

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1903.

MR. BLAIR NOT READY TO  
MAKE STATEMENT YET.

Commission to  
Visit St. John.

Ex-Minister of Railways Has  
Arranged an Important  
Matter in the Interests of  
This Port—He Speaks as to  
His Future, Politically, But  
Can Make No Definite An-  
nouncement at Present.

For the first time since he resigned his position in the Dominion cabinet Hon. A. G. Blair arrived in St. John Friday morning. He was sought by a Telegraph reporter last evening and, as far as he was in a position to do so, spoke on matters affecting himself and his future course politically.

Hon. Mr. Blair, accompanied by George McAvity, came from Montreal to Moncton Friday morning. Mr. Blair remained at Moncton on business for a few hours and Mr. McAvity came to St. John. Mr. Blair reached this city on the Pacific express, arriving about 9 o'clock, and was met at the depot by a number of friends. He is the guest of Mr. McAvity while here, and will be in St. John probably a week.

Mr. Blair Speaks to the Telegraph.

Friday night Hon. Mr. Blair was asked by a Telegraph reporter if he would make, through this paper, a statement to the people relative to his intentions politically.

Mr. Blair in reply said he fully realized the desire of the people of St. John and the province generally for information as to his future course politically, and it was most natural there should be a wish to know as soon as possible whether, in the event of an election before another session of parliament, he would be likely to offer as a candidate and in what character.

Nothing Definite to Say.

He regretted being unable to make any definite statement, however, as yet. Some questions that would be most open. His present visit was more owing to business reasons than others and, of course, he was most anxious to get down to the province, particularly St. John, and see his friends.

"These might rest assured that they would be made acquainted with his intentions without delay as soon as he had come to a decision himself on the subject.

Asked as to the report that he was to accept the chairmanship of the railway commission, Hon. Mr. Blair had nothing to say and when his opinion as to the possibility of Dominion elections was asked for he replied that he was in no better position to judge of that than was any man.

Good News for St. John.

Hon. Mr. Blair was then asked if he had any news of special interest to St. John as a port and he replied that he had. Expecting to be in the maritime provinces shortly, he made it his business to see Sir Wilfrid Laurier—the minister of public works being absent from the city—about needed facilities at the port of St. John.

He represented fully to the prime minister the conditions here—the need of dredging, the requirements of the port in the way of more steam berths, and other matters, and he urged upon Sir Wilfrid the need of having these matters looked into by the commission appointed by parliament to enquire into and report upon the waterways and equipment of the ports of the Dominion. This commission has not yet been appointed.

Hon. Mr. Blair said that Sir Wilfrid took very favorably to the matter and said he would give it immediate attention and would arrange so that the commission would come to St. John without delay, study the situation and determine what really ought to be done to properly supply the needed facilities.

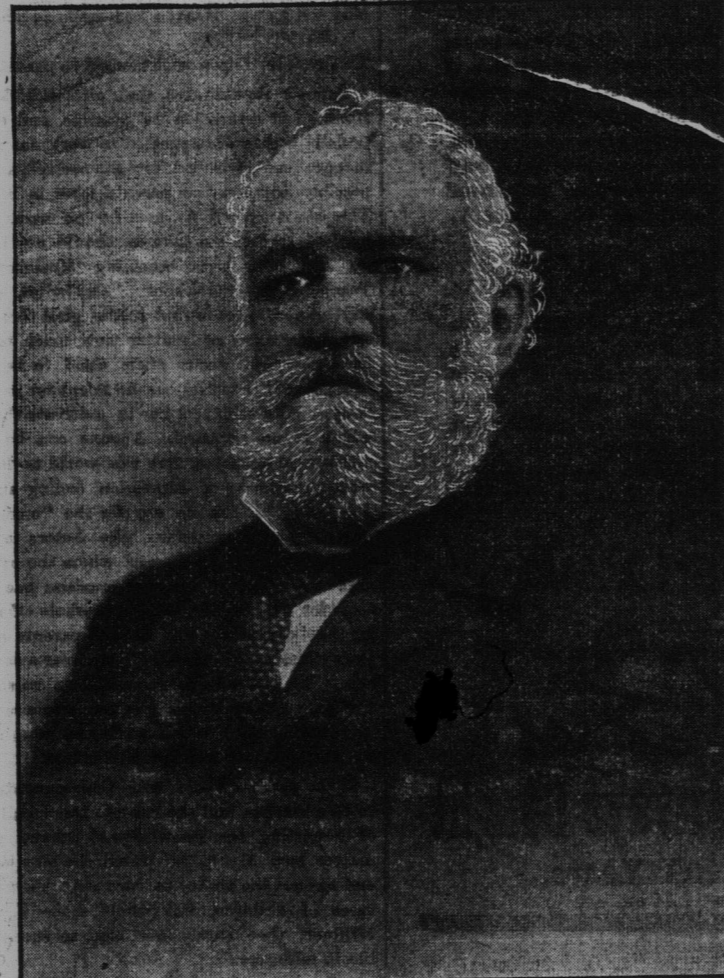
Hon. Mr. Blair added that he expected to confer with the president of the John Board of Trade on this matter while he is in the city.

