

# LEGISLATION FOR ELECTION REFORM

## Committee to Recommend Legislation to Prevent Political Corruption and Simplify Election Trials.

(From Our Own Reporter)

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—A committee of the House will be appointed to go into the whole question of election reform with a view to recommending legislation on to Parliament, simply of the government has had under consideration for some time legislation on this subject, but on the suggestion of A. K. MacLean of Halifax, who moved a resolution in the House to-day, the government agreed to apply a committee which will take up the whole question. The Premier in agreeing with the resolution said that he was the intention first to bring down legislation, but as Mr. MacLean's resolution was first on the order paper they had decided to proceed in the manner he suggested.

A discussion on the Austrian Government's action in closing the C. P. R. offices in Trieste and Vienna and arresting the Company's general manager was started on motion of Hon. Rodolph Levesque in connection with this matter not only affected the status of a great Canadian corporation, but also the immigration policy of the government and he considered it a violation of the Anglo-Austrian treaty of 1876, in as much as the C. P. R. had been discriminated against in favor of the German Steamship Pool.

The Prime Minister was necessarily somewhat non-committal in his reply, owing to the fact that the whole matter is still in process of negotiation between the Dominion and the British Government which is in turn in diplomatic touch with the Austrian authorities. He pointed out, however, that it was evident to all the Pacific officials had knowingly committed no breach of law which warranted such sorry treatment as they considered they had received.

# OLD YEAR ORGY IN QUEEN CITY

(Canadian Press)

TORONTO, Feb. 18.—The case of Ernest McCarty, restaurant keeper, charged with having a disorderly house on New Year's eve in this city, where it is alleged a great deal of drunkenness and disorder occurred while a party of Toronto's four hundred celebrated the day's hours of 1913, was heard before Police Magistrate Denison, this morning. Witnesses testified that the women were not drunk, although 250 quarts of liquor were consumed, during the evening. Constable Berid testified that he saw women reel out drunk. The hearing was adjourned for a week.

# DISABLED STEAMER RETURNS TO PORT

(Canadian Press)

HAVRE, Feb. 18.—The French liner S. S. Niagara, which lost her propeller at sea, while bound from Havre to New York, returned here this evening. The Niagara had 127 passengers on board, and ran into a heavy sea, on the outward voyage. On Saturday last when 135 miles off Ushant, she reported in a disabled condition and returning reached her port on Sunday. The Captain says he encountered terrific weather after leaving Havre. First one propeller was damaged by a heavy sea, then the shaft snapped and the propeller fell into the sea. As soon as possible sails were hoisted and the return made. The passengers behaved splendidly notwithstanding the heavy sea.

# HANGING BUNGLED

(Canadian Press)

CALGARY, February 18th, 1914.—The Execution of Jasper Collins here today was one of the worst bungled affairs in criminals of the Dominion. Life not extinct when the body was cut down. The Jury stated the sentence was not carried out by neck till dead, was not hanged by neck till dead. They recommended an investigation.

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(Canadian Press)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Panama Canal tolls repeal was discussed at length today by President Wilson and representative Underwood, the Democratic House leader, but no decision was given out. Underwood was unwilling to say whether he would vote for or against the repeal of the exemption clause. The President told Underwood that he considered the International phase of the tolls question more important at present than the mere question of reversing the democratic policy. The United States must show good faith to its treaty obligations. The President had an other conference with Senators James and Halls.

# PUZZLE OVER MEXICAN BANDIT

(Canadian Press)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The capture of Maximo Castillo, the Mexican bandit chief, charged with responsibility for the Cumbre Tunnel tragedy, is on American soil, and has furnished a knotty problem for officials here. When the capture was reported an immediate conference was called between the State and War departments in an effort to find out what should be done with the prisoner who was temporarily held at Fort Bliss. The crime charged against Castillo was committed on Mexican territory and the American Courts are without jurisdiction, although many of the prisoners would be surrendered under extradition proceedings but President Wilson formally declares there is no government in Mexico and any extradition proceedings would involve grave difficulties. The state department was appealed to. Pending decision the war department is holding the bandit and companions on the same condition as other Mexican prisoners in Texas.

