the electorate that bread will cost less under a system of protection giving a preference to the colonies. A. J. Balfour and Joseph Chamberlain, last night, issued a joint manifesto, tersely declaring that tariff reform would not raise the price of food nor the proportion of taxation paid by the working class on articles for consumption, nor would it, they say, lessen employment, while it would develop trade with the overseas states.

The liberal press and speakers, as strenuously, appealed to the people "to vote to protect the veto," urging the certainty that if the peers' rejection of the budget is confirmed, a liberal House of Commons, in a democratic state, would, in the financial affairs, helplessly before the condition of protectionist people who engineered the crisis, with catastrophic results to working class exchequers. These are the great issues, and all depends on how the "quiet" twenty per cent. of the voters cast their ballots. Confident speeches were delivered, last night, by Lloyd-George, at York, with the lords again as his text; by Bonhill Law, Austen Chamberlain, Lord Grey, Winston Churchill and John Burns.

According to the Mirror, election agencies think the unionists will capture these London seats, to-day: North Lambeth, Fulham, Islington, North and Islington South. Among conservatives expected to win, are Ashton Under-Lyne, Fallowfield, Burnley, Cambridge, Scarborough, Southampton, and two or three in Manchester.

W. T. Stead says that if the liquor interests were out of the contest the liberals would get a majority of 400. He now prophesies a majority of 200, including City laborites and eighty-six nationalists.

Dr. Clifford says the majority will be nearly as large, if not quite so, as in 1906.

The New Oath.

London, Jan. 15.—The oath act of 1909, the object of which is to provide a substitute for the practice of "kissing the book," came into force on January 1st. Francis A. Stringer, senior clerk at the law courts, in a letter to the Times, gives the mode of administering the new oath as sanctioned by the lord chief justice for use in the king's bench division.

A witness, after giving his name, will be told: "Take the book in your right hand and raise your hand."

He will then repeat: "I swear by Almighty God that the evidence I shall give to the court (and time) touching the matters in question shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth."

Each jurymen in the same way will swear "that I will well and truly try the issues joined between the parties and a true verdict give according to the evidence."

Mr. Stringer explains that "kissing the book" has not been formally abolished. The new act says: "Any one who prefers old methods may still 'kiss the book,' but by the act all officers administering the oath must use the new form unless the person taking the oath objects."

Masher Ordered Off.

Hamilton, Jan. 15.—Arthur Libbie was charged in the police court, yesterday, with annoying a young lady with his attentions, and was given twenty-four hours in which to leave the city. It was shown that he had been annoying her for some time past and that in consequence she had to have an escort whenever she went out in the evening. As he was likely to force his attentions upon her.

Not Expected to Live.

New York, Jan. 15.—Arthur Shibley, the 6-year-old schoolboy who was shot while at play by a bullet-headed man is barely alive. The bullet went through the body and in addition to the shock and the danger of complications, he is greatly weakened by hemorrhages. His playmate, Robert Lomas, was instantly killed by the madman. There is no clue to the assassin.

Banker Schiff Resigns.

New York, Jan. 15.—Jacob H. Schiff, of the banking house of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., has resigned from the executive committee and directorship of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific companies.

The Alberta government has decided to establish a publicity bureau at Toronto, union station.

KIND TO POLICE.

Would Give Them Day Off Each Week.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—"Every man in the police service should have twenty-four hours off duty every week in order to see his family and rest." So said Controller Spence, in moving that the board of control ask the police commissioners to re-arrange the police service so as to give each man one day a week off. At present each man gets one day a month. "We are all Sabbatharians and all believe that every man should have one day of rest in seven," said Mr. Spence, "and even if it requires a little more appropriation it should be arranged." Controller Church expressed himself in favor of a day a week for the police.

WILL USE NON-UNION MEN.

Present Employees Given First Chance at Jobs.

Deadwood, S.D., Jan. 15.—With the declaration that they intend to establish permanently in the Black Hills non-union labor conditions and install the card system, the managements of the thirteen largest mining properties in the hills have issued notice to their employees that they could sign under the new conditions before any outsiders were imported. All the mines closed down with the announced intention of resuming operations as soon as a sufficient number of non-union men can be procured. More than 800 men are affected, exclusive of the 2,500 at the Homestake mine, now closed.

Pinchoff May Be Head.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 15.—The possibility that Gifford Pinchoff may be appointed head of the Yale Forestry school to take the place of Director Graves, appointed by President Taft to take the place recently discussed by Mr. Pinchoff, is freely discussed. Mr. Pinchoff is in very close touch with the work of the school here and holds a professorship of forestry.

Minor Fugues to Leave Quebec.

Quebec, Jan. 15.—Maj. A. O. Fages, commanding No. 5 regimental depot, Royal Canadian Regiment, of Infantry has been transferred to the Halifax command and will leave Quebec to assume his new post about the 1st of April. Maj. Fages will be succeeded in the Quebec command by Maj. Fisset, who comes here from Esplanade.

TO COME TO CANADA

WORST BOYS TO BE LEFT AT HOME IN FUTURE.

