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MR. FISHER'S VIGOROUS DEFENCE

Combatted Attempt to Make Cavalry Regiment.

A TORY PRESERVE.

The Baker Family of Tories.

ATTEMPTED TO SEIZE MANY OF THE COMMISSIONS.

In defending himself against Lord Dundonald's attack, Hon. Sydney Fisher in parliament said in part: "I think I was the first to recommend, and urge the establishment in the Eastern Townships of a cavalry regiment. That I desire for two reasons. In the first place because I believe it would be in the interests of the militia of Canada, and in the second place I believe it would lead a number of young farmers in the townships, who own horses, to become military horsemen, and in that way contribute to the military strength of the country. I found that apparently what I wished had been carried out. I noted with satisfaction the reports of recommendations for appointments pointing in that direction. It was a long time after these first steps that I received letters from gentlemen in the eastern townships asking for appointments in this regiment. I sent these letters on to my colleague, the Minister of Militia, and requested consideration for them.

I had nothing whatever to do with any further work in that connection, nor did I take any part or action in the matter until about the month of April last, when I received some communications from the townships indicating that Col. Smart, who had been appointed to the command of this regiment, had come out there and was proposing appointments, some of which indicated that he was not familiar with the country or the people, and which I believed would be inimical to the success of the regiment. I referred these matters to my colleague, and pointed out to him that in the organization of such a regiment in the Townships it was extremely desirable that men familiar with the country and the people should be given permanent positions in that corps, provided always they had the requisite military qualifications. My hon. colleague has explained what action he took. I had no further discussion of the matter with anybody, although I received some letters which I referred to my colleague, the Minister of Militia, until I was asked by him to meet Col. Whitely and Smart with him.

I did so, and I then had placed before me by Col. Smart a list of the appointments which he proposed to recommend. These were numerous, and most of the appointments were those of people I knew personally, and in many cases of well known Conservatives of the district.

Family Compact.

I took no exception to this. But I found a recommendation in regard to the neighborhood of Sweetburg which, I confess surprised me, and to which I did take exception. I must premise my explanation in regard to this matter by saying that Senator Baker of Sweetburg, is the acknowledged and active leader of the Conservatives of that district. I found this list of proposed names for the staff for the neighborhood of Sweetburg. First, Mr. John M. Gibson, a nephew of Senator Baker and talked of as a possible Conservative candidate in the county of Missisquoi, to be third in command of the regiment; Dr. Pickel, one of the strongest Conservative workers of the neighborhood and a family connection of Senator Baker, to be major in command of the squadron which, though gazetted to Adamsville, was to be changed to Sweetburg to suit his convenience; Mr. G. H. Baker, son of Senator Baker, to be senior captain of

the squadron; Mr. Thomas R. Pickel, son-in-law of Senator Baker, to be the junior captain of the squadron. And, down at the bottom of the list, Mr. Thomas F. Cotton, a Liberal, son-in-law of the above-mentioned John M. Gibson and grand-nephew of Senator Baker.

I told these gentlemen that putting aside any question of military qualifications, which I afterwards went into, such a lot of officers for that squadron in that neighborhood would be held to be an instance of political preferment, and that it would be impossible to remove from the people of the district of Bedford the impression that the colonel who made such recommendation, and was responsible for the success of this regiment, had deliberately undertaken to turn that squadron, if not the whole regiment, into a political Tory organization.

I pointed out, what was a notorious fact, that, for years, in the old times, the military organizations of the district of Bedford, the 52nd Durham Battalion and the 60th Missisquoi Battalion, had been well-known Tory organizations, that no Liberal was welcomed into their ranks, and if, by any chance a Liberal got into their ranks he had to take an inferior subordinate position or preferment, and I said that if such a recommendation as that were to go through and be known to the district of Bedford nothing under heaven would remove the impression from the people of the county and of the country that the new regiment was to be conducted on the old lines of the old regiments there, and that it would receive its baptism and would make its beginning as a Tory organization. I said that this was contrary to the interests of the regiment, and that such a list as that I could not approve.

Did Not Introduce Politics.

I venture to say—and I am within the judgment of everybody in this country—that it was not I who was guilty of introducing politics into the regiment, but it was the gentlemen who were responsible for these recommendations. And I venture to say that, in the interests of the militia and with the object of removing all questions of political preferment from the regiment, I was right in making the protest I did against that list.

Sir, what were the military qualifications of these men? Mr. John M. Gibson is a graduate of the Military School of Kingston. For many years he has taken no part in military affairs. But I pressed on Col. Whitely and Col. Smart that the fact that he was a graduate of the Military School of Kingston was sufficient to stamp him as eligible to hold high command, and I was quite prepared and believed that it would be right that he should be the highest officer in the regiment chosen from the district. Mr. John M. Gibson is a well known Tory, but I endorsed his appointment and said it was a right one because he had the military qualifications.

In regard to Provisional Lieutenant Baker, he had been in camp one year, and I said that that was sufficient justification and entitled him to consideration, and I endorsed his appointment as captain of this particular squadron.

But in regard to Dr. Pickel and Mr. T. R. Pickel, I said that I did not consider that their military qualifications entitled them to the positions to which they were being appointed. I did not object to their being appointed to some positions. I do not know much about military matters, but I do know enough to believe that, before a man has put upon him the responsibility of being an officer in command of a squadron in a cavalry regiment, he ought to have some military experience and some military training. Therefore, I objected to Dr. Pickel being appointed as major of that squadron.

V. C. Winner Turned Down.

Other names were in the list that I saw. Amongst them was the proposal that a certain W. H. Russell should be appointed as major of the Stanbridge squadron, and in the same squadron appeared the name of Lieut. Holland, V. C. of Montreal, not as major, but as captain. Now, Mr. Russell is a well-known Liberal of the County of Missisquoi. I pointed out to Colonels Whitely and Smart and took the initiative of doing so—that it would be more fitting that Lieut. Holland should have command as major of

that squadron, as he was a gentleman holding the Victoria Cross, and one with South African experience. I suggested that change, and that experienced military officers should be given the command of the squadron, even though it meant that a well-known Liberal should be put in a subordinate position.

Another name that I found in that list was Lieut. Dye Carr, of Compton, a gentleman living outside of the district, but in the Eastern Townships. I said that I knew Captain Carr to be an old cavalry officer. He was as well-known Conservative, in the County of Compton, but I welcomed his name in the regiment was delighted to see it there, and so expressed myself.

Another name was that of Surgeon-Major Macdonald. He is a well-known Conservative politician of my own county, who has always consistently—as, according to his principles, he ought—opposed me in my political campaigns. I insisted to Col. Whitely and Smart that Surgeon-Major Macdonald was the right man to have the highest medical position in the regiment, because I had known him for years as an enthusiastic militia man. He had been in an infantry regiment, and if he were willing to take a position in a cavalry regiment as medical officer, it was his due and I hoped would take it.

I have now explained the only cases in which I have discussed political matters in this connection. I only discussed them because I found that in a particular squadron a list of officers with what appeared to have not only a political complexion, but even a family complexion. Knowing the country, knowing the individuals, and I warned these gentlemen, not knowing the country, not knowing the individuals, not knowing the relationships in connection with these people, I believed innocently were led by local people into doing a thing which, if it had been allowed to go through would have been a fatal blow to the efficiency and the success of this regiment.

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A great deal of interest is felt in the Summer School of Sunday School workers, to be held at the old Kirk in this city July 5 to 14, under the auspices of the Presbyterian Synod of the Maritime Provinces. The speakers will include prominent clergymen of the church and the services will no doubt prove most instructive.

Following is the programme:
Tuesday, July 5.—8 p. m.—Devotional service. Rev. Willard Macdonald.

8.15.—Opening address of a series of studies in "Child Mind." First address: "Nature and Nurture." Professor Walter C. Murray, LL. D.

Wednesday, July 6.—2.15 p. m.—Devotional service.
2.30—"Literature in the Bible." Rev. C. D. Ireland, B. A.

3.30.—Opening address of a series of studies in "The Daniel Kingdoms" (S.S. Lessons, July-December, 1904) First address: "Division." Rev. A. H. Foster, B. D.
4.30.—Discussion.

Evening, 8.00.—Devotional service.
8.15.—Second address: "Curiosity and Imitation." Professor Murray.

Thursday, July 7.—2.15.—Devotional service.
2.30—"Culture in the Bible." Rev. J. J. McCaskill, B. A.

