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FIELDING PRINCIPAL SPEAKER IN OTTAWA DEBATE YESTERDAY

Mr. Cockshutt, of Brantford, Predicts Financial Disaster as Result of Government Extravagance ---Amendment Offered to the Address.

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—The debate on the address was continued today by Mr. Fielding, Mr. Cockshutt, two Liberals and one Conservative. The minister of finance spoke two hours, going rather fully into the whole subject. Mr. Cockshutt struck a rather pessimistic note, claiming that there would be national bankruptcy, if something were not done to equalize our imports with our exports. Mr. Miller maintained that times were very much better now than in 1896.

Hon. W. S. Fielding, in resuming the debate on the speech from the throne today, said that the speech of the member of North Toronto last evening contained very little of what was new and consisted chiefly of sound and fury.

Mr. Fielding—I will have a word to say about Colchester before we close.

Proceeding, Mr. Fielding said that when he was premier of Nova Scotia he introduced a bill in the legislature, the merits of which all his followers were not able to see eye to eye. However, he was able to satisfy most of them that it was a good measure, but there was one young man, half Scotch and half Dutch—nationalities possessed of strong determination—and they were not able to convince him. On the opposite side of the house one of the members delivered such a speech as Mr. Foster did last evening. While that member was speaking the young man came to me, said Mr. Fielding, and said: "That fellow has convinced me." (Cheers.) If there were any doubting man on this side of the house the speech of the member for North Toronto must have convinced him that the right and proper thing for him to do was to stand behind his leader in devotion and loyalty—(cheers)—and the same feeling will exist outside of the house as well as in it.

The opposition have devoted considerable time as to the circumstances under which the two new ministers were brought into the cabinet. One would have naturally thought that they might have devoted their time to a more profitable and fruitful discussion. Some time ago I read in a London newspaper a paragraph on a man who was retiring after a very successful business career and who was willing to communicate to any one who desired the secret of his success. To those who made the inquiries he replied to them all that it was because he tried to mind his own business. (Cheers.) I suggest to the opposition that they should do the same thing.

The selection of the members of the cabinet is peculiarly the business of the prime minister. There is no possible reason why he should be asked by any one on the opposition side anything except the usual formal parliamentary enquiries as to the changes in the cabinet. And there was certainly no earthly reason why the leader of the opposition and the member for North Toronto should pour out their sympathy on those who did not get a place in the cabinet. If they could not be restrained by the knowledge of these facts they ought to be reminded of the old proverb about those who live in glass houses. (Cheers.)

Mr. Fielding said the Conservative party have not been doing very much cabinet making of late and they are not likely to be in that line of business for some time to come. Not long ago they had to select a leader and we should be lacking in generous sympathy were we not to ask why it was that the member from North Toronto was not chosen? Why it was that a man who had been his junior in the house for some fifteen years was taken and he was passed over? That fifteen years of long service did not avail the case of the member for North Toronto. Mr. Foster labored long and,he hoped he might say,faithfully, but when the time came he was ignored and the gentleman who sits beside him was accepted. Was it an insult to the member of North Toronto that he had been passed over?Did he not measure up to the proper standard?, to use the expression of the leader of the opposition. Was he lacking in ability and fitness for the position and why was it that they passed him over to select one comparatively new in the field?

Mr. Foster—It is a conundrum. (Laughter.)

Mr. Fielding—It is a conundrum. (More laughter.) The member for South Lanark (Haggart) labored long in the vineyard and in this house for nearly a quarter of a century was a devoted follower of Sir John Macdonald, and he also was ignored. Why was it that he was not taken? (Cheers.) Then there was that member for Jacques Cartier (Monk), who was selected leader of the Conservatives for the province of Quebec, who, it might be reasonably expected from his position, and many qualifications, was in line of promotion. Was it because he was leader of the party in the province of Quebec that he was not accepted?

Mr. Fielding went on in this strain, over several men of the opposition, mentioning specially Wilmot, of Sunbury.

