

THE CORONATION OATH.

Bill to Strike Out Clause Objectionable to Roman Catholics Passed Second Reading.

LONDON, May 14.—Mr. John E. Moreover, the church had fulminated against one particular party in Canada, thereby interfering with politics.

OBJECTIONABLE CLAUSES.

That part of the oath which is particularly objected to by Roman Catholics is as follows: "I, A. B., by the Grace of God, King of Scotland, England and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, do solemnly and sincerely in the presence of God testify and declare that I do believe that in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper there is not any transubstantiation of the elements of bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ at or after the consecration thereof by any person whatsoever, and that the invocation or adoration of the Virgin Mary or any other Saint and the sacrifice of Mass as they are used in the Church of Rome are superstitious and idolatrous; and I do hereby in the presence of God profess, testify and declare that I do make this declaration and every part thereof in the plain and ordinary sense of the words read to me as they are commonly understood by English Protestants without any evasion, equivocation or mental reservation whatsoever, and without any dispensation already granted me for this purpose by the Pope or any other authority or person whatsoever, or with any hope of any such dispensation of any person or authority whatsoever, or without thinking that I am or can be acquitted before God or men or absolved of this declaration or any part thereof, although the Pope or any other person or persons whatsoever should dispense with or annul the same or declare that it was null and void from the beginning."

MR. ASQUITH'S SUPPORT.

Mr. Asquith, who spoke early in the debate, gave his cordial support to the object of the bill. The exclusion of Roman Catholics from the Lord Chancellorship of Great Britain and the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland he declared to be unjustifiable on the grounds either of logic or policy. The accession declaration, he said, was a clumsy and unnecessary safeguard of the Protestant succession, dated from probably the worst period in our history. It could not be justified and the time had come to put an end to it.

Lord Edmund Talbot pointed out that there are many Catholics in the colonies, and it would be wise statesmanship to make the change in the declaration.

CANADIAN CITES CANADIAN EXAMPLES.

In seconding the rejection of the bill, A. C. F. Boulton said that in recent times the Pope had claimed the right to interfere in the internal government of the British Empire. (Cries of "No.") He referred to the Jesuit estates act passed in Canada in 1888. The Roman Catholic church had been shown, by what had happened in Canada, to be not only a religious but also a political body.

The correspondence embodied in the preamble of the act, as to the sale of the property of the Jesuits, showed that the Pope had therein granted permission for the sale of land belonging to the Crown. (Ironical Nationalist cheers and cries of "Oh.")

THE NEWFOUNDLAND PREMIER.

People's Party Proud and Enthusiastic Over Their Successful Leader.

Out of the political chaos in Newfoundland Hon. Sir Edward P. Morris, K. C., has emerged the victor and becomes Prime Minister beyond dispute while his doughty opponent, Sir Robert Bond, goes down to defeat. Sir Edward's following fought under the title of the "people's party," and they are described as being proud and enthusiastic over their leader.

Sir Edward comes of a good old family, every member of which has at one time or other conferred favors upon his fellow men. There are, in fact, few men in the island today who do not remember the noble and philanthropic clergyman, a brother of Sir Edward, who founded the first male orphanage in the colony, and after devoting his life to the care of the fatherless, died trying to save an orphan boy's life. It is also a well known fact that Sir Edward, although a mere boy at the time, substantially helped his reverend brother to maintain that noble institution in which the needy of all creeds were received without exception; consequently, the fair-minded men of this colony declare they want leaders of this kind, who knowing the people, work for them, and, above all, never stoop to drag sectarian appeals into the discussion of public affairs.

Sir Edward Morris has spent a quarter of a century in public life, representing the same district without intermission, and his political career is one of which any man or any country might well be proud.

While in opposition Sir Edward and his party put up a splendid fight. They gave as a reason for desiring a change that during the past eight years of Bond rule, their interests had been sadly neglected and their legitimate demands ignored. The out-poor residents claimed that, while the public funds were spent on fads and fancies by the powers that be, the lighthouse, bridge, road, postal telegraph and wharf service were sadly neglected. The declaration was also made that the schools of the island,

as well as the coastal and bay transportation service, had been neglected, while the oft-repeated promise of a reduction in taxation was not kept.

Hon. Sir Edward Morris has had twenty-three years' experience of parliamentary affairs in Newfoundland, having been elected for St. John's West in 1885, and continuing to represent that seat ever since. He has been at different times a member of two governments, that of Sir William Whiteway and of Sir Robert Bond, the leader of the late government he fought in the recent campaign.