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# PROTEST AGAINST DEPORTATION

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LONDON, Feb. 18.—Henry W. Thornton, the great eastern railway manager, the great American General manager of the Pennsylvania Railroad, the way company of England, discussed the undesirable alien proposition advanced today in the House of Commons by Will Crooks, labor member for Woolwich.

Members of the labor party were greatly incensed at the demand put forward by Unionists, for legislation to prevent such alien desperadoes as labor leaders being deported from South Africa, and being dumped into England. A storm of protest filled the House.

# TWO KILLED IN CAR COLLISION

(Canadian Press)

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 19.—Two persons were killed, six probably fatally injured and 25 others were hurt when an outbound English avenue street car crashed into two heavy traction cars. The accident was caused by slippery rails. The English avenue car was loaded with passengers and stopped at the foot of steep grade just behind the traction car. Just then a heavy freight car behind crashed into the passenger car killing two. The injured were standing on the back of the car which telescoped.

# WIN \$1500 TROPHY

(Canadian Press)

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 18.—For the third time J. C. Hill and Sons of Lloydminster, Sask., won the \$1,500 Trophy for the best peak of oats at the National Com-Exhibition here. This makes them owners of trophy.

# FOR POLITICAL FREEDOM

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—The official board of the National Women Suffrage Association today issued a call to the suffragettes of the country to rally at an open-air mass meeting on Saturday, May 2, at the Atlantic to the Pacific. The signal is to be a trumpet call, to which suffragettes are to respond by singing a hymn, now being written for the occasion, and to adopt at that time a nation-wide resolution to be presented to Congress, demanding political freedom for American women.

# EDISON INVENTS HEALTH DIET FOR HIMSELF AND WIFE

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Thomas A. Edison, the great inventor, is 67 years old and is well and hearty. Yesterday, Mrs. Edison revealed to a representative of the press that her illustrious husband has discovered a new rule of diet both for himself and her. It is simply this: Reduce your food from 18 or 20 ounces (what the normal healthy person consumes), to 9 or 10 ounces of plain, nutritious things.

Mrs. Edison, a robust, laughing, good-natured woman, is a woman of keen intellect and many ideas lost ground by overworking his digestive apparatus.

"Of course," she said, "Mr. Edison did not make that rule for me. He decided after many experiments that a man of keen intellect and many ideas lost ground by overworking his digestive apparatus.

"Would you believe it, I was actually gaining weight on the ten ounces. I grew stouter every day, but it was all, I have since learned, good, firm fighting flesh," as the men say.

"If I had gone back to the old three meals-a-day eat-all-you-would plan I am sure by this time I would weigh about 350 pounds. I stuck to the ten ounce diet and felt better, slept better, thought more clearly and was twice as active."

# FIRE DRIVES 600 INTO STREET

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Six hundred men, women and children—one hundred and fifty families—were driven to the street in the snow by a four alarm fire which wrecked a five story factory building in East 34th street early today. The building is in the heart of "Corcoran's roosts" and surrounded by tenements, all of which were emptied. The loss was about \$100,000.

# HURT IN STOVE EXPLOSION

SHERBROOKE, Que., Feb. 17.—Mr. Charles Duncan, of Wolfe street is lying in the Sherbrooke hospital in a critical condition as the result of an explosion which occurred at his house this morning. As Mr. Duncan is seventy-eight years of age little hope is entertained for his recovery. Mr. Duncan had just started the fire in the kitchen stove when the explosion took place. The waterfront of the stove had evidently been frosted and when the fire was started the steam thus formed caused the explosion.

# TRAVELLER'S STORY OF SNOW FIGHTING

## From Georgetown to Charlottetown Yesterday. Drifts Ranged from Ten to Twenty Feet in Depth.

The Guardian was told the following interesting story of what was one of the fiercest snow fights in years, by one of the commercial men who came down on the train from Georgetown yesterday.

