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## MR. BORDEN'S WOBBLING

"SPEEDY" vs. "IMMEDIATE."

On March 29th, 1909, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, after pointing out in his naval resolution that the time had come when Canada as it increased in wealth and numbers should assume in larger measure the responsibility of national defence, proceeded—"that this House will cordially approve of any necessary expenditure designed to promote the organization of a Canadian Naval Service in co-operation with and in close relation to the Imperial navy. ALONG THE LINES SUGGESTED BY THE ADMIRALTY AT THE LAST IMPERIAL CONFERENCE." This was warmly approved by Mr. Borden, then Leader of the Opposition, so much so that he wanted to hurry things up. He was accommodated by Sir Wilfrid, who amended his resolution to read "To promote the SPEEDY organization of a Canadian Naval Service, etc." and Mr. Borden led the Opposition in unanimously concurring with that resolution.

No time was lost in acting upon it. The Naval Bill was presented next year providing for the "speedy" construction of a powerful nucleus for the eventual Canadian fleet. Tenders were called and the contract could have been awarded before the 21st of September, 1911, in full accordance with the will of Parliament and the people, but in view of the coming election Sir Wilfrid Laurier, with his customary strict interpretation of constitutional ethics, considered it proper to wait until the people had spoken.

The chance of Government followed; and what became of "speedy," Mr. Borden? The practical naval programme he had demanded in 1909 reposed under the dust of a cabinet pigeon hole. The tenders were left unheeded although their preparation had entailed great expense and labour.

Then "speedy" Mr. Borden had an inspiration. After lying in the Torres Vedras of indecision and the dispute between Nationalist and Tories he in 1912 underwent a transformation. The chrysalis "speedy" bloomed out into the butterfly "immediate." Charged with the momentous word Mr. Borden sailed away to England, listened to what the British Admiralty had said; forgot that the Laurier naval plan had been specifically agreed to by himself as to be "Along the lines suggested by the Admiralty at the last Naval Conference." And after listening to the British Minister he calmly asked them what he should do to give aid. Naturally the Admiralty gave the answer he had put into their mouths—although they emphasized his express limitation—and back came Mr. Borden loaded down with his "immediate" solatium. And the immediate result was that the Hon. Mr. Monk resigned his portfolio, while the plan was denounced by Nationalists out of office and swallowed whole by the Parliament Nationalists who preferred portfolios and indemnities to consistency.

The "speedy" political acrobat in Opposition had no difficulty turning a somersault into the "immediate" figure juggler after over a year's vacillation. It should not be difficult for plain taxpayers to judge which was the better—the "speedy" follower of the Laurier policy of the Canadian navy or the "immediate" destroyer of the Laurier policy and inventor of the cheque donation expedient.

Many, many years ago the ablest agricultural authorities declared that with small farms and intensive culture Great Britain and Ireland could easily maintain nearly 150,000,000 people. At the Guelph Agricultural and Experimental Union it was shown that on a small holding of two and a half acres, intensively farmed, and everything turned to good account a clear profit of \$2,700 per year was

made, in addition to supplying the home with vegetables, fruit, eggs, honey, milk, butter and the like. An experiment with ten acres showed that it was too much for one family to cultivate intensively. The day of the small farm or allotment especially near large centres of population, is apparently close at hand even in Canada.

## THE MOTION THEATRE

The news that Edison has sold out the rights to his kinetophone, the invention that seems to have solved the problem of speaking mechanical drama, to a combination of vaudeville managers will bring some regret to those who have dreamed of more serious possibilities in this crowning achievement of a great inventor.

We are to have no more Moliere, no Shakespeare, no Sheridan from this mechanical wonder. Instead of cheapening and popularizing the drama in its highest form, it will deal in "skits" or "turns" or at best, in fifteen-minute scenes from something better. Edison has succeeded, but the world is robbed for a period of years of results from his success that would have been marvelously educative and marvelously valuable.

The commercializing of invention was never better illustrated. We think the common regret is well based and wholesome. We had more of vaudeville than was good for us without the assistance of Mr. Edison's kinetophone.

Free Trade Britain once more leads the world in the increase and extent of her trade. It seems almost beyond belief, but it is true all the same, that about 45,500,000 of a population did for the year ending Dec. 31 last an import trade of \$3,724,482,570, and an export trade of \$2,437,170,010. This is an aggregate increase of \$490,268,455 over the record of 1911. This, of course, takes no account of the enormous quantities of food, clothing, coal, iron, copper, manufactured articles and the like produced in Britain and consumed there. It very evidently pays Britain to keep an open door to the customers of all the world.

