

SIR WILFRID WRITES ON NAVAL QUESTION

An Able Defence of the Policy of the Government Succinctly Set Forth—"My Duty is to Make the Country Strong Before All Nations," He Declared.

Sir Wilfrid has addressed the following letter to La Presse:

Gentlemen,—All Canadians will be grateful for your article of Saturday last in which you revive the fine and imposing figure of Commaadant Fortin, a man of head and heart, who was in reality the father of the Canadian navy.

The short story you published brings to mind the origin of our cruisers and explains from events of the past the present situation.

You say with reason that in 1852 "the care of the government was to protect Canada from danger and abuse, from the violation of its fishing grounds and from smugglers." These governments were those of Hon. Auguste Robert Morin and of our greatest patriots, and Hon. Mr. Hincks. I take advantage of this historical fact to point out that the Government of the present day is not behind that of 1852 and I do not think that we could be accused of a crime in following out the policy of our predecessors. There would be good reason to attack us if, instead of following that policy, we had longer neglected it.

Considering conditions, the measures of defence then adopted bore much more heavily upon the country than those to which we now have recourse; the revenue of the country then was only \$1,600,000, while today it exceeds \$100,000,000.

At that time however, our share of the protection was minimized because Great Britain maintained her warships at Halifax, which would be immediately available for our defence in case of necessity. These ships have now been withdrawn from our ports, and we cannot complain since their departure has been the confirmation of our autonomy. The Mother Country has shown her full confidence in our loyalty since she has

handed over to us her arsenals, stores and fortifications, and now it is for the people of Canada to provide for their own protection, making her own laws, her own commercial arrangements with other countries, and even taxing as she sees fit the products of the workshops of Great Britain.

In 1852 Canada had only the Gulf to defend. Now we have all the Maritime Provinces, Halifax, St. John, Cape Breton, Prince Edward Island, and the whole Pacific Coast, the Gulf of San Juan, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimalt, Prince Rupert, the Yukon, etc.

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DANGERS ON PACIFIC.

We must not forget that there are continual dangers on the Pacific Coast, where the fisheries, forests and mines represent millions in value to be defended. It is not when a catastrophe arrives that we must prepare to meet danger. The duty of statesmen is to provide against the possibility of such catastrophe. What would happen to our commerce if at the moment where Canada is preparing to offer the shortest route between Europe and Asia by its railroad and ocean connections for the valuable trade passing between the two continents, if by a false economy we should lose hundreds of millions of business?

Moreover, how can we prepare our compatriots for ocean navigation if we do not give them opportunity to learn on training ships? In former times our great shipyards of Quebec furnished sailors. But they have disappeared with the elimination of the sailing vessel. It is by the construction of cruisers that we hope to revive the ancient industry and bring about the establishment of immense shipyards which will produce iron ships of all kinds, not only for the government navy, but also for commercial purposes. The engagement of our marines being limited to three years of service, they will then be able to obtain important positions in the mercantile marine. The navy will employ captains, mates and clerks as well as carpenters, electricians, mechanics, firemen, sailors and so forth.

I am not at the head of Canada's affairs for my own personal satisfaction. My duty is to work in order to

make the country strong and respected, and I do not think that my compatriots of the provinces of Quebec, should be in this matter of a different faith to my own. Moreover, they would have reason to take me to task if I failed in the duty assigned to me of making Canada worthy of taking a foremost place in the British Empire in the face of the whole world.

FALSE IDEAS SPREAD.

I know that in campaigns false ideas have been spread regarding the navy which, in agreement with my colleagues of the Cabinet, and the majority of parliament, I have undertaken to create. Demagogues—there is no other expression that can be applied to them—have sought to frighten the people with prospects of conscription and enforced enrolment.

There has never occurred in any political fight, whether in this country or elsewhere, a more dishonest assertion. In Great Britain itself, the greatest naval power that has ever existed, conscription has never been known. It is ridiculous to suppose that the naval law would be more severe here than in England. But there is more yet. Forced enrolment has always been part of the militia law in Canada in the event of invasion. This provision of the militia law was deliberately eliminated by us from the naval service provisions. Conscription is no more to be feared today than it was at the time Commaadant Fortin called for volunteers to recruit the "Canadienne."

