

THE NEW PARLIAMENT OPENS AT OTTAWA TODAY

WILL TAKE OVER ALL ELEVATORS

Radical Measures in Interests of Western Grain Growers are Foreshadowed in the Speech from the Throne this Afternoon

TARIFF COMMISSION TO BE APPOINTED

An Eloquent Silence is Observed in Regard to the Navy—Proposals Will be Made However to Co-Operate With the Provinces in Scientific Farming and in Building Model Highways—Dr. Sproule is Formally Appointed to be Speaker of the House

Ottawa, Nov. 16.—It is understood that the speech from the Throne, to be read today by H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, foreshadows legislation to enable the government to appoint a commission to take over and operate the terminal elevators at the Great Lakes. Measures providing for government grain inspection are to be consolidated in this legislation. Other bills that will be mentioned will foreshadow greater aids to agriculture. One proposed will be to co-operate with the provinces in building model highways and for the

promotion of scientific agriculture. There will be a bill respecting the department of external affairs, and one respecting the archives.

The establishment of a tariff commission will be referred to, and negotiations looking for better trade arrangements with West Indies and British Guiana will be announced.

It is not likely that any reference will be made to the navy.

Today Hon. Dr. Sproule was elected as speaker. The members will be sworn in today.

THEY GO TO FIGHT.

Two Hundred Italians From Montreal Respond to Call to Arms

Montreal, Nov. 16.—Over two hundred Italians, most of them from the Montreal colony, sailed for their native land today on the steamer Royal George. They belong to the military reserve and took along their rifles, guns and ammunition. They presented a warlike appearance.

Crockery, chinaware, glassware at Wallace's.

NEW CHINESE PREMIER.

Yuan Shi Kai Accepts on Condition of Being Given a Free Hand.

Peking, Nov. 16.—Yuan Shi Kai has accepted the premiership, on being given guarantee of a free hand in administering affairs during the term of office.

BUY TWO ISLANDS.

Syndicate Has Purchased Fanning and Washington Islands for the Sum of \$350,000.

Victoria, Nov. 16.—Fanning and Washington Islands have been purchased for \$350,000 by a syndicate of Canadian and British capitalists headed by C. N. Armstrong of Montreal. Their intention is being reported to establish a port as a naval base on Fanning Island.

G. R. T. SAWLE WAS EJECTED.

A Conservative ex-Editor Fell Foul of Secretary at Association Meeting and Was Put Out of Hall.

Indicative of the strained relations existing in certain quarters of the Conservative camp, is the incident of the ejection from McIntyre Hall last night of Mr. G. R. T. Sawle, a prominent Conservative worker and ex-editor of a Conservative newspaper. So strict was the surveillance of those who sought admission through the door with the big "Welcome" motto, that Mr. Sawle, who had not obtained his admission card through some oversight only, entered under strong protest. Secretary Dr. Quinlan upheld the protest of the doorkeepers, and when Mr. Sawle rose to defend his entry, threatened to have him ejected. Mr. Sawle protested vehemently, and it is said, gave the whole Conservative party a pretty calling down, with the result that he was swiftly ejected from the hall by a police officer summoned by Dr. Quinlan. This action on the part of the executive so incensed W. F. Beak, another prominent Conservative and friend of Mr. Sawle's, that he too rose and, protesting in terms most complimentary to the Conservative organization left the hall after Mr. Sawle.

REV. RICHESON INDICTED

Charged With Murder in Poisoning of Former Sweetheart

Boston, Nov. 16.—Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Cambridge, has been indicted on five counts charging murder in the first degree, for the alleged poisoning of his former sweetheart, Miss Avis W. Linnell of Hyannis. The date of Mr. Richeson's trial is tentatively set for January.

WARD SYSTEM TO BE ABOLISHED

Union of B. C. Municipalities Want Majority of Ratepayers to Be Given the Power to Act.

Victoria, Nov. 16.—At the session of the Union of B. C. Municipalities held here today a change in the Municipal Clauses Act was recommended whereby the holder of an agreement of sale of land will be given the right to vote on money bylaws the same as the registered owner. Another important recommendation to the legislature provides for government and municipal ownership of telephones.