Public Schools League—Lord Roberts Commends Scheme and Says Aims of Arrogance Are Not Tolerated in Canada.

London, Jan. 15.—At a session of the annual conference of headmasters of English public schools, which is being held in this city, a resolution was introduced welcoming the establishment of the "Public Schools League for Imperial Land Settlement." This resolution goes on to say that the league is welcomed because it purports offering English youths careers in the overseas dominions of the empire.

Rev. Branston Gray, headmaster of Bradfield College, Berks, in speaking of the resolution, said that owing to lack of organization, some of England's worst boys had gone out and made the name of Englishmen one of rather ill-omen in Canada.

A letter was read from Lord Roberts, in which he cordially commended the scheme. He said, among other things, that while in Canada in 1905 he was surprised to find that there were young Englishmen in that country who were not always viewed with unqualified satisfaction. There were grand careers open for Englishmen in Canada, Lord Roberts said, but it must be remembered that Canadians would not tolerate airs of arrogance.

For Joseph E. Phillips' Release.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—Another effort is being made by T. E. Robinson to have Joseph E. Phillips, former president of the defence, York County Loan parcel from Kingston penitentiary. By April Mr. Phillips will have served three years of his five-year sentence in Kingston, and his counsel thinks that justice would be served if Phillips was released now. This is the second application that has been made for his release since he was sentenced.

AT DEATH'S DOOR.

Richard Olney is a Very Sick Man in Brooklyn Hospital.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 15.—Richard Olney, secretary of State in President Cleveland's cabinet, today lies at death's door in the St. Mary's Hospital, operated on for abdominal trouble, on Thursday. The fact that he has been ill has been guarded with great secrecy.

Harvey Mills will fit your launch with all the necessary boat-fittings that are required. Mr. Olney will have a Short Stop cover all, complete always and costs but 15 cents.

LATEST NEWS

Despatches From Near And Distant Places.

THE WORLD'S TIDINGS

GIVEN IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

Matters That Interest Everybody—Notes From All Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

Russia fears a new Japanese forward movement on Harbin and Vladivostok.

Canada's trade with the United States for the year 1909 was the highest on record.

Arthur Baker, of the Canadian Pacific railway, London, is seriously ill with pneumonia.

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King addressed the Boston City Club on the working of the Lemieux act.

Toronto University has cancelled degree of M.D. given Dr. S. B. Pollard, Toronto, now in the penitentiary.

U. S. Congress plans to act on President Taft's recommendation for a higher rate of postage on magazines.

President Taft has brought to an end the republican party fight in the United States House of Representatives.

The decision of the Japanese government to open Port Arthur as a free commercial port of entry is expected shortly.

Officials of the Fish and Game Protection Association, Quebec, announce a seizure of mink skins to the value of \$1,400.

E. Johnson, for fraud at Windsor, Ont., getting \$400 fraudulently, was sent to Central prison for fifteen months.

Democratic leaders at Albany, N.Y., admit that votes enough are pledged to encompass the defeat of William J. Conners as state chairman.

Existence of a Russo-Japanese agreement to oppose Mr. Knox's Manchurian railway plan is disbelieved by diplomatists at Washington.

Mrs. Catherine Hill, daughter of the United States ambassador to Germany, will be presented to the emperor at a levee on January 22nd.

Twenty passengers on the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria, of the Hamburg-American line, were hurled from their feet when a giant wave swept the steamer's deck.

A. McCullough, assistant engineer of the C.P.R., is being boomed for the position of the department of railways and canals.

A special despatch from Lisbon quotes from an authorized source as affirming that the marriage of King Manuel of Portugal and Princess Victoria Patricia, youngest daughter of the Duke of Connaught, will occur next May.

Underwriting at one per cent, has been completed for the Canadian loan of \$4,000,000 at three and one-half per cent. As the holders of bonds, maturing on July 1st, have the opportunity of converting it is not expected that much money will pass. The loan is assured.

SPLENDID SERVICE.

Rendered to Canada in Foreign Parts.

The splendid service rendered Canadian trade abroad is exemplified most concisely in a supplement to the Weekly Report just published by the department of trade and commerce. This supplement has been prepared by J. E. Hay, Canadian trade commissioner, St. John's, Newfoundland, and consists of an admirable booklet of seventy-five pages upon the great possibilities of trade in Canada's sister colony. This review of Newfoundland is, perhaps, the most important part of the information obtained in the supplement in of very considerable value to Canadian firms interested in subject and should be of very great interest and it appears to have been prepared with more than ordinary care. It is the last word upon the Newfoundland.

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SOME RAILWAY STATISTICS.

Some Interesting Information Given About Roads.

Some interesting information respecting the railways of Canada, is contained in Railway Statistics which have just been published by the Department of Railways. The railway mileage in operation in 1909, increased 1,138 miles, as compared with 514 in 1908. This increase does not include the 675 miles of new transcontinental railway, which were opened for traffic during the year. It is estimated that 3,283 miles were under construction on June 30 last.

