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## CANADIAN PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED; ELECTIONS TO BE HELD SEPT. 21st

### TOWN OF FARNHAM, P. Q. SUFFERS BIG FIRE LOSS

The Whole Business Section Was Wiped Out, Causing a Loss of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars—Fire Brigade of Four Neighboring Towns Called to Assist in the Fight, but Could Not Prevent Great Damage—Started in Bowling Alley

(Canadian Press.)  
Montreal, July 31.—The business centre of the prosperous town of Farnham was wrecked by a \$300,000 fire which broke out last night in a disused bowling alley.  
Thirty-five establishments and one-third of the town is in ruins. The fire brigades of four towns failed to stay the flames until great damage had been done. St. Johns, Sherbrooke and Montreal firemen joined the local brigade, but it was not until four o'clock this morning that the fire was under control.  
The principal buildings destroyed include the Balmoral Hotel, Monard Hotel, Oddfellows' Hall, Wonder land Theatre, the Town Hall and the fire station, the Eastern Township's Bank, a handsome brick and stone structure, stands alone in the burned area, but the interior is seriously damaged by smoke and water. A score of the stores and business establishments were totally destroyed.

### THE STOCK MARKET SHOWED SOME ACTIVITY TODAY

New York, July 31.—The stock market today opened a little stronger than on Saturday and several issues had fractional advances before noon.  
Quotations from direct private wires of J. M. Robinson & Sons, Bankers, St. John, N. B., Members of Montreal Stock Exchange  
Open Noon  
Amalgamated, ..... 67½  
Atchinson, ..... 111½  
Smelters, ..... 79  
Brooklyn, ..... 81½  
Canadian Pacific, ..... 245½  
Great Northern, pfd., ..... 134½  
Northern Pacific, ..... 131½  
Pennsylvania, ..... 125½  
Reading, ..... 159½  
Southern Pacific, ..... 122½  
Union Pacific, ..... 189½  
U.S. Steel, com., ..... 79½  
Virginia Chemical, ..... 79½  
MONTREAL MORNING SALES.  
Royal Bank, 10 @ 230.  
Bank of Montreal, 1 @ 268, 10 @ 268½.  
Bank of Commerce, 10 @ 208½.  
MacKay, 25 @ 74.  
Iron, com., 85 @ 54½, 20 @ 55, 15 @ 54½.  
R. & O., 250 @ 123, 100 @ 122½, 50 @ 122½, 25 @ 123½, 125 @ 123½, 1 @ 123.  
Toronto Railway, 7 @ 162, 210 @ 161, 100 @ 161½.  
Cement, com., 50 @ 83½.  
Cement, pfd., 25 @ 82.  
Textile, 12 @ 98.  
Cement, com., 10 @ 22, 25 @ 22½.  
Rio, 225 @ 114½, 50 @ 114½.  
Mexican, 50 @ 85½, 50 @ 85½.  
C.P.R., 30 @ 245, 1 @ 244.  
Penman's, 20 @ 86, 25 @ 85.  
Soo, 150 @ 140.  
Power, 25 @ 167½, 130 @ 167½.  
Asbestos, 10 @ 6, 75 @ 5.  
Shawinigan, 25 @ 115.  
Canada Car, 70 @ 102½.  
Penman's, pfd., 100 @ 57, 1 @ 58.  
Crown Reserve, 30 @ 325, 200 @ 319.

### Sir Wilfrid Laurier Issues Ringing Manifesto to the Electors of Canada—Tory Obstructive Tactics Condemned—Reciprocity to be All Important Issue

Announcement of Dissolution Received by the Liberals with the Greatest Enthusiasm while the Tories Set Up a Howl—Indications are that the Government Will Sweep the Country from Ocean to Ocean—Coming Conflict Will Mark Borden's Disappearance from the Political Stage

Ottawa, July 30.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in an address to the Canadian people issued yesterday after the dissolution of parliament, states the issue before the electors in clear and ringing tones as follows:  
To the Canadian people:  
Ottawa, July 29.—At all times, during the last forty years, it has been the constant effort of all political parties in Canada to make with the United States an arrangement for the free exchange of natural products between the two countries.  
In 1854 Lord Elgin, on behalf of Canada and the Maritime Provinces, negotiated with the United States a treaty for that purpose which lasted until 1866, and which within the memory of many still alive, was of the greatest advantage.  
Ever since the termination of that treaty all public men of any prominence in Canada, whatever their differences on other questions, have been unanimous in the attempt to again secure this free exchange of natural products. Nor is this to be wondered at, seeing that in the industries of agriculture, fisheries, lumbering and mining, Canada possesses advantages not enjoyed by any other country on earth, and that upon the markets secured for the products of these industries depends the growth of our manufacturing and commercial interests and the prosperity of all classes in the Dominion.  
THE LATEST ATTEMPT OF THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY TO THAT END WAS MADE BY SIR JOHN MACDONALD, HIMSELF, WHO DISSOLVED PARLIAMENT IN 1891, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORATE OF CANADA THE EXPEDIENT OF HIS APPROACHING AGAIN THE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES FOR A RENEWAL OF THE TREATY OF 1854.

