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A SCRAP OF PAPER.

The franchise bill now being forced through Parliament by the Borden government under closure proposes to deprive certain aliens who have been naturalized within fifteen years of the right to vote. It is a distinct violation of a solemn promise made to these people by the government of Canada at the time they took the oath of allegiance. The oath which they took sets forth that they should have the same "rights, powers and privileges to which a natural born British subject is entitled within Canada." The section is as follows:

"An alien to whom a certificate of naturalization is granted shall, within Canada, be entitled to all political and other rights, powers and privileges, and be subject to all obligations to which a natural-born British subject is entitled or subject within Canada."

This guarantee to aliens to become British subjects has been followed and repeated in Acts of the Dominion Parliament passed in 1886, 1906 and in 1914. Under the provisions of these Acts and on the faith and guarantees therein expressed, hundreds of thousands of immigrants have been invited to this country and have helped us to build a nation on the northern half of this continent. They have become in general, good Canadians, have been elected to parliament, and one of them, Sir George Perley, now occupies the responsible position of Overseas Minister of Militia in Sir Robert Borden's own cabinet.

Each alien naturalized under the provisions of the Acts of Parliament above referred to, has taken and subscribed to the following Oath of Allegiance:

I, A. B., formerly of _____ in _____ and known there by the name of _____ residing at _____ do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty, King Edward VII, as lawful Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Dominion of Canada, dependent on and belonging to the said Kingdom, and that I will defend him to the utmost of my power against all traitorous conspiracies or attempts whatsoever which shall be made against his person, crown and dignity, and that I will do my utmost endeavor to disclose and make known to His Majesty, his heirs or successors, all treasons or traitorous conspiracies and attempts which I shall know to be against him or any of them; and all this I do swear without any equivocation, mental evasion or secret reservation. So help me God.

Now it seems that the solemn enactments of the Dominion Parliament upon the faith of which this country has been built up, are to be treated by Sir Robert Borden and his government as a mere "scrap of paper" and precisely as the Germans treated their solemn treaty obligations with respect to Belgium. Will fair-minded Canadians stand for this sort of thing?

Moncton Transcript: The collapse of Toryism in British Columbia is marked. Just on the eve of a Dominion general election, the Vancouver News-Advertiser, which is edited by Mr. S. D. Scott, formerly of the St. John Sun, has collapsed, ceased to publish, and its interests, etc., sold to the Sun Publishing Company, of Vancouver. The Daily Sun is a Liberal paper. Thus we see in Vancouver the Liberal party newspaper doing that which the Dominion Liberal party all over Canada is about to do, swallowing the Tory outfit. It looks ominous for Toryism everywhere. The collapse of the Tory paper is due to lack of public sympathy with Toryism, because in Mr. S. D. Scott the News-Advertiser had one of the most brilliant and reliable of editors.

The Toronto Globe says: "The new franchise act is another proof that no one party is big enough to handle the present situation. There is no sign of bigness in such a measure." It proves nothing of the kind. The craze for "union" is leading to a good many foolish remarks. The record of the Liberal party is proof that it was "big enough" to frame and carry through parliament a franchise measure which was just and fair. The "gerrymander" and all the other electoral inequities belong to the Tory party. The Globe knows that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his associates would not be guilty of perpetrating such a monstrous injustice.

"So nauseating is the legislation by which the Borden government proposes to come once again to the relief of Mackenzie and Mann, says the Brockville Recorder, that even so strong a Tory as Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper is moved to declare that under ordinary circumstances it would be sufficient cause for turning the government out of office. What will the apologists for the C. N. R. legislation have to say to this?"

Halifax Chronicle: In keeping Germany safe for junkerdom, the Potsdamers have never proceeded so crudely as to disfranchise a whole class. They have secured the same result by effecting such a distribution of constituencies as gives the "junkers" representation in the Reichstag out of all proportion to their numbers. This was the principle adopted by Sir John A. Macdonald. It was called the "gerrymander." After all, there was some finesse about John A., and there is some about the Germans.

