

DR. EDWARDS' SPEECH IN THE COMMONS

Attacks Forke and Motherwell—His View on the Australian Treaty.

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—In the debate yesterday on the Sutherland amendment, Hon. J. W. Edwards (Conservative-Frontenac-Addington) expressed his intention of supporting the amendment as a protest against the action of two members in the House, who had presented demands on the

Government, and in opposition to the "acquiescence of the Government in these demands." The action of the Government in agreeing to the demands of the Labor members in question is subversive of principles of responsible Government. The way in which the Government had acquiesced to the wishes of these two members illustrated the "pitiable weakness" of the administration, and presented also the "pitiable spectacle of influencing members of other groups to get their support in order that they might carry on."

The member for Winnipeg North Centre (J. S. Woodsworth) had written a letter on January 7th addressed to the Prime Minister, Mr. Meighen, and Mr. Forke, leaders of the three major groups in the House, asking for their attitude in respect to unemployment and old age pensions. On the following day, Mr. Woodsworth had delivered a speech in the House in which he had practically said that the Government had "better come across and favor the demands." Mr. Woodsworth had also intimated then that his "little group" was in a position to say which of the two sides, Conservatives or Liberals, would be permitted to carry on the affairs of the country.

Had Been No Bidding. In the reply made by the Conservative leader there had been no bidding, but there had been a later interview with the Prime Minister, in which the Labor members had presented further demands for amendments to the Naturalization Act and the Criminal Code. It was the old story of Robin Hood holding up the rich and distributing to the needy. The method employed would have put a noose around the neck of Robin Hood. It was "subversive of the very first principles of responsible government."

Dr. Edward compared Mr. Forke to Cincinnatus, who had been taken from the plough to become the dictator of Rome with the help of the Roman legions. Even so, Mr. Forke, with the help of the legions on the other side of the House, might be able to perform acts of greater influence than Cincinnatus. It was a two-ring political circus, with Forke as ring master, and the central actor in this political vaudeville was the Minister of Agriculture.

Why should the Canadian dairy interests be forced to sell their products in Great Britain while the very same articles from Australia could find a market in Canada? The present tariff, continued Dr. Edwards, was unfair to the dairy industry and was made more unfair by the Australian treaty and the concessions granted to New Zealand in September last.

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with Australia, some return in concessions had been received. But, was it fair that the interests of the farming class in this country should be sacrificed for the benefit of the paper or automobile industries? No reciprocal concessions had been received from New Zealand, however. In return for the privileges granted by the Canadian Government to that country under the rider-in-council passed last fall, the Australian treaty was ill-advised and was resulting in serious damage to mixed farming in the Dominion, Dr. Edwards claimed.

KIWANIANS IN KARNIVAL

To Take Place at Harty Arena Early in March.

The committees appointed in connection with the Kiwanis Ice Carnival to be held at the Harty Arena early in March are as follows, the first named being chairman: General—Kiwanians Harold Davis, Frank Day, R. Easton Burns, W. J. Crothers, Alf. Fair, Collamer Folger, Dr. R. J. Gardiner, Alan Melkiojohn, H. C. Nickle, George VanHorne.

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A FORMER KINGSTONIAN

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The Lovat Pipe Band will also play at a large musical recital to be held in the near future in Palm Garden, when some of the world's most famous singers will be present. This programme will also be broadcast over station WHAZ.

COLLEGE FROLIC.

Presented Before Large Audience at Grand Tuesday Night. The Queen's University College Frolic was presented last night at the Grand Theatre before an audience which took every available seat in the house. There were many different numbers in the show and two or three of them were fairly good. Skits, songs, dances and specialty numbers made up the programme. Lavana taking the first place in the harem act. It is expected that a large sum will be realized from the Frolic. Following the show at the Grand, a dance was held in the City Hall. Another large crowd turned out for the dance where merriment reigned supreme.

REFUSED TO PAY FOR HIS MOTHER'S KEEP

Man Was Sent to Jail for Ten Days—Charge Against Brother Enlarged.

For refusing to pay \$1 per week for the maintenance of his mother, at the Home for the Aged, a middle-aged man, was on Wednesday morning sentenced by Magistrate Farrell to serve ten days in the county jail. The accused was forty weeks in arrears. His excuse to the magistrate was that he had sickness in the family, and could not pay, and that he had been out of work.

His brother was before the magistrate on a similar charge, and his case was enlarged for a week, in order to give him time to pay up. The accused stated that he was unable to get steady work. He had been employed by the city for four and a half months.

The evidence offered by the prosecution showed that he was 108 weeks in arrears in his payments. To his counsel, George Laturney, he stated that he was unable to pay. He had a family of five to keep, which included his wife, two children and his father-in-law. Counsel submitted a certificate from a local doctor, showing that the accused was not in good health.

Questioned by the magistrate, the accused admitted having purchased a house for \$900, and stated that he had \$300 to pay on it. He had been paying \$100 each fall on the property, also the taxes amounting to \$27, and interest, \$13.

Some time ago, a young man was before the court, for non-support of his wife and child. An order was issued by the court that he should pay \$5 per week. For the last five weeks, so it is claimed, the payments have not been met, and as a result he was summoned before the court. He said that he had been out of work, and was unable to pay. The magistrate enlarged the case for a week, in order to give him time to secure the money.

Seely's Bay Social Event.

A very enjoyable Valentine social was held in the Odd Fellows' Hall, Seely's Bay, on Monday evening, Feb. 15th, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the United Church. The entertainment began by singing "O Canada." Among the selections were a solo by Miss Hazel Martin; readings by Miss Beatrice Martin and Miss Lloyd; Master Murray Rhodes gave a recitation entitled "The Ladies' Aid;" a mixed quartette was greatly enjoyed. A pleasing feature of the evening was a geography match in which several of the audience took part. Mr. Doggett and Mr. Rhodes were the captains. Mr. Doggett's side being the winners. Contests were engaged in and refreshments were served by the ladies. The proceeds which amounted to \$20.73, will be used in the work of the Ladies' Aid.

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