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OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

It is evident from the speech, with which the governor general opened parliament that the session will be a busy one.

Besides consideration of the tariff, many other important questions will be taken up, and a large amount of useful legislation is promised.

Lord Grey is able to once more congratulate the country on its continued prosperity, and from his recent visit to the west, speaks of the wonderful development in that portion of the Dominion.

Immigration has prospered under the Liberal policy and administration, and increased efforts will be put forth to bring settlers from the British Isles.

The government meets parliament strong in its confidence and with its previous excellent standing in the country unimpaired, and it is especially gratifying that the Premier is in good health and ready for the great labor and responsibilities of the session.

MONTREAL ELECTIONS.

The government won two signal victories in the Montreal federal bye-election Wednesday, St. Ann's division, returning Mr. Walsh by a substantial majority over Mr. Curran, and St. Mary's division sending Mr. Martin to parliament by an enormous lead over his Labor opponent.

The Conservatives really had great expectations in St. Ann's. There were divisions in the Liberal ranks that were only removed at the last moment, and that Mr. Walsh triumphed under the circumstances, was more than many of his friends anticipated.

In St. Mary's division, those bumptious young radical Liberal M. Ps., Bourassa and Leveigne, distended in importance by their success in Quebec county, butted in for the Labor candidate, and received a very healthy snub.

HON. C. S. HYMAN.

Ottawa despatches say that Hon. Mr. Hyman, minister of public works, is in broken health and has been ordered south for the winter, and that it is likely he will retire from public life.

Mr. Hyman is a hard worked minister and no doubt the London election revelations, for which he is in no way personally responsible, have added to his worries.

Mr. Hyman has proved himself a most industrious and successful minister, and no member of parliament enjoys a greater degree of personal popularity. His political experience, however, has been of a very strenuous character in London, a hot-bed of political bitterness and partizanship. One of his elections was stolen from him, and his friends in the last contest, confronted with corruption of gigantic stature, employed similar means to ensure his success, and the painful revelations of the past few weeks, are the result.

Mr. Hyman is a fair fighter, and a highminded man, and the nervous strain to which he has been submitted, is not compensated by the rewards of political life. He has large business interests in Canada, and is one of its most distinguished citizens, and all will join in the hope that his health is not permanently impaired.

CURRENT COMMENTS.

Mr. Bourassa's prestige will slump as a result of his candidate's defeat in St. Mary's division of Montreal.

Mr. Ames, Tory M. P., took charge of the Tory campaign in St. Ann's division of Montreal, and felt quite confident of victory, but the voters willed otherwise.

The longshoremen's strike in St. John, just at the opening of the winter port business, is to be deplored. It will give the port a bad name abroad and result in serious loss at home if the difficulty is not soon settled.

Two events which will have far reaching effects for the city, occurred at Toronto Tuesday, the first introduction of power from Niagara Falls and the entrance of the Canadian Northern railway trains into the city.

PARLIAMENT OPENING.

Mr. Emmerson will Have Railway Pension Bill Ready—Members Gathering at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Nov. 21.—Hon. H. R. Emmerson, minister of railways, will present to parliament at its approaching session, a bill to provide for the establishment of a pension system on the government railway system. Hon. Mr. Emmerson has been gathering information on this subject for last two years and believes that the scheme he has in contemplation will prove of immense benefit both to the government on the one hand and to the employees on the other.

The members of parliament and senators are arriving by every train, to attend their sessional duties.

The third session of the tenth parliament of the Dominion will be opened on Thursday by Lord Grey. This is the second instance in the history of confederation of parliament opening in November. With the exception of 1872 and 1880-81, nearly all the parliamentary sessions opened in the first part of the year. Hereafter the understanding is that parliament will

always open in November. There is every appearance that the attendance on Thursday will be large. The applications for seats in the upper chamber to hear the governor general deliver the speech from the throne have been numerous.

The chief business of the session will be the tariff. That will be the principal item on the programme, but the general opinion is that the investigating committee will be kept busy as it is said that the opposition is said to be after scandals. No one who knows anything about the situation would care to predict that parliament will not be in session when the 14th of May comes round.

The applications for railway legislation are extensive, particularly from the west. As a matter of fact the business of the great west is increasing every year and this of itself means the taking up of the time of the house to a very considerable extent.

A Toronto alderman declares he will not again be a candidate because he has been criticized by the newspapers. In some cities not as large as Toronto, aldermen have not such tender hides.

Mr. Borden cannot feel proud of some of the men who will be lined up at his elbow in parliament. There is Mr. Foster for instance, under a serious cloud, and Mr. Fowler with his "divvy" from land sales, and Mr. Lefurgy. As a high minded public man, what does Mr. Borden really think of the trio.

The sensational temperance lecturer now laboring with the press of that city, much, no doubt, to the lecturer's satisfaction, because it gives him a larger publicity. The lecturer declares that the press is the last to be converted—probably he means to his way of thinking on the best methods of temperance reform, and this cannot be considered uncomplimentary to the press.

The Montreal Herald in discussing Sir Wilfrid Laurier's great strength and popularity as a political leader, observes that there has been nobody and there is nobody who divides with him the confidence and the admiration of the people all over the country. The first requisite before putting him aside will be to have some one with prestige equal, or nearly equal, to his own, who may be substituted for him. The Conservatives haven't the man and he is not in sight.