The mileage in Canada in 1909 was 24,104. In Ontario, the increase in mileage in 1909 was 296. Adding together the first, second, and yard and siding tracks, a total of 30,330 miles of rail is obtained. The mileage of government-owned and operated railways was 2,639 miles, costing in all, \$111,545,903. In this item, are included Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway, 235 miles long, belonging to the Province of Ontario and Intercolonial Railway, 1,447 miles in length. During 1909, subsidies were paid to railways in Canada as follows: by the Dominion, \$2,500,612; by the provinces, \$397,111; by municipalities, \$393,878; or a total of \$3,291,601. In addition, land grants, aggregating 55,116,017 acres were made to railways up to June 30 in 1909. The railways of Canada carried 32,683,309 passengers and 65,842,255 tons of freight in 1909, a decrease of one million in passengers, and three million tons of freight, as compared with 1908. The passenger service brought the railways revenue amounting to \$45,282,326, while the freight traffic produced \$96,685,076. The total earnings of the roads were \$141,967,402, and the net revenue was \$40,456,251. This was sufficient to pay three per cent, upon the capitalization of the 57 railways in this country. Thirty-six, however, had deficits in 1909. Canadian railways paid last year \$1,594,880, in taxes and \$63,216,562 to their 125,195 employees.

The equipments of Canadian roads in 1909 were, 3,939 locomotives, 117,779 freight cars and 4,193 passenger coaches. In addition there were 106,000 passenger cars, 9,345 cars on lease, while 7,859 cars were in use of the companies service.

CANADA REMEMBERED

In the Gift of Pictures by Late Dr. Mond.

London, Jan. 16.—The value of the estate of the late Dr. Ludwig Mond, the German chemist, who died, before December 10th, and who left part of his art treasures to the British National Gallery, is as near as can be ascertained about \$1,000,000. Besides his art bequests to the national gallery certain pictures, which may not be selected by that institution, in lots of twelve, are to go to the galleries of Europe and Canada.

T MAY HANG IT UP

IN INSURANCE BILL IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 15.—The senate banking and commerce committee took up the consideration of the insurance bill. There was some discussion as to whether or not there should be two bills, one dealing with fire companies and another with life companies.

Hon. G. W. Ross urged that there be separate bills. During the recess he had been in correspondence with insurance experts on the subject and his view seemed to concur with this proposal. He moved that a sub-committee of five be appointed to re-draft the bill, separating the provisions regarding life insurance, from provisions respecting fire insurance.

It was urged against this proposal that the whole bill would be hung up for some time, pending the work of such sub-committee, and it was further suggested that the committee had no power to change the bill into two separate bills. Senator Beaque suggested that this latter difficulty might be got over by separating the bill into two parts, one for insurance, and one for fire companies.

After a long discussion the matter was left in abeyance.

IN THE CHURCH.

To-morrow no doubt will be the usual number of people who cough continually, through the air. Thoughtful people could avoid this by the purchase of some throat lozenges before hand. This would be appreciated by many people, and especially, so at Best's. Where you may purchase anything in the line. Attention being called to zymole trolozes, which are pleasant and effective.

Killed On The Railway.

Naperville, Que., Jan. 15.—Elmer A. Herbert, baggage and express messenger on the Naperville Junction railway, was killed this morning, during a sleeting operation. It is supposed he fell from the top of the car. Herbert lived in Rouse's Point and was unmarried.

Stole a Cent; Eighteen Months.

Elizabeth, N.J., Jan. 15.—For stealing one cent from a slot machine James Green, a negro, was sentenced to eighteen months in state's prison in the Union county court. He had previously been convicted of larceny.

G.T.P. Docks At Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 15.—Plans and specifications for the new Grand Trunk Pacific pier to be erected at cost of \$300,000, will be ready within six weeks, and contracts will be awarded for immediate construction.

Fail now in Canada—the past week, 36, a week 1909, 34.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 15, 10 a.m.—On-tario Valley and Upper St. Lawrence. Fire and decidedly cold. Sunday fine or stationary or a little higher temperature.

WATCH THIS SPACE

FOR GREAT SALE

Announcement Monday Evening

Specials To-Night

Ladies' Underwear, 75c quality, at 60c

Heavy Overstockings, very special, at 25c

Fleeced Underwear for Men, special quality, at 50c

Ladies' Winter Coats, \$12 to \$17 garments, at \$4.65

Spring Quarterly Style Book

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for February now ready and free.

MARRIED.

COOLAN-HOLLAND—in Kingston, on Wednesday, Jan. 13th, 1910, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. T. E. Burke, Lydia Holland, of Kingston, to Isaac Israel Coolan, of County Alberta.

DIED.

GORDON—in Kingston, on Friday, Jan. 14th, 1910, Eliza S. wife of Principal Gordon, Queen's University, Funeral on Monday, 17th inst. at 2 1/2 o'clock.

FRASER—in Kingston General Hospital on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1910, Murray Fraser, aged four years, six months and eight days, son of James W. Fraser. Funeral from his father's residence, Mack St., Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

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Hon. Thomas Hodgins, judge of the admiralty division of the exchequer court, Toronto, died suddenly on Friday.

If you have to look downward for your aspirations they are of little value.