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S.S. Scotia Aground

The S. S. Scotia, leaving Toronto at 8 o'clock yesterday morning with a cargo of freight and a number of cars for Borden, ran into a heavy fog and in trying to make the harbor went aground on the north west side of Carleton Point. The accident is not serious as the ship is resting easy and it is hoped that today she will be pulled off into deep water. The tug Magdalene left Charlottetown yesterday afternoon upon receiving word of the mishap and was working on the job last night. The car ferry which started for Halifax yesterday has been recalled and will if necessary be on the service today so that in any case there will be no tie-up in transportation arrangements.

FAVORED NEW STATE

LONDON, May 7.—Speaking at a banquet given to Lord Forster, governor general of Australia, a Ruter cable says that premier W. M. Hughes sympathized with the movement to create a new state, comprising the northern districts of New South Wales, which he said, was capable of maintaining an immense population.

MANAGER HUGGINS SUSPENDED

PHILADELPHIA, May 7.—Miller Huggins of the New York Yankees and who is manager of same, has been indefinitely suspended by president Johnson of the American League as a result of an argument with umpire Walsh in the game between New York and Boston, at the Polo Grounds, on Monday, it became known to night.

CAUGHT IN FOREST FIRE

DARTMOUTH, Mass., May 7.—The body of William Cornier, severely burned, was found by forest fire fighters in a path near the ruins of his home at Dartmouth, Mass., which had been caught in the path of a fire which burned over two square miles of woodland a South Dartmouth. By means of back firing, ten other houses in the vicinity were saved.

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Proceedings in the Provincial Legislature

Debate on Budget Concluded by Hon. Mr. Cox and Hon. Mr. Crosby. House in Committee on the Estimates. Interesting Discussion on Items of Departments of Justice and Public Works.

April 26th—Evening Session

(Continued)
HON. MR. COX, following Mr. Kennedy on the budget debate, said that in the past, both parties laid claims to having surpluses. If that were true there would be no debt. But the fact remains that there is a debt. When the Tax Act was being considered the Opposition if they would have when the present government took power more money was needed. The Conservative government had continued in power the result would simply be that the province would be another million dollars in debt and have nothing to show for it. The present government began operating on sound business principles. As a member of the government he could say that the affairs of the country have been run on a square, fair basis. The two parties in the past have been playing politics. But the country recognizes now that this is a thing of the past. The people of the country today are talking about the high quality of the speeches made during the present session. When the time comes for a general election he believed, with the help of the women voters, that the Liberal party would be returned. The government now has put education on a sound basis. There are no schools vacant, and the teachers are satisfied. He felt sure the Conservative government would have taken up the Federal grant for roads. If the government had not the automobile tax they would never attempt to take advantage of the grant, but the auto tax is practically a sure thing. He regretted Mr. Kennedy's conduct in the House. He had made charges which he knew to be false. THE SPEAKER informed Mr. Cox that he was using unparliamentary language.

HON. MR. COX said he did not wish to do this. He was not afraid of going back at the next election. If they would take him, they might say he was too old, as they suggested at the last election. But he was the same age as General Foch.

Mr. Cox had heard a great deal about provincial claims against the federal government. If we could only get what we asked for we would never have such a debt. As a matter of fact, don't think there are any more claims at Ottawa for us. I remember Premier Peters went to Ottawa and they told him to go back home and tax the people. There was nothing there for him. Premier Matheson brought in one time a list that long (gesticulating) of all the claims we could get and our own fellows were just as bad—but they didn't get anything. This government has dropped all that. It is a business government and that is why I am supporting them and keeping in with them.

Mr. Cox believed there was a prospect of getting the school lands claim recognized but outside of this our claims looked pretty bleak. He was heartily in support of the women's franchise. A good woman, who is able to speak ought to make just as good a member of the House as a man.

MR. HESSIAN: She would speak all night.