The government of Nova Scotia, which like our own also sits as a board of education, has called to its assistance in the latter capacity, an advisory board of seven members selected with regard to their fitness for their positions and without respect to their political affiliations. Two of these are elected by the teachers' association, and the other five are named by the government. This form of educational management is also in force in Manitoba and Ontario.

Hon. Mr. Burrill, the British minister of education, in a recent speech in parliament, said that one thing education was doing for the country was to make people more and more indifferent to every kind of class distinction. Of that the House of Commons was a glorious example. It did not matter whether a member was the son of a duke or the son of a coster man; he would be listened to for a very short time for the purpose of ascertaining whether he was a bore or a fool or really whether he had anything to say or not.

BITS OF NEWS.

B. C. Cavanagh, receiving teller of the First National Bank, Cincinnati, was arrested Wednesday by U. S. Marshal Lewis. It is alleged that Cavanagh is short \$31,600 in his accounts.

Over 3,000 people saw Dalhousie defeat the Wanderers in the final game of the football season at Halifax Wednesday by a score of 6 to 0. The collegians thus win the trophy and retain the championship for another year. Both scores were made in the second half. Dalhousie put up a brilliant game.

A despatch received at Chenbourg, France, reports that the North German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm Der Gross, which left Southampton Chenbourg Wednesday for New York, has been in collision with the royal mail steamer Orinoco. Both vessels were severely damaged. It is declared

that four members of the crew of the Kaiser Wilhelm were killed, while twelve were injured. Five members of the crew of the Orinoco are missing, and are supposed to have been drowned. The Orinoco left Southampton Wednesday for West Indian ports and New York.

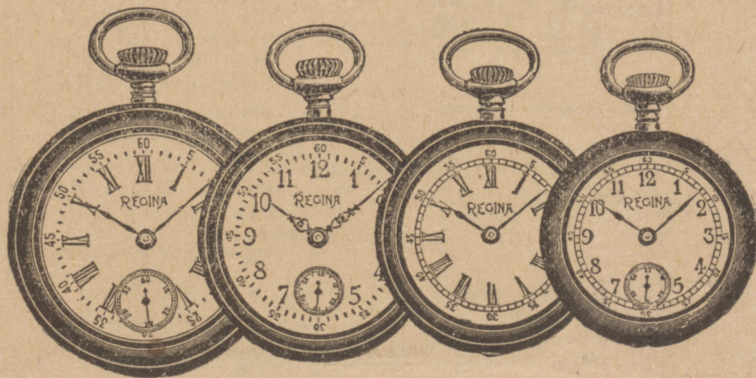
The marine department has received a report from the Arctic, in command of Captain Bernier. The captain went as far north as Lancaster Sound. He visited the spot where the relics of Franklin's expedition was found, and took some on board. The Arctic is wintering at Pond's Inlet, in Baffin Bay. He took possession of some islands, upon which he raised the Union Jack. Next spring the Arctic will push as far north as it is possible to go, along the west of Greenland.

Captain King of the schooner Hattie C., which arrived at Digby Wednesday from New York, reports that at 8 o'clock Wednesday, when twenty miles northwest of Point Prim, he passed what appeared to be half of a 300 ton vessel just aloft with rigging attached. The vessel also passed through a lot of wreckage, including a mizen or main boom. He fears that there has been a collision in the Bay of Fundy with probably loss of life.

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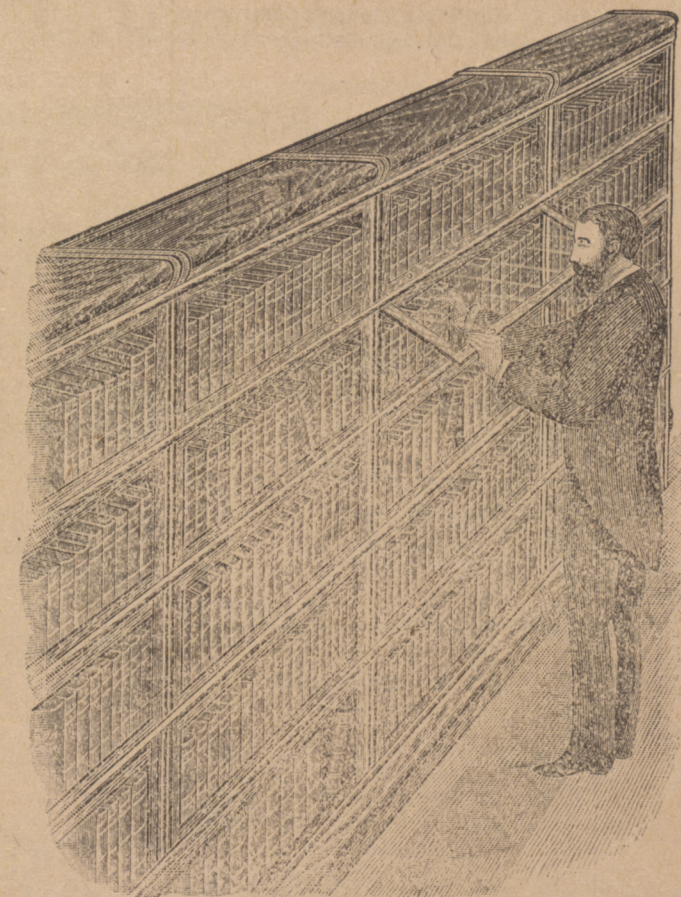
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