"The regular Georgetown train, in charge of the genial conductor Hibbett, as we were informed left Georgetown at the usual time, taking the same little delays in leaving the yard, and, with two or three passengers, arrived at Montague about ten o'clock, where a party of five or six commercial men boarded her all bound for Charlottetown.

"The track was exceedingly heavy three or four feet of snow being ploughed off a distance of half a mile or so in places, while shorter cuttings, ranging to upwards of ten feet and a few hundred yards were experienced.

"The train hauled worked well and so did the engines at the plough and tached, yet it took till 5 p.m. to reach the city. This was a slow passage, still we consider the time well spent. To see the plough and engines plunging through snow drifts twelve feet deep is a sight never to be forgotten.

"The conductor reminded us when leaving Montague that they served no meals on his 'ship' as they do on the other winter boats; but we paid no heed to this thinking we would be comfortably ensconced at an hotel by dinner time.

"We found to our disappointment that we only reached Peake's station, when the inner man was reminding us of the need of 'coaling up.' One of our number, however, Mr. John Rattenbury, and Capt. McDonald of the dredge undertook to supply our needs, while the train was laboring to open a track through a deep drift near the station, both these gentlemen ran to a country 'store' nearby the track and bought bread, cheese and some tea, while the genial conductor 'went to milk the cow.'

"In a short time the 'cook' had the tea ready and a very enjoyable meal was partaken of in the baggage car. Needless to say there were no tables, linen or style, but a simple lugral meal, well-relished by us, all striding and walking while eating and making the best use of the few cups and glasses available.

"Special mention should be made of a snow drift at Mt. Stewart, which was claimed to be nearly twenty feet deep, and the heavy snow ploughs and engines plunged, being out of sight for nearly 200 yards, but emerging safely on the other side.

"We would ask a favor of Conductor Hibbett, that when he has another snow-storm on hand to send for us and we promise that there will be more passengers on his train than he had today, as thousands would like to see real snow-fighting."

# THEY WERE GLAD TO SEE THEM OFF

(Canadian Press)

LONDON, Feb. 18.—While an official of the Central Prison was transporting five prisoners from the local jail to the Grand Trunk Pacific Station, he and his charges were almost carried off their feet by a large number of friends of the prisoners who came to see the crowd that officer had great difficulty to call to the station constable and he narrowly missed the train.

# MILITANTS BUSY

(Canadian Press)

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The Militant suffragettes evidently mistaking the identity of Mr. B. W. Cordale, for a Cabinet Minister, struck him with a heavy whip as he was with a wedding party at the Railroad Station. The blow felled him and a woman was arrested.

# CONDENSED ADS TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

One cent per word each insertion in this column. Cash must accompany order. Minimum charge twenty-five cents.

WANTED—GIRL FOR HOUSEWORK in family of three. Apply in evenings at 22 Brighton Road.

LOST—BETWEEN TWO MACS AND Victoria Hotel, ladies' hand bag. Finder please leave at Two Macs. 125-2-17m3p.

FOR SALE—Ranch-raisd and Hudson Bay Path Foxes for delivery July or later. St. Georges Bay Fur Company, 803 Journal Bldg., Boston, Mass. 1272-2-89Mtf.

OPTIONS, BOUGHT AND SOLD, 1914. Foxes, Mink, Marten, etc. Organising new companies my specialty. T. G. Ives, Montague, 3862-1-14Mf.

FOR SALE—Hudson Bay Silver Black Fox pups. Delivery July or later. St. Georges Bay Fur Company, 803 Journal Bldg., Boston, Mass. 1272-2-19Mtf.

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FOR SALE FIVE PAIRS CHOICE dark northern mink. Ranch raised and boxed trapped also two pairs of dark brown fisher. Wire or write Graham Bros., R. R. No. 1, Stratford, Ont. 1280-2-12M5p.

WANTED—A YOUNG LADY WITH experience, also a smart girl to learn millinery. Apply at once to Miss Rendle, head milliner at Prosser Bros., Ltd., 1272-2-19Mtf.

