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BOURASSA'S LIEUTENANT FIGURES IN WARM SCRAP

Wild Scene in the Quebec Legislature--Armand Lavergne, Nationalist Member, Calls the Minister of Public Works a Liar and Gets a Retort in Kind--Both Refused to Withdraw the Expression--The House will Deal Further with the Matter Today

Quebec, Que., Feb. 1.—In the wild scene the House has ever seen for many a long day, Mr. Armand Lavergne and Hon. Mr. Taschereau exchanged the lie direct yesterday afternoon, to the accompaniment of shouting members, Mr. Cousineau, member for Jacques Cartier had asked for the production of all the documents in connection with the letting of contracts for the completion of the Montreal jail.

He charged that the government did not have all the documents, which he declared would show that the man who had originally submitted the highest tender for the work, was given a second chance and put in the lowest tender.

Hon. Mr. Taschereau replied by declaring that the "Dossier" was complete. As for the charge regarding the contracts, the government had called for new tenders only after changing the conditions. Then Mr. Lavergne threw the match into the

oil by declaring that it was "up to the minister," to find the documents, and produce them.

Mr. Taschereau replied by reasserting that the "Dossier" was complete, and that whoever said otherwise, spoke falsely.

Disorder at once broke loose. In vain the speaker demanded silence.

Mr. Prevost demanded that the words be recorded in the process verbal of the house. The speaker declared the motion out of order and just as disorder was at its height, Armand Lavergne rose and declared that since the minister of public works would not withdraw his words, he, Lavergne, had pleasure in telling him that he lied.

There was a moment of silence, and then Mr. Taschereau arose and said: "Before all the members of this house, I say that the member for Montmagny lies," and a number would withdraw the matter. I be further taken up by the house today.

FATHER VAUGHAN SPEAKS ON THE DIVORCE EVIL

(Canadian Press.)

New York, Feb. 1.—Father Bernard Vaughan, the noted English Jesuit priest and orator, told an audience that crowded Carnegie Hall last night, that the greatest dangers threatening society today are a lax system of divorce and marriage, cradleless nurseries and a system of education which demotes from the rank of head master to a place on the back seat, and instead of drilling an army is only arming a mob. Only by restoring Christian principles in all

things, he said, can society be saved from approaching the low level of pagan Rome in the muddest age of its muddy golden age.

Father Vaughan declared that present day society, "while not yet at the cemetery, is heading rapidly towards it." He instanced as one of the cases of decadence of the age the careless system of divorce, which, if not improved, he said, would be ruinous to the country.

Socialism in its various phases he also assailed.

BLACKHANDERS THREATEN J. P. MORGAN, JR.

New York, Feb. 1.—A squad of detectives waited in vain last night in Central Park to catch the writer of a threatening letter sent to J. P. Morgan, Jr., demanding that \$100,000 be deposited at a certain spot on the east drive or something serious would happen. It is understood that the threatening letter contained the statement that the writer had lost his money in Wall Street, and that he considered it up to Mr. Morgan to make restitution.

AUSTRALIA WOULD WELCOME RECIPROCITY

Melbourne, Feb. 1.—Hon. F. G. Tudor, minister of customs, commenting on the news from Ottawa, said that Australia regards reciprocal relations with Canada as eminently desirable and would welcome it, especially if the Dominion pointed out the way for its accomplishment.

The visit of Mr. Foster would greatly enhance the prospects of an agreement and a warm welcome would await him.

Melbourne, Feb. 1.—Premier Fisher's proposals for an Australian-New Zealand alliance or federation for defence purposes are falling flat completely. The newspapers consider the scheme premature and ill-advised.

JANUARY WAS A COLD MONTH

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 1.—Since the observatory was established in Toronto, in 1840, there has been only one colder January than this month 1897, when the mean temperature was 12.8 degrees above zero. This month it was 13.3 just one degree higher. Since 1840 only three Februarys have been colder than this January. There was no January thaw.

SUNDAY TOBOGGANING POPULAR IN TORONTO

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 1.—Three thousand representative Toronto men and women raised their hands in unison last night to express opposition to any civic enactment closing the public toboggan slides on Sunday. The demonstration of opinion came at the end of an enthusiastic meeting in Massey Hall. With the exception of one sensational disturbance, created by a female street preacher in the middle of Mr. Smith's address, the meeting was the most orderly and audience of the sort seen in Toronto for years.

