

A LOOK FROM THE GALLERY.

Some of the Leading Figures in the Commons--Opposition is Weak.

THE DEATH AND ELECTION HAVE GREATLY LESSENED ITS STRENGTH.

Mr. Foster the Outstanding Figure, but Impossible as a Leader.

Ottawa, May 20.—Old man Ontario one of the watchdogs whom the cartoonists honor from time to time, must by now have become seized of some of the merits and demerits of the new men who were "chosen," as Mr. Bourassa would say, last November to run this country's affairs. The new machine on parliament hill has been working long enough to get the moulding sand out of the joints and the cogs meshing with the least vibration. If one were to speak in a generalization it would be to say that not only in numbers, but in mental and debating strength, the government side has greatly increased and the opposition almost proportionately decreased by reason of last November's vote. The sudden collapse of the Conservative participation in the autonomy debate showed that all were not equal to their self-imposed task of fighting that measure with unabated vigor for an indefinite period.

Glancing at the opposition side, there is, of course, at the head, as before, Mr. R. L. Borden, genial and popular, but who, defeated in his own riding and his party wiped out in Nova Scotia, returns with his bulldog aggressiveness somewhat lessened, and with a willingness to leave more of the routine to his despatch, Hon. Geo. E. Foster. Well able, Mr. Foster is to carry out the work of general sentinel. Armed with an experience of almost twenty years in the house, which perhaps accounts for his casual but slighting reference one day to Mr. Borden as the plain "hon. member for Carleton," he is a valuable member for any opposition, and his readiness leaves little of the transient criticism to be done by Mr. Ingraham, Mr. Blaine or Mr. George Taylor, while the house is more enabled to do without Mr. Clancy. Mr. Foster never fails to rise to an occasion when little evidence leaves room for innuendo and the smarting arrows of his criticism; but after all the bright things have been said and the laughter and cheers have died away, unrecorded on Hansard, the members say, "Well, after all, a man with a disposition like that could never be a leader anyhow."

LINKS WITH THE PAST.

Other links with the past generation of Tory rule on the front opposition row are Hon. John Haggart and Hon. Peter White. Mr. Haggart has been a member continuously since 1872, or a third of a century. He is a faithful attendant, but seldom takes part in debate, except on a railway question or a question which calls for some defence of his own or Sir John Macdonald's past record. His genial face seems to bear cheerfully the shadows of opposition, and one cannot look into it without exclaiming, "There's a man who plays the game of politics like a sportsman at any rate." Mr. White, who returned this session after an absence of two parliaments, has grown quite feeble, but he is as watchful as a beginner. His chief activity is in giving suggestions on points of order. As an ex-speaker he has on several occasions this year sought to put Mr. Speaker Sutherland into channels where he did not choose to go. As the advice were offered with all due deference, and by one who was himself an ornament to the office, no one could think of taking offence. It is twenty-three years since Mr. Taylor entered the house, and, save for his occasional early departure to go to bed, as he has confessed in the house, his enthusiasm seems not to be abated. His usual demeanor is one of great urbanity, but let him find the government paying too much for coal oil, or buying whisky to entertain any body of persons, and his wrath is so great as to almost choke off his powers of expression.

THE STORMY PETREL.

Near him sits the stormy petrel of the opposition, the unmanageable W. F. Maclean, who methods are so original that he worked off his bad blood on the autonomy bill by daily motions to adjourn weeks ago, and now thirsts for new sensations before other oppositionists have even prepared their speeches. Dr. Sproule has been the butt of many remarks during the autonomy debate, but his bland reception of them all shows that he almost possesses Mr. Maclean's sense of the value of advertising. He has even sat under the title of Yellow Pope, and seldom hits a man harder than to rise and seek permission to ask "wan question" in his broad Irish brogue, which does not usually seriously hurt the speaker, as the man on the floor always has the advantage.

BERGERON OF BEAUHARNOIS

Following the disappearance from the front row of Mr. T. Chase Casgrain there is again in the house, after four years' absence, Mr. J. G. H. Bergeron, member for Beauharnois. Mr. Bergeron's abundance of good-natured sallies, and his good humor when he addresses the house, corresponding to his comfortable avoidance, makes him popular with both sides. Another Montrealese, but who appears for the first time, is Ald. H. B. Ames, whose somewhat cold manners renders him not the most popular member, but everyone will credit him with good intentions and a good deal of ability. The defeat of Mr.