St. John Times: Everybody should understand that the ordinary sale and purchase of peas, beans, tomatoes, beets, celery, corn, spinach, rhubarb and pumpkins, preserved in cans, glass jars or any other container, commonly known as "canned vegetables," is prohibited, except to lumber, mining or construction camps. Those dealers who sell are liable to be prosecuted.

Through Our Sieve

If worshippers of the golden calf lived now they'd probably worship the golden pig.

This is going to be a good winter for experiments with smokeless furnaces.

It's a pity a man can't get a pair of suspenders to hold up his reputation as well as his trousers.

One benefit of America being in the war is already seen in the exaggeration of war news in our favor.

Liberty is always represented as a female, but it is difficult for some married men to understand why.

Maybe the passing is easier at Rigby than at Verdun, but the moral effect will not be the same.

Humanity has been staggered so much within the lonesome later years that a stagger is its familiar mode of progress.

Waistcoat compelling days of late summer bring sorrow to the breast of the young man who has just laid in a lot of passionate neckties.

Advocates of sheep raising point out that the sheep can be worn as well as eaten. It seems to be up to the pig to grow wool.

GRIFFIN-BURNS
NUPTIALS TODAY

Charming Wedding at St. Dunstan's--Gutelius-May Wedding at Fredericton Jct. Tuesday Morning.

Miss Mayme Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Burns of this city, was married at St. Dunstan's church this morning to Mr. T. Frank Griffin of the C.P.R., Woodstock, nuptial mass being celebrated by Rev. Father Carney. The bride wore a travelling suit of blue. Miss Agnes Burns, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. Mr. Thomas Griffin, brother of the groom, was groomsmen. The bride was given in marriage by her father. The ceremony was performed at 8.30 o'clock and the young couple left at once on their bridal tour which will include Toronto, Niagara Falls and other Upper Canadian points. The bride was the recipient of numerous gifts, including cut glass, silver and furniture. Substantial cheques from the parents of bride and groom were among the gifts and also twenty dollars in gold. The groom's gift to the bridesmaid was a pearl pendant, and to the groomsmen cuff links.

Gutelius-May.

Tuesday morning at half past ten o'clock in the Roman Catholic church at Fredericton Junction with nuptial mass, Mr. Nelson Gutelius and Miss Gertrude May were united in the bonds of matrimony by Rev. Father Murphy of Devon. They were unattended. The bride looked charming in a dress of white satin. The popularity of the bride was attested by the large number of people present at the ceremony and the collection of presents. The bride is one of the most popular young ladies of Fredericton Junction and Mr. Gutelius as District Civil Engineer of the C.P.R. with headquarters at Sudbury, Ont., has a very bright future before him. The happy couple left on the Boston train on a wedding tour with one principal objective, to be present at the opening of the State University of Pennsylvania from which the groom was graduated a few years ago with great distinction.

AMENDMENTS
TO C. N. R. BILL
VOTED DOWN

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Ottawa, Sept. 12.—In the Senate yesterday afternoon a number of opposition amendments to the C. N. R. bill were rejected by the government.

Senator Cloran offered an amendment providing that the claims of laborers, employees and contractors who had been engaged on construction should be accepted by the arbitrators for consideration in connection with the valuation of the stock. This amendment was declared lost, and the second clause of the bill was declared carried.

Senator Beique offered an amendment that no part of the \$25,000,000 set apart for payment should be used for the payment of debts incurred on behalf of any company that was not now included in the C. N. R. system to be acquired by the government.

This was declared lost also.

Safeguards Voted Down.

To the fourth and last section of the bill, Senator Belcourt moved that the senior judge of the Exchequer Court of Canada should be one of the arbitrators; that the owners and pledgees of the stock and securities should appoint another; and that the third should be named by the Chief Justice of Canada. This amendment was declared lost.

Senator Bostock then moved that the senior judge of the Exchequer Court of Canada should be the head arbitrator on the valuation of the stock shares. He said that it was the job of this judge to value railway and other properties. Sir James Loughheed said this would put the government in a position of naming two of the three arbitrators. He declined to accept the amendment, which was negatived.