Mr. Blair is in good health and looks fit. He will be here for a week or so and will then return to Ottawa.

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Premier Laurier's 62nd Birthday.  
Ottawa, Nov. 20.—Today, Nov. 20, is the sixty-second birthday of the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, premier of Canada. On Nov. 20, 1841, the present premier was born at St. Lin, Quebec.



Hon. A. G. Blair.

NO JEWISH SWEAT-SHOPS.  
YANKEES' THIRST FOR TERRITORY.

Rabbi Rabinowitz Resents R. G. Murray's Statement on the Subject.

He Visited the Jewish Tailor Shops on Dock Street Friday, and Describes What He Saw—Invites Mr. Murray to Make Personal Investigation.

To the Editor of The Telegraph:  
Sir,—In your issue of Friday, Nov. 20, in the report of G. R. Murray's speech at the last meeting of the Fabian League I read the following: "In Dock street, Mr. Murray said, he would take his bearings on the sweat-shops conducted chiefly by Jews. There was to be found the foulest air, smell of scorching clothes, oppression, men and women huddled together."

Immediately upon reading this I paid a personal visit to the two Jewish tailors who operated on the above named street, and following is a detailed description of the condition which I found prevailing in them:

One of them occupies two rooms measuring together 30x50 feet. The entire labor force employed by him even in the busiest season does not exceed thirty-five. During the hot summer months the above number is generally reduced to zero.

My memory assures me that never in his memory has any laborer worked overtime in his shop (with the exception of the employer, who does himself some cutting occasionally after regular hours). The temperature in the working room during my visit was below seventy degrees.

All machinery is run by electric power. I was looking in vain at that shop for the "deteriorated, poor, pale, stiff-necked creature, with shoulders bent and cheeks shrunken." He was nowhere to be found. Instead I found a lot of hale and sturdy young men and cheerful girls.

In the second tailor shop the same conditions prevail, with the only difference that there the room measures 30x75 and the entire labor force numbers about twenty-five. If my friend Mr. Murray found the "men and women huddled together in that shop," I think it ought to be a case rather for moral inspectors than for sanitary officers.

I am afraid Mr. Murray obtained his information from the Jew. I would therefore advise him to visit the Jewish tailor shops in person, and I am sure he will change his mind on the subject.

Permit me also to take this exception to the speaker's expression, "conducted chiefly by Jews." Surely Judaism has nothing to do with the sweat shop system, where so really exists. The speaker was not so very particular in enlightening us on the nationality of the owners of those factories in St. John where child labor is employed.

Hoping these corrections will be accepted in the same friendly spirit in which they are tendered, I am,  
Respectfully yours,  
SAMUEL RABINOWITZ.

**Weddings.**  
Hopgood-Knollin.  
A pleasant event took place last Wednesday at the residence of John Hopgood, Fortune Cove (P. E. I.), when at 7 p. m. his youngest daughter, Miss Minnie Pearl, was united in marriage to Elmer C. Knollin, Belleisle Creek, Kings county (N. B.). The bride was given away by her father. Rev. G. F. Wightman officiated. She was gowned in white muslin with trimmings of lace and insertion and carried a bouquet of white anemones tied with ribbon. The bridesmaid, Miss Ida McNeil, of Worcester (Mass.), cousin of the bride, being attired in a costume of cream Danish cloth. The groom was supported by his brother, A. Little, vicar of the church, and the bride received many valuable gifts.

All vegetables intended for boiling should be well washed, but not soaked in water. A little vinegar in the water will be most effectual in removing insects than salt.

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ALSO, ST. JOHN CITY.

The First Lot of Immigrants  
Thousands of Citizens Visit Sand Point Wharves—Business Will Boom Throughout the Season.

