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THE WEATHER.

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## THE DEPUTY SPEAKER AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT

### Mr. P. E. Blondin's Activity in the Chateauguay Election Discussed in the House-- Motion to Debar Him From Taking Part in Political Contests---Borden Dodges an Enquiry About Canadian Northern---Mr. B. F. Smith Cut Lumber on Tobique Indian Reserve

Ottawa, March 5--Pierre Edouard Blondin, of "Shoot-holes-through-the-British-flag" fame, has made another fleeting incursion into the lime-light of publicity. When the Borden government assumed the direction of affairs in the autumn of 1911, it hastened to reward the fiery young Nationalist and denouncer of British bunting by elevating him to the deputy speakership.

Monsieur Blondin's militancy went into cold storage for the time being, but when the Chateauguay byelection came along, a few months ago, and the call went out for recruits and allies, the erstwhile follower of Henri Bourassa reported promptly. He did not make any speeches, at least he assured Premier Borden on his honor that he didn't. He was just "there."

In a quiet and noncontroversial manner Sir Wilfrid Laurier presented a resolution for parliamentary consideration when the Commons met this afternoon. The resolution, based upon British tradition and precedent, set forth that

"In the opinion of this House, in the discharge of the duties and responsibilities of the deputy speaker towards this House, he is bound by and subject to the same rules as apply to Mr. Speaker, and that, therefore, he is debarred from taking part in electoral contests."

WOULD FOLLOW BRITISH PRECEDENT.

In presenting the resolution, Sir Wilfrid said he was less concerned with the definite adoption of a rule than with the establishment of a principle. The rules of the Canadian parliament provided that in all cases not specially covered the British precedent should govern.

"The British parliamentary procedure," said he, "is the mature experience of many generations of parliamentarians."

The position had been taken by the mother of parliaments that the judgment of the presiding officer should not be affected or biased by participation in political wrangles.

The position of the deputy speaker was of comparatively recent creation. While there was no written authority on the point, it had been assumed that the same principles which guided Mr. Speaker would guide the deputy regime, the late Gilbert MacIntyre, had refrained from all participation in political contests, but Dr. MacDonald, during his regime, had taken part in an Ontario provincial election in Huron and Hon. Charles Macil had campaigned in the Maritime Provinces.

Premier Borden did not think there was any necessity for a formal rule in that regard. If it was thought advisable when the rules were next revised, he was prepared to consider it.

BORDEN EVADES C.N.R. QUERY.

"Any announcement in the matter alluded to will be made in due course" was Premier Borden's evasive response to direct questions by E. M. MacDonald concerning the Canadian Northern solicitations for aid.

The Pictou Liberal put four pertinent queries to the premier.

"Has the Canadian Northern Railway Company, by itself or by any one in its behalf," he asked, "or in its interest, applied either verbally or in writing to the government or any minister or ministers of the government for any financial assistance to said company by way of loan or otherwise?"

"Has the question of assistance to the said company been discussed by the government or any member thereof, with any of the officials of the company?"

"If so, what was the date of said application or discussion?"

"Has the government come to any conclusion in regard to a policy of financially assisting the company?"

"Why not be frank?" suggested Mr. MacDonald, when the premier made his reply, but there was no further response.

BORDEN DODGES C.N.R. QUERY.

Ottawa, March 5--A further question in regard to the Canadian Northern Railway and its reported request for assistance was asked at the opening of the House by E. M. MacDonald of Pictou.

"If any announcement should become necessary," said the premier, "it will be made in due course."

J. H. Sinclair of Guysboro, learned from Hon. J. D. Hazen that the shell fish fishery commission has completed its labors and that its recommendations are under consideration. The total cost of this commission to date is \$9,138. Mr. Sinclair was also told that there were now 145 refrigerator cars available on the Intercolonial, but only thirteen are equipped with steel wheels, so that they cannot be safely attached to passenger trains.

B. F. SMITH VIOLATED LICENSE

Dr. Roche made a further statement in reply to F. B. Carvell concerning the cutting of timber on the Tobique Indian reserve by B. F. (Continued on page five.)

DOUBLE DINNER WAS BRILLIANT AFFAIR

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Wood Entertained Last Night

The first double dinner of the season, given by His Honor, the Lieut. Governor took place at the Queen Hotel last night. The function was a brilliant success. The table decorations were particularly admired and the dinner was served in the best style of the Queen. Covers were laid for thirty-four. During the dinner music was furnished by Offen's Orchestra.

The guest list was:--The Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Wood, Lady Tilley, St. John; Mr. Justice and Mrs. Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lockhart, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Mahoney, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Prescott, Rev. Neill and Mrs. McLarchlan, Mr. and Mrs. N. Babbitt, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. London, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Loggie, Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. L. Tibbitts, Miss Borden, Sackville; Miss Powell, St. John; Dr. T. J. Bourque, M. L. A.; Mr. J. B. M. Baxter, M. L. A.; Major F. B. Black, A. D. C., Mr. William Cruikshank, P. S.

GEN. KIRBY-SMITH FOR HALL OF FLAME

Jacksonville, Fla., March 6--Bids for the statue of General E. Kirby-Smith, which Florida proposes to place in the hall of fame in the national capitol at Washington, were opened in this city today. The statue is to be of bronze and will represent the famous soldier in military uniform. Gen. Kirby-Smith was one of the great Florida leaders in the Confederate army and was especially active in Texas and the West, where he was in command of the Confederate forces during the closing years of the war.

Mrs. John Babington, Jr., has returned from a pleasant visit to friends in Truro.

## TO PROVIDE A SINKING FUND

### Important Bill Introduced in the House by the Premier

### Bonus From Lumber Lands Will be Used as a Neucleus---Have Had a Short Sitting

The House met on Thursday at 3.30 p.m.

Mr. Baxter presented the report of the Committee on Standing Rules.

Hon. Mr. Wilson presented the petition of the Municipality of the City of St. John in favor of a bill to amend the Municipalities Act. Also a petition in favor of a bill to provide for the taking of a plebiscite as to whether or not it was desirable to grant the franchise to married women in civic elections in St. John.

Mr. Lockhart presented the petition of the Municipality of St. John in favor of a bill relating to the General Public Hospital, St. John.

Hon. Dr. Landry introduced a bill to consolidate the acts providing for the issue of debentures of the New Brunswick Coal and Railway.

Hon. Mr. Flemming (on behalf of Mr. Guthrie) introduced a bill to provide for the extension and improvement of the water supply system of the City of Fredericton. Also a bill to consolidate and amend the acts relating to the election of mayor and aldermen in the City of Fredericton.

A SINKING FUND.

Hon. Mr. Flemming introduced a bill to provide for a sinking fund for the redemption of the public debt. In doing so he explained that the province had already received \$265,517.99 in respect to the bonuses from the renewal of the timber licenses and a further sum of \$132,361.67 would be payable in August next. It would be readily apparent to the hon. members that such a sum was in no sense ordinary revenue and should not be used as such. It was more properly capital from the provincial assets and should not be used to discharge debts incurred on ordinary account. Whenever occasion arose for any expenditure on permanent account it was necessary for the province to borrow money in order to carry on the work and this was usually done by issuing bonds. The object of the bill under consideration was to enable the money derived from this bonus and other moneys which were placed in the Crown Land Sinking Fund, towards the purchase of these lands.

Hon. Dr. Landry presented the annual report of the Moncton Hospital for 1913.

The House went into committee with Mr. Melanson in the chair, and took up the consideration of the bill to amend the General Mining Act, which was agreed to with certain amendments.

The bill relating to the Agricultural Instruction Act of Canada, that respecting Tuberculosis in Cattle and that relating to Interest on Provincial Debentures were agreed to without amendment.

Mr. Dugal gave notice of inquiry with regard to work being done by Foundations Company, Ltd.

Mr. Pelletier gave notice of inquiry regarding Concrete Constructions, Ltd., and work which they had done in the province in painting steel bridges.

Mr. Dugal gave notice of inquiry regarding stockholders in the Foundations, Ltd., and as to whether they had paid a provincial license.

Mr. Pelletier gave notice of inquiry as to whether members of the government had acted as legal advisers for the St. John & Quebec Railway Company.

Mr. Dugal gave notice of inquiry as to the amounts paid The Gleaner, Ltd., for public printing.

Mr. Baxter moved, with the consent of the House, for the suspension of rules to allow the introduction of a bill to amend the act for the government of the City of St. John by an elective commission. He explained that it was advisable to have the bill enacted so as to become law in time for the approaching civic election in St. John and that there was nothing objectionable in the bill.

The House adjourned at 4.45 p.m.

Mrs. Lowell of Calais, Me., is the guest of Mrs. W. P. Lovell, King street.

## ULSTER NOT AN ARMED CAMP

### London Paper Says Story was a Figurement of Imagination

### Has Made a Careful Study of the Situation---Canadian Banking System is Praised

London, March 6--That the picture of Ulster as an armed camp was a pure figurement of the imagination conceived to impress the British electors is the declaration of the special correspondent of The Westminster Gazette, after making a tour of investigation in the north and east of Ireland.

He does not deny the presence of some volunteers but says that some knowledge is necessary to find them, as otherwise a man might be in Ulster a week and remain unaware of anything save the ordinary round of daily life.

No single responsible head of any big business in Belfast was acting as he would, of he believed civil war was only a few months ahead.

Editorially, the paper declares that any attempt to mislead in such an investigation for partisan purposes would be dangerous as well as unpatriotic.

In a survey of Canadian banking in a special banking supplement of The Financial News, the statement is made that a total capital, including reserves of \$114,808,297, was too little for the needs of the country. It is to be noted also that such capital is not increasing in anything like proportion to the development of trade, nevertheless it was to be doubted whether any substantial increase in banking capital would be made in the course of the next few years.

One unsatisfactory feature was that the real estate of the country was paying the piper for the inflated speculation during the past years when practically every community loaded themselves with obligations in an endeavor to get rich quick.

It was admitted in the banking system, that Canadians have an institution to be proud of and it is also greatly to the credit of those who are at the head of affairs that Canada has come through a crisis with so little loss. This result is attributed to the sound banking system.

SUCCESSFUL CONCERT BY VICTORIA MISSION CIRCLE

Large Audience Entertained in Methodist School Room Last Night

A large audience attended the concert given in the school-room of the Methodist church last night under the auspices of the Victoria Mission Circle. An excellent entertainment was given and reflected much credit upon Miss Hazel Winter, who was chief organizer. His Honor Judge Wilson was in the chair. Upwards of fifty dollars was realized from the concert and the candy sale which was also held.

The program was as follows:

Piano Duet, Misses Everett and Walker.

Vocal Solo, Mrs. Frank Good.

Cathedral Male Quartette, Messrs. Wandless, Staples and Hazlett.

Banjo Solo, Mr. Cecil Holder.

Habitant Readings, Mr. William Walsh.

Intermission with selections by the Ladies' Orchestra.

Violins, Miss Hazel Palmer, Miss Myra Sherman.

Flute, Miss Kierstead.

Cornet, Mrs. Wickett.

Piano, Miss Mildred Walker.

Vocal Solo, Mrs. R. P. Gorham.

Arion Quartette, Messrs. McLean, Burpee, Staples and Bailey.

Vocal Solo, Mr. Cecil Holder.

Selection, Orchestra.

Reading, Miss Margaret Hayward.

Mr. E. R. Machum of St. John, is among the guests at the Queen.

Mr. C. O. Foss, C.E., of St. John, registered at the Queen last evening.