APPEAL COURT
HEARS CASES

Appeal in C. P. R. Case Argued This Morning—Palmer Co. vs. Palmer-McLellan Co. Being Heard.

The Supreme Court, Appeal Division, met this morning in the chambers of Judge Wilson of the County Court, the installation of new heating apparatus at the Parliament Buildings making the Supreme Court Chamber too cold for comfort.

In the case of Laura H. Cheeseman, widow and administratrix of Justus G. Cheeseman, and the Canadian Pacific Railway, Mr. F. R. Taylor, K.C., for the defendant company moved for a rule extending the time for giving notice of appeal and for a stay of execution. Mr. Daniel Mullin, K.C., contra, took preliminary objection to Mr. Taylor's motion. He also argued that the appeal should be dismissed with costs as the appeal was taken to an order that had expired.

Stay is continued, court considering terms and costs.

In the case of the John Palmer Company vs. The Palmer & McLellan Shoe Company, Mr. J. J. F. Winslow moved for review of the taxation by the Registrar. Mr. P. J. Hughes contra.

Argument was unfinished when court rose.

There are only two cases remaining to be argued at the present sittings, namely, George Eddy Co., Ltd. vs. Chamberlain in which Mr. Shipp, K.C. supports appeal from the Gloucester County Court; also the consolidated appeals of Robertson vs. Nortons in which Hon. Attorney General Byrne appears for the defendants and Mr. George Gilbert, K.C., for plaintiff.

Paid Heavy Penalty.

A former resident of Doak Settlement was arrested at his home in this city at an early hour this morning on the charge of assault on Corp. Morris Shea of the 236th Battalion. The assault was committed last autumn but since that time the accused has evaded the police leaving the city at times and on one occasion jumping out of a window at Doak Settlement. He has been watched lately and his arrest took place this morning. The assault on Corp. Shea came about through a mistake in identity. The accused had had trouble with some soldiers and with others waylaid the soldiers whom they thought to be the same. Shea was severely cut with a bottle although he had had nothing to do with the previous trouble. Fine and costs imposed this morning by Magistrate Limerick totalled \$66.05. It would have been better for the accused to have faced the charge last fall.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Howe of Patten, Me., are at the Barker House. Mr. Fred R. Taylor K. C., of St. John, is a guest at the Barker House. Mr. D. W. Magee of St. John, is in the city.

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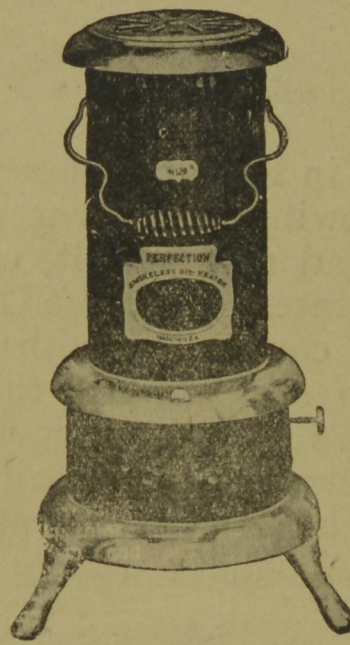
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| Union Pac..... | 128 5-8 |
| U. S. Steel..... | 108½ |
| Air Brake..... | 179 |
| Kenn..... | 40½ |
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| Rubber..... | 57 |
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| Quebec..... | 19 |
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| Braz..... | 40 |
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Edward Mushrush, aged 26, of Steubenville, O., has been rejected 19 times in five weeks as unfit for service. He says he has tried every recruiting station between Steubenville and Fort Riley, Kan.



"Speaking of the Hague, it's a pity that we haven't some special place for promoting peace in this country." "Guess you've forgotten Reno, haven't you?"

Four of the six jewelry stores in Plattsburg, N. Y., have reported the sale of 318 wedding rings to members of the first officers' training camp.

Flocks of white sparrows have been seen recently near Pottsville, Penn., for the first time since 1865.