Our autonomy has been similarly preserved by a clause which reserves to parliament the absolute control of a service which is its own creation, and which cannot be used otherwise than by the will of the representatives of the people.

When this law is better understood the people of Canada, and especially the people of this province of Quebec, will find in it nothing but a full recognition and an exact application of their rights as well as of their duties.

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MARYSVILLE TOPICS

Nov. 21.—Mrs. Alex. Gibson gave a delightful bridge on Friday evening in honor of her daughter, Mary's, friend, Miss Dobson, of St. John. Bright fires and lights made the hospitable home very attractive to the city guests. There were about five tables and the prize winners were Miss Dobson and Mr. Turner. A plentiful supper was served during the evening after which there was music and dancing and at midnight the young people left for home, after a most enjoyable evening.

Mrs. Bayard Fisher gave a very pleasant party on Saturday for her daughter, Constance, the occasion being her eleventh birthday. The little hostess was the recipient of a number of birthday gifts. The usual games were played and at 6 o'clock a dainty tea was served. Following were the guests present, Miss Hatt and Miss Isabel Babbitt, of Fredericton, Misses Stella Clayton, Mary Merritt, Edith Staples, Christine Chisholm, Flo Chisholm, Marion Stafford, Barbara Nickerson, Bessie Smith and Nellie Logan. At half past nine the party broke up, after having a most enjoyable time.

Mr. John Gibson, C. E., of St. John, spent Sunday in town. On Monday Mr. Gibson leaves for Carleton Place, Madawaska and Victoria Counties to inspect the wharves and bridges at those places.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bird in the death of their little son, Raymond, who died Saturday evening after a short illness, aged eleven months. The funeral took place this afternoon, Rev. J. C. Berrie officiating. Interment was made in the Methodist cemetery.

Mr. Nelson W. Brown will deliver an address on Government Old Age Annuities in the Orange Hall here at 7.30 Tuesday evening.

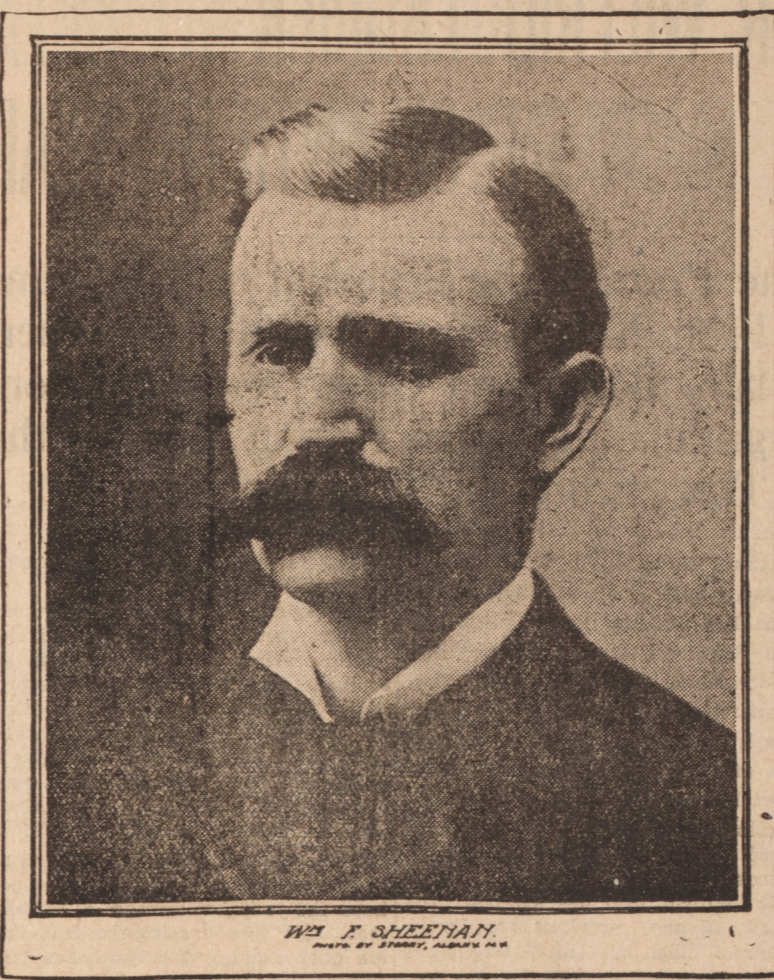
EEL RIVER LAKE

Miss Bessie McLean, who has had charge of our school for the past year, we are sorry to report does not intend remaining with us this winter.