U.N.B. "CON"

Invitations for the annual "Con" of the students of the University of New Brunswick are out. The "Con" will be held on the evening of Friday, February 16th in the Arts Building. The chaperones will be Mesdames L. W. Batley, C. C. Jones, F. P. Day, and John Stephens.

Madison, Feb. 1.—The second Wisconsin country life conference under the auspices of the college of agriculture of the University of Wisconsin began its sessions today and will continue over tomorrow. A number of prominent speakers appear on the programme.

Exposed the Cowardice of the Borden Government

The South Rentfrew Vacancy the Subject of a Lively Debate in the House of Commons--Extracts from the Renfrew Journal, a Tory Paper Quoted with Deadly Effect Against Hon. J. D. Reid--Accused him of a Shameless Attempt to Bribe the Constituency--Mr. F. B. Carvell put it Straight up to Premier Borden

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—Two "reasons" for continuing the South Rentfrew vacancy were presented to parliament by the government today. Premier Borden gave one, and Hon. Dr. Reid gave the other.

Mr. Borden's "reason" was that the federal Liberal government had permitted seats to remain vacant for longer periods and that the Ontario Liberal government had left the North Rentfrew seat unoccupied in the legislature for over a year and a half.

Dr. Reid's "reason" was that it was necessary to wait till the men in the woods came down. He added, that if the election had been held properly "a vote would have been taken in which Mr. Graham might be elected."

Practically no attention was given to the subterfuge of a revision of the lists, previously advanced by the premier, after A. H. Clarke's concise expose of the hypocrisy and legal absurdity of that position.

The house witnessed an unusual spectacle. The member for South Essex charged the minister of customs, on the authority of the ministerial press reports with visiting the riding of South Rentfrew and making to the people there "A statement unequalled for reckless disregard of truth."

On the same authority he accused the minister of reckless and barefaced bribery in taking the position: "Vote for Maloney and the Borden government will then spend money in this district for good roads." Of Dr. Reid's statement in this connection the Renfrew ministerial organ had said under the caption of "Low Appeal From a Cabinet Minister": "The bald way in which he handled this topic disgusted all decent men."

REID DUMB UNDER THE LASH

These were direct charges and the house waited with expectation for Dr. Reid's defence. It was not forthcoming. The minister allowed them to go without explanation and Hon. Charles Murphy, following, directed the attention of parliament to the fact that "The minister of customs' veracity has been challenged and he has sat dumb, and when he rose he did not dare to touch the matter."

The minister gulped but still remained silent.

Mr. Clarke's arraignment was a scathing one. He moved the adjournment of the house in order to bring the matter to the attention of the government to the continued vacancy in South Rentfrew, now of nearly two months' duration. He charged that this was a direct violation not only of the spirit of the law, but of its very letter. The act required the speaker to forthwith issue his warrant to the clerk of the crown and decreed that the writ thereupon should issue for election. The speaker had acted upon the law with commendable promptness but the government had refused to determine the date and appoint the returning officer. For this breach of the law the minister of customs had undertaken to give a reason. It was a "Statement unequalled for reckless disregard of the truth." He had resorted to fiction and invented a condition of affairs.

There was no trouble about the voters lists in any organized district of Ontario and that excuse advanced by the premier must be termed a subterfuge. There were always voters lists.

Premier Borden rose with some warmth and accused Mr. Clark of indulging in "excellent footing, as the girl said of the show." He had sat in the House when a period four times as long as that which had elapsed in South Rentfrew had occurred.

Mr. Borden concluded a somewhat heated address by declaring that the lists were not ready, part of them being irregular and having to be sent back; besides, there were men working in parts of the country inaccessible at the present time. During the present week the cabinet would consider the matter of an election date.

LAURIER ASKS FOR FAIR PLAY.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier pointed out that it was an axiom that a lawyer who had a poor case devoted himself to abusing the plaintiff's attorney. The premier's only defence had been along such lines and the adoption of the "Tu Quoque" line of argument. He had argued that the late government was not free from blame for delay in holding bye-elections, but in no case had this matter been complained of by the then opposition.

It was true that for one session he had represented both Ottawa City and Quebec East, but this was never challenged until the second session, when he had taken action and provided by law that a selection must be made within twenty days.

The "Tu Quoque" argument could be used both ways. In opposition Mr. Borden had moved for the automatic issue of the writ. Why was he not now putting into practice what he proposed in opposition?