The winterport season of 1903-04 opened with a boom on Saturday morning, when the Donaldson liner Concordia, which arrived at the wharf early Saturday morning, docked at No. 4 berth, Sand Point, and shortly after the large C. P. R. steamer Lake Champlain, Captain Stewart, from Liverpool, with passengers and merchandise, entered the harbor and was moored at No. 3 berth, Union wharf.

Sunday morning the Furness liner St. John City, Captain Bovey, arrived from London direct, and docked at the Pettigill wharf, on the east side of the harbor.

Sunday afternoon the large Manchester liner, Manchester Trader, Captain Kenney, arrived in port from New York and was docked at No. 1 berth, Sand Point.

The Donaldson liner Concordia was the first steamer to arrive and Captain Webb, her general commander, was given a hearty welcome by his many friends, while his officers, who are also well known here, are meeting their many friends. Besides Captain Webb, the Concordia officers are: First Officer Black; second officer Brown, third officer Morgan, Chief Engineer Crawford, Second Engineer Thompson, Third Engineer Watson, and Fourth Engineer Melick.

The Concordia left Glasgow on the eighth, and for the first week encountered head winds and stormy weather. She was delayed at the west northwest winds were encountered, accompanied by heavy head seas, which kept the steamer considerably.

The cargo brought out is about 800 tons of merchandise. She has 100 tons of South Anthracite coal for J. S. Murray & Co. The work of discharging will be commenced today.

The Lake Champlain.  
With her decks swarming with passengers, the C. P. R. steamer Lake Champlain, Captain Stewart, was docked at No. 3 berth, Union wharf, on Saturday morning. The officers of the Lake Champlain are: Captain Stewart, First Officer H. G. Potter, Second Officer Kenney, Third Officer Murray, Fourth, Mr. Sargent, Chief Engineer Orme, Second Engineer Gibbs, Purser Webber and Chief Steward Taylor.

On the 19th, at 11 a. m., another passenger steamer, the St. John City, which had been on the pier's papers, it was a son, born to one of the passengers in the stowage.

The winds were variable during the entire voyage and Seal Island was passed at 5 o'clock, November 20, and the ship arrived at Sand Point at 4 o'clock Saturday morning. The daily runs of the ship were as follows: Nov. 10, 244 miles; Nov. 11, 247; Nov. 12, 242; Nov. 13, 239; Nov. 14, 242; Nov. 15, 239; Nov. 16, 251; Nov. 17, 238; Nov. 18, 235; Nov. 19, 230; Nov. 20, 196.

As soon as the ship was moored, and the passengers commenced their work of discharging baggage and the disembarkation of the passengers commenced. The passengers were taken to the Immigration building for examination by the Canadian and American immigration officials.

The Champlain's passenger list showed 122 first cabin, 61 second cabin, and 484 steerage passengers. The first cabin passengers were: William C. McChesney, William G. Gledhill, Gladys D. Dickson, William Riley, James H. Drysdale, Jno. Whitaker Presley, Adelaide How, H. F. Brewster, William Kennedy, Frederick St. Casie Farnen, Kathleen Ochsner, John McChesney.

Of the number of passengers 240 are bound for points in the United States, and the remainder for Western Canada.

Commissioner Thomas and staff of the United States immigration officials, arrived in the city on Saturday's Atlantic express, but the official documents, passports, etc., were delayed and the work of examining the passengers for the United States was not commenced until yesterday.

The United States bound passengers who passed the examination, did not leave Sand Point until Sunday night.

The passengers for the Canadian west were examined by Immigration Agent J. V. Lantam and staff and these left by special train at 9 o'clock Saturday night.

The baggage room at the Immigration building has been greatly enlarged and the sorting out of the baggage can be done now to better satisfaction than previously.

The work of discharging the Champlain's cargo was commenced shortly after her arrival, and the greater portion was placed in the shed Saturday. The men worked until midnight Saturday, and did not work yesterday. Some such freight, such as wine, was sent west Saturday night. There is considerable freight now on hand for the Champlain, and she will leave here with a full cargo for Liverpool on Saturday, November 28.

The C. P. R. steamer Montague is now on her way from Barry to load cargo for the St. John-Boston route. She is followed by the Montfort from Bristol, Nov. 28. The next steamer from Liverpool is the Lake Erie which will sail November 24, and she will be followed by the Lake Manitoba on December 8.

On the London, Antwerp and St. John route the steamer Lake Michigan will be the first to sail here, December 10.

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