The bye-election in the County of Antigonish yesterday for the N. S. legislature, resulted in a victory for Mr. J. S. O'Brien, the Conservative candidate, who had 399 majority over Hon. C. P. Chisholm, Liberal. The latter was defeated in the general election by Mr. E. L. Girroir, who was recently appointed to the senate. He was at one time a member of the N. S. government.

The Dominion Government has appropriated \$2,000 for an exhibit at the International Travel and Vacation exhibition to open at Grand Central Palace, New York in March. The Fredericton Tourist Association should see to it that New Brunswick is well represented in the exhibit.

The Home Rule Bill which has been before the Imperial House of Commons for months was passed yesterday by a majority of 110 amidst a scene of unparalleled enthusiasm. It was afterwards given its first reading in the House of Lords, but it is sure to be rejected by that body.

## HOME RULE

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Mr. Birrell concluded the debate. Mr. Redmond reiterated what he had stated during the debate in the first reading of the bill, namely, that the Nationalists accepted the bill as the final solution of the vexed question. He thought it would lead to a reconciliation of all the interests at stake between the north and south of Ireland.

Regarding the financial provisions of the bill although they were less liberal than had been expected they had come automatically to an end there would be no opportunity of revising them.

Mr. Redmond declared that the Nationalists refused to regard Ulstermen as anything but brothers and he invited them to join with the Nationalists in the emancipation and the government of their common country. He went on:

"I believe that in spite of the House of Lords, the home rule bill is going to pass into law within the lifetime of this parliament. The House of Lords we know is going to throw it out but although the lords still have teeth, they cannot bite."

Mr. Redmond concluded: "For myself and my colleagues this is a very

## MARYSVILLE TOPICS

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a very large sheet of ice and with lighted lanterns dotting the surface, the pastime and healthy exercise is delightful. Coasting has also become very popular among the younger class and almost every hill is occupied by merry coasters, who enjoy the delightful sport.

The many friends of Mrs. Judson Goodspeed who has been in Victoria Hospital for the past three weeks, will be pleased to hear that she will soon be well enough to be brought to her home.

Rev. W. J. Williams left by the early C.P.R. train this morning for St. John. His father, who has been poorly for the past few weeks, is improving.

Mr. Samuel Woodside, superintendent of the Cotton Mill, has returned from his brother's funeral and has resumed charge of the mill again.

Great changes are taking place in the Cotton Mill plant at present. The old cloth hall is being converted into a napping room, while the shipping department is being moved upstairs where the nappers were and the old shipping room is to be used as an additional weave room. The work of installing new looms and other machinery will begin at once.

The old grocery store which has been conducted by the Gibson Company for a great many years, has been closed and the stock has been removed into the brick dry goods store, which has lately been remodelled and is now being used as a general department store with all lines under one roof and one management. The change system has been installed and all sales are reported and kept in the main office.

## SECTION STRUCK OUT

A section of the by-law governing the Fire Department which allotted George Street between York and Regent Streets as the place for the exercising of the horses of the department has been struck out. This section has been more honored in the breach than in the observance.

serious and solemn moment. Many of us have sat in this house with one single object in view for more than thirty years. We have met with disaster, defeat and discouragement but never, even when faced with the tragedy and the loss of our great and incomparable leader; the late Charles Stewart Parnell, did we despair of the arrival of this day.

"I believe that there is not a people or a country in the civilized world which will not welcome as glad tidings of great joy the announcement that this powerful British nation has at last been magnanimous enough and wise enough to undo an old national wrong. In the words of the late William E. Gladstone: 'The tide has once more run out and the star of Ireland has mounted in the heavens.'"

Prolonged cheers greeted the Irish leader at the close of his speech.

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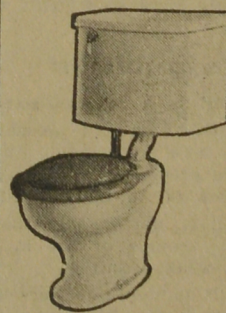
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It appears that New York's Commissioner of Records, who died recently, left an estate of only \$100. Apparently he was different from most New York politicians.

Mr. Alex. Murray of the firm of A. Murray & Co., left for St. John this morning on a business trip. Ex-Coun. Stanley Douglas of Stanley was in the city today.