MARTEN—We can take a few more orders for ranch-raised or wild Marten. Supply limited. Delivery July or later. St. Georges Bay Fur Company, 803 Journal Bldg., Boston, Mass. 1272-2-19Mtf.

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LAND FOR SALE—AT A BARGAIN Situated half a mile from the thriving village of Murray River, containing 83 acres, half cleared, and well fenced, balance under hard soft wood, owned by James McDonald formerly of Caledonia. This is an ideal site for a quick buy. Apply to M. C. McGowan, Kilmuir, P. E. I. 1281-2-16m1wk

# NARROW ESCAPE IN AUTOMOBILE

(Canadian Press)

HAMILTON, Feb. 18.—Speeding to a small fire in his automobile this morning, Fire Chief Teneyek and his chauffeur narrowly escaped death. Turning out to pass one of the cutter another cutter, in which Mrs. Lucas, a prominent society woman, and her coachman were seated, turned into the path. The chauffeur endeavored to avoid collision and turned sharply to one side. The car swirled around and upset the cutter throwing Mrs. Lucas and her coachman to the ground. Both were badly hurt. The automobile hit a tree and was smashed to pieces. Neither the Fire Chief or the Chauffeur was injured.

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# ADDRESS BUSINESS MEN

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The American business world came into personal touch with men whose ideas and actions are of great moment to business tonight when Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Labor and Commissioner Prouty, of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, addressed the 500 delegates here attending the second annual convention of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Secretary Wilson discussed the relations of his department with the business world with the great task undertaken by the commission at the direction of Congress—ascertaining the actual value of the country's railroads and other inter-state common carriers.

# UNCONSCIOUS FROM GAS EARLY THIS MORNING

TORONTO, Feb. 18.—George Stratton, a roomer at 35 Robinson street, was found in an unconscious condition from gas poisoning in his room at an early hour this morning by other roomers in the house who had been attracted by the fumes of a gas caping gas. The police ambulance was summoned and carried Stratton to the Western Hospital, where it was stated that his condition is serious.

# MAY VISIT PRINCESS

LONDON, Feb. 17.—Miss Muriel Wilson, who is said to intend paying a visit to Princess Patricia at Ottawa, has been joined by her mother, who recently came from Maryland, at a villa near Niagara.

# PEOPLE SCARED SO WAS TIGER

BRUSSELS, February 17.—An Indian tiger escaped from Hagenbach's menagerie in a suburb of this city and bounded into an open air market in the palace of St. Croix yesterday. There was a wild stampede by the people there, stalls were overturned and goods scattered and in a few seconds the place was empty and every door and window in all the houses were shut and barred.

# UNION NOT RECOGNIZED

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., February 17.—An increase of wages was granted, but the street car men's union was not recognized, although it is provided that an employee shall not be discriminated against because of union affiliations, in the decision given today by the State Public Utilities between the local street car company and its employees. The controversy was placed before the commission by an agreement negotiated November 7, 1913, by Governor Hais-ton, which ended a strike of one week, during which four men were killed and the entire state militia called out.

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# USES FOR SAWDUST

Sawdust, which has been looked upon as a nuisance and accused of killing fish in the inland streams, is evidently coming into its own. A chemist has perfected a machine whereby gas can be made from it at the rate of 1000 feet for ten cents.

In America a firm is turning out 7,000,000 briquettes a year for fuel. In Germany a baking firm turns out 20,000 loaves of sawdust bread a day. It is used to feed horses, and is claimed that in case of a bread famine human life would be sustained by it.

# THE GALL OF A SUFFRAGETTE

(Canadian Press)

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Mary Lindsay is the name of the Suffragette who assaulted Lord Weardale. Her counsel later in the day applied to the police magistrate to grant bail for Lindsay, saying she had mistaken Weardale for Premier Asquith whom she considered responsible for the mistreatment of women in prison. Her attorney said an apology would be made. The Magistrate refused saying that he wanted an inquiry made into the state of the prisoner's mind.