MR. COX: I want to speak well about them anyway, because I want them to vote for me. Some members had referred again this session to the amount of the sessional indemnity. Mr. Cox did not believe \$500 was a bit too much. What does it amount to for the work done? Nothing at all. If the Scott Act was in force it wouldn't stand a month!

One or two women had asked him if they could be permitted to address the House on the subject of the franchise. He hoped this could be arranged. He would willingly lose a lot of time to hear a woman speak. He never heard one speak in the House but he had heard them elsewhere. (Laughter.) Some of them were pretty rough too.

MR. HESSIAN: Did you ever hear them at Morell?

HON. MR. COX: Indeed I did, and other places besides Morell. There were great exhibitions in the fisheries industry here, Mr. Cox believed. When they got the railroad standardized the business will make the fishermen well off. In fact they were well off now those who took care of their money. The local government should help out in every way possible. Lessons in packing fish might be given at the Technical School during the winter months. There is no doubt that the business in fresh fish has a great future in this country when it is got properly under way. It will not pay to pack fish in small lots since the rate is so high, but if eight or ten or fifteen fishermen could get together co-operatively they could like Toronto or Winnipeg. The Department of agriculture spends a lot of money in this province, but what has been spent on the fisheries? With a little encouragement this industry would increase tremendously.

The importance of re-forestation has been referred to by some of the members of the House. It would be very helpful in sheltering trout streams of the province, which would mean a big increase in the tourist trade.

The digging of mussel mud at St. Peter's Bay has been continued by the government after the Conservatives went out of power. The money was lost on it. The last year they were in, and the work was again started against the wishes of the Commissioner of Public Works by the present government. They kept at it the whole summer and it cost about \$3,000. He believed the mud at Richmond Bay should be taken up, extensively and the mud at St. Peter's Bay left to supply the farmers of that section.

HON. MR. CROSBY said he noticed that all through the debate everybody had been hammering governments. The people who should be slammed are the people in the Opposition. All through parliamentary history they have been too ready to slam every measure. He was surprised that Mr. Kennedy, member from York (Mr. Foch), had taken the stand he did on the road question. He had tried to give the impression that it was possible to spend the money received on the highways grant for ordinary roads.

The extension of the grant to cities and large towns and also the building of larger bridges under the contract would be taken up probably within a few weeks at Ottawa. It was probable that Mr. Shaw, the engineer would interview the federal authorities. The speaker felt grieved that reflections had been made upon so capable and conscientious a man as Mr. Shaw, who was working not so much for the government as for the country. He could conscientiously say for himself and for Mr. Shaw that the money that was spent was spent wisely and well to the last dollar. He realized as much as anybody how hard it was to pay taxes at the present time and when he took over office it was with the determination of making every dollar count. If mistakes had been made there were at any rate no wilful mistakes. Mr. Kennedy had charged that the money was not properly spent. Mr. Kennedy was seldom right but in this case he was very far wrong. He had referred to Mr. Clark's work and the reason why his tender had not been accepted was because it was not the lowest.

HON. MR. CROSBY was the last speaker on the budget. At 10:40 p.m. the House went into Committee on Supplies with Mr. E. T. Higgs in the Chair.

Supreme Court (\$13,225)

MR. J. D. STEWART: I notice in looking over the expenditure for last year that there were two Deputy Prothonotaries for Kings County. I would like to ask if a change was made, and if so, why?

HON. MR. JOHNSON: The predecessor of the present holder of the office has received another appointment which is much more remunerative.

MR. STEWART: When did he receive that?

MR. JOHNSON: Very shortly after the change.

MR. STEWART: I think my hon. friend is in error. I know the Prothonotary did receive an appointment but it was only recent. At the time the change was made it was not contemplated that he would receive this appointment. The appointment he later received was filled at that time. I must say that I don't think there is any justification for the change in the Prothonotaryship. He was a competent official and I have every reason to believe that the change was made through politics. It was simply a disarming of the bomb near the building. A detective who found the bomb clipped off the fuse preventing an explosion.

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