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## ELECTIONS NEAR.

The opinion of O. W. Ganong, M. P., as reported in the Star yesterday, that the general elections would be held within a few months is well founded. Although no intimation of the sort has been given by the government, conservatives may depend upon it that the administration will not suffer their present daily increase in popular favor any longer than they can help. The earlier the election the better it undoubtedly will be for the government. Two of their strongest men have left them and dissatisfaction is rife among those who remain. They feel already that the common-sense and decency of the country is against the unwisdom and more than suspected corruption of their railway policy, and knowing that such feeling must grow with time, they see their only chance is an immediate flag waving, hurrah appeal to the sentimentality of the people by which they hope to direct attention from a careful examination of the policy. Then they have practically completed the Ontario gerrymander upon which they build much, so everything is ready.

The Toronto News, the leading organ of independent liberal thought in Canada, while admitting that an early election would be favorable to the government, strongly opposes such a move on the grounds of fairness. Our institutions, it says, are not designed merely to ensure the support of governments and should not be prostituted to that purpose. The mandate of 1906, it declares, is not yet exhausted. No crisis has arisen, no question of public policy has appeared of such unexpected gravity as to render in the slightest degree necessary the infliction upon the country of the turmoil of an unreasonable and unnecessary election.

To appeal to the people merely because the party horoscope is favorable, would be to add a fresh proof to the long list of evidence that Canadian public men are not worthy of the large liberty accorded by British institutions.

## LAURIER'S HEALTH.

The Toronto Globe reports that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, notwithstanding a trying session, late hours, prolonged sittings, and arduous work, is in far better health than he was a year ago. The severe labors of the session, contrary to all expectation, have not prevented the steady improvement in his physical condition that began when he returned to the familiar and invigorating air of his own Canadian home.

Conservatives will join heartily in congratulation to the premier on his recovery. Sir Wilfrid's health has been a subject of comment in papers on both sides of politics recently, but only because it was a factor that demanded consideration in the calculation of political conditions. The assertion that such calculations were "ghoulish" is unfair. No conservative, however partisan, would wish to purchase the success of his party at the expense of the life or the good health of a man who deserves so well of his country as Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

La Presse, of Montreal, is an enterprising paper. Its edition of Monday, besides containing a full account of the destruction of the David Weston, out does any St. John paper of the same day by publishing a cut three columns wide of that distressing scene. The artist pictures a long black screw steamer with two masts and two funnels, headed for a rocky, desolate shore against which the waves are dashing high. Flame gushes from every part of her, especially the extreme bow, while from the stern the frenzied passengers are leaping in throngs.

The fact that the David Weston was a white paddle-wheel boat, with one funnel; that she was run on the low sloping shore of a placid river; that she was on fire in the middle and that nobody jumped off the stern, at least until after she was beached, did not worry La Presse in the least. It is a great thing not to be trammelled by facts.

The aldermen did a good day's work yesterday, as a result of which the new ferry boat is at last ensnared in early realization. The opinion of the majority will approve the decision in favor of a steel hull with screw propulsion, although some old time shipping men are not backward in expressing their belief that a strong wooden hull would better withstand the bumps of floating river ice in the spring. The new boat, however, cannot be ready until next spring and the city at present is in a rather poor position to meet the demands of winter traffic. The best of the present ferry boats is undergoing repairs while the tub that is now doing duty is liable to be disabled any minute, and should anything happen to her all carriage traffic to the West Side would have to go around by the bridge for at least three weeks, at the rate the repairs to the Western Extension are now progressing.

The government seems still determined to sacrifice the interests of maritime ports to the demands of the Grand Trunk. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's assurance that the Grand Trunk Pacific would have to haul its freight to St. John and

Halifax because it would have steamers here is interesting, but in the absence of anything to compel the company to have steamers here it is not very comforting.

The struggle in British Columbia so far is a draw; each party has had one man elected by acclamation. The contest is a hot one with odds in favor of the government which is conducting the fight along federal conservative lines.

## LAUS MORTIS.

Nay, why should I fear Death,  
Who gives us life, and in exchange  
takes breath?

He is like cordial Spring  
That lifts above the soil each buried thing;

Like Autumn, kind and brief—  
The frost that chills the branches frees the leaf;

Like Winter's stormy hours  
That spread their fleece of snow to save the flowers;

The lordliest of all things—  
Life lends us only feet. Death gives us wings.

—F. L. Knowles in the September Harper's.

## LOCAL NEWS.

The St. John City Rifle Club will meet tonight at their rooms at eight o'clock.

A meeting of the electrical workers is called for this evening in Forester's hall, Charlotte street.

Miss Maud Ewing has returned to her home in St. John after a long visit at St. Martin's.

The Furness Line str. St. John City, which sailed from Halifax on Sunday for London, took aboard 15,000 barrels of apples, valued at about \$54,000.

Sch. Canada, which brought a cargo of molasses here from the West Indies, has been chartered to carry lumber to Grenada.

The government steamer Lansdowne, now in port, will leave Monday for the Nova Scotia coast to look for hares at Seal Island, Pubnico and other places.

H. D. Smith, district chief of the Boston fire department in the eighth district, was in town last night. Mr. Smith has been in St. John before and has lots of friends here.

Last evening the Battalion of the Boys' Brigade met in St. Mary's school room and were given a hard drill in preparation for the tournament on Tuesday, Sept. 28.

