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ANOTHER GREAT BATTLE ON THE YPRES FRONT EXPECTED SOON; EIGHT GERMAN SUBMARINES SAID TO HAVE BEEN SUNK

VALLEY RAILWAY BILL TO COME UP TUESDAY

House Adjourns for Week End to Give the Government Time to Consider Vexatious Problem--Gould Said to be Dictating Terms--Mr. Baxter Angry at the Telegraph--Commodore Stewart Has a Word to Say.

The government has changed its mind again and the Legislature, instead of proroguing on Friday, will sit again next week.

The Valley Railway bill is again responsible. The bill prepared for submission to the Legislature must be changed. There has been a change of opinion since Thursday night.

Has Gould had his way and persuaded Premier Clarke and his colleagues that he can still dictate terms to New Brunswick? This delay looks like it. The House does not meet again until Tuesday, when the Valley Railway bill will be introduced.

The session yesterday afternoon lasted only an hour, yet there were some fireworks. Attorney General Baxter was in a bitter mood. He had stepped over the mark Thursday in his references to the knowledge of Mr. Tilley of the famous foreshores bill, which he had so much to do with in advance. He left the impression from the official report that Mr. Tilley was as deep in the mud as he was in the mire. On the principle that misery loves company he gave Mr. Tilley prominence in connection with a visit to the foreshore in Lancaster. He did not tell the House, Thursday or Friday, that Mr. Tilley or Mr. Wilson did not automobile with him and Flemming to Lancaster for that purpose but went to see some land the Provincial Hospital wanted to buy and after that business was completed Mr. Baxter proposed that they visit a particular piece of foreshore.

Mr. Baxter called The Telegraph some names before he sat down. It was quite an outburst of temper.

Premier Clarke tried to challenge Commodore Stewart's right to speak on a question of privilege but the member for Northumberland insisted upon his right and referred to the Gleaner's statement that when he was quoting a few days ago from a financial statement he was reading some typewritten copy supplied by Mr. Baxter. At that very time Mr. Stewart said one of the editors of the Gleaner knew the statement was absolutely false. He also referred to other misrepresentations of this newspaper which was being paid \$20,000 a year by the party in power.

Premier Clarke says that some facts of the Royal Commission investigation in the Dugal charges still require adjustment and for that reason cannot be brought down. He did not bring down as requested by Mr. Dugal the bills of each commission, or give any idea of what they charged the province.

He did bring down an order-in-council ordered \$1,000 paid M. G. Teed, on account of his professional services before the Royal Commission and on January 12 the governor and his advisers changed their mind and rescinded that order-in-council.

WITHDREW THEIR BILLS

The next day, January 13, 1915, both Geo. W. Fowler and M. G. Teed withdrew their bills. Mr. Fowler wrote such a charming letter in that connection that it is worth quoting. Like Mr. Baxter he has a "convenient junior partner." But the letter will explain all. As Mr. Fowler's account was upwards of \$2,000 the province should be under a deep debt of gratitude for his forbearance.

The House met on Friday at three o'clock.

Hon. Mr. Baxter said that during the period of upwards of twenty years in which he had been in public life he had been reported as having said many things, some of which were correct and some were not,

but he had never yet gone to any newspaper of any kind in order to induce them to say things about him which would be in his favor. Therefore he could say that he had never attempted to misuse the press of the City of St. John. He was sorry he could not make the same remark about the treatment that press had meted out to him. There were certain papers published in that city who didn't attempt to criticize a public man opposed to them in view in any fair or impartial spirit. In that day's issue of the St. John Telegraph, however, something was said which struck another gentleman who had no right to be struck, and language which he (Baxter) had used was turned around in such a manner and so misapplied as to cast a slur upon this other gentleman. In the course of his remarks yesterday on the Foreshores Bill he had referred to the fact that a member of the House had, along with the Hon. Mr. Flemming, visited the spot near the Negro Point breakwater to inspect the plot of land which it was proposed to grant to a certain company so as to prevent their hoisting apparatus being undermined consequence of gravel being taken away by scows. When he made that remark he overlooked the fact that there were two members of the House for the City of St. John in the party, the other being also a member of the government. He did not by any remarks he made yesterday convey the idea, nor did he use any language that could be so twisted as to convey it, that the hon. gentleman referred to were parties to the preparation of the bill.