In 1893 the intention to obtain reciprocity with the United States, if possible, was made a prominent feature in the platform of the Liberal party, upon which that party attained power in 1896.  
After the present government took office it renewed in vain this offer to the United States, but meeting with no response, it declared that no further overtures of this nature would be made by Canada.  
Within the last twelve months the president of the United States sent to Ottawa two commissioners from Washington, for the purpose of opening negotiations looking toward the lowering of the tariff barriers which have hitherto stood in the way of free exchange of commodities between Canada and the United States. These negotiations in January last, culminated in an agreement between the two governments, by which the duties of each country on such products might be lowered or altogether removed.  
This agreement was strenuously resisted in the United States by various interests, on the alleged ground that it was all to the advantage of Canada and to the detriment of the other country, but the view that it was naturally advantageous to both countries finally prevailed in congress, and the agreement STANDS TODAY AS AN OFFER BY THE UNITED STATES TO CANADA OF THAT VERY MEASURE OF RECIPROCITY WHICH, FOR MORE THAN FORTY YEARS, HAS ENGAGED THE EARNEST AND CONSTANT EFFORTS OF EV-

ERY LEADING CANADIAN STATESMAN.  
The present Conservative party in parliament seeks absolutely to reverse the lifelong policy of its great leaders in the past, declaring that it will oppose to the bitter end the very principles enunciated by both Sir John Macdonald and Sir John Thompson in the last election addresses upon which each of these statesmen ever appealed to the Canadian people.  
Not content to debate this proposition upon its merits, the Conservative party in the House of Commons has adopted a system of organized and avowed obstruction to prevent any vote being taken in parliament by which the opinion of your representatives there could be expressed.  
DAY AFTER DAY, WHEN THE PRESIDING OFFICER HAD TRIED TO PUT THE QUESTION, HE HAS BEEN MET WITH DILATORY MOTIONS, BY ENDLESS SPEECHES, BY OBSTRUCTIVE DEVICES OF EVERY KIND, EACH PUT FORWARD ON SOME SPECIOUS PRETEXT, BUT IN REALITY NOTHING ELSE THAN AN ABUSE OF FREEDOM OF SPEECH IN PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE.  
SUCH PRETEXTS ARE SIMPLY A CLUMSY ATTEMPT TO GIVE SOME COLOR TO UNWARRANTED AND UNIDENTIFIED OBSTRUCTION.  
To overcome that obstruction, after a session which has already lasted eight months, would not only mean the continuation of the unseemly spectacle presented by the opposition in the House of Commons since the resumption of its sittings on the 18th instant, but would also mean weeks and months of wasted time and perhaps, in the end, the loss for this season to the Canadian producer of the free American market.  
In this condition of things it has seemed to His Excellency's advisers more in accordance with the dignity of parliament, with the traditions of those British institutions which all true Canadians value so highly, and which the present opposition degrades with such a light heart, with the best interests of the country as a whole, to remit the issue to the people themselves, so that the people may judge between the government and the opposition, and declare whether they have changed their minds or whether they will or will not have the American market for the promising crop soon to be garnered in Canada.

THE ISSUE, MY FELLOW COUNTRYMEN, IS IN YOUR HANDS, AND TO YOUR DECISION HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT IN CANADA ARE WELL CONTENT TO LEAVE IT.  
It has been alleged by the opposi-

tion that this agreement, if consummated, would imperil the connection with the mother country, and finally bring the annexation of Canada to the United States.  
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO TREAT SUCH AN ARGUMENT WITH ANY KIND OF RESPECT, IF INDEED IT CAN BE DIGNIFIED WITH THE NAME OF ARGUMENT, FOR IF IT HAS ANY MEANING, ITS MEANING IS THAT THE PEOPLE OF CANADA WOULD BE SEDUCED FROM THEIR ALLEGIANCE BY THE PROSPECT OF FOLLOWING THE LARGER FLOW OF NATURAL PRODUCTS FROM THIS COUNTRY TO THE OTHER. INDEED THE VERY REVERSE WOULD BE THE NATURAL CONSEQUENCE FOR THE EXPERIENCE OF ALL AGES ABUNDANTLY TESTIFIES THAT TRADE IS EVER THE MOST POTENT AGENCY OF PEACE, AMITY AND MUTUAL RESPECT BETWEEN NATIONS.

