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LIBERALS TURNED OUT TUESDAY EVENING

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\$50,000 a year had been paid to company officials.

Freer Trade.

Mr. Hughes said what Canada needed was freer trade. There could not be free trade on account of the huge debt.

The implements used by the basic industries of the country should be untaxed. The King Government had provided for that. It also had entered into trade agreements with the West Indies and other countries for the purpose of increasing export trade.

The speaker expressed regret that Hon. I. C. Rand had been unable to attend the meeting although he had been expected.

"Decent Little Boy."

There were a few other remarks which he wished to make. Mr. Hanson had referred to the Liberal candidate as "a decent little boy." Why had he used that term. When had the leaders of the Tory party become accustomed to that word decent? Had it come to the pass that the man of whom the word "decent" could be used was to be held up to scorn was that why Meighen had accepted as a candidate J. K. Flemming, a man who in 1914 had been found guilty of exporting \$65,000 from the lumbermen of New Brunswick, also from contract.

There is no closed season on bear in Ontario, but there has been little hunting for them, most of the hunters preferring to wait until they can shoot moose, caribou and deer as well.

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PRIVY COUNCIL OF BRITISH EMPIRE SUPPORTS EXCLUSION OF BELLA

London, Oct. 27.—The judicial committee of the Privy Council, the highest court of appeal in the British Empire, has delivered judgment in one of the most remarkable cases ever to come before it, and denied the right of an Indian girl named Bella to worship at the Parsee fire in the temple in Rangoon.

Bella is now 25 years old and married. But she was a young girl when the case was first started in the Indian courts to prevent her worshipping in the temple. There were two court decisions in India in her favor. The litigation cost thousands of pounds.

Dr. K. Saklat and others in the Parsee temple carried it eventually to the Privy Council.

In 1914, Bella was initiated into the Zoroastrian religion, the orthodox Parsee faith, and the following year was taken to worship at the fire temple, where she sat facing the sacred fire and had ashes handed her by the priest without the resentment of the congregation.

Later, however, her foster father received a protest on the ground that Bella was a daughter of a non-Parsee father and therefore had desecrated the temple. Her foster father protested and suit was brought to keep her out of the temple.

One of the points advanced against the girl was that she did not undergo the "barashnum" or rite of cleansing, in the presence of a priest for the nine consecutive nights the rite requires. The Privy Council's decision has been awaited in India with absorbed interest.

Worship Sacred Fire.

In both race and religion the Parsees stem from ancient Persia, where their religious leader, Zoroaster, taught. They are most numerous in the city of Bombay.

Although originally their religion

sought converts, modern Parsees are very loath to accept proselytes from other religions. They have been content to live among those of other races and other beliefs, neither affected by their surroundings nor affecting them; worshipping always according to their ancient rites in the temples, where the sacred fire, attended by priests who have passed through long processes of purification, never dies.

If Bella's failure to undergo the "barashnum" was an important factor in the action of the Parsees in seeking to have her barred from worship, it was that she was held to be contaminated, since it is required only when it is felt that unusual purification is necessary.

The ceremony, with its attendant retreat, lasts nine days and nine nights and every part of the body is in turn cleansed by sprinkling with water and "gomaz," the while prayers are recited.

Ritual of "Barsom."

The Zoroastrian worship from which the non-Parsee young woman now is barred, consists chiefly of the recitation of fragments of the sacred books, together with the performance of a certain ritual, or without it. In the ritual, "barsom" (a bundle of from five to thirty-five metallic wires, tied with a string of date leaf), a metallic saucer, with nine holes in the middle, and cups and dishes are used. Offerings of holy water, sacred bread, fragrant wood and certain plants are made.

Devout Parsees usually go to the fire table every day—always on certain days of the month. According to the ancient belief, however, it is not necessary to pray in a temple. Parsees frequently pray on the bench or facing the sun. They are not really fire worshippers, but monotheists, using fire merely as a symbol.

HUNDREDS OF HUNTERS FIND GAME PLENTIFUL IN WOODS THROUGHOUT THE DOMINION

(Montreal Herald.)

This year's hunting season in the Province of Quebec and indeed in most of Canada, both in the point of the number of hunters and in the size of the game bags, is a record breaker, according to the figures in the hands of both the Canadian Pacific and the Canadian National railways.

The rush of hunters started just before the season opened and continues unabated with no signs of a let-up. As is usual, the majority of the hunters are coming from various parts of the United States, but the Canadians also are well represented, in every part of the Dominion.

In Quebec the La Tuque district so far has proven the most popular, the hunters in that section getting some exceptionally fine bags. To date, according to the figures of Alphonse Tremblay, the biggest outfitter there, hunters have taken out 25 moose, 12 deer, and 9 bear, besides large quantities of birds and smaller game. Mr. Tremblay himself shot one moose with an antler spread of 59 inches, one of the finest heads ever taken in that section.

Another record was set by a party of American hunters near Tarent, when one brought down a black bear 8 feet long and weighing about 500 pounds. The animal was discovered chasing a moose across a small lake and was shot in the water.

Make Heavy Bag.

The grizzly record was threatened by a large party of Americans from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Missouri. This party was so large that 100 pack horses were necessary to carry the equipment and they were hunting early in September and early this month in the Cassar District of Brit-

ish Columbia along Telegraph Creek, north of Hazelton. The big grizzly was over 11 feet long. Besides that monster the party got 32 mountain sheep, 28 mountain goats, 16 caribou, 12 moose, 10 grizzlies, and 18 black and brown bears.

A trip de luxe was engineered by the Canadian National Railways for Bernard Baruch, New York financier and politician his son Bernard Jr. and George W. Winch, of New York. They travelled in a special train through Saskatchewan after duck, geese and prairie chickens. On the return of the party Mr. Baruch said that, despite inclement weather most of the time he had experienced the best duck shooting of his life.

Another party of ten Americans headed by James E. Briggs, of New York had a good trip near St. Felix, Quebec. They and another small party, came out October 7, with 10 caribou and 11 moose.

The exact number of hunters in the Dominion of course, cannot be ascertained, but from every section come reports from the guides of all the parties that can be handled. This is particularly true of Quebec, where all the big camps are filled to capacity for the entire season.

Just now the trend of travel is toward Ontario where the season opened north of the Transcontinental October 15, and continues to November 15. In the territory north and west of the French and Mattawa rivers, to the line of the Transcontinental, the season is from October 25 to November 30, and many hunters are starting in that direction. The district south of the two rivers mentioned above, does not open until November 5 and closes November 20.

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