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THE PEOPLE'S RIGHTS

Hon. Dr. Sproule, Past Grand Master of the Loyal Orange Association, and now speaker of the House of Commons, was very active in obstructing the passage of the Manitoba School bill in the House of Commons in 1896. Had closure been in force at that time the bill would have passed and Manitoba would have been coerced into accepting separate schools against the wishes of a majority of its people. During the session of 1910, when a proposal was made to revise the rules of the House Dr. Sproule made this plaintive appeal to Sir Wilfrid Laurier:

"Rumors have been prevalent for some time past in the Government press that the rules of the House are to be revised at an early date, and the Government is to introduce what is known as the closure. I would like to ask the First Minister if that is the intention in the revision of the rules? I would like to say that so far as I can judge the temper of parliamentarians generally, they regard the freedom of debate as one of the dearest rights of the representatives of the people; and if any attempt is made under the guise of amending the rules to prevent the freest discussion of all public questions, I can only say that, in my judgment, the Government will invite a good deal of trouble."

It was on the same occasion, that George E. Foster declared: "I for one have no idea at all of submitting without protest to any of the well-defined liberties of this House as a parliamentary body being infringed upon."

The "dearest rights of the representatives of the people," are not so dear to Dr. Sproule, Mr. Foster and their associates today as they were in 1910. They are quite ready as the Winnipeg Free Press says, to see them butchered to make easier the road of the Tory political machine.

When two spans of the Fredericton highway bridge were destroyed by fire some years ago, the government of that day lost no time in establishing a free ferry service in order to accommodate the people. The drawspan of the present bridge was carried away on April 1st and twenty-three days later it occurred to the oracles of the Flemming government that the people were suffering some inconvenience and out of the goodness of their hearts they engaged a gasoline launch to carry passengers across the river. The people should be thankful for small mercies these days.

Sir Richard Scott, one of the landmarks of Canadian Liberalism, passed away at Ottawa yesterday. He was a man of unblemished reputation and his public career extended over the long period of fifty-six years, a record equalled by few statesmen in any country. He was government leader in the senate from 1874 until 1878, and from 1896 until 1908, and he led the opposition in that chamber from 1878 until 1896. Senator Power of Halifax is the only remaining member of the senate who was appointed to office by the Mackenzie government.

If the Liberal naval policy is adopted by the people of Canada it will mean the establishment of a mammoth shipyard at St. John. It will provide profitable employment for thousands of capable New Brunswick mechanics, and will provide a market for the products of the farm. If the Tory policy is adopted the enormous sum of thirty-five million dollars of the money of the taxpayers of Canada will be sent to England and our workmen will receive no benefit from the expenditure.

The farmers of York and Sunbury are going to take a gamble on the Underwood tariff bill becoming law in the United States and increase their acreage of potatoes. Local shippers are now paying seventy cents a barrel for potatoes, while across the border in Aroostook county where the farmers have a market, \$1.25 is the prevailing price

The statesmanship, assiduous care, calm judgment and wisdom which the members for York are bringing to bear on the appointment of a third police commissioner for the City of Fredericton—an unremunerative office—will no doubt be duly appreciated by a large section of the population of this city. He are indeed fortunate in having truly great men as our representatives in the legislative halls of our country at the present time.

Moncton Transcript:—The Hon. H. F. McLeod repudiated part of the interview in Montreal, which was credited to him by a newspaper there. Now, if (Mr. McLeod would only repudiated the other part the result would justly illustrate exactly how much Mr. McLeod knew of the subject upon which he was predicting.

There promises to be quite a building boom in Fredericton this summer and the City Council should prepare for it by opening up new streets. There is a scarcity of dwelling houses in Fredericton and every encouragement should be given to those who contemplate building during the coming season.

A lot of old Tories living along the Nashwaak and Miramichi rivers who denounced the Blair government in all the moods and tenses for extending the timber-leases to twenty-five years, have, since the Flemming crown land bill became law, been pinching themselves to see if they are alive.

The government having failed to supply an adequate ferry service it would pay the merchants of Fredericton to pool in and engage a scow for service on the river on Saturday in order that country people may be enabled to reach the city with their teams.

Sir Charles Tupper, the sole survivor of the fathers of Confederation visited his native town of Amherst yesterday and was accorded a rousing welcome by the citizens irrespective of party.

The Tory gag measure passed the Canadian parliament at an early hour this morning by a majority of thirty-five. The Quebec Nationalists voted with the government.

The local members for York seem to be trying hard to acquire the get-together habit.

A VETERAN STATESMAN

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rior until 1908, when under stress of advancing years, he resigned and was succeeded by Hon. Charles Murphy. He had been up to that time government leader in the senate as well as to the end he continued to take active interest in the deliberations of that body.

FATHER OF SCOTT ACT

The legislative enactment by which Sir Richard was most widely known, and from which he derived his highest title to place among Canadian law makers, was the Canadian Temperance Act of 1875, better known as the Scott Act. This measure was the outcome of a long agitation on the part of the temperance interests for an advance of some kind on the existing license laws and the old Dunkin Act, which were then the ones in force.

The Dunkin Act was a local option measure, but was so defective in character as to be very lightly regarded by the prohibitionists and was therefore of little assistance as a guide in framing another law based on the local option principle. The Canada Temperance Act is considered therefore a pioneer in the path of local option legislation in regard to the liquor traffic and a remarkable tribute to the sagacity and legal ability of its framer. Since it was passed, although it has been made the subject of the fiercest legal disputes, not only was its constitutionality upheld by the highest court of the empire, in spite of the determined efforts of great leaders to overthrow it, but so perfect were its details that comparatively few amendments were ever made to it.

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Gertrude Dallas will be the leading woman with Blanche Ring in the latter's new play, "When Claudie Smiles."

Canadian constitutional system was the separate school act, prepared and carried through parliament by him as a private member in 1863. The separate school question was then a very vexed one and some means was needed of removing it from the arena of politics. The legislation fathered by the deceased statesman proved the needed key of the situation and was a means of allaying much public irritation. To his influence and broad-minded freedom from aggressive sectarianism was largely due its passage after it had been introduced.

Sir Richard had been presented both to King Edward VII. and King George V. and was knighted by the former in June, 1909.

The funeral will likely be held Saturday, but arrangements have not been completed.

D'Arcy Scott, assistant chief railway commissioner, and W. L. Scott, K. C., of this city, are sons of the late Sir Richard Scott.

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