MR. STEWART HEARD FROM

Mr. Stewart (Northumberland) desired to say, in reply to the hon. Attorney General that he was not the representative of the paper to which reference had been made, and he not furnish it with the information the Attorney General complained of, but he desired to say that the St. John Telegraph was not the only paper which misrepresented.

Hon. Mr. Clarke, interposing, said the Attorney General had been speaking to a question of privilege and the rules of the House permitted no debate of it.

Mr. Stewart said he was speaking to a question of privilege, and he had noticed that whenever he arose to speak the premier was very much alive to the rules of the House, which was not the case when other members arose. As he was saying the Telegraph was not the only paper which misrepresented people.

Hon. Mr. Clarke again interposing said the hon. member could not make a speech on this question.

HE HELD THE FLOOR

Mr. Stewart said he was speaking to a question of privilege and he intended to go on speaking. There was another paper published in the province in which several members of the government were reported to be financially interested, and this paper reported him as having in his speech quoted from a typewritten document furnished to him by Mr. Carter, whereas, it was a printed document which one of the editors of the paper had obtained the loan of and could see for himself it was not a typewritten document.

Mr. Carter said he objected to being referred to in that way by the hon. member for Northumberland, who should refer to him as the hon. member for Northumberland. (Continued on page four.)

Amsterdam, May 1--A great and decisive battle is expected to begin at any hour on the Ypres front, which will exceed in the number of troops engaged and in determination and ferocity any fighting that has taken place in the Ypres region. The Allies are now strongly established on the front between Pilken and Kerserlare where they are inflicting severe losses by fierce onslaughts, on surprised Germans.

SUBMARINES ENTRAPPED

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

Paris, May 1--An explanation of the recent embargo on British traffic with Poland is given out here but is not confirmed. It says the trap was sprung on German submarines in which eight undersea boats were taken. The British fleet guarding the channel was deliberately withdrawn to lure the submarines into a planned tangle of mine fields and nets. It is believed that all the submarine crews were lost.

ARTILLERY IS ACTIVE

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

London, May 1--Sir John French reports to the British war office that the situation is unchanged during the past forty-eight hours. There was artillery activity throughout that period.

CHINESE SITUATION CRITICAL

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

Pekin, China, May 1--An unofficial announcement declares that China's answer to Japan is a flat refusal on the part of China to agree to any part of Japan's note which involves the slightest surrender of her sovereignty. The situation is critical.

NO CHANGE REPORTED

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

Paris, May 1--An official statement says that there is no change in the General situation. Yesterday ten more shells fell on Dunkirk and there were ten more victims. It is believed the shells come from a new and enormous German cannon twenty miles away.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

Ottawa, May 1--Additional names on the casualty list given out are, Lieut. Col. Creelman of the artillery. Lieut., Col., W. L. Wall of the Third Field Ambulance and Capt. F. C. Bell wounded. Capt. R. A. D. Allen is dead of wounds.

IN THE DARDANELLES

London, May 1--The British war office tonight made public an official communication concerning the operations of the Allies against the Dardanelles:

"The disembarkation of the army in the Dardanelles began before sunrise on April 25. Six different beaches were used, and the operation was covered by whole fleet.

"The landing was immediately successful on five beaches, although it was opposed with vigor by a strongly entrenched enemy in successive lines, which were protected by barbed wire entanglements, in some places fifty yards wide and supported by artillery.

"On the sixth beach, near Seddul Bahr, the troops could advance until evening, when a fine attack by the British infantry from the direction of Cape Tekh relieved the pressure on their front.

SUSSEX MAN WOUNDED

Ottawa, May 1--Another tragic roll of 55 Canadian officers killed, wounded or missing came to the Militia Department this afternoon. Toronto, Winnipeg, Victoria and Vancouver are the principal cities bereaved.

Fourteen officers are included in the list of killed, nearly all from western Canada. Twelve officers are reported wounded, 4 wounded or missing

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