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**LIBERAL LEADER OF THE PROVINCE**

The Revelstoke convention will mark the beginning of a new era in the politics of British Columbia, and will mean before long the triumph of the principles of right over the present combination ruling at Victoria, which has maintained itself in power by selling the resources of the province to the highest bidder. To aid us to this "consummation devoutly to be wished" the convention chose as party leader Mr. H. C. Brewster, and his election has proved an extremely popular one within the party, though the organs of the ring have tried to create the impression that there was disunion and dissension in the convention.

On the contrary the proceedings of the convention as reported to us were harmonious throughout and many subjects of great interest to British Columbia, subjects which will influence her future to a most important degree, were discussed and the proper steps in legislating upon them clearly pointed out. In fact the thrashing-out of public matters at this convention will be of immense benefit to the whole province.

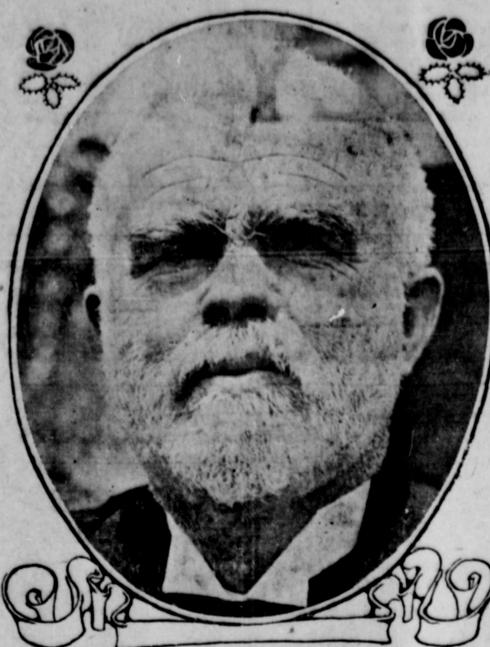
From a distinctly party point of view, too, the convention has proved of the highest possible value. It has shown the leading Liberals of the province that on all large matters of public policy they are in accord, and it has inspired them with confidence in the numbers, the strength and the

ability which the party possesses. Mr. Brewster, although still comparatively a young man, has had considerable political experience, and in his capacity as a member of the British Columbia legislature has proved his ability as a debater and his courage and skill, where he was overborne by numbers and the unscrupulous use of power by a corrupt government.

**HOW TORY ALLIES ORIGINATED**

Mr. Bourassa has stated that the Nationalist party owned its origin to the position taken by Laurier in sending Canadian troops to assist Great Britain in the South African war. It must be a proud position for the jingo-Conservative party to have its policies dictated by the Nationalist party born under such auspices.

The railway subsidies will bring the total amount of expenditures authorized by the Dominion Parliament at its present session to about \$225,000,000—or over \$30 per head. Few countries have known a heavier budget in war time. "A billion dollar Congress" is a phrase which, in the United States, is used to describe the extravagance; but Canada with but one-thirteenth the population of the United States is preparing to vote nearly a quarter of a billion dollars this year.



**NEXT MODERATOR OF THE PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

Rev. Dr. Murdock Mackenzie—a striking picture of one of the most distinguished leaders in the Presbyterian Church in Canada. He will take a prominent part in the approaching convention.

**COLONEL SAM HUGHES AND THE INCREASED MILITIA ESTIMATES**

**MR. CARVELL PROTESTED THAT THEY WERE INCREASED ALTOGETHER TOO MUCH FOR A COUNTRY LIKE CANADA—MONEY WAS WASTED.**

Ottawa, June 3.—During the consideration of the militia estimates in the Commons this evening, Mr. Carvell of Carleton, N. B., protested against the increase in the expenditure during the last two years.

It had grown more than three million dollars in that time, he said, and if it kept on increasing at the same pace, would soon amount to twenty millions. The present expenditure, he said, was altogether too much for a country like Canada. Only about two millions of the money voted annually got to the men. The rest was largely wasted.

Colonel Sam Hughes, minister of militia, said that the increase in expenditure was due entirely to the fact that in the last couple

of years the force has largely increased. He said that it was the people of Canada who were responsible for the increased cost of the militia, owing to their enthusiasm and desire to establish military units. Both Conservative and Liberal members were constantly approaching him in regard to these matters.

Colonel H. H. McLean, Liberal, maintained that expenditure on the militia was large enough. Men could not go to camp without serious financial loss to themselves, and the period for training was too short to make for efficiency. The great want of the militia at the present time, he said, was instructors. Steps should be taken without delay to remedy the insufficiency.

**PASSENGERS TO SOUTH**

Rev. Charles Sing Leaves for Pastorate at Duncans.

Among the passengers leaving on the Prince George this morning was the Rev. Charles Sing, destined for Duncans station. Many of his friends came down to see him off and to wish him good fortune in the new pastorate to which he has been transferred. Others departing on the same boat were: Messrs. H. Fahr, D. Black, L. Week, J. W. Cornet, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Morfill, J. Hogan, J. Oplich, M. Lavineh, R. Long, Miss Marie Rumeau, J. H. Hilditch, Mr. Littler, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. MacLean, Mr. Sargeant, J. E. Austin, Mr. Bresnahan, J. Horan, Miss Annie Grist, Fred Boston, J. H. Powell, Charles Youngman, W. C. Wilcox, J. Dominic, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Swift, Georgie Pettit, J. B. Hull, W. J. Clark, W. Gale, R. L. Fortier, Mr. and Mrs. H. Dickson.

The paper that prints the facts—the Daily News.

**AS "TRUTH" SEES IT**

War Scare Having Exploded Canada Should Go Back to Farming.

London, June 2.—Commenting on the rejection of Premier Borden's naval bill by the senate, "Truth" says: "On the merits of the bill, Canada is right in the attitude it has taken up. Whatever may have been the German scare, as a result of which Canada was brought in, it is now exploded and Great Britain would be relieved if Canada were to go back to farming instead of placing the maintenance of seven million pound's worth of battleships on our estimates."

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**NO GEORGIAN BAY CANAL FOR A WHILE**

Minister Rogers Suggests a Commission to Look Into the Whole Question.

Ottawa, June 2.—The Georgian Bay canal scheme was to the front last evening when Hon. Robert Rogers stated that while he was convinced that the project was feasible from an engineering standpoint, yet before the government would be in a position to proceed with it, there must be a consideration of the project from the commercial point of view.

He stated that an enquiry would be made and in all probability a commission appointed to look into the question from the commercial side and in the meantime half a million dollars was being placed in the estimates to develop the French River, which would be a portion of any Georgian Bay canal plan, and independent of them would have a value of its own. By their plans it was proposed to develop an amount of water power that would pay for the project alone.

Hon. George Graham thought that with a \$33,000,000 surplus the time was ripe for the Georgian Bay canal project.

There was a general consensus of opinion that Canada must at an early date complete a waterway to the Great Lakes in order to prevent the Canadian trade being diverted to the Erie Canal now being deepened by the State of New York.

**Boom for Jedway.**

An anonymous correspondent sends to the Queen Charlotte Islander the following:

Dear Sir: I submit the following poem for your consideration. If sung to the tune of "Ta-ra-ra Boomdeay" and accompanied by booze the effect is lovely: Jedway town is going to boom, Things are going to happen soon; Gopper's riz up to the moon— Miners working night and noon.

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Dead ones better stay away; Only live ones count today. Bring enough your bills to pay, And from us you'll never stray.

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