Sir Edward was born in St. John's in 1859. He received his education at St. Bonaventure College and Ottawa University, where he graduated at the age of twenty. His Alma Mater has since honored him by conferring on him several honorary degrees. He later read law under Sir James Winter and was shortly after admitted to practice. In the same year he was elected to the Newfoundland parliament for his native city.

In 1889 he entered the cabinet of Sir William Whiteway and for two years was acting attorney general. In 1898 he left his party, then in opposition, over the Reid contract, and for two years led an independent Liberal party in parliament. He entered the cabinet of Premier Bond on the defeat of the Winter government as attorney general and minister of justice. Later he resigned his seat in the cabinet to become leader of the People's party.

Sir Edward has represented Newfoundland in conferences on many important matters, notably, the French-Shore Dispute, in 1901, and the Confederation Conference at Ottawa in 1895. He was also the representative of his government on the occasion of the death of her late Majesty Queen Victoria. He was married in 1904. Sir Edward Morris married in 1901, Isabel Langrish Legallais Fox.

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A Bad Day.

Belleville, May 17.—Sydney Luffman, a 14-year-old boy of Thurlow Township, is in jail here charged with stealing from his father and threatening to shoot him when charged with the theft.

Attacked by Strikers.

Toledo, May 17.—Emil Miller, a non-union fireman on the Bowersox wharf arrived in port Saturday night, left the boat early in the evening and was attacked by a group of striking like seamen.

BASEBALL SATURDAY.

Eastern League Standing.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Rochester	8	2	.727
Toronto	9	6	.600
Montreal	9	6	.600
Jersey City	9	7	.563
Newark	6	8	.423
Buffalo	7	10	.412
Providence	8	8	.385
Baltimore	5	10	.333

Games to-day: Providence at Toronto, Jersey City at Montreal, Newark at Buffalo, Baltimore at Rochester.

National League Standing.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Pittsburg	15	9	.625
Chicago	15	13	.536
Philadelphia	12	10	.545
Cincinnati	14	14	.500
Brooklyn	11	12	.478
Boston	11	12	.478
New York	9	13	.409
St. Louis	11	17	.393

Games to-day: Pittsburg at Brooklyn, St. Louis at Boston, Cincinnati at New York, Chicago at Philadelphia.

American League Standing.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Detroit	16	7	.696
Boston	14	8	.636
New York	13	9	.591
Philadelphia	12	9	.571
Chicago	11	13	.455
Cleveland	9	14	.391
St. Louis	9	14	.391
Washington	6	16	.273

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FARES ARE TOO LOW

Sir Wm. Van Horne Says Railways Are Not Paying.

LOW RATES ARE ABSURD

He Says That American and Canadian Lines Are Not Earning a Fair Percentage on Investments Because of Inadequate Tariffs—Public Ownership Is No Solution of the Difficulty.

London, May 17.—Sir William Van Horne expressed some interesting views with regard to railroads, in the course of a conversation with an interviewer yesterday at the Savoy Hotel, where he is staying for awhile before making a trip to the continent.

"There is one thing certain about the railways of North America," said Sir William. "Their charges are much too low. They are not earning as much as they should on the capital invested, and I don't feel very hopeful of an increased percentage of earnings. The railways of America are doing more for less money than any others in the world. I think the present low rates are simply absurd. It has been the aim of railway man-

agers for as far back as I can remember to act in unison in the matter of rates, but they have never succeeded in doing so for any considerable length of time.

"The solution of the problem will not be Government ownership. No Government ever ran railways as cheaply as private management could."

Sir William said the general business and financial situation looked most promising as far as he was able to judge. Railway companies would find no difficulty in raising funds for improvements or extensions; yet he did not think there would be a great deal of railway building in America in the next twelve months. The need of great additional mileage did not exist, Sir William said.

Lobster Fishery Dispute.

Louisburg, N.S., May 17.—Trouble between the lobster fishermen has culminated in the closing of several of the largest canning factories. The fishermen are demanding \$3.25 per cwt., and packers will not pay more than \$2.25, for which price the men will not wet their gear.

The Fishermen's Union at Main-dieu has telegraphed J. W. Maddin, M.P., at Ottawa, to use his influence in securing a steam service to that port, enabling them to export their live lobsters. The small ones they will can themselves.

The outlook is not bright for the fishermen, who are blaming the Government for allowing a few packers a monopoly of the canning trade.

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