Miss Florence Mackey has returned from a very enjoyable trip to Houlton, Maine, where she had been spending a few days with friends and relatives.

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William F. Sheehan, the former Lieutenant Governor in New York State, is being prominently mentioned by the Democrats as the likely successor to Chauncey M. Depew as United States Senator. With the great Democratic landslide the Dems will send a man to the Senate and speculation is now rife as to who will be finally chosen.

NEW YORK SENATOR REFUSED BRIBE OF \$100,000

New York, Nov. 18.—One hundred thousand dollars to vote against the anti-race track betting bills in 1908 was offered to State Senator Eugene M. Travis of Brooklyn, so he swore on the stand today, testifying before the legislative graft committee. A mysterious little man whose name he does not recall, made the offer in the lobby of the senate, he said, on behalf of former Senator Frank D. Gardner. And Gardner, he said, confirmed it in a subsequent telephone conversation.

Gardner is now under indictment, charged with having attempted similarly, though with a lesser amount, to influence Otto G. Foelker, of Brooklyn, now a congressman, but then a state senator. Foelker voted for the bill, as did Travis, and it was passed, notwithstanding the efforts of the race track interests and the alleged use of a fund which previous testimony has placed at \$500,000.

Travis' testimony and the committee's efforts to subpoena James R. Keene and Harry Payne Whitney, two millionaires, whose hobby is horse racing, were the most interesting developments of today's hearing, resumed after an adjournment on October 22.

Efforts to find Messrs. Keene and Whitney have so far been without success, and M. Linn Bruce, chairman of the committee, is growing impatient. Both men have been mentioned in previous testimony as having been at a conference at Delmonico's, at which the alleged corruption fund was raised and the committee is anxious to examine them.

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BIG FIGURES OF CANADA'S TRADE

Ottawa, Nov. 18.—Canada's trade for the present fiscal year bids fair to run close to the \$800,000,000 mark. For the first six months it has increased at the rate of nearly \$100,000 per month, as compared with the corresponding months of last

OTHER SENATORS "APPROACHED."

Travis' testimony today added two new names to the list of senators "approached." The amount offered him, he explained, was to be paid in two instalments, \$25,000 down and \$75,000 after his vote had been cast. "Did you ever hear of any other senator being approached?" he was asked.

"Yes, I took lunch with Senator Fuller and Senator Carpenter one day, and they told me they had been approached. Senator Gates also told me he had been called on the 'phone.'"

"Would you know the man who approached you if you saw him again?"

"Yes, I think so."

"Was he a regular lobbyist?"

"I think so. He was interested in other measures."

Senator Carpenter, who Travis mentioned, was a Republican from Westchester. Senator Fuller was a Brooklyn Democrat. Senator Gates came from Madison County.

During the afternoon session Conrad Hasenflug, of Brooklyn, a former state senator, denied any activity in influencing others against the bill, although he voted against it. Similar denial was made by ex-Senator Alfred J. Gilchrist, of Brooklyn. He said he voted against the bill because he believed it was unjust and unfair, and because there were many in his district who wanted to see the bill defeated. In answer to a broad question if he knew of any moneys paid anyone for voting against the bill, he said: "No."

CANADIAN BANKS ENJOYING PROSPERITY

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 18.—The bank statement for October, issued today by the Finance Department, indicates a continuance of satisfactory business conditions throughout Canada. Demand deposits as compared with September increased from \$273,500,000 to almost \$281,000,000, while notice deposits went up to \$949,000,000, an increase of over \$4,000,000.

