

KENT COUNTY FARMER BURNED TO DEATH

Moncton, N. B., May 25—George Hunter, of St. Francis, Kent County, about five miles south of Buctouche, was burned to death yesterday afternoon in a grass fire on his farm.

Mr. Hunter was working about his farm yesterday as usual and in the afternoon started to burn up a little grass. He did not come to the house for supper and his son went to look for him, finding him sitting on a cradle knoll burned to death.

It is believed that having felt exhausted or ill he sat down to rest and the fire overtook him. Recently, it is said, he had been complaining of heart trouble. Mr. Hunter intended to have a sale of his stock today. He was 63 years of age.

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Mr. Meighen Exposes Trickery

The Liberals with their amendment to the Budget laid themselves wide open to attack, and the quick-witted, hard hitting Prime Minister was not slow in taking advantage of the opportunity. In a fighting speech—one of the best of his career—a speech which aroused his supporters to a high pitch of enthusiasm—he tore the amendment to shreds, and with crushing logic held the Liberal and Farmer leaders up to scorn.

A more contradictory, colourless and fatuous resolution was never drafted. In one paragraph it says the tariff should not be based upon the principle of protection; in the next, it advocates the encouragement, that is to say, the protection of more industries, and it winds up with the statement that in any readjustment of the tariff there must be the least possible disturbance of business; it regrets that there must be no tariff revision this session, which it is direct contradiction to the pronouncement of the Liberal leader in West Peterborough that he would not change a word or item in the tariff until there had been an appeal to the people.

Mr. Meighen cleverly exposed the hollow character of the amendment; it was another ruse he declared to ally the Liberal and Farmer vote without giving offence to the manufacturers and the labour men; another case of trying to be all things to all men; another instance of playing the hypocritical game; another evidence of political opportunism, for which the author of the amendment, Mr. Fielding, is famous.

The Prime Minister successfully

taunted both the Liberal and Farmer leaders over their failure to introduce their platforms, by way of resolutions, in Parliament, as alternatives to the Government's policy.

Perhaps the most effective passages in the speech were those in which the Premier made a merciless exposure of the political game being played by the Farmer and Liberal leaders. "These Farmer leaders," he said, "have made themselves a political annex to the Liberal party—servile tools and minions of the official Opposition, ready to do whatever they are bid to do."

"If these Farmer leaders take a stand on a certain question one day they are ready to change it the next day, if the official Opposition say so—they have done that very thing this session. These leaders are the tools, I say, of the official Opposition—an adjunct, an annex and a dilapidated annex at that. If the official Opposition say, 'We do not want you to run a candidate here,' there is no candidate run. If the official Opposition say, 'We think we can run a candidate in that county better than you can because you dare not say anything against protection there, let us have that constituency, and you keep out; our flag is better than yours,'—in such a case as that the leaders of the Farmers' party obey. But if the official Opposition say, 'We cannot get anywhere down in such-and-such a constituency'—for example, in York and Sunbury—"we cannot do a thing there for the life of us. They know us too well. Won't you run a candidate down in York and Sunbury? Then, of course, the Farmers run a candidate and it is the

SYDNEY WILL HAVE WORK FROM NOW UNTIL SEPT.

Sydney, May 25—Steady work from now until the middle of September will be provided for the workmen of the Sydney steel mills, if the reported order of forty thousand tons of rails from the Canadian National Railways to the Dominion Steel Corporation goes through. Up to noon today, however, local officials of the steel company had received no confirmation of the big order mentioned in press despatches yesterday and today. The plant has been working two and three days a week since last November.

FROST DAMAGES ANNAPOLIS VALLEY ORCHARDS

Damage amounting to 50 per cent was done to orchards in some districts along the Dominion Atlantic Railway line in the Annapolis Valley by frost during the past few nights. Fruit growers express the opinion, however, that there will be an excellent apple crop.

free trade flag and the Farmer's platform and the 1918 platform that are used in York and Sunbury. Continuing the Premier said:

"What I say to honourable gentlemen opposite is this: Why not throw the mask away? Why not join right up? Am I to be told that I am anxious to keep these people divided? I was paid that compliment by the leader of the Opposition last session. 'Oh' he said, 'you would like to divide us. We are the forces of 'progress.' The farmers may be going one way and we moving the other but we are all progressing; you want to divide us.' I do not want to divide them. I think if I did that is just what would unite them. Why do they not unite? I do not care whether they divide or unite if they will really and finally say where they stand and remain there. If they want to unite let them do so. Let them then throw away both platforms and frame one on which they can both stand and then remain on it; but do not let them say that one is still back on the 1918 platform and the other on the 1919 platform, when as a matter of fact each of them has in this House discarded them both."

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SOME PROMINENT MEMBERS OF THE CANADIAN AUTHORS' ASSOCIATION.

Although only a short time in existence, the Canadian Authors' Association has already proved itself a very active organization, and has done substantial work for the benefit of the Canadian Author and Canadian literature. The Association grew out of a recent Convention held in Montreal, which was attended by over one hundred Canadian writers, many of whom have attained international fame—such as Basil King, Stephen Leacock, Arthur Stringer, Frank L. Packard, Bliss Carman, Archibald MacMechan, Robert Stead, Madge Macbeth, etc. It has received the cordial support of many who could not personally be present, such as, Ralph Connor, L. M. Montgomery, Nellie McClung, Judge Emily Murphy (Janey Canuck), Harvey O'Higgins, Isabel Ecclestone MacKay, and a host of others whose names are household words in Canadian magazines. Librarians were there, such as Dr. George H. Locke, W. S. Wallace and Hector Garnett—also many of the Toronto publishers. A considerable number of French-Canadian Authors were present, including M. Louvigny de Montigny, and Madame Huguenin, whose writings published under the pen-name of Madeleine are exceedingly popular with the French-Canadian population.

The remarkable interest taken in this Association is no doubt due to the growing spirit of national pride, which has evidenced itself so strongly in Canadian life, while a special reason for the Association could be found in the Copyright Bill before the Canadian Parliament, which appeared to endanger the rights of Authors as they had never been endangered before.

A Committee was appointed to study and take action on this Bill, and within a fortnight a report was issued which undoubtedly has carried considerable weight with the Government. Other Committees have since been appointed to promote a number of practical schemes, with the object of increasing the percentage of book-readers in Canada and of enlarging the interest in Canadian literature. Thus, for instance, the publishers have agreed to cooperate with the authors in organizing a Canadian Book Week for next November when the attention of the book-loving public will be concentrated on works by Canadian Authors. This is a month in which a great many people get books to send overseas as Christmas presents, and it is planned also to encourage people in the West to send books by Western Authors to friends in the East, and people in the East to send books by Eastern Authors to friends in the West.

The Association anticipates that if the book-reading and book-buying public is increased in this country, the Canadian author will no longer be tempted to desert his native country for the more populous centers of New York or London, but will find a sufficiently appreciative public at home. Already conditions in this respect are improving, and several Authors such as Arthur Stringer have come back from the United States to live in Canada. A nation without a literature is as hopeless as a man without a country, and the object of the Canadian Authors' Association to promote a distinctive Canadian literature is truly national in its scope.