Word was received yesterday from Tip O'Neil, saying that he expected to be home on a visit by October 1st. His sister has left to meet him on the way.

The Black Diamond liner Cacouna, Capt. McPhail, arrived yesterday afternoon from Sydney with coal. She brought over the yacht Glencairn IV, which has gone up to Millville.

The final band concert of the Vim Ties series will be given this evening on King square by the City Cornet band. Should the weather be unfavorable, the concert will take place the first fine evening following.

Loyalist Division, S. of north end, intend paying Albion Division, S. of T., a fraternal visit this evening at their hall. All members of the order are cordially invited to be present. An interesting program is promised.

The death occurred at New York on the 21st inst. of Gordon S. McLeod, son of George McLeod. Deceased, who was 31 years of age, leaves a widow and one child. Mrs. McLeod was a Miss Romana of Halifax.

A newborn was run into last evening by a team at the corner of Union and Charlotte streets. He was knocked down, but succeeded in getting up unharmed before the carriage went over him. His papers went in different directions over the street.

The night-blooming cereus belonging to Mrs. E. Steven, 17 Exmouth street, in an annual bloom. A large number of people last evening visited the house to see the curious flower and partake of Mrs. Steven's well known hospitality. The flower is expected to bloom again this evening.

WANTED—A case of Headache that KUMFORT Powders will not cure in from ten to twenty minutes.

## THE NEW FERRYBOAT.

It Will Be Steel with Propellers and Will Be 140 Feet Long.

At one sitting the common council advanced the ferry question from the realms of speculation and talk to a reasonable certainty. This was done by the West Side people, who already in the early morning have a forecast of winter. Large roomy cabins and a quick, regular service are naturally to be preferred by ferry patrons to the rambling time-table of the "Ungrudy."

Ald. Christie occupied the chair, and Aldermen Lewis, Tilley, McGoldrick, Hamlin, Millidge, Baxter, McKelvie, Bullock, Maxwell and Allan were the other civic fathers present. A. J. McLean, the New York naval architect, was also in attendance.

It was decided that the new steamer should be in length 140 feet over all, 50 ft. in width and have a depth of 7 feet 6 inches. Compared with the old boats this one will be 15 feet longer and about the same in breadth and depth. Her cabins will be larger, owing to the substitution of propellers for paddles.

The hull will be of steel with upper fittings of wood. Her engines will be of the compound type, and the propellers will be both operated by one continuous shaft. The cost of the vessel will be about \$75,000. Mr. McLean's idea is to have the boat built in England and put together here; in five weeks' time he will have his model, plans and specifications before the board for their consideration.

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THE PRESENT IS OURS.  
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## FREDERICTON EXHIBITION.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Sept. 23.—The exhibition races today attracted a large crowd. The track was in excellent condition and the weather conditions were most favorable. The management was all that could be desired. The two classes started promptly on time and were finished without any undue delay. Interest centred around the 231 class, where there was a fight to the finish between Fairview Chimes, Nellie P. and Burton T., all border horses, the first named finally winning out. Out of eleven entries in the 231 class, there were only five starters. The summaries:

231 Class.  
Burton T., Fred Waterman, St. Stephen, N. B., 2 3 3 3  
Sue's Prince, A. A. Fowler, St. John, N. B., 4 4 4 4  
Nellie P., W. G. Eaton, St. Stephen, N. B., 1 1 1 1  
Montrose, Harvey McEwen, Fredericton, N. B., 2 2 2 2  
Fairview Chimes, J. M. Johnson, Calais, N. B., 3 3 3 3  
Time—2:29, 2:30, 2:31, 2:32.

Six horses started in the 231 class out of eight entries, viz: Donnell, J. B. Gilchrist, Greenwich, N. B., 3 3 3 3  
Kate Willard, J. M. Johnson, Calais, N. B., 1 1 1 1  
Clayton, J. B. A. Fowler, St. John, N. B., 4 4 4 4  
John, N. B., 1 1 1 1  
Tutrix, B. H. Barter, St. Stephen, N. B., 6 6 6 6  
Golden Gate, H. J. Fleming, St. John, N. B., 5 5 5 5  
Time—2:32, 2:33, 2:34, 2:35, 2:36.

Charles J. Ward of St. John was starter; J. Hugh Calder, Ora P. King, M. P. P., and Charles Bell, Judges; E. L. Jewett and Hon. P. P. Thompson, timers.

Tomorrow a large attendance is looked for, when the free-for-all, 230 and 240 classes will be called. Among the horses here for the former are Iluna, Nominee Prince, Parker A. and Lord Alvertona.

## CAMP SUSSEX.

SUSSEX, N. B., Sept. 22.—Much of today was taken up with drilling. The field officer of the day was Major McDougall, of the 8th Hussars. Major Markham will perform that duty tomorrow.

Another court of inquiry will be instituted on account of the damaging of a Lee-Enfield rifle by target practice.

An "At Home" is to be held by the officers of the camp grounds on the 23rd, between four and six o'clock in the afternoon. About three hundred invitations have been extended to the citizens of Sussex.

Col. Lessard, C. B. A. D. C., inspector of cavalry, arrived at noon today. He will inspect the 8th Hussars tomorrow. Lieut.-Colonel E. M. Campbell, the president of the board of equitation, examined eight candidates today. The result will be given out later.

Two countrymen who attempted to run the men in the infantry lines were driven out of camp.

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