Mr. D. Stuart Campbell of Sackville, is at the Queen.

## FARMERS' CONVENTION BROUGHT TO A CLOSE

### Adjournment Was Made This Afternoon After a Four Day's Session--Discussions on Various Topics Have Been Very Helpful---Mr. Thomas Strong is the new President of the Association---An Importation of Live Stock Wanted--Many Resolutions Adopted

The thirty-eighth annual meeting of the Farmer's and Dairymen's Association of New Brunswick closes this afternoon when classes in seed judging will be conducted by Robert Newton and S. J. Moore in connection with the seed fair at the Exhibition Building. This morning was taken up by the awarding of prizes at the seed fair discussion on "potato culture" led by Robert Newton and C. Fred Fawcett and also discussion of "Potato Diseases" by R. P. Gorham of the provincial agricultural department.

damage sustained was passed.

This resolution is similar to one passed by New Brunswick Fruit Growers' Association at its recent meeting and was passed by an overwhelming majority. It is alleged that tremendous damage is done crops and young orchards by deer.

A resolution calling upon the government to establish a system of land loans at low interest rates for the purpose of encouraging young men to purchase farms was passed.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Yesterday afternoon John Woods of Welsford spoke on Good Roads; Nelson Eveleigh and Donald Innis dealt with Field Crops Competition. Seed selection was discussed by S. L. Peters. W. W. Hubbard Superintendent of the dominion experimental spoke of The Silo and Ensilage, particularizing various crops used for ensilage purposes.

OFFICERS.

Officers were elected as follows:

President, Thos. Strong.

1st Vice-President, J. F. Roach.

Corresponding Secretary, A. R. Wetmore.

Recording Secretary, M. A. Scovil.

Treasurer, H. H. Smith.

County Vice-Presidents.

Carleton, Bert Holyoke.

Charlotte, Stanley Wilson.

Kent, Amadee Maillet.

King's, O. W. Wetmore.

Albert, R. A. Smith.

Gloucester, John McIntosh.

Madawaska, J. A. Bernier.

Queen's, Murray Starkey.

Restigouche, Henry McIntyre.

Northumberland, John McColm.

St. John, R. G. Murray.

Sunbury, Henry Wilmot.

Westmorland, J. R. Taylor.

Victoria, A. J. Jensen.

York, Ludlow Hoyt.

POLICE COURT PROCEDURE CRITICIZED BY MINISTERS

Severe Reflections Made in Connection With Barker House Case in Resolution of Ministerial Association---Case to be Heard on Friday Next--Police Magistrate Made Sharp Comment

The Fredericton Ministerial Association met this morning and considered matters connected with the enforcement of the Canada Temperance Act. A resolution was passed which severely reflected upon the conduct of the case against the Barker House and the circumstances attending it and the raid recently made upon that hotel. The resolution also expressed the opinion that the people of Fredericton should demand a change in conditions.

TO BE HEARD NEXT WEEK

Yesterday afternoon it was decided that Friday of next week would be the day for hearing the case against the Barker House, that day being set by mutual consent of the counsel, A. A. Wilson, of St. John for the informant and P. A. Guthrie, for the defence. Police Magistrate Marsh commenting on the fact that certain clergymen protested against adjourning the case said he had noticed by the press that the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the Methodist Church had been postponed on Sunday last to permit of at

tending a temperance meeting. He thought a police court case could be postponed as well.

RESOLUTION.

The resolution of the Ministerial Association is as follows:--

Whereas the Fredericton Ministerial Association has been following very closely the steps taken in the recent Scott Act raid on the Barker House, and,

Whereas it has been evident that grave difficulties have been met at every step, such as:--

(1) Most disappointing and serious delay in connection with the issuing of warrants;

(2) The refusal to grant seven other warrants requested at the same time;

(3) The refusal to grant a second warrant for the Barker House on the following day which was requested on the ground that there had been concealment of liquor prior to the raid which had been made possible by warning received. The reason for

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