Clancy, the death of Mr. E. F. Clark, and the comparative silence of Mr. David Henderson, Mr. R. Blain and Mr. Samuel Barker, made a noticeable change in the opposition debating forces.

THE GOVERNMENT SIDE.

On the government side the seemingly perfect health of Sir Wilfrid Laurier throughout this, his probably most difficult session, is cause for satisfaction and continued hope for the party. Sir Wilfrid has put in long hours, and has had many opportunities of hearing himself described as "dictator," "Czar" and "autocrat" by those who used to refer to Mr. Tarte or to Mr. Sifton as the matter of the administration. The Prime Minister has an enormous reserve of equanimity to withstand vigorous attacks in the House, but when there is any real force behind an opposition onslaught on the government Sir Wilfrid's face is as sensitive as a photographic plate in revealing his inward emotions of defence or defiance.

The work of the other ministers in parliament has not been very heavy this session, except for their respective estimates and for single speeches on the autonomy bill. The massive figure of Sir Richard Cartwright is missed from the front row, and missed, too, are his pulverizing contributions to the debates of the year. But when his forty years of parliamentary experience is summed up, and one remembers the immense work he did for years as an opposition financial critic, it is evident he has done more than one ordinary man's share. Still one cannot help regretting that he is not here to reply to Mr. Foster's criticism of the budget when that much-heralded event comes. Sir Wm. Mulock has found another vent for his restless energies in conducting the Telephone Committee in its exhaustive inquiry, and he, therefore, has not quite as much time for the House as usual.

TWO TYPICAL WESTERNERS.

Hon. Thomas Greenway and Hon. Frank Oliver, two recent additions to the front row of the government side are typical of two different sections of the West—Mr. Greenway of the more sedate Manitoba farmer, and Mr. Oliver of the pioneer, who has braved the far western plains from the period of the Hudson Bay Company's regime. Each is in some respects the antithesis of the other. Mr. Greenway is a silent, peaceful business man and stockbreeder, who has a long record as Premier of his province. Mr. Oliver is a pushful, fighting Westerner, now entering on his career as a minister, with qualities on the surface which should make him equally as successful, but in different directions.

NOVA SCOTIA'S BAND.

From the extreme east, too, come men who will sustain the great name of Nova Scotia as the cradle of statesmen of first rank. In Mr. E. M. Macdonald, who defeated Mr. A. C. Bell in Pictou, and in Mr. T. A. Laurence, who defeated Seymour E. Gourley in Colchester, there are two lawyers of eminence, who have both already made excellent impressions on the House. Mr. Laurence leans to the constitutional style of speaking, while Mr. Macdonald is polished and attractive, and prefers the summer lightning of banter to the thunderbolts of invective.

The Ontario Liberal contingent has several new names which promise to bring credit to the government, and distinction to themselves. In such men as Mr. A. D. Gordon, of Kent, Mr. Adam Zimmerman of Hamilton, Mr. H. H. Miller of South Grey, Mr. M. S. Schell of South Oxford, Mr. P. H. McKenzie of South Bruce, Mr. A. H. Clarke of South Essex, and Mr. W. P. Telford of North Grey, there are evidences of a standard of public life which is gratifying to every well wisher of the Dominion House.

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IN A PEACEFUL LOCALITY.

Halifax and Esquimaux to be Kept Only in Repair.

London, May 19.—In the British House of Commons the debate on the naval estimates for Halifax and Esquimaux occasioned some discussion. T. R. Buchanan asked what the future of these was to be. Arthur Hamilton Lee, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, replied that, regarding Halifax, nothing had been destroyed or allowed to deteriorate, so far as that could be provided against. Due arrangement had been made for the care and preservation of the buildings, appliances and dockyard, and

in cases where the Imperial Government had no military establishment arrangements were being made through the colonial governments for their works department to carry out the necessary repairs and maintenance and charge the amount to the Admiralty.

E. R. Pretzman, secretary to the Admiralty, said that places such as Halifax and Esquimaux would not now be considered likely to form a part of the field of operations in the event of a declaration of war, and therefore, ships were not kept there as a base, though they visited.

Sir J. Colomb said that the speech of the secretary of the Admiralty, dealing with Halifax and Esquimaux, showed clearly that the Admiralty was shutting its eyes entirely to the enormous development of sea power in the United States.

EXCURSIONS TO CANADIAN NORTHWEST.

