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NARROW PARTISANSHIP

The Conservative press and party are much worried over the news from London. It appears that within a reasonable period, as a result of the declaration of the Canadian parliament, and the imperial defence conference, this country will establish yards for naval construction work. This will of course involve large expenditures. The Conservatives would like very much to be in a position to control the letting of contracts. Of course they would be perfectly honest about it. The only dishonest persons in Canada, the Conservative organs assure us, are the Liberals. The Standard this morning is more than usually bitter in its denunciation of the "dishonesty, neglect and incompetence" of the marine department. If the people could be persuaded that Liberals are thieves and Conservatives the soul of honor, the Conservatives would come into power, and the contracts would go to members and supporters of that party. There is another surprise awaiting the position press. The first one came when it was announced that there was perfect harmony in the imperial defence conference, and that the Canadian delegates were not making any attempt to block the proceedings. The next one will come when the people of Canada renew their expression of confidence in leaders who are not carried off their feet by panic or the forward with the development of a policy which is the best for Canada and for the empire. Prior to the last federal elections the Conservative press and speakers did all that disappointed malignity could do to destroy the reputation of the leaders of the Liberal party, and their muck-raking campaign ended in utter defeat. The same tactics will produce the same result in the next federal campaign. The people are weary of the long professions of men who are not one whit wiser than those whom they denounce. The Conservatives are bitterly disappointed. They had hoped for a hitch in the conference at London, and hailed with delight a rumor that all was not satisfactory. But on the heels of the rumor came the denial, and now they fall back upon the familiar charge that if the Canadian government does consent to take part in a programme of naval defence, the work will be marked by dishonesty, neglect and incompetence. It would be much more creditable for the Conservatives to stand impartial questions from a broad standpoint and frankly give credit where credit is due. It will be time enough to criticise the course of the marine department when that department has begun the projected work. The cables from London do not set out with sufficient definiteness for detailed criticism the course to be pursued, but that the approval of the imperial authorities, and the Canadian government may be relied on to do its part with quite as earnest a desire to produce the best results as would be the case if Mr. Borden instead of Sir Wilfrid Laurier were at the helm.

NAVAL PROGRAMME

If the Canadian Associated Press is well informed, the first step in the new naval programme will be the loan to Canada by the imperial government of two third-class cruisers, one for the Atlantic and the other for the Pacific station, with British officers in command. It is stated that these cruisers will be refitted at Canada's expense, and that the officers will be paid by the Canadian government. Presumably the crews will be purely Canadian. It is also intimated that Canada will begin to make preparations to build cruisers of her own, but an Ottawa despatch to the Telegraph expresses the view that the first orders will be given to British builders. The latter statement seems highly probable, since it must take a considerable time to establish a complete plant for naval construction. Of course it is only a question of time when this country will have its own shipbuilding yards, and this is a matter of special interest to the people of St. John.

Premier Asquith stated in parliament yesterday that both Canada and Australia were anxious that the Pacific fleet should be of appreciable strength, and consist of three squadrons—East Indian, Australian and China. This, of course, is an imper-

ial matter, but the home government will meet the views of the overseas states in regard to it. The whole conference appears to have been of a most cordial nature, and to have drawn much closer the bonds of imperial unity.

FOREST FIRES

An article by James S. Whipple, in the Outlook Magazine, deals in a very interesting way with the cause of forest fires, and suggests a course that should receive much more attention in this province than is at present given to it, although some American owners of timber lands make an effort to carry out such a policy. We quote:

"The question has been asked why there should be so many fires in our American forests when there are so few or none at all in the forests of Europe. The answer is this: When the trees are cut in the forests of Germany, France or Switzerland, the entire material in the tree is marketed and removed, leaving no inflammable litter on the ground. In our American forests, owing to lack of a market for such material fully one-half of the tree—the limbs, smaller branches, twigs and foliage—are left upon the ground where they soon become dry and furnish material for forest fires. In the European forests every part of the tree, including the smallest twigs, is sold. The sale of this minor product constitutes over one-half of the revenue. Hence, when the forester is through with his tree-cutting no inflammable material is left upon the ground. Now, if our American foresters could sell the limbs and tops of the trees instead of allowing them to go to waste for lack of a market, they would not be obliged to leave the ground encumbered with the inflammable debris and litter which is such a prolific source of fire, and which ignited is so difficult to extinguish. A glance at any picture showing the parklike appearance of a German forest, and the mass of limbs and tops remaining in an American forest, where lumbering had been done, will explain readily why disastrous fires are so apt to occur in this country."

The nearest New Brunswick government has got to having the branches and tops of trees removed is a regulation which says: "The tree shall be topped off as small as five inches in diameter, and the lower limbs of every fallen tree shall be lopped off so that the top will lie flat on the ground to rot."

Long before it rots it becomes as dry as tinder, inviting a spark to produce a destructive conflagration.

The Globe, which always rushes to the defence of the Hazen government, came out yesterday with a statement about road money which is quoted with approval by the morning Conservative organ. In today's Times are given interviews with Comrs. Cochrane and Connolly and James Lowell, M.P.P., which clearly place the responsibility where it belongs. The roads of St. John county are in a bad state, and the government is entirely to blame. The attempt to shift responsibility upon members of the Liberal party is both futile and foolish. Just before the by-election great promises were made, but they have not been fulfilled. The people are being punished for having chosen a representative to their own liking.

The Standard says:—"Hug-the-machine Preston, lately government trade agent in Japan, now promoted to Holland, gives out the statement that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is wanted for the position of Governor General of the Union of South Africa. Mr. Preston probably learned this in Tokyo, where they told him that Botha was coming to Rideau Hall." Does that journal of high imperialism, the Standard, mean to argue that there would be anything wrong with either Sir Wilfrid Laurier or Mr. Botha as a governor-general?

Mr. S. H. Blake of Toronto has made another extraordinary attack upon the "higher critics" in religious matters. With advancing years Mr. Blake is developing an increasing bitterness and intolerance. He is not taken seriously by a sufficiently large number of persons to have an appreciable following—even in Toronto.

If it be true that the Cumberland Railway and Coal Co. has decided in any event to close the Springhill mines for even a short period, the result will be very bad for the strikers, bad for the town, and bad for the consumers of coal.

The Standard quotes an article from the "St. John Globe, Liberal." Is there another new paper in St. John? The ancient Globe is the evening organ of Mr. Hazen—Conservative.

Premier Hazen and the C. P. R. appear to be on unusually friendly terms. But they have not yet conspired to keep the west from depopulating this province by harvest excursions.

Hubert Latham failed by three miles or so to fly across the English channel in acknowledgement of Bleriot, but yesterday he broke all speed records for aeroplanes.

The general expression by business men of their confidence in Chief Kerr as head of the fire department should be satisfactory to the people of St. John.

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IN LIGHTER VEIN

WONDERING.

We often wonder what the man whose wife always ties his necktie for him does when she goes away for a summer vacation.

AT THE SUMMER RESORT.

For two short weeks they spoon and spoon. And talk of love and then Back to their work they go and hope They'll never meet again.

A HIGH PRICE.

Uncle Eben—"If ye ever visit New York and get tired walking around the city, don't ye go into the stock exchange to rest."

Uncle Eben—"Gracious sakes! There they charge \$40,000 for a seat!"—Judge.

KEEPING OUT OF SIGHT.

"Have you seen Brown since he got home?"

"Yes, indeed. I understand her father has taken up golf."

INDICATIVE OF SUCCESS.

"They seem to be getting on in the world."

"Yes, indeed. I understand her father has taken up golf."

SATISFIED.

Aeroplane may be fun, Still I'm satisfied If I merely get a seat When I trolley-ride.

A TRICK OFTEN WORKED.

"My dear, the hired girl has gone."

"What! she's left? Just drop a line to your mother asking her to visit us. She'll do the housework until we can get another maid."

HAD TWO.

"This was a dreadful storm we had yesterday."

"Which one. Domestic or climatic?"

PECK HIT IT.

Mrs. Peck—"I don't know what we'll do to keep our provisions cool now; ice is so high."

Mr. Peck—"Now looky here, Mary, just get some ice, and you'll see how it's cold now as it was last winter, you don't need to worry anything about the scarcity of ice."

RUBY AND RUBEN.

A country lover to a maid: In town did send this note: "These ruby lips of thine."

To which the maiden did reply, "Barren in the line."

"I'm sorry, sir, but you'll never press Your Ruby-lips to mine."

COME HOME, MOTHER.

Mother, dear mother, come home from the city and see how the summer has run. She is a hunter of reputations, and deadlier than the forest deep, to beat the bush like man; she swings her hammock, half asleep, and hunts behind her fan. A lewd hunter, woman fair, no season closed for her; twelve months each year for winter and care she hunts without demer. With every heart she makes a home, come home, come home, your symposium down a bit, dear mother, and hunt right home!—Joe Ansel, Express.

BEHIND HER FAN.

The summer girl is coming back from London and from Paris, and she has upon her hunting brood a dozen hearts or more. She is a hunter of reputations, and deadlier than the forest deep, to beat the bush like man; she swings her hammock, half asleep, and hunts behind her fan. A lewd hunter, woman fair, no season closed for her; twelve months each year for winter and care she hunts without demer. With every heart she makes a home, come home, come home, your symposium down a bit, dear mother, and hunt right home!—Joe Ansel, Express.

MORNING NEWS

OVER THE WIRES

John Allen, of Fredericton Junction, died on Wednesday, aged 76 years. He leaves a wife and three brothers.

An electrical storm in Annapolis county Wednesday, did considerable damage. Several fishing vessels were damaged and a barn destroyed.

Michael Levitt Tucker, a former lumber merchant, of Parrsboro, died yesterday, aged 76 years. He was twice mayor of Parrsboro, and had unsuccessfully contested his county in the Liberal interests for the local house, some ten years ago. He leaves his wife, three sons and four daughters.

The output of coal from Glace Bay collieries is increasing and a substantial gain over the year is reported. An invitation will be ordered ten strikers to vacate their dwellings and it is probable troops will be quartered there.

The C. P. R. line from Field, B. C., up into the Yoho Valley has been opened as far as Takkanaw Falls.

William Smith, a laborer, in Kingston, Ont., committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself with a revolver. He was 65 years old.

John J. O'Neill, of Halifax, formerly manager of a vaudeville theatre in Halifax, but now of Brockton, is to be married on Sept. 4 to Miss Elsie Blanche Hill, a vaudeville artist, of Brooklyn. The wedding will take place in the Sacred Heart Convent, Boston.

H. M. S. Neptune, the newest and largest ship of the Dreadnought class to be added to the British navy, is to be launched within the next two or three weeks at Portsmouth.

Hubert Latham, the French aviator, at Rheims, yesterday, established a new record for distance, travelling 93.83 miles in 2 hours, 18 minutes and 9.34 seconds.

The first sailing of the new direct St. John, Boston, Cuba steamship service will be made on September 30.

Captain W. J. Finlay, for many years in command of the steamer Bengore Head, of the Head Line, has been promoted to the command of the largest vessel in the fleet, the Transome Head. Captain Finlay is well known in St. John.

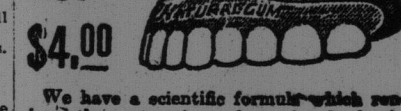
THE LINDSAY

POST OFFICE CASE

Lindsay, Ont., Aug. 26.—(Special).—G. G. Henley clerk of the Lindsay postoffice who last night was arrested on a charge of tampering with mail matter and abstracting the contents of packages passing through Lindsay postoffice is about 22 years of age, and has been in the employ of the department here for about five years and was close to promotion. His parents are among the oldest and most respected citizens of the town.

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DOCTORS DISCUSS

KIDNEY TROUBLE

Medical Men in Winnipeg Also Hear Sir James Grant Tell of Massage and Electricity as Consumption Preventives.

Tuesday's session of the Canadian Medical Association was devoted to a most interesting symposium of the kidney, in which four of the foremost Canadian authorities took part. "Kidney trouble," as it is called by the layman, is a most troublesome malady and one which requires a great deal of careful treatment, and the different addresses were outlined so as to give the ordinary medical practitioner who has little opportunity for research, an opportunity of getting in close touch with the latest discoveries of the medical world. The symposium was divided into four sections. Dr. John McCrae, of Montreal, was assigned to the pathology of the kidney; Dr. R. P. Campbell went into the details of the diagnosis of kidney disorder; Dr. Walter McKewen elaborated on the surgery issue, and Dr. J. T. Fotheringham went into the question of the treatment to be followed in kidney diseases. It was all highly technical and so replete with medical terms and nomenclature that none but a medical man could follow it closely.

A meeting of the Medical Protective Association was held, at which the report of the past year was read. The report outlined the work which had been accomplished and sketched briefly the work which it is hoped to accomplish. The association is rapidly growing in membership.

In his address on "The prevention of tuberculosis by massage and electricity," Sir James Grant, the distinguished Ottawa physician, explained that this was the first time in the history of the white plague that this method of treatment had been proposed and the object which Sir James is stated to have had in view was to strengthen the blood-making machinery of the system affected by the irregularities of diet, etc., particularly at an early age.

After dealing in a technical manner in a comprehensive effort to show the effects of irregularities upon the blood-making organs, Sir James dealt at length with the manner in which school children are made easy victims of the white plague, chiefly by the carelessness of their parents. He pointed out that thousands of children attending schools gather in a totally unfit condition to imbibe knowledge.

Geo. D. Porter, Toronto, a lecturer of some note, dealt with a different phase of this plague, and showed how the dread germ passed to healthy persons through the most unsuspected objects, from plates and cups previously used by consumptives, from books, and from various other articles.

DR. SPOULE MAY

COME TO ST. JOHN

The St. John District Lodge of the Royal Orange Association, assisted by the subordinate lodges in the district, purposes to hold a mammoth Orange fair during the week of October 11. It is probable the fair will be held in one of the rink, although this is not definitely decided as yet. It is also possible that Dr. Sproule, M. P., grand master of the Sovereign Grand Orange Lodge of British America, will open the fair. An invitation will be sent to him and it is believed he will accept.

