

F. B. CARVELL PROTESTS AGAINST "GAG" RULE

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man by the action of the Premier—I use that expression advisedly by the action of the Premier—was prohibited from the right to speak in this House. When that was done, I say, my feeling of the sense of fair play of the Prime Minister was absolutely killed, and I am afraid it will never be revived. And this is the right hon. gentleman to whose tender mercies they want the Opposition of this House to be flung by adopting these rules. So far as I am concerned, I would rather be placed at the tender mercies of the Minister of Public Works than at those of a man who would stoop to such tricks as those to which the Prime Minister has descended within the last few weeks.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Oh, oh. Mr. CARVELL: Yes, I will say this for the Minister of Public Works, he does not make any pretence at fair play at all. Now, do hon. gentlemen opposite in their sober moments feel that a rule such as I have described should be made a rule of procedure of this House? If they were in our place would they want to be thrown on the tender mercies of gentlemen such as I have described and in regard to whom I have given facts in justification for every statement I have made. Would they wish, at some time in the future, to be placed with the guillotine over them and with an opportunity for about half an hour's discussion on an important Bill? I do not think they would and I do not think there are half a dozen members on the other side of the House who ever realized the enormity of this proposition. I hope, now that they have had a chance of thinking about the matter, that they will see the importance of inducing the right hon. leader of the Government to make some change in it.

My hon. friend from Richmond, N. S. (Mr. Kytte), this afternoon, stated that it was a matter of considerable shame and humiliation to him that a Nova Scotian should be the person charged with the introduction of a measure such as this to take away from half the people of Canada rights which they have had from Confederation down to the present time. I sympathize with my hon. friend from Richmond. I am also humiliated beyond degree that, from the province of New Brunswick, should be chosen two men who have been the instruments by which the gag has been applied in this House as it never has been since Confederation. It is a matter of humiliation that they should take a young gentleman from the county of Kent, N. B., and put him in the Chair where he ought not to have been put and ask him to do things which his common sense and his sense of justice told him he ought not to do, things which were abhorrent to the higher principles of his being. That hon. gentleman was forced to take a position which, I venture to say, he will regret to his dying day. The other gentleman to whom I refer was the hon. Minister of Marine and Fisheries (Mr. Hazen), a gentleman who knew whereof he was speaking, a gentleman who ought to have known the consequences. This gentleman was picked out from among the 130 odd supporters of the Government to prevent my right hon. friend the leader of the Opposition from exercising the right of free speech. New Brunswick is humiliated as she never was before. But there is, I am glad to say, one redeeming feature and that is that, when they tried to apply the gag, there was another gentleman from the province of New Brunswick in the House who had the mind, the knowledge and the sand to stand up and lead this House against the attempt. The time will, come, not very long hence, when the hon. gentlemen who tried to apply the gag and the hon. gentleman who successfully resisted it will have a chance of discussing this matter before the same electors and the day cannot come too soon.

What is the object of the introduction of a measure such as this? Hon. gentlemen say that our rules are antiquated, that they ought to be amended, that we have not sufficient and proper rules for the conduct of the business of the House. Do my hon. friends forget that only four years ago—it may have been only three years ago—a committee of this House was appointed, of which the right hon. Prime Minister (Mr. Borden) was a member and the right hon. leader of the Opposition (Sir

Wilfrid Laurier) another, the hon. member for North Cape Breton (Mr. Mackenzie) another, of which I was the fourth and of which there were seven members altogether. We had ten or fifteen meetings, we considered carefully all the rules of debate in force in this House, we went over all the English rules, we discussed everything that could be discussed excepting closure and not one man of the seven ever dreamed of such a thing for the Canadian House of Commons. That was only three years ago. We made whatever amendments we thought were necessary, there was not the least difference of opinion among the members, there were no party politics interjected into the matter and after our consideration we were able, without difficulty, to submit to the House a report which was received and adopted unanimously. It was not thought that these rules were antiquated when such gentlemen as the right hon. leader of the Opposition and the right hon. Prime Minister, with the other members of the special committee, discussed them and made a report to them only three years ago. You have only to state the proposition to show its absurdity. The rules we laid down three or four years ago were supposed to embody all that was necessary to carry on the affairs of this country and I want to point out to hon. gentlemen opposite that these rules were revised, modified and changed, after the attempt was made at obstruction in this House in 1908. That attempt, as was stated by my right hon. friend, the leader of the Opposition yesterday, was a failure in 1908, it was in 1910 that we revised the rules and even then my right hon. friend, who was at that time the Prime Minister, would not listen to the suggestion for a moment and never even discussed the question of closure notwithstanding the fact that the then Opposition had forced him to withdraw a Bill that they contended was against the interests of certain people in this country. Then hon. gentlemen opposite tell us that, because we are opposing one measure, closure ought to be adopted, that we ought to go back on the compact made with the several provinces in 1867, that we are obstructionists, that we ought to be bound and gagged and that we ought to be treated as they treat representatives in the Austrian, the Polish and the Russian Parliaments. I take issue with that statement, and if I am not very much mistaken the people of the country will take issue with me.

What is all this change in the rules about? It is not to carry on the ordinary business of the country because that has been carried on. Every reasonable measure that has been brought to the attention of this House has been passed. We have invited hon. gentlemen opposite to come on with their supply and every time that they have come we have given them the supply that they have asked for. We have invited them to bring on the West Indian trade agreement, because it is of great importance, but they will not bring it down for what reason I do not know. We have invited them to bring down the budget, a subject which has been given double importance in view of the proposed action of the United States Congress as detailed in the papers of Monday last. There never was a time in the history of this country when it was more important than the budget should be brought down, or that the people should know what is going to be the policy of the Government with regard to the trade and fiscal affairs of the country. They will not bring the budget down but they will say: You cannot do any business because we will not give you a chance to do any business until you pass this—I was almost going to say nefarious Bill—a Bill conceived under conditions of the most iniquitous political jobbery that has ever taken place in Canada since Confederation, a Bill which was born with a flourish of trumpets under pretences as false as anything could be, which has been punctured by appealing to the baser instincts of the people of the country, which, becoming afflicted with anaemia of a serious character and which can only be kept alive by applying closure in the Canadian House of Commons, a question which has never before been mooted either in this House or out of it. My hon. friends want a better cause than the Navy Bill to justify

them in applying the closure and they will have a better cause. If they would take the manly course, if they would take the course that my right hon. friend the leader of the Opposition took when a great constitutional question came up, they would go to the country, take the verdict of the people and then they would know whether this infant which they have tried to bring to life is worth all the pains and trouble they are bestowing upon it.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

From the Sentinel
May 6th, 1893

The first of May saw more than the usual amount of moving in Woodstock.

We note the following changes: U. R. Hanson now occupies the store recently occupied by R. J. McLean. Mr. Hanson has enlarged and improved the appearance of the store. John Graham has moved his stock of groceries, etc., into his new and handsome store on Queen street. Mrs. S. T. Baker has moved her Millinery business to the store recently vacated by C. See. Mrs. W. D. Camber has moved into the premises just vacated by Miss Adam. Mrs. John Loane & Co., has taken possession of the shop from which Mrs. Camber has just moved.

The following changes, among others, have taken place in residents: W. S. Corbett now occupies the premises on Connell street, purchased from Mrs. Balloch. W. L. Alerton has moved into Mrs. J. T. Allan's house. Hugh S. Wright now occupies the fine new house, Connell street, just completed by Wm. M. Connell. G. L. Holyoke, has broken up house keeping and is boarding at Dr. Griffiths. D. L. Pitt has moved into the residence, Chapel street, vacated by Mr. Holyoke. Rev. Mr. Coy now occupies the Stephenson house, Elm street. E. G. Bailey, may be found in the residence, Elm street, lately occupied by F. B. Carvell. F. B. Carvell has purchased and moved in the Donoho Cottage, Elm street. Conductor Street has moved into the house recently occupied by J. Queen.

The ladies of the Albert Street Baptist Church held a very pleasant soiree at the residence of W. S. Saunders, Monday evening. The attendance was large and the receipts, some \$13.00, satisfactory. W. S. Saunders acted as chairman and the following programme was excellently rendered: Instrumental solo, Miss Grace Porter; reading, Miss Carrie Scribner; solo, Miss M. Henderson; reading, Miss Gilmore; solo, Miss Mabel Blake, Harry Lee playing the accompaniment; reading, Miss Isabel Watts; reading, Mr. James Sutton; instrumental solo, Harry Lee. After this programme concluded, refreshments in abundance were served.

The young ladies of the Methodist church, with the kind assistance of friends, will render Morley McLaughlin's highly popular Floral Cantata, in costume, in the Opera House, on Thursday evening, 11th inst. This promises to be an unusually attractive performance; some 80 children will take part, dressed in costumes to resemble the more familiar flowers, and the Cantata will be interspersed with solos, tableaux, etc.

The steamer Florenceville made her first trip to Woodstock on Tuesday. She had a fair cargo of freight and passengers.

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