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## LABOR PARTY ELECTION ISSUE PLACED BEFORE LARGE MEETING

### W. F. Maclean Makes Address in Behalf of Labor Candidate Whose Platform Includes Support of Modern Principles.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—(Special.)—W. F. Maclean, M.P., arrived from Toronto to-night and addressed a mass meeting at the city hall, which was taxed to its utmost capacity. It was a meeting of the Labor party, and addresses were also made by John D. Jacobs, the Labor candidate; Allan Studholme, M.L.A., and Alphonse Verville, M.P.

The Labor candidate and the Labor party were busy to-day. Mr. Jacobs visited one shop after another. This afternoon he went through the Rolling Mills, making a personal canvass, and his vote to-night showed signs of his strenuous work.

During the day the principal topic of talk was W. F. Maclean. Many local Conservatives insisted that he would not come, and telegrams were sent to him at Toronto protesting against his speaking the stump against Major Beattie.

In his speech Mr. Maclean explained his position. He had been invited to say a word for public ownership, and he discussed his favorite question with uncommon vigor. He did not hesitate, however, to endorse the candidacy of the Labor candidate, and insisted that the laboring men of Ontario were entitled to representation on the floor of parliament.

He was well received and his speech was greeted from time to time with great applause. When he had concluded he received from the large assembly a most enthusiastic demonstration.

Dr. H. A. Stevenson presided. He introduced the candidate as an earnest and good citizen who would make an excellent member of parliament.

Mr. Jacobs denied certain malicious rumors respecting his good standing as a union man. He had been in the union for twenty-five years and was entirely content to abide by the judgment of his fellow citizens. He explained the planks of the Canadian Labor party platform so far as they related to federal affairs, and declared himself in favor of government ownership.

He declared himself in favor of himself against Asiatic immigration and favored the abolition of the senate for such senate reform as would make the senators responsible to the people.

Exponent of Public Ownership.  
W. F. Maclean, M.P., was introduced as "the great exponent of public ownership," and was received with great applause.

"I am here because I was invited to say a word in favor of a candidate who stands for the principle of public ownership," he said. