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COMPROMISE PROBABLE.

There do not appear to be any new developments in the situation at Ottawa, except that it is said the Liberal members of Manitoba and the Northwest have prepared an amendment to the education clauses of the autonomy bill, which they were to submit to the premier today.

It is generally felt that an agreement satisfactory to all parties will eventually be reached, and that the threatened crisis will be averted.

The report published in unreliable Tory papers that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is determined to stick to the educational proposals as contained in the bill, and that rather than yield he will make an appeal to the country, are rather too absurd to demand serious attention.

The Premier is too keen a tactician and too level headed a public man to encourage any such cleavage of parties on a religious question. It was he who restored peace after the remedial legislation fight of 1895 and 1896, and he will seek reconciliation of the present warring elements rather than stir up another sectarian agitation.

Sir Wilfrid in any line of policy, cannot go further than the Liberal party will carry him, and he is not the man who will seek to impose his own will in the face of opposition that would not only wreck his government but plunge Canada into a religious squabble, the end of which would be difficult to see.

Liberals who are conversant with Mr. Sifton's stand on the Manitoba school question, do not blame him for his present action, but it is to be sincerely hoped that both in the interests of the country and the Liberal party a compromise satisfactory to all parties will be reached, before the bill comes up for discussion in Parliament.

THE LATE MR. CLARKE, M. P.

Sincere regret will be felt all over Canada at the death of Mr. Edwin F. Clarke, Conservative M. P. for Centre Toronto, which occurred at his home in that city Friday evening after some week's illness, which originated with inflammation of the lungs and developed into pneumonia and heart failure.

Mr. Clarke was a native of Ireland, but came to this country when a youth, and made his way to prominence entirely through his own efforts. He was apprenticed to the printing business and as a young man stuck type on the Toronto Globe. From that he went to the Orange Sentinel, of which he subsequently became editor and proprietor.

He commenced his career in public life as mayor of Toronto, occupying that position four years, then he sat in the Ontario legislature from 1886 to 1894, and since 1896 has been a member of the House of Commons.

Mr. Clarke has been grand master of the Orange Grand Lodge of B. N. A., was a member of the Royal Prohibition Commission, in which capacity he visited Fredericton, and was one of the leaders of the Conservative party in Parliament.

It was during a stumping tour in the maritime provinces in company with Hon. T. C. Casgrain, last October, that he caught the cold which remained with him and finally developed into the disease which caused death.

The deceased gentleman was 54 years old and leaves a wife and six children.

Mr. Clarke, while an ardent Conservative, was not an extreme party man, and his death will be regretted by Liberals as well as Conservatives. He was a man of commanding physique, an excellent public speaker, and of honorable character, and his death will be a serious loss to his party and to Parliament.

Theodore Roosevelt was inaugurated President of the United States today at Washington with a great

display of pomp, and enters upon his new term amidst the best wishes of the people of his own country as well as those of other nationalities. He is the most popular president of the age, and deserves the high place he occupies in the esteem of the nations, for his absolute devotion to duty, his clean administration, and his admirable personal character.

A COINCIDENCE.

It was a peculiar coincidence, that at the very moment Mr. Foster in the House of Commons was gloating over the resignation of Mr. Sifton, and the Liberal differences of opinion on the Northwest autonomy bill, Sir Mackenzie Bowell, the Tory leader in the Senate was exposing the nest of traitors plot of 1896 in which Mr. Foster figured so conspicuously, and so meanly. There have been resignations from the Liberal government, but there has been no nest of traitors. Ministers who have differed from their leader Sir Wilfrid Laurier, have come out into the open and stated their reasons for resigning, instead of sitting in council with their chief while engaged in the delectable task of cutting his political throat.

The Herald presents to its readers today a very well written and interesting letter from Mr. George W. Massie, a former member of the staff of this paper, now taking a course in Economics at Yale, from which he will graduate with the B. A. degree a few weeks hence. Mr. Massie has a strong taste and natural ability for journalism and his studies at Yale are taken to better fit him for that profession.

The wisecracks of the press at Ottawa are appointing Mr. Sifton to various offices. They say he will be High Commissioner in London; Premier of one of the new provinces, and will fill other positions of importance. Of course it is all guess work.

If today's despatches from the seat of war are correct the Russian army has sustained a disastrous defeat and may be cut off in their retreat by the victorious Japs.

OPERA HOUSE NEXT WEEK.

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