The finance minister next took up the question of revenue and expenditure. He said that while in the west Mr. Borden, according to the reports of a friendly newspaper, had skated over the tariff and the school question.

Mr. Borden replied that he pointed out in the west that the government denounced the national policy and afterwards adopted it.

Mr. Fielding said in reference to the Colchester election that he was not surprised at the result as the constituency had been Conservative since confederation with the exception of twice.

Mr. Cockshutt, of Brantford, replied. He promised to deal with the subjects referred to in the speech from the throne and not follow the example of Mr. Fielding, whose avoidance of which, he characterized as a shameless neglect of duty in a finance minister.

Mr. Fielding in an unbecoming spirit of levity had alluded to a man in the Nova Scotia legislature who had been driven over to support a government measure through the abuse heaped upon it by its opponents. "The finance minister referred to this character as half Scotch and half Dutch," said Mr. Cockshutt, "but from the readiness with which he bubbled over I am inclined to think he must have been half Scotch and half soda." (Laughter.)

Proceeding to deal with the financial situation Mr. Cockshutt pointed to the fact that during the past twelve months our imports had exceeded our exports by $121,467,000, as indicating an unsound condition, an unbusinesslike situation.

The country had looked in vain to Mr. Fielding for a reassuring statement upon the existing financial stringency, for matters were not nearly so rosy as ministerial members contended.

Mr. Cockshutt predicted a financial crash within the next two years. Our boasted prosperity had vanished, he contended. If reports were true, although the finance minister claimed to have full coffers, the government was a very slow paymaster and, for one, he was sceptical as to the amount the finance minister had in the bank. Contractors were complaining of having been put off for months by the government.

Mr. Fielding remarked that it would keep him busy to repudiate all the honorable member was putting forward, so he would let it pass.

Mr. Cockshutt went on to say that by its policy of reckless extravagance the government was courting disaster. While the government was exulting in a large influx of immigrants, hundreds of willing hands were idle in the cities for want of employment. He predicted a return to "soup kitchens" and that before long the banks would have to help the government instead of the government helping the banks.

Referring to the imperial conference, he said he did not believe the Laurier administration had any imperial instincts or traditions. He declared the British preference had proved a jug-handled affair, that the insurance commission had disturbed the public without effecting any good results and concluded by moving the following as an amendment to be added to the address:

"We desire to express our respectful regret that more adequate reference has not been made to matters of public interest alluded to in your excellency's gracious speech and that other matters of grave public concern have altogether escaped mention therein. We deeply regret the financial stringency, which is alluded to in your excellency's gracious speech and which has already occasioned great inconvenience and loss to the people of this country. We sincerely deplore the lack of ordinary business prudence and foresight on the part of your excellency's advisers, especially their reckless and wasteful extravagance and the immoderate taxation exacted from the people in recent years, all of which have materially contributed to this financial stringency.

"We humbly beg to call your excellency's attention to the fact that the customs and inland revenue taxation for the nine months ended 31st March, 1907, was at the rate of $68,754,120 for a period of twelve months and that during the past five years the average taxation of the people has amounted to the sum of $57,105,177 annually; that the adverse balance of trade against Canada has enormously increased during recent years and for the twelve months ended August 31st, 1907, it amounted to no less than the sum of $121,467,844; that the expenditure for the nine months ended 31st March, 1907, was at the rate of $87,000,000 per annum and that the total expenditure during the past five years has thus reached the alarming figure of more than $383,000,000 and exceeds by $170,000,000 the expenditure during the corresponding period, ended 30th June, 1896.

"We respectfully and humbly submit to your excellency that having regard to these considerations the business of the country has not been carried on with that reasonable foresight, care and prudence which have characterized the management of successful business institutions throughout Canada and which we are entitled to demand from your excellency's advisers!"

Mr. Miller (of South Grey) spoke strongly from a government standpoint, maintaining that whatever stringency there was, was due to over prosperity. If there were idle men in Canada they were brought here by the manufacturers' association.

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY

The Harkins Company in Another Splendid Production at the Opera House.