# MUST POSTPONE PEACE CONFERENCE

(Canadian Press)

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Francis Dyke Ackman, parliamentary secretary of foreign affairs, informed the House of Commons today that it was impossible to hold a third Peace Conference at the Hague in 1915 as under the rules the committee must sit two years preparing a program and the committee is not yet formed.

# WOMEN DEFEATED

(Canadian Press)

CAPETOWN, Feb. 18.—A Bill to enfranchise the women of South Africa Union was defeated in the House of Assembly today by one vote, 43 to 42.

# BROOKLYN GIRL TELLS TALE OF KIDNAPPING THROUGH HYPNOTISM

BROOKLYN N. Y., Feb. 17.—Miss Henrietta Schlatzlein, a Sunday school teacher, seventeen years old, who had been missing from her home Stillman avenue, Brooklyn, for over a week, returned yesterday, and told a story which caused two young men to be arrested and locked up.

Miss Schlatzlein disappeared from the Young Women's Christian Association on building a week ago last night, and a thorough search had been made for her ever since. On her return she told her parents she had been with friends, but this did not give satisfaction and the police were notified.

Acting Captain O'Connor, with two other police officers, questioned the girl, who finally admitted that she had been to attend a sewing class she met two young men, who took her to a moving picture show in Flatbush avenue.

Afterwards the three went to a "clubhouse" near by, where they stayed until morning. The girl said she was then afraid to go home, and stayed at the "clubhouse" for two days. At the end of that time one of the young men took her to a furnished room house in Bedford avenue, where she took a room under the name of Alice Maywood.

She says the men had hypnotic influence over her and she stayed in the room without question. They supplied her with food and paid the rental of the room.

She learned of the search being made for her on Monday and yesterday decided to return home.

# WORLD'S ALTITUDE RECORD

JOHANNISBURG, Germany, Feb. 17.—Robert Theien, a German aviator, today made what is said to be a world's altitude record for a flight in an aeroplane 14th four past 10,350 feet.

# EARTHQUAKE AT RENO, CAL.

(Canadian Press)

RENO, Feb. 18.—An earthquake occurred here at ten o'clock today. It was very violent and lasted three seconds. The direction was from Southeast to Northwest.

# CONSEQUENCES OF PANAMA CANAL

(Canadian Press)

PARIS, Feb. 18.—A committee for study of the economic consequences for France in the opening of the Panama canal was formed today. It is composed of ten officials of various state ministries, all familiar with the different phases of the government service and with the requirements of the French Marine.

The report will deal with the further utilization of the canal by French shipping.

# HORSE SALE OPENS

(Canadian Press)

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The highest price at the opening day Fasig Tipton horse sale was \$5,000 for Peter Belliker 2:104, six year old stallion.

Mepeer, 2:15½ listed as the second horse for sale was killed on the steamship bound from Halifax to New York which was tossed about in the storm.

# COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS ETC.

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MUSIC LESSONS—Mrs. Alfred Stewart has re-opened her Saturday music class. Students wishing to join this class would do well to call at 135 Hillsboro Street.

1250-2-17M3p.

Salad, cold tongue, pastry, cake tea and coffee at the tea, apron and candy sale in St. Pauls Parish Hall Thursday February 19. Admittance 5c. Tea 25c. Served from 5 to 7.

1265-2-18M2i.

The fundamental duties of Citizenship are: Defence of Country, Education of Youth, Payment of Taxes, Enforcement of Laws, all should be obligatory or all should be voluntary. Hear Mr. George W. Elliott in Prince of Wales College Hall on Monday night at eight o'clock. Everybody welcome—no admission. 1270.

The Humber Silver Black Fox Co., Ltd., which has recently been organized, reports that they have been very successful in selling their stock and that only a few shares are left. The losses are capitalized at 12,500.00 a pair. Any one interested would do well to make application for shares to the Secretary at once. Applications will be given preference in the order received. They are also open to sell options on 1914 pups. For further particulars write Secretary Humber Silver Black Fox Co., Ltd., Bedford, P. E. I. 1197-2-12M6p.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper. Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.