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DISSENTERS START WAR ON GAMBLING

UP AGAINST A HARD FIGHT

Races in England Draw More Attention Than Base Ball in the United States.

London, March 15—The nonconformist churches of England have declared war on betting. The Free Church Assembly passed a resolution declaring that the legal inconsistency of granting Government facilities for gambling while prosecuting defaults should be abolished, and asked that should be abolished, and asked for legislation suppressing the publication of betting tips.

Reformers here are up against a hard fight. The races in England attract far more general interest than even baseball does in America. The craze is particularly strong among women and thousands of them "play the ponies" regularly.

The Rev. R. F. Horton prominent dissenting clergyman is authority for the statement that whereas a century ago there were only twenty bookmakers in the whole United Kingdom there are now 300,000. Many small town libraries no longer keep sporting papers on file because the young men consult them constantly to get tips on the races.

Even amateur soccer no longer is free from the gambling spirit. Soccer players, it is said are backed by betting interests as high as 50 pounds a man. Even hospitals and other charitable institutions asking for aid appeal to the gambling spirit of the nation. Recently one London hospital placarded the city with an appeal reading:

"Get 7,500 pounds and be happy for life." So widespread is betting nowadays that agitation is afoot to have a tax placed on bets. It is argued that this would have a two fold benefit. In the first place it would check the amount of betting by making it costlier and in the second place it would enable some of the heavy tax burden to be lifted from productive industry and sorely pressed business men.

Opposition to this comes from the two extremes—the bookmakers and the clergymen. Why the bookmakers object is obvious and the clergymen are opposed to the idea of "the State profiting from vice."

LADY DIANA RUNS AFOUL OF TRAFFIC LAWS

London, March 15—Lady Diana Manners, daughter of the Duke of Rutland has acquired many reputations—London's most beautiful woman, dictator of fashion, ballroom queen, movie actress, horse woman, and journalist, and her latest claim on fame is being chronicled by London police court reporters.

or simply parking her car in busy streets, Lady Diana is going to police court as regularly as Babe Ruth did for driving his too fast. She has paid her sixth fine for obstructing traffic. Once she defended herself with the plea that it was not everyone who could afford a chauffeur but it cost her \$10.

WILL TRY TO REACH POLE

(Special to the Daily Mail)
Nome, Alaska, March 15—Ronald Amundsen, the explorer plans to hop of from Wainwright on the north coast of Alaska for his flight across the north pole to Spitzbergen on June 20 or as near thereafter as weather permits.

Late Stephen W. Rickard
The funeral of the late Stephen W. Rickard of Barker's Point took place Wednesday afternoon with service by Rev. F. A. Wightman. Members of Lodge No. 37 P. A. B. attended, and many friends of the deceased also paid a last tribute of respect. Interment was made at Sunny Bank Cemetery.

Late Mrs. Sarah Higgins
The funeral of the late Mrs. Sarah Higgins took place this morning from the residence of Mrs. J. Burton Ryan, daughter of the deceased, Bridge street Devon. High Mass of Requiem was celebrated at St. Anthony's Church by Rev. Father Conway. Interment was made at Sunny Bank Cemetery.

Hanging Out Clothes on Snowshoes.
One other unusual sight even in a region famed for heavy snow, was witnessed recently in this city when a housewife in a residential district was observed on snowshoes, hanging out the weekly wash. The depth of the snow in the yard made it necessary to wear the snowshoes.

THE DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS WAS CONTINUED IN THE LEGISLATURE

Speeches by Messrs. Peck, Burlock and Bentley —Senior Member for Albert Pecked at the Government—Found Fault with the En- forcement of Prohibition—Mr. Bentley Put in a Word for the Salmon Fisheries.

The debate on the address is still going on in the Legislature and will probably be continued for the remainder of the week. The speakers yesterday were Mr. Peck of Albert for the official opposition, Mr. Burlock of Carleton for the Farmers and Mr. Bentley of St. John County, for the Government. There was a good attendance of members and the several speakers were given an attentive hearing. Mr. Stewart of Restigouche moved the adjournment of the debate and will speak this afternoon.

Yesterday Hon. Mr. Byrne, Attorney General, introduced three Government bills, which were read a first time. One of them provides for an extension of time until December 31st, 1925 for completing the Centreville-Andover section of the St. John and Quebec Railway.

Another provides for the questing of titles and the third has to do with liens on goods and chattels.

Assembly Chamber, March 14, 1923.

The House met at three o'clock. HON. MR. VENIOT moved for leave of absence for Hon. M. Michaud, until Tuesday next on account of urgent private business, and for Mr. Leger for the same period on account of illness.

MR. BENTLEY submitted the first report of the Contingencies' Committee.

HON. MR. BYRNE introduced a bill to provide for the extension of time for building the St. John and Quebec Railway from Centreville to Andover. He explained that the present act expired in 1923, and it was proposed to extend it until December, 1925.

HON. MR. BYRNE introduced a bill relating to liens on goods and chattels. He explained that the bill had reference to goods and chattels stored in warehouses and provided a remedy in cases where there was default in payment.

HON. MR. BYRNE introduced a bill for the quieting of titles. He said that it would give the right to persons claiming ownership to land to have the title judicially investigated and a declaration made. The object of the bill was to provide an easy terms for the quieting of titles and settling the ownership of lands.

Notice of Motion
MR. SCOVILLE gave notice of motion for Tuesday next as follows:

"That we view with alarm the depletion of the population of the fishing section of the County, and would urge upon the Federal Government of Canada that immediate action be taken whereby the depletion may be controlled and brought back to normal, by the immediate order that an export duty be placed upon all fresh herring that are sold for export at a less price than \$10. per hoghead at the wharfs in any part of Charlotte County, and that such export duty be placed at \$10. per hoghead, for the protection of the fisheries."

HON. MR. HETHERINGTON submitted a statement of the debt of indebtedness of the Municipality of Carleton.

HON. MR. FOSTER said he wished to call the attention of the Hon. Premier to an article in the morning papers which stated that the C. N. R. contemplated extending its system to Providence, R. I. He said it would effect the Province of New Brunswick by reason of the fact that the C. N. R. connected with the Valley Railroad, and it also might effect the export trade of St. John. He hoped the Hon. Premier would take such steps as would safeguard the interests of the province.

Mr. Peck's Criticism
MR. PECK on the order of the day being called, resumed the debate on the address. He congratulated Hon. Mr. Speaker on retaining his high position as he had heard it rumored that he was to resign and become a member of the administration. As presiding officer he could assure him that he enjoyed the respect of hon. members on both sides of the House.

He (Peck) had not been present at the opening but had read a report of the speeches of the hon. mover and seconder, and while he wished to congratulate them he regretted that they did not have a more extensive knowledge of the financial condition of the province. He wished to congratulate the Hon. Premier on his promotion and could assure him that while he differed with his policy and was opposed to his exploiting the public money, they had always been on friendly terms. He was surprised that the Hon. Premier had pitched into the great Agricultural classes and had made a fierce attack upon the hon. leader of the Farmers' group. The Agricultural interests were certainly deserving of greater consideration at his hands, and as for the hon. leader of the party he stood very high in the County of Westmorland. He considered it unbecoming on the part of the Hon. Premier to make an attack upon him. He (Peck) while he differed with the late Premier on matters of policy always found him courteous and dignified. He had come into the House as a young man in 1917 and his business ability gave him a high reputation throughout the province.

WILL REVISE THE PSALMS

(Special to the Daily Mail)
London, March 15—The committee presided over by Bishop Ryle, dean of Westminster, appointed by the National Assembly in 1920 to consider and report upon a revision of the Psalms and their use in public worship, propose some drastic alterations and omissions.

Burning Flue.
A burning flue in the cellar of the residence of Solomon Greer, Union street gave the firemen a run Wednesday evening. There was no damage.

RECOVERY OF PATIENTS WITH SLEEPING SICKNESS

(Special to the Daily Mail.)
Philadelphia, March 15—Dr. John A. Koler, one of the heads of the research institute for cutaneous medicine, seventh and Pine streets and Professor for Bacteriology in the graduate school of the University of Pennsylvania, reported the complete recovery of a patient suffering from sleeping sickness after several injections of the Mayo serum.

WANT ALLIES TO PAY FOR THE RHINE TROOPS

Washington to Press for Share of Money Already Collected.

Washington, D. C., March 15—The United States government will today or tomorrow issue instructions to Eliot Wadsworth, Assistant Secretary of the treasury now in Paris, to insist that payments for the cost of the American army of occupation approximately \$250,000,000 come pro rata from the payments that Germany has already made to the allies in cash and in kind. Mr. Wadsworth will be instructed to make no reply whatever to the offer of the Allies to make payments to the United States from future German payments over a period of ten years so that negotiations on the subject probably will result in a deadlock unless the Allies recede from their present position which is extremely unlikely.

This decision has already been reached by Secretary of State Hughes it is understood and will be promptly transmitted to Mr. Wadsworth. The decision is based on two factors: First, that the United States has a moral and legal right to insist that payments for the Army of Occupation be made pro rata from payments Germany has already made and second that to accept the plan of the Allies would in effect put the United States in the position of one of the nations attempting to force collection of reparations from Germany.

Committee on Agriculture Not in Favor of Spending Money on Immigration Under Conditions

Committee Room.
March 15, 1923.
The committee on Agriculture met this morning for the first time this session with Mr. Wetmore in the chair.

Immigration was the chief topic discussed. Harvey Mitchell, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and F. E. Sharpe, Superintendent of Immigration were before the committee.

Mr. Mitchell outlined the arrangement between the Dominion and the Province with regard to immigration. The Province was to state its wants and the class of settlers preferred, the Dominion would land them in the Province and Provincial authorities would do the rest.

A number of members of the committee discussed the matter and with qualification of various kinds expressed opinion against spending money on immigration at a time when native population seemed to be leaving the country. Those who spoke were Messrs. McKenna, Doucett, Diotte, Pickard, Burlock, Violette and Estabrooks.

Several members referred to the necessity of development of natural resources such as the manufacture of pulpwood within the province instead of exporting it to the United States and also the development of the Albert shale deposits.

Mr. Warnock suggested that the committee hear Mr. Sharpe.

Mr. Sharpe said that a good class of settlers was being received from the Old Country. In many cases relatives induced them to come and in some cases wives of returned soldiers who were natives of the Old Country had members of their families join them. Every steamer landing at St. John had brought parties and conditions were such in the Old Country that people were only too eager to come to New Brunswick or any other part of Canada. He had more correspondence than ever before and would like to have suggestions from the committee. There had been no trouble in placing people recently.

Mr. McKenna said that the class of new settlers that New Brunswick wanted was a self-supporting class with money. He understood that

GERMANY SAID TO BE READY FOR A SETTLEMENT

TO SUBMIT PLAN TO THE ALLIES

Negotiations Begun Which May Lead to a Discussion With the French.

(Special cable to The Daily Mail.)
London, March 15—Germany is about to make a declaration that she is willing and ready to produce a plan for the final settlement of the reparations question provided she can rely on the plan receiving the attention and consideration of the allied governments, says the Daily Telegraph's diplomatic correspondent.

Will Discuss Terms

Cologne, March 15—In spite of repeated denials it is stated in authoritative circles here that negotiations were begun last week by the Berlin government, which it is hoped may shortly lead to a public opening of discussion with France on the terms on which evacuation of the Ruhr will be begun.

Lord Cecil Coming
London, March 15—Lord Robert Cecil will sail next Wednesday for the Majestic for a four or five weeks' visit in the United States. He is to be the guest of the foreign policy association.

Engagement Announced
The engagement of Lady Evelyn Farquhar, widow of late Col. Farquhar who commanded the Princess Pats, to Mr. Douglas Orme Malcolm, is announced.

CAME LIKE A THUNDERBOLT

(Special to the Daily Mail)
Dublin, March 15—A document signed by William Lynch Republican chief of staff, whose signature was sworn to by a Colonel of the National army, came as a thunderbolt at the inquest here yesterday on Hugh Haughton, Dublin tramway carpenter, who was shot Monday evening near his home.

Similar To 1887.
Old-timers comment upon the fact that conditions this winter are similar to those of 1887 when very heavy snow was followed by the highest freshet on record. Some predict that a rapid melting of the snow with rain will cause another freshet similar to that.

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some new comers had been victimized by unscrupulous real estate agents and in some cases had purchased farms unaware that they were mortgaged. A system of licensing real estate agents might be adopted.

Mr. Smith pointed out that in Carleton County the farmers were pretty hard pressed without new people being brought in. In fact the salvation of the situation was that they could turn to other things besides farming.

Mr. McKenna said that he and Mr. Fawcett had been named a committee from the Farmers and Dairy-men's Association on the matter of more favorable freight rates. He moved that the committee be given assistance in the presentation of a brief on the question.

Deputy Minister Mitchell said that the opinion expressed by members of the committee was the same as that held at the department. It would be a waste of money to bring in new farmers with conditions as they were.

The motion of Mr. McKenna was passed unanimously.

General discussion followed upon various types of farming which might be adopted. Emphasis was placed upon hog raising.

Mr. Estabrooks said that it should be remembered that it had been a general improvement in the standard of farm-living. The great necessity was a wider market for farm product. At the last session he seconded by the hon. member for Albert had moved that trade commissioners be sent to work up a market. As far as he knew nothing had been done.

Deputy Minister Mitchell said that Mr. Robinson of Sackville had been sent as a trade commissioner but there had been little result.

Mr. Estabrooks said that Mr. Robinson had gone to the Southern States where there was a high adverse duty. Had the Canadian Government Merchant Marine been willing to put on steamers, he believed that potatoes would have been going there to this day. However, steamers would not be put on unless full tonnage was guaranteed and in his district he was the only one who offered any.