3.30.—Second address: "Elijah the Tishbite." Rev. A. H. Foster, B. D.
4.30.—Discussion.

Evening, 8.00.—Devotional service.
8.15.—Third address: "Rivalry and Habits." Professor Murray.

Friday, July 8.—2.15.—Devotional service.
2.30.—Fourth address: "Memory and Imagination." Professor Murray.

3.30.—Third address: "Israel Hath Not Attained." Rev. A. H. Foster, B. D.

4.30.—Discussion.
Evening, 8.00.—Devotional Service.

8.15.—Fifth address: "Youth's Upheaval." Professor Murray.
Saturday, July 9.—10.15 a. m.—Devotional Service.

10.30.—Fourth address: "Judah." Rev. A. H. Foster, B. D.
11.30.—Discussion.

2.15 p. m.—Devotional Service.
2.30.—Sixth address: "Social and Religious." Professor Murray.

3.30.—Fifth address: "A Remnant Shall be Saved." Rev. A. H. Foster, B. D.

4.30.—Discussion.
Sunday, July 10.—11.00 a. m.—Divine service. Rev. Principal Falconer, Litt. D.

2.30 p. m.—Practical Sunday School work. St. Paul's Sunday School.

7.00 p. m.—Divine Service. Rev. Willard MacDonald, Rev. Principal Falconer.

Monday, July 11.—2.15 p. m.—Devotional Service.

2.30—"Religious Experience in the Old Testament." Rev. D. McOdum, B. A.

3.30—"The Use of the blackboard in the Sunday School." S. H. McFarlane.

4.30.—Discussion.
Evening, 8.00.—Devotional Service.

8.15.—Third address: "The Works of the Christ." Rev. Principal Falconer.

Wednesday, July 13.—2.15 p. m.—Devotional service.

2.30—"Religious Experiences in the New Testament." Rev. W. M. Townsend, M. A.

3.30.—Principles and Practice in Bible-class Teaching. Rev. D. Stiles Fraser, B. A.

4.30.—Discussion.
Evening, 8.00.—Devotional service.
8.15.—Fourth address: "Christ's Discourses: (a) to the Multitudes, (b)

to His own Disciples." Rev. Principal Falconer.

Thursday, July 14.—2.15 p. m.—Devotional service.

2.30.—Conference on Supplemental and Teacher-training Courses. Rev. D. Stiles Fraser, B. A.

3.30.—General Conference of Delegates.
Evening, 8.00.—Devotional service.

8.15.—Fifth address: "The Divine Majesty of the Son of God in the Closing Scenes of the Gospel of John." Rev. Principal Falconer.

A puffy child is always an anxiety to the parents. There seems generally no reason why the little one should be weak when it is so well fed. But the fact is that it does not matter how much food the child takes if the stomach cannot extract the nourishment from it. No benefit can be derived from just eating. That is the condition of many a sickly child. The stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition are not doing their work, and the body is really starving. It is little use to give fish foods, like cod liver oil or emulsions, in such a case, because these also have to be digested; they may lighten the stomach's labor but they don't strengthen it. Strength is what the stomach needs. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery strengthens the stomach, nourishes the nerves and increases the action of the blood making glands. It is superior to every other preparation for children's use, on account of its body building qualities, and also because it is pleasant to the taste and contains no alcohol, whisky or other intoxicant. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are a valuable aid when the bowels are irregular. They are small. [Children take them readily.

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AGUINALDO COMING TO U. S.

He Intends to Sail Next Month.

Washington, June 12.—Members of the Filipino party now visiting here state that it is the intention of Aguinaldo to leave Manila next month on a visit to the United States. He will visit the St. Louis Exposition as well as Washington, New York, and other large cities.

It is said that Aguinaldo has considerable money invested in real estate, from which he derives his income. He is living at Cavite in a fine mansion, his family consisting of his wife, child and mother-in-law.

At the War Department it is said there is no reason why Aguinaldo should not visit the United States if he has a desire to make the trip. In fact, there is reason to believe the authorities would be glad to have come to this country, believing that it would result in producing impressions on him that might be helpful to his people and to the American authorities.

Military officers recently returned from the Philippines say Aguinaldo gives evidence of having been thoroughly "reconstructed," and that he is in full accord with the new order of things.

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