The Canadian Pacific railway have arranged this year for a series of three "Homoseekers' Excursions" to Western Canada, going Wednesdays, June 14th, and 28th, and July 12th. Those days are chosen that persons desiring it may avail themselves of the tourist car service operated from Montreal on Thursday mornings. The tickets, which are for second class passage, are good for return within two months. The rates named are exceptionally low, and are bound to appeal to the intending settler who seeks just such an opportunity to look the country over at a very small expenditure. St. John to Winnipeg and return \$30.00, Regina \$33.75, Strathcona, \$40.50; Moosejaw, \$34.00; Calgary, \$38.50; with corresponding reductions from all stations in the provinces to points in Manitoba and the Canadian Northwest. For further particulars consult local railway representative; for tourist car space, if desired, and free literature descriptive of the country, write F. R. Perry, D.P.A., C. P. R., St. John.

A PRINCESS' WEDDING DRESS.

The wedding dress of Duchess Cecilia of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, who is to be married on June 6 to the German Crown Prince, Frederick William will be an international composition. The Grand Duchess Anastasia, her mother, bought the material, so-called cloth of silver, in Russia, for \$2,400; it has been embroidered with wonderful garlands of silver by German needlewomen, and has been made by a famous dress maker in Paris. The court train is after the fashion of the one worn by the Empress Josephine at the time of her coronation, but modified by the recent Empire styles.

The Crown Prince objected to puffed sleeves, and they accordingly have been abbreviated.

The Sultan of Turkey will send the Crown Prince and Duchess a number of splendid rugs and porcelains. The bearer of these gifts will be Turkish Pacha, the Sultan's representative at the wedding. Turkish Pacha will be attended by Abdullah Pacha, a General of division.

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HE TOOK IN ROME.

But Missed Some Things Interesting To a Boccie Questioner.

The man with the side-whiskers had made a tour of the world, and was telling the man with the goatee all about it. Of the half dozen listeners the old man in the seat ahead of them seemed to be the most interested, and, although he hitched about and evidently wanted to say something, he held his peace for half an hour. Then he suddenly asked:

"Stranger, did you say you took in Rome on your trip?"

"Yes, I spent two weeks in Rome," was the reply.

"My daughter was reading to me about Rome a few days ago. Pretty nice town, isn't it?"

"Yes, Rome is a beautiful city."

"What were 'taters' selling at' in Rome when you left?"

"Potatoes? Why I don't remember that I asked the price," smiled the traveller.

"Didn't, eh? You must have been pretty busy. Was hay a pretty fair crop around there last summer?"

"I wasn't interested in the hay question. As a traveller, I went to see the sights, you know."

"Yes, I understand. See any turnips or cabbage to brag of?"

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"And you didn't inquire the price of hesswax?"

"I certainly didn't."

"Happen to hear anybody say what clover or timothy seed were warthy?"

"No, sir."

"Any idea of what fresh pork brings there about hog killing time?" persisted the old man.

"My dear sir," replied the traveller with a patronizing smile, "I went to see Rome, to see its celebrated ruins."

"And you didn't even ask the price of fresh grass butter?"

"No, sir."

"Nor find out whether mutton was skass or plenty?"

"No, sir."

"Well, that may be your way of doing business, but if you should turn up at Skinner's grocery store some evening and begin to tell the crowd about Rome, the boys would set you down for a sap head or a lunatic. Shoo! Went clear over to Rome and can't tell the price of geese feathers or strained honey."

HARVEY STATION.

May 18.—A quiet wedding took place yesterday at the residence of Mr. John Pollock, of Acton, when his daughter, Alice, was united in marriage to James D. Lyons, of that place. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. McLean, in the presence of a few relatives and friends of the bride and groom.

Rumor says that a number of other weddings are to take place at Acton in the near future.

The season has been one of the best ever known for farming and most of the farmers are about through seeding; but growth has been slow owing to the cold weather.

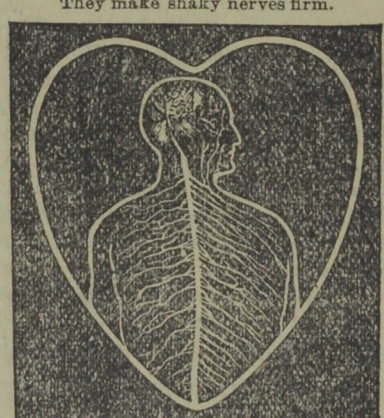
Andrew Robinson has sold a pair of handsome driving horses to a gentleman from St. Andrews. The price was in the vicinity of three hundred dollars.

S. A. Robinson, of East Boston, arrived here on Monday to visit his mother and other relatives here. He is not enjoying very good health.

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