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WESTERN LANDS' DISCUSSION.

The Tory opposition at Ottawa hoped to make a point against the government of the resolution of Dr. Roche of Marquette, Manitoba, that the lands in the Northwest should be reserved for the settler and not sold to speculative companies, and reflecting on Messrs. Adamson and Turrell, two Western Liberal members, because they are members of land companies.

The Premier, however, promptly knocked the bottom out of the scheme by declaring and proving that the resolution really embodied the government's policy, and that he would have accepted it but for the unjust reflections cast upon two of the honorable members, supporters of the honorable supporters of the government.

Sir Wilfrid pointed out that this had been the policy of his government, which for ten years had been endeavoring to clean up the land subsidies with which the Conservative government had blanketed Manitoba and the Northwest in order that some 13,000,000 acres of land now locked up pending selection by railway companies of their lands, might be thrown open for settlement.

"What in the world had the position of Mr. Adamson to do with the question the House had to deal with? And if the member for Humboldt could not be a member of the Saskatchewan Valley Land Company, why, in the name of common sense, could the member for West Toronto (Mr. Osler) be a member of the Qu'Appelle, Long Lake & Saskatchewan Railway company? If one could be the seller, why could not the other be the buyer? And if one could be the buyer, why could not the other be the seller? The member for Marquette could not have been sincere if he expected the government to accept his resolution when he offered it as a want of confidence motion. "I would not hesitate to accept it," said Sir Wilfrid, "if he did not couple with it an imputation on the honor of two members, and therefore upon the government." He had no fault to find with the policy in the resolution. In fact, it was already the policy of the government. It was another example of the wonderful agility of the opposition in turning summersaults.

Incidentally Sir Wilfrid, during the debate, trained his guns on Mr. Foster, who in a nasty insinuation speech had supported Dr. Roche's resolution, and the House enjoyed the dressing down the ex-New Brunswicker received at the hands of the Liberal leader.

When there is any scandal to be insinuated Mr. Foster is generally the man chosen by the Tories for that kind of work, and he is a past master in the art of hinting at charges which he dare not openly prefer.

CABINET POSSIBILITIES.

Mr. Tarte, discussing some political rumors in La Patrie says he "hears that Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. Mr. Scott will retire soon, but as for Quebec, LaPatrie thinks that the situation will remain unchanged. Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick has acquired a great reputation as Minister of Justice. Hon. Mr. Fisher likes politics and administers his department successfully. Hon. Mr. Brodeur has only been Minister of Marine a few weeks and is popular with the members of the house. Hon. Mr. Fielding and Sir Frederick Borden will certainly remain at their posts. By whom would Mr. Emmerson be replaced in New Brunswick? He has made a good showing in the management of the Intercolonial."

Ministerial changes before the autumn, Mr. Tarte adds appear doubtful. There will be however, appointments to the Bench and other changes.

There is no doubt Sir Richard and Mr. Scott will soon retire. Both are old men, especially Mr. Scott, and Sir Richard is harassed by a painful disease. Sir Wilfrid will part from them with regret, and so will Canada.

Mr. Tarte gives no credit to the unfounded rumor that Mr. Emmerson will retire from the cabinet, and the ex-Minister and observant journalist gives the Minister of Railways credit for his administration of his department, expressing an independent and unprejudiced opinion.

Hon. Walter Scott, Premier of Saskatchewan is credited with a fine sense of humor. When a blizzard at

Regina kept away all the other members of the Legislative Assembly except himself and the Speaker, he rose to the occasion, and informed the latter that, by "a mutual arrangement of the members present," the consideration of the Lieutenant-Governor's speech would be deferred till the following day, this is a reminder of another occasion, when a public meeting was called in a certain town and only two gentlemen turned up. The resolutions intended to be passed however, were put through, with the preamble that "Whereas at a large and respectable meeting of ratepayers, etc." "But this is a misstatement of fact," the only auditor remonstrated to the chairman. "It is a correct statement," was the rejoinder, "for are you not large and am I not respectable?"

CANADIAN DEVELOPMENT.

An instance of the broad and statesmanlike view Sir Wilfrid Laurier takes of Canada's future development and possibilities, is furnished in some observations he made in parliament the other day when speaking of the likelihood of a railway to Hudson's Bay:

"If there was a feeling in this country that the transportation is to be confined to two or three routes, he would go to Montreal and elsewhere and tell the people that the Canada of today is not to be confined to the St. Lawrence Valley, but was to be pushed as far north as it can go, and not only that; he hoped, he believed, that he would have the privilege of seeing a city at the terminus of the Hudson's Bay Railway at the mouth of Churchill River.

"We must," said Sir Wilfrid, "push ahead and go as far north as colonization can go. I have great confidence that before many years we shall see around Hudson's Bay and in that district, populous villages, towns and cities, where there shall be lumber industries, fishing industries, metal industries, and all kinds of industries."

"The twentieth century is Canada's," was the historic utterance of the Premier, in moving the national transcontinental resolution in parliament two years ago, and he is having a large share in carrying that idea forward.

THE QUEBEC WAY.

In his explanation of the Lord's Day bill in parliament, Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, the minister of justice, said the measure exempted Quebec from the provision that "no sales are to be made nor business done on Sunday," in so far as that province is concerned. Those sales that now take place on Sundays at the church door of small articles, the proceeds of the sale of which are intended for charitable purposes, may still continue to be held.

"Perhaps I may offer a word of explanation of the custom in our province in that regard," said Mr. Fitzpatrick. "As members of the House are aware, we have no such thing as a poorhouse or poor rate in the province of Quebec. Under our system the people of our parishes, making provision from that share of their worldly goods which in their estimation belongs to the poor, bring these goods to the church door, and there they are auctioned by someone connected with the church. The proceeds of the sale are applied to the poor of the parish, and it is merely for that laudable object that these sales are held."

CURRENT COMMENT

The Winnipeg Telegram, noting Senator Ellis' declaration that the senate is a useless body, thinks the St. John gentleman to be consistent, should resign his seat in the red chamber.

The Toronto Globe takes no stock in the Tory yarn that the eastern section of the Transcontinental is to be abandoned. It says, "All talk of any portion of the line between Winnipeg and Moncton being abandoned is the irresponsible chatter of partisans with whom the wish is father to the thought."

"A combine of lawyers to keep us from getting our wills drawn by honest men who are not lawyers; a combine of doctors to keep us from taking pills or syrups or plasters prepared for the common herd; a combine of druggists to keep us away from the drug counters of the departmental stores; a combine of nurses to shoo away all unregistered angels of mercy; a combine of undertakers to lay us out in regulation coffins at regulation charges; a combine of parsons to make the proper prayer over what remains of us after all other combines have had their turn! That is what we are coming to," observes the Toronto Globe.

Fredericton is likely to have quite

an increase on its population next month, when the Messrs. McManus get at their sewerage contract in earnest. They have no hope of securing sufficient laborers here to do the work, and will have to depend on importations of Italians and Frenchmen from Quebec. The contractors expect to have 250 men at work when the conditions are favorable.

Two Congressmen were talking about the late Jerry Simpson, says The Detroit Free Press.

"He was a level-headed man," said the first. "He was a foe to fads. He had a shrewd humor."

"He and I and a clergyman one day lunched together. The clergyman was a faddist of a marked type. He carried a pocket microscope, wore health underwear, and so on and so forth."

"This clergyman wouldn't drink any water with his lunch."

"I wouldn't dare to do so," he said, solemnly. "It is so full, you know, of animalculae. I never drink water unless it has been boiled."

"Congressman Simpson emptied his glass, and looked at the clergyman. 'I drink my water raw,' he said. 'I'd rather be an aquarium than a graveyard.'"

Hon. A. G. Blair, who is in the city from Ottawa on business, is looking well, and is receiving the usual hearty welcome from old friends.

BITS OF NEWS.

Corporal E. W. Dinberley, in charge of the Mounted Police Barracks at Frank, Alberta, committed suicide Thursday. He had been jilted by a woman.

Mrs. Hazen Folkins, of Salisbury, dropped dead Thursday evening at the home of G. B. Jones, Apohaqui. Mrs. Folkins was in good health up to the time of her death and heart trouble is supposed to be the cause. Deceased was only 30 years of age. A husband and three sisters survive: Mrs. McLeod, Millstream; Mrs. J. B. Ganong, Sussex; and Mrs. B. M. Northrup of Ottawa.

Miss Esther Marvin, a trained nurse several months ago was asked to look after Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Rhodes, of Hempstead, N. Y., whom she knew from childhood. Both were over 75 years of age and very sick and feeble. She nursed them night and day and seldom left the house. She expected only a reasonable reimbursement, but was dumbfounded when by the terms of their will, which was recently filed, she received bonds and property worth nearly \$70,000.

Mrs. Eliza Clark, aged 33, of Canning, N. S., saturated her clothing with kerosene and with matches in one hand, ran from the house of D. P. Wiley, Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Wiley and her son, Laurence, saw her and followed her. Miss Clark ran to Caribou pond and jumped in, wading to deep water, where she drowned. Mrs. Wiley and Laurence followed her and Mrs. Wiley was saved with difficulty. Miss Clark had been in Oxford five weeks visiting. She was despondent because of family troubles and had threatened to kill herself.

Fifty-two persons were killed and seventy persons were dangerously injured Thursday by the collapse of the Hotel Zum Hirschen, Magold, Germany. The building had not been fully completed and the catastrophe is attributed to the non-observance of proper precautions. The roof of the building had been put in place only that morning, an event which, in accordance with German custom was celebrated by a feast. The guests are reported to have engaged in a dance, and this, together with the large number of persons on the floors, was probably what caused the building to collapse.

DEPEW WON'T RESUME.

Must Have Rest of Months Ere Returning to Senate.

New York, April 6.—The Tribune today, says:

Senator Depew, who left Washington a month ago on the advice of a physician, will not, in all probability resume his seat in the Senate during the present session. Since he returned from the capital the senator has been in retirement in West Chester county.

"It was confidently expected when the senator returned from Washington, a month ago," said a member of his family yesterday, "that after a rest of a couple of weeks he would be able to return to his duties at the capital, but he has not mended as we had hoped."

The following statement of the senator's condition is taken from a communication addressed to a member of the senator's family by Dr. Pearce Bailey of this city:

"Senator Depew has been under my care since last autumn. He is suffering from a nervous breakdown, the result of prolonged strain. I now expect him to make a good recovery, and resume his senatorial duties. For such a result, a complete rest of several months is imperative."

Dr. Bailey yesterday confirmed the foregoing and added that the period of rest prescribed would preclude the return of the senator to Washington before the end of the present session.

"Dot was making a woeeful face. 'What is the matter?' asked her father."

"Oh," replied Dot, rolling her eyes and laying her hand on her breast, "I've got the headache down here in my breast, and it makes me tumbluck hurt."—Philadelphia Ledger.

PRISONERS MUST WORK ON ROADS.

Magistrate at Glace Bay Imposes Severe Sentence on Seven Men.

Glace Bay, N.S. Apr. 5.—"The latter days of your sentence will be spent in canvas suits, a ball and chain around your foot, and your arms bust at the work of making roads." These were the cheerful words which acting Stipendiary Macdonald had for a number of the prisoners who faced him this morning, and who, for various offences ranging from simple drunk to drunk and disorderly and using profane language, were sentenced to various terms of 30 to 60 days in the Sydney jail.

The Magistrate explained to the prisoners that the law allowing prisoners to work on the streets would probably be in force in three weeks. He expected that its enforcement would have a good effect in keeping down drunkenness. Most of the prisoners heard the announcement with fear and trembling, and promptly asked to be allowed to send to friends for the money, the payment of which would relieve them of the sentence. There were seven prisoners in all, and it being the third day after pay day, none of them had enough money to pay the fines.

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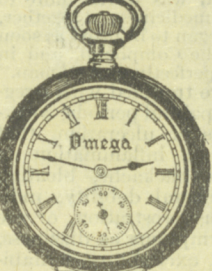
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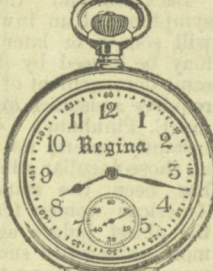
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