A very large and fashionable audience was present at the Opera House last evening when the Harkins company played the finest of all comedies, The Private Secretary. From start to finish there was not a dull moment. Curtain calls were numerous.

Harry Stubbs, as the Rev. Robert Spalding, The Private Secretary, looked and acted his part to perfection, and his "Do you know?" caused plenty of laughter. Orson M. Dunn, as Mr. Catterwale, added another to his successes. Joseph E. Bernard, as Douglas Catterwale, his nephew, and Kent Bostworth, as Harry Marsland, added materially to the fun making. Carl Fey, as Gibson, the tailor, and Aldrich Bowker, as Mr. Marsland, were both excellent.

Miss Van Duser, while having only a small part, was, as usual, excellent, and Miss Farnsworth, Miss Malli and Miss Anderson, while having only small parts, gave splendid performances.

So good an impression was made by this piece last night that Manager Harkins will repeat it at the Saturday matinee.

Tonight the company will present the latest dramatic sensation, The Shadow Behind the Throne. It is a blending of Oriental trickery, intrigue and deceit, with English determination, straightforwardness and grit. The story is laid around the famous Boxer uprising in China. There is a big advance sale, and those who intend going should apply early for seats.

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C. P. R. CASHIER SHOOTS HIMSELF

Gladwyn Cobban Committed Suicide Yesterday in Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 3.—A sensation was caused in the city this afternoon by the tragic death of Gladwyn C. Cobban, cashier in the treasurer's department at the C. P. R., under somewhat mysterious circumstances which leave it in doubt as to whether his death was accidental or suicide.

Mr. Cobban had just returned from carrying a large sum to the bank, and, as usual, carried a revolver. Immediately on returning he left the office and, sauntered down the corridor, chatting with several of the clerks he met about the jolly evening he expected to spend at St. Andrew's ball. He then entered the lavatory, which at that moment was empty, and a moment later a pistol shot was heard. The clerks from all over the building hastened to see what had happened, and found Cobban's body lying in a locked compartment, with a bullet hole clear through his head, entering at one temple and going out at the other. He was still breathing and was taken to the general hospital, where he died at 8 o'clock.

There is nothing to indicate reason for suicide, and Mr. Cobban's friends think that he took the pistol out of his hip pocket and carelessly holding it, it accidentally exploded.

He was very well known in football and other sporting circles, and was very popular as a well living young man, of a bright disposition and fond of all manly sports. He was not in any financial difficulties, as he made a good salary, and his widowed mother is comfortable financially.

A hurried examination of his accounts was made immediately after the fatality, when everything was found in perfect condition, both books and cash just as they should be.

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DESPONDENT FARMER COMMITTED SUICIDE

William Cannom, jr., of Beechwood, Took Dose of Paris Green.

Bristol, Carleton county, Dec. 2.—William Cannom, jr., a well known and prosperous farmer of Beechwood, Carleton county, committed suicide on Saturday night by taking a dose of paris green. As soon as it was known, Dr. Somerville, of Bristol, was telephoned for, but nothing could be done and the unfortunate man died early Sunday morning. Cannom was about 55 years of age and leaves a wife and family. He had not been well for some time and was subject to fits of melancholia and his rash act was not altogether unexpected.

ST. JOHN CO. W. C. T. U.

The annual meeting of the St. John city and county W. C. T. U., which was held yesterday afternoon, was attended by many members. Encouraging reports from the various unions affiliated were read and showed considerable progress in the work. It was reported that the Y members have undertaken the distribution of the teachers' quarterly leaflets for temperance Sunday. They have already distributed 800 copies under the direction of Miss Laura Graham for use on the world's temperance Sunday.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. James McAvity, president; Mrs. J. H. Grey, vice-president at large; Miss Lockhart, secretary treasurer. The presidents of all the local unions are, by virtue of their office, vice-presidents of the St. John and county organization.

The Borden Club is to be addressed by J. D. Hazen, M. P. P., and R. L. Borden, M. P. Mr. Hazen's address will be given some evening next week and Mr. Borden's in January.

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