There was all the difference in the world between the South Rentfrew vacancy and the others Mr. Borden had alluded to. This vacancy was made for a purpose, and it never happened that a Canadian govern-

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MONCTON TO HAVE FIRST CALL FOR CUP

Hockeyists of the Railway Town Seem to have the Maritime Championship Clinched and will go for Stanley Trophy

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 1.—Moncton will probably get the first call for the Stanley Cup. The railway hub's team, largely gleaned from the ranks of upper Canadian talent, which is not just fast enough for senior company here, seems to have the maritime province championship clinched. And there is every likelihood, it is understood, of a challenge from that city for the championship silverware.

There was talk of some of the cup games being played on the artificial ice rink at Toronto, but it is doubtful if the latter will be completed in time. If necessary, the British Columbia challenge will be accepted and the games played in December next. Only players with the championship teams in January will be eligible.

HON. B. F. PEARSON HAS PASSED AWAY AT HALIFAX

One of the Best Known Men in Nova Scotia--Prominent in Politics, Journalism and also as a Promoter

Halifax, Jan. 31.—No man was better known in Nova Scotia than Hon. B. F. Pearson, K.C., who died at 9.30 o'clock tonight. It is safe to say that no man was better liked nor more generally respected and honored and his death at a comparatively early age will be generally regretted.

He had long been threatened with the disease which now proved fatal, an affection of the kidneys. More than two months ago he was stricken seriously ill and was removed to his home on the North West Arm, the site of Joseph Howe's birth place, never again to leave his bed alive. For a brief time Mr. Pearson seemed to improve, but the physician and family realized that there could be no permanent improvement life being sustained largely by artificial means.

Sunday night he was seized with convulsions and it was feared that he could not live through the night. He hovered between life and death till tonight when the end came. Mr. Pearson was one of the great men of Nova Scotia he was lawyer, journalist, captain of industry, politician and public spirited citizen. He was the organizer not of one great company but of a score of them.

In 1875 Mr. Pearson married Julia, daughter of George Reading, proprietor of Colchester. His son is G. Fred Pearson, barrister, managing director of The Morning Chronicle. The wife of F. B. McCurdy, M.P.; Mrs. T. G. McKenzie and Miss Ethel, at home, are daughters.

MURPHY AND HOGAN FOUGHT A DRAW

San Francisco, Feb. 1.—Harlem Tommy Murphy of New York, and One Round Hogan of San Francisco, fought twenty rounds to a draw here last night.

ENJOYABLE DRIVE

The members of the B.Y.P.U. of the Brunswick Street United Baptist Church held a most enjoyable drive last night going from this city to Lint's Ferry

MacFARLANE CONVICTED OF MURDER

Poisoned his Wife with Cyanide of Potassium which he had Substituted for Headache Medicine

Newark, N. J., Feb. 1.—The jury in the case of Allen MacFarland on trial for murder of his wife, by cyanide of potassium poisoning, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, shortly before midnight, after 13 hours consideration.

The conviction of MacFarland was mainly on circumstantial evidence. His wife met death on the night of October 14 last when MacFarland was absent from home by taking cyanide of potassium, which the state alleged, MacFarland had deliberately substituted for headache medicine, which Mrs. MacFarland was in the habit of taking. MacFarland's declarations, that he told his wife about the cyanide and that if she took it by mistake, it was by her own carelessness, were greatly offset by more than seventy letters, that passed between MacFarland and his former stenographer in Philadelphia, Florence Bromley, in order to marry whom the state alleged that MacFarland planned to get rid of his wife.

TWELVE WORKMEN MET WATERY GRAVES

(Canadian Press.)

Hamborn, Germany, Feb. 1.—A tug loaded with workmen, capsized in a collision with a freighter, while crossing the Rhine during a snow storm and twelve passengers were drowned.

MEXICANS IN REVOLT

Three Hundred Former Followers of Madero on the Warpath

Became Intoxicated and Kicked up a Big Rumpus in Juarez--Private Houses Looted

El Paso, Tex., 1.—Daylight found Juarez Mexico, dazed from the effects of a night of debauch, following the revolt last night of 300 former followers of President Madero of Mexico. Desultory firing practically had ceased, but intoxicated malcontents continued to stagger about the streets, looting saloons, stores, and private houses. Troops of the Fourth United States Cavalry guarded the international bridge across the Rio Grande, throughout the night.

Americans were prevented from crossing to Mexican soil and neutrality laws were strictly enforced.

Capt. Salvador Carranza, who seemed to be in command of a part of the discontented garrison, when asked if his men had transferred their allegiance to Emiliano Zapata, said he did not know. He added that he did not believe the General Pascual Orozco would defend the town if attacked.

El Paso, Feb. 1.—Fifteen persons including four Americans, three men and a woman are imprisoned in the Casino saloon in Juarez and have been without food since yesterday afternoon.

The liquor warehouse of Katelson and Degetan is on fire and will probably be a total loss.

INCREASE IN DUTY COLLECTED HERE

Customs Returns Show Decrease in Value of Imports but More Duty was Collected

The customs returns of the past month compared with those of January 1911, show an increase in the value of imports by an increase of upwards of \$400 in duty collected. The returns as compiled by collector Macnutt are as follows:

JANUARY 1912	
Free Goods	\$11,105.00
Dutiable Goods	14,527.00
Total imports	\$25,632.00
Duty Collected	\$3,611.64
JANUARY 1911	
Free Goods	\$56,491.00
Dutiable Goods	15,413.00
Total imports	\$71,904.00
Duty Collected	\$3,207.23

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS IN THE FAR NORTH

Cordova, Alaska, Feb. 1.—Heavy earthquake shocks were felt yesterday throughout Southwestern Alaska and far into the interior. The tremors were felt on the coast, far west as Seward. Fairbanks, 350 miles inland, reports that it was severe in the Tanana Valley. Four shocks were felt, at Cordova, shaking buildings and causing the people to rush out into the streets. The weather is warm and heavy rain is falling, an unprecedented condition for this time of the year.

BISHOP RECEIVES MEMORIAL

The memorial prepared by the congregation of Christ Church Cathedral concerning the proposed removal of His Lordship Bishop Richardson was presented to His Lordship yesterday. The bishop will probably make some statement concerning the matter on Sunday next.

Mr. F. J. Ree of St. John, arrived in the city last night. Messrs. D. Watson and Thomas Hayes of St. John, are registered at the Queen.

A HOT FIGHT WITH BANDITS

French Police Surprised a Gang in Act of Stealing Goods

Two Suicided, One Escaped and One was Captured--Latter Claims to be a Montreal Man

(Canadian Press)

Arles, France, Feb. 1.—The police tonight surprised four men in the act of stealing goods from the railroad depot. The thieves ran when they saw the police and attempted to board an outgoing train, pursued by the gendarmes, and station officials. The police fired at the thieves and the latter returned the fire. A regular fusillade followed. The sub-station master fell at the first fire and then a police official was shot. The train was still moving slowly, when the police surrounded one of the bandits, who blew out his brains. A second member of the gang, who was cornered, was about to commit suicide also, when he was brought down by a bullet in the leg, and captured. A third bandit also killed himself, while the only remaining one escaped to the open fields.

In reply to questions, the wounded bandit said: "My name is Oscar Wild. I was born in Montreal, Canada, December 27, 1881. I am the son of Francis Harry Wilson, and am a bronze decorator."

The two of the dead bandits are Frenchmen and the one who shot himself was recognized as being badly wanted by the police as he was recognized as a murderer and thief.

ANOTHER TORY LANDS A GOVERNMENT JOB

(Canadian Press.)

Toronto, Feb. 1.—Robert Birmingham of Toronto has been appointed by the dominion government to assist in immigration into the province of Ontario. It is reported that the official announcement will be made this week and that Mr. Birmingham's headquarters will be in the Union Station. Mr. Birmingham is one of the veterans of the Conservative party, serving under five premiers, and has been prominent in Orange Lodge work.

BOSTON HONORS CARDINAL

Boston, Mass., Feb. 1.—A week of celebration in honor of the homecoming of Cardinal O'Connell, the first New England prelate ever elevated to membership in the Sacred College, was ushered in today with a solemn mass of thanksgiving in the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. Had the cathedral been as spacious as St. Peter's in Rome it could not have accommodated the thousands of the faithful who sought admittance to the ceremony. Long before the doors of the edifice were opened the adjacent streets were thronged with ticket-holders. All of the women attending the function were gowned in black and wore black mantillas, the costume that is worn at all pontifical court functions in Rome.

Within the altar rail accommodations were reserved for the visiting prelates and priests who came from all parts of New England. Bishop Nilan of Hartford officiated at the mass, assisted by a number of well known ecclesiastics. Rt. Rev. Joseph G. Anderson, auxiliary bishop of Boston, delivered the address of welcome. Next week two great banquets are to be given in honor of the new cardinal, one by the priests of the diocese and the other by the laity.

AGED COUPLE UNITED IN DEATH

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 1.—Mr. and Mrs. James Trimble, both aged 69, who have been married nearly half a century, died at the home of their daughter, within a few hours of one another.