Nor is this all: this agreement, which in no way impairs our fiscal policy—which still maintains at the top-mast the second principle of British preference—this agreement by opening new avenues of trade hitherto closed, would further improve the friendly relations which now so happily exist between this country and the mother country, on the one hand and the American people on the other hand, and which it is hoped may, at no distant day, eventuate into a general treaty or arbitration, the effect of which would be to remove for ever all possibilities of war between the great empire of which we are proud to form a part, and the great nation which we are proud to have as neighbors.  
(Sgd.) WILFRID LAURIER.

Ottawa, July 30.—With over two years of its legal tenure of office still to run, the eleventh parliament of Canada has been dissolved—talked to death by a stubborn minority.  
The government on Saturday morning, after a full meeting of the cabinet council, decided that any further attempt to pass the reciprocity agreement in the face of the frank and determined obstruction of the minority of the people's representatives in parliament was useless, and, on the advice of his ministers, the governor general yesterday afternoon issued proclamations proroguing the House, dissolving parliament calling for an election and a new parliament on Sept. 21, with nominations on September 14, providing for the issuing of the writs forthwith to be returnable on October 7, and fixing October 11 as the tentative date for the meeting of the new parliament.  
That is the government's answer to the opposition obstructionists. The people of Canada are now asked to decide the issue as to whether or not they want free trade with the United States and whether the majority in parliament are to rule.  
It was a smiling and confident prime minister who met the waiting correspondents at the door of the council chamber at 1.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, at the conclusion of the cabinet council session.  
"Gentlemen," he said, "Mr. Fielding has some news for you."

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### TORONTO HAS MURDER CASE

An Italian Shot Dead on the Street by an Unknown Man Sunday

Murderer Fired Four Shots at His Victim and then Ran—Police are Searching for Him

(Canadian Press.)  
Toronto, July 31.—A deliberate and carefully planned murder of which Frank Tarro, 165 York St., an Italian aged twenty years, was the victim was committed by an unknown man at Wellington and Church Streets Sunday afternoon.  
Miss Laura Fenwick and Hattie Winger, 67 King Street East, saw the murderer run past his victim, turned and fired four shots at Tarro. The murderer threw the revolver and commenced to run down a lane.  
The wounded man picked up the weapon, aimed it and then fell to the ground too weak to pull the trigger. Miss Fenwick ran over to Tarro and asked the name of his assailant but he was only able to mutter a few incoherent syllables. He died almost immediately.  
A search of the alley down which the fugitive ran resulted in the finding of two more revolvers, besides the one at the feet of the dead man. The entire police force is searching for the murderer.

### SHERIFF RITCHIE MET TRAGIC DEATH

(Special to The Mail.)  
St. John, July 31.—Sheriff R. Ritchie fell down stairs at his home early this morning, sustaining a fracture of the skull. He was taken to the hospital unconscious and passed away at 9.30 o'clock. He was one of the best known men in this section of the province and his death greatly shocked the community. The deceased was about fifty years of age, and unmarried. He was a son of the late Sir William Ritchie, chief justice of Canada. He is survived by five sisters and five brothers.

### CONCERT IN NORMAL SCHOOL HALL TONIGHT

The concert by those attending the Summer School of Science will be given this evening in the assembly hall of the Provincial Normal School. Local talent will assist that of the school and an excellent programme has been prepared. It is as follows:—  
Pianoforte Solo, "Alice", Asher Miss Bessie Parker.  
Vocal Solo, "Last Night," Kierulff Miss Mary E. Allen.  
Recitation, "Finnegan to Flannagan," Irish—Miss Gilmore.  
Vocal Solo, "Drink to me only," English; "Mary of Argyle", Scotch; "Brim the tear and the smile", Irish—Mr. T. B. Kidner.  
Banjo Solo, "Selection"—Mr. Cecil Holder.  
Habitat Poems, Selected, Drummond—Mr. C. I. Mesereau.  
Vocal Solo, Selected,—Mrs Frank Good.  
Reading—Miss Margaret Lynds.  
Male Quartette, "Aunt Margery", Messrs Edney, Mitchell, Holder and Cooper.  
Vocal Solo, "The old plaid shawl", Miss May Dolan.  
God Save the King.

St. John, July 31.—A despatch to The Times says that the cruiser Niobe, which went ashore yesterday off Cape Sable, has arrived at Clarke's Harbor. She is accompanied by the government steamers Lady Laurier and Stanley and will proceed to Halifax just as soon as the fog lifts.

### THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Championship Game at Ottawa Brought to a Close Saturday Night

Miss Florence Sutton Defeated Miss Lois Moyes for the Canadian National Championship

(Canadian Press.)  
Ottawa, Ont., July 31.—The championship tournament of the Canadian Lawn Tennis Association, which had been in progress since Monday last at the courts of the Ottawa Club. Third Avenue was brought to a successful close Saturday evening no less than six Canadian Championships being decided during the day.  
The Saw-off march in the open singles was between Robert Baird of Toronto and B. P. Schwenger, of Victoria, champions respectively of Ontario and British Columbia. This resulted after a great exhibition in a win for Schwenger. The first set was his by the unusually close of 13-11, but Baird tired and the following two went to Schwenger by 6-2 and 6-4. Miss Florence Sutton, the California girl, surprised a fashionable audience by beating Miss Lois Moyes for the Canadian National Ladies Championship, the scores in each of their sets being 6-2. Miss Sutton played beautiful tennis, but Miss Moyes was suffering from a severe cold and unable to do herself justice.  
Victor Woodland of Ottawa won the handicap honor from A. Gaunt of Montreal, by 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, and 6-1 and in the mixed doubles Schwenger and Miss Sutton disposed of Baird and Miss Moyes by 6-4 and 6-4.  
Schwenger and McLean were defeated by T. Y. Sheerwell of Toronto, and A. Allen of Haldenbury in the mens doubles.

### PARIS IS IN THE GRIP OF HOT WAVE

(Canadian Press.)  
Paris, July 31.—The hot wave continues. The temperature today was as high as 97.9 degrees in the shade. Last night was the warmest since the present spell set in. The minimum temperature was 69.5 degrees.  
Many animals have died from the heat, particularly those arriving at the slaughter house at La Villette. Eighteen pigs out of forty were found dead on the arrival of one consignment. There have been five fatal cases of sun stroke and five persons are in the hospital in a serious condition from prostration. The number of crimes yesterday showed a marked increase over the usual daily average and this too, is ascribed to the excessively high temperature.

### CUSTOMS SHOW LARGE INCREASE

Customs returns for the month ending today show a substantial increase in imports and duty collected during that period compared with the corresponding period last year. The figures are as follows:  
JULY 1911  
Free goods ..... \$12,092.00  
Dutiable ..... 13,495.00  
Total ..... \$25,587.00  
Duty collected ..... \$2,931.80  
JULY 1910  
Free goods ..... \$3,004.00  
Dutiable ..... 10,382.00  
Total ..... \$13,386.80  
Duty collected ..... \$2,478.68  
Increase ..... \$14,201.20

### A TERRIBLE TRIPLE TRAGEDY

(Canadian Press.)  
Porcupine, Ont., July 31.—A triple tragedy on the Matagami River occurred last Friday evening when Carey Brown, banker of Toledo, Ohio, C. E. Vance, mining engineer, and former manager of the Tonopah-Nevada Mining Company, and a Swede guide fell into the water at Sandy Falls, as their canoe upset. Brown was pulled out safely but when he saw his companions shoot over the falls into the deep white foam, he fell dead on the river bank. The drowning tragedy was preceded by a suicide near the Temiskaming station when a foreigner known as Joseph War cut his throat.

### MISS COWAN'S BODY RECOVERED TODAY

St. John, July 31.—The body of Miss Avis R. Cowan, who was drowned at Belyea's Point yesterday, was recovered this morning. William them, who was with her in the canoe when the accident occurred, is still delirious and unable to make a statement of the affair. The accident was caused by the overturning of the canoe. Mr. Latham had a narrow escape.

### PREFERRED DEATH TO IMPRISONMENT

(Canadian Press.)  
Kingston, July 31.—Preferring death to imprisonment, John Hickey, the Clarendon man wanted for assaulting his wife, took poison on Friday afternoon at his home when he saw a constable coming with a warrant for his arrest.  
Hickey told his wife some time ago that he would never return to prison. He was sentenced to Central prison about thirteen months ago for two years for abusing his wife. Two months ago his wife secured his release on a parole, and for a time they lived happily. About a month later, however, Hickey commenced drinking again, and frequently abused her. Matters came to a head three weeks ago, when he threatened to kill her.

### NEW BAPTIST CHURCH WAS DEDICATED

Sussex, July 31.—The new Baptist church at Bloomfield was dedicated to the worship of God yesterday. Rev. Dr. MacIntyre of St. John preached the dedicatory sermon. The structure cost over three thousand dollars.