Call loans in Canada are \$962,500,000, an increase of over \$2,000,000, while current loans increased from \$664,000,000 to over \$697,000,000. Current loans elsewhere stood at over \$241,000,000, an increase of one million.

Total liabilities of Canadian banks stood at \$1,063,182,955, an increase of about one million, while assets stand at \$1,260,756,704, an increase of approximately four millions.

For October the increase was \$10,602,364.

Imports and exports for the seven months totalled \$433,287,034, an increase over last year of \$66,489,552, or about 19 per cent.

Imports totalled \$262,685,148, an increase of \$58,010,766, or 27 per cent. Exports totalled \$170,611,886, an increase of \$18,463,406.

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MAY STOP FLYING

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his sister, the Comtesse de la Begas-siere.

They say that they think their brother, now that his engagement to Miss Grace MacKenzie of Toronto has been announced, will probably rest on his laurels gained in one year of brilliant aviation work and will give up flying. Should he again fly, it will be probably simply for his own pleasure and amusement.

NOTICE OF SALE

To Neil McCashion of the Parish of Kingsclear in the County of York and Prince of New Brunswick, Farmer, and Margaret McCashion, his wife, and all others whom it may in any wise concern.

NOTICE is hereby given that under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the nineteenth day of December A. D. 1904, and made between the aforesaid Neil McCashion and Margaret McCashion, of the first part, and the undersigned Robert W. McLellan and F. Josephine Seery, Executors and Trustees of the last Will and Testament of Frederick J. Seery late of the City of Fredericton in the County of Kingsclear, deceased, of the second part, and recorded in Book W-3 of the York County Records, pages 505 to 508, under Official Number 5832, there will for the purpose of satisfying the mortgage secured by the said Indenture of Mortgage, default having been made in the payment thereof, be sold at Public Auction in front of the Post Office in the City of Fredericton in the County of York on SATURDAY the 22nd day of October next, at 10 o'clock of twelve o'clock in the forenoon the lands and premises described in the said Indenture of Mortgage as:

All that certain piece or parcel of land lying and being in the Parish of Kingsclear and bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point which is distant on a course by the magnet of the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, forty-two degrees, north, eighty-four chains from the intersection of the southwestern line of lot number the New Market road, thence running south forty-two degrees east, twenty-four chains to a spruce tree; thence south eight degrees to William West in New Market with the southeastern side of forty-eight degrees west thirteen chains; thence north forty-two degrees west twenty-four chains; and thence north forty-eight degrees east thirteen chains to the place of beginning, containing thirty-eight acres more or less, distinguished as lot number ten east in New Market.

Also, all that certain other piece of land situated in the Parish of Kingsclear aforesaid and described in the deed thereof from Timothy Murphy and wife to Neil McCashion dated the twenty-first day of November A. D. 1888, and registered in Book O No. 2 of the York County Records page 67, to wit: All the land lying on the southeast of the Smithfield Road, together with one acre situate on the northwest of said Road adjoining George Hapard's line, being ten acres more or less and devised to the said Thomas McCashion under and by the last Will and Testament of the late Neil McCashion.

Also, "All the lot fronting on Smithfield Road, Parish aforesaid, and lying between lands now occupied by Alexander Burgoyne on the lower side and John Feeney on the upper side, containing one hundred acres more or less."

Also "All that certain other piece and parcel of land lying and being in the Parish of Kingsclear and County of York and described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of land owned by Annie T. Gilman, late of Peter Burgoyne; thence following the southwestern line of said lot of land four hundred and eighty rods or thereabouts, and striking the line of the said block of land known as the Estey Grant; thence southwest until it strikes the northeast branch of Long's Creek, known as the Estey Branch; thence in a northerly direction following the several courses of said stream until it strikes the northwesterly line of said Estey Grant; thence northeasterly to the place of beginning, comprising part of land owned by Nemiah Gilman to George Gilman in the year A. D. 1882 containing two hundred acres more or less, and devised by the said George Gilman to the said McCashion by deed bearing date the 30th day of May A. D. 1902, together with the buildings thereon and improvements and the appurtenances to same belonging or in any wise appertaining.

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