The committee having the fair in charge met in the Orange Hall last night when temporary arrangements were considered and sub-committees appointed to take charge of the different departments. The committee will meet again on Tuesday evening.

RELICS OF FRENCH

EXPLORERS FOUND

A number of ancient relics have been found from time to time during the last few years upon the site of old Fort St. Louis, which La Salle, the noted French explorer, and his band of adventurers erected upon the east bank of the Natchez River, just above where Port Lavaca is now situated, in 1833. One of these historic reminders of the visit of the famous explorer is a cross which is made of iron. It was found several feet beneath the surface near the bank of the river. It is now in possession of Harry Bickford of Port Lavaca.

It was from Fort St. Louis that La Salle started upon his ill-fated expedition into the interior in search of the Mississippi River. He entered Pass Cavallo and explored Matagorda Bay in the original belief, it is said, that it was here that the Mississippi River emptied its broad waters. He spent some time exploring the coast in this section, and then went to the Natchez River ten miles, and there built his little fort. The site of this first settlement is full of beauty—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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MORNING LOCALS

Under the auspices of the Union Sunday school at South Bay last evening an enjoyable concert was given. A fine programme was carried out and refreshments were served.

A dog owned by Frank McLaughlin went mad in Fairville last evening and caused considerable excitement before being shot by Policeman Lawson.

In consequence of application received, the board of education has consented to the granting of a grammar school license to first class teachers who take the B. A. degree and enter college by the regular July matriculation. Another regulation exempted second class teachers who have attended the University from taking in the first class final examinations the subjects studied in the regular college course. It was decided last evening to hold the annual convention of the Provincial United Baptist Young People's League in West End Baptist church, Moncton, on Tuesday October 6 and the day following.

The jury at the inquest into the death of Hugh McLaughlin at Lawlor's Lake on Wednesday morning, found that he took his own life while temporarily insane. Four witnesses were examined and their evidence showed that he was addicted to drinking, but had not been injured about his head for a week previous to his death. He had been acting strangely a few days before.

Thomas E. Hoban was the guest of honor at a banquet in the Union Club yesterday given by his son, Dr. T. A. Hoban, of the Chicago University, to commemorate his seventeenth birthday. The guests were the immediate descendants of Mr. Hoban. He received from his son a handsome gold locket bearing the monogram and date Aug. 26, 1892. Greetings were read from a number of friends. The singing was brought to a close by all singing "Blest be the tie that binds."

At Fredericton Junction today hearing was to be resumed in a charge of illegal sale of liquor by the Canadian Hotel, before Commissioner Alexander. The key cases for Inspector Thomas, who laid the information, and John A. Barry is for the defence.

The Allan line sailings from this port during the coming winter season will be the same as last year. The first steamer from St. John will be the Victorian on Nov. 26. The fleet will consist of the Victorian, Virginian, Tunisian and Corsican.

J. C. R. Policeman Scott Smith has reported Andrew Morrell, John Haberfeld, and William Hazelfield, all of Brussels, on trespassing on the I. C. R. property by running and jumping on the roofs of freight cars on the Pond street siding on Tuesday last.

Friends of Thomas Graham, of Portland street, who sustained a stroke of paralysis a short time ago, are anxious to learn that he has again been similarly affected. His condition is now regarded as critical.

Mrs. Elmer Close, the patroness of the Close Home, at Nauyasawau, left Quebec yesterday en route to England, with the assurance that the provincial government would be her guarantor. Her efforts to secure financial backing in the old country for her scheme of making good New Brunswick citizens out of her homeless English boys.

As a result of a rifle accident at Penobscot yesterday afternoon, Joseph Lebas, an Indian, received severe injuries about his face and head, from the bursting of the barrel of the gun.

Mrs. Gordon Wright, of London, (Eng.), president of the Canadian W. C. T. U., will speak here in September while on a tour of New Brunswick. She will also attend the annual convention in October.

THE M. P. A. A.

Who the president of the M. P. A. A. A. will be, is a moot question. President Lithgow feels that somebody else should have a chance, and after his many years of service wishes to retire. He made an effort to retire a year ago, but the clubs were so persistent, that they induced him to serve again. It has been a custom that the president and secretary should belong to the same place, as they have so much in common with the workings of the association that it would mean much delay if they were separated. Secretary Meyer has resigned, as he has been elected secretary of the new rowing association.

SELLS PRINCESS

G. C. Jordan, who bought the Princess Theatre a few days ago, has, it is said, disposed of the property to several amusement promoters, including Lena Freeman, of Halifax (N. S.), the latter to assume the management on the reopening of the house on Labor day. Several changes have been effected, it is stated, and hereafter the theatre will be known as The Orpheum. The Princess was not a financial success, the shareholders in Amusement Limited, the company which controlled it, losing their money.