The union favored that power be given to municipalities to abolish the ward system on a majority vote of the ratepayers. They did not sanction that licence commissions be chosen by the people.

FISH INDUSTRY EXTENDING

Trawler "Kingsway" of Standard Co. Pacofi, Makes Special Trip with Heads of Firm who are Considering Enlargement of Plant.

A substantial extension of the plant of the Standard Fish and Fertilizer Co. at Pacofi may be expected shortly. At present a party of those interested in the Company is visiting the plant. The party includes B. Von Alvensleben, brother of the President of the Count, Count Voss, a principal shareholder, and Captain Rorbick. Mr. G. M. Alfrod, manager of the plant at Pacofi, met the party which arrived by the Prince Rupert, and the trawler Kingsway just in with her shipment of fish for consignment below, was ordered to make ready at once to take the party out to Pacofi, and return them to go south by the Rupert on Friday. Both the fishing and the fertilizer business of the Standard Co. is prospering, and plans are on foot for a considerable extension in the spring.

Notice of Sale.

A huge poster advertising the sale of Section Two lots is exhibited at the wharf today.

CRITICISM OF CONSERVATIVES

Association Executive Blamed Severely for Lack of Organization—Details of Expenditures Demanded.

There are 341 Conservatives on the association roll according to the announcement of the secretary at last night's meeting. It was Dr. Clayton who wanted to know last night why only some 250 votes had been recorded for Mr. Clements at last Dominion election. "There is something wrong somewhere," said Dr. Clayton, "and the executive is to blame for it. Those missing votes ought to be accounted for."

J. A. Kirkpatrick, chairman, took upon his shoulders the whole blame of the lack of organization amongst the Conservatives before last election.

Joseph Swift said it was very noble of the president to take all the blame, but there were others on the executive more culpable. He said it was a shame that a ring should run the affairs without consulting the association at large.

Mr. Lannie vigorously endorsed this.

Will Build Big Dock.

Quebec, Nov. 16.—The British North America Ship Building Company announces it will build here one of the largest drydocks in the world, 1,150 feet in length and 110 feet in width.

COPPER ORE AT CORDOVA.

Owing to Scarcity of Ships It Piles Up on Shore—\$500,000 of It.

Cordova, Nov. 16.—Owing to the scarcity of freight boats in Southwestern Alaska, copper shipments are piling up here, there being now more than \$500,000 in copper ore in cars here awaiting freighters.

Now is the time for your winter Overcoat. We have the goods to please you. Sweder Bros., Custom Tailors, Helgeson Block. 4t

CONSERVATIVES HAD HOT TIME

There Were Seven Different Tickets at the Local Conservative Association Elections, But the Old Guard Swept the Boards

MR. GEO. D. TITE IS THE NEW PRESIDENT

Ald. Newton, Ald. Clayton and Ald. Douglas are Numbered Among the Vanquished—All the Civic Employees Were Out in Full Force—Recriminations Were Made Because Prince Rupert Turned Mr. Clements Down at the Elections—Great Precautions for Secrecy—Details of Vote

After a meeting which threatened to be stormy at first, but which later became something of a bean-feast, the executive of the Conservative Association was elected in the McIntyre Hall. Victory for the Conservative "Old Guard" was the result of the ballot. In spite of the fierce volley of criticism fired at them at the outset of the meeting, when they were accused of gross neglect of duty and the loss of Prince Rupert for Conservatism at the last Dominion election, the "Old Guard" charged home in triumph. Among the fallen were Aldermen S. M. Newton, Alder-

man W. Barratt Clayton, Oiler Besner and Alderman Douglas. All these were nominated for president but didn't make it, not even getting on the executive. Following is the successful "straight ticket":

President, Geo. D. Tite; first vice-president, M. M. Stephens; second vice-president, Frank E. Cullin; secretary, O. H. Nelson; executive, J. A. Kirkpatrick, J. E. Merryfield, J. G. Scott, J. H. Hilditch, Dr. Quinlan, T. Maitland, W. J. McCutcheon, J. Wynne, Geo. W. Kerr.

These appointments were made after a motion by O. H. Nelson that the

thirteen should be elected by ballot first, and the office bearers picked from them. This was done in the face of some opposition. Following is the exact result of the ballot, which closely follows the "straight ticket" printed and distributed amongst the members of the inner circle yesterday afternoon:

Geo. D. Tite, 214; J. E. Merryfield, 207; J. A. Kirkpatrick, 206; J. G. Scott, 205; George W. Kerr, 203; M. M. Stephens, 192; O. H. Nelson, 186; T. Maitland, 194; J. Wynne,

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HONEST MAN FOR MAYOR IS SUCCESSFUL AT LAST

Mr. Frank Ellis After Calmly Announcing That He is Running for His Own Profit is Elected Mayor in Mock Mayoralty Contest—Speeches Were Very Humorous

Honestly announcing that he was running for the sake of any possible graft, Mr. Frank Ellis was elected as Mayor of Prince Rupert last night in the mock mayoralty contest at the Presbyterian Club. His opponent was Mr. W. G. Dennis, who delivered one of the wittiest of speeches in his own support. Both candidates were very severely heckled by the audience. When the vote was taken it was found that every gentleman had voted for Mr. Ellis and every lady for Mr. Dennis. As the gentlemen exceeded the ladies by three, Mr. Ellis was declared elected. For his election he thanked the ladies who had stayed away. Mr. Dennis was able to point with

satisfaction to the better class of citizen, from whom he had drawn support.

One of the best appreciated of the sly allusions, was that made by Mr. Ellis, when an interruptor demanded to know he intended to finance the projects he had outlined.

"I will borrow money from the banks to tide me over the little time I shall be in power, and leave it to my successor to do the financing," replied the honest candidate.

Mr. Dennis' schemes of city hall improvement, included a punching bag and a set of gloves in the basement for the use of pugnacious aldermen, who want to fight the reporters.

CONSERVATIVE GAINS IN NOVA SCOTIA HOUSE

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 16.—The Conservatives have captured two seats in the elections held for the provincial legislature at Digby and Lunenburg. In Digby, H. H. Marshall, a Conservative lumberman, was elected by a majority of about 590 over A. E. Wall, Liberal, who was a candidate

in the Dominion election on the Liberal side.

In Lunenburg, C. C. Zwicker, the Conservative majority is nearly 200 over William Duff, Liberal.

The Conservative Opposition in the Nova Scotia legislature now numbers 13; the Government strength is 25.

GERMAN CRUISER GOT FIVE MINUTES TO CLEAR

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 16.—Word has been brought here by the steamer Marama that during the Moroccan crisis, a month ago, the German cruiser Cormorant called at Suva and asked permission to use the cable to send messages to Germany.

This was refused and two British warships in the harbor gave the German cruiser five minutes to weigh anchor, which she did.

USELESS FIREBELL

Hazleton Firehall Has Long Been Awaiting Its Alarm

The firebell of the Hazleton fire hall lies at the wharf awaiting transportation up river which will not be available until spring. The bell is an iron one bigger than the Prince Rupert firebell.

FIRST PILE PLACED

Progress on Wharf at Digby Island Marine Station

The first of the concrete piles for the wharves at the new marine station at Digby Island was placed yesterday afternoon. It is some time since the piles were completed, work has been proceeding on the false work, and pile driving machinery. Progress should be rapid now that all is in readiness. H. Killeen, Superintendent of Marine Station and Lighthouse work for the coast, is at Digby Island at present superintending the work.

Meet me at the Savoy.

WILL OPEN GOVT. OFFICE AT QUEEN CHARLOTTE CITY

Mr. E. M. Sandiland is to be Placed in Charge—Will Remove the Mines Record Office from Jedway also—A Boon to the Queen Charlotte Islanders

Arrangements are being made by the Provincial Government to open a government and land registry office at Charlotte City, in which to transact the business for the Queen Charlotte Islands. Mr. Evelyn M. Sandilands, the Government mining recorder at Jedway, is to be placed in charge. The mines record office will also be removed to Charlotte City. An official announcement of the Government's intention will be made shortly.

For a long time there has been an outcry on the part of land stakers and settlers at the inconvenience of having to come to the mainland in order to transact business with the Government. In some cases men have been kept travelling backwards and forwards between Prince Rupert and the Islands, trying to get some difficulty straightened out, only to give up in disgust and annoyance at last.

The mines office was located at Jedway some years ago following the discovery of mines in the Ikeda district. Charlotte City has been selected as the place of location for the Government office, owing to its central position, to serve the whole of the Queen Charlotte group.

CHANCE FOR H. F. McRAE.

Lord Roberts Wants British Ministers to Take a Trip Round World—Get Busy, H. F.

London, Nov. 16.—Before the Canadian Institute last night Lord Roberts said that the British ministers lacked knowledge of our far-away possessions. It would do them good to take a trip around the world; then they would treat affairs more intelligently.

New fringes, tassels, dress trimmings. Wallace's.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND LIBERALS DEFEATED

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Nov. 16.—The result of the two bye-elections in the province today ensures the defeat of the Liberal government. In the Augustus district, Premier was beaten by Dewar, the Conservative, by 329 majority. In Belfast district, Prof. Alex. McPhail, an Independent, was victorious over Nash, Liberal, by about 200.

Before the elections, the parties in the House stood, 16 Liberals and 14 Conservatives.

Pretty china cups and saucers 15c. Wallace's.

FERNIE MINERS VOTE TO END THE STRIKE

Fernie, B. C., Nov. 16.—The vote on the new agreement between the operators and the miners is being taken today, and from the latest reports it has resulted in a majority in favor of the acceptance of the terms. The majority is believed to be 1,500. The Frank miners voted against the proposition, but the other camps are giving big majorities.

NAVAL OFFICER GUILTY.

Lieut. Graham to Be Reprimanded by Order of Court-Martial for the Stranding of H.M.C.S. Niobe.

Halifax, Nov. 16.—Lieut. Graham has been found guilty by a court-martial of causing, or suffering to be caused, the stranding of H.M.C.S. Niobe on July 30 last, on the dangerous ledges of Cape Sable. He was sentenced to be reprimanded.

QUADRA KEPT BUSY

Left for Green Island Lighthouse With Supplies

The Dominion Government lighthouse and buoy tender Quadra left yesterday afternoon for Green Island lighthouse with supplies. On board the Quadra at present is J. Fisher, the expert in charge of the filling of the gas buoys. It is announced that Capt. Hackett of the Quadra is to resign and is only awaiting a successor to take his place. Captain Dan O'Brien, pilot of the Prince George is mentioned as a likely man to accept the position.

GOVERNMENT SALE DELINQUENT LOTS

In the Provincial Court Room this morning, Assessor Arthur Cuthbert sold by auction various lots in Prince Rupert, Stewart, Port Simpson and the Coast District, which are sold by the Government to realize amounts of delinquent taxes. Prices ran from as low as two dollars to twenty or thirty dollars, there being lots in Stewart. One lot on the Hudson's Bay townsite at Port Simpson went for \$38.25 to Dr. Kergin after lively bidding between him and Henry Helgeson. Dr. Kergin was bidding well for Simpson lots. Cy Peck, Peter McLachlan, R. A. White, G. Arnold, Chief Vickers, Dr. McNeil, W. E. Fisher and others look in at the sale. Lots went low at the start of the sale but a "dark horse" came in who bid prices up to the twenties. He hurriedly left the hall on hearing that the terms were cash down.

Buried at Garden Island

The body of Mrs. Gilbert Fortune was conveyed by launch to Garden Island this morning for interment. Rev. F. W. Kerr conducted the funeral service in the Presbyterian Church at 10.30. A large number of friends were present.

Enjoy Yourself

To-night at the usual time (9.30), in McIntyre Hall, Gray's Orchestra will hold another of their popular dances. The dance will continue later than usual in order to give those coming from the theatre time for a good dance. A good time awaits you there. Tickets \$1, ladies free.

Tom and Jerry at the Savoy.

Opening Announcement

Mr. H. G. Smith will open on the 16th in Smith's store on Sixth street with a full line of cigars, tobaccos, smoker's articles, fruits and confections at specially low prices. An adequate assortment of the best imported and domestic cigars in the city will be obtainable at lowest possible prices.

Ladies are specially invited to see our complete new stock of candies which consists of Lowney's Chocolates, Cream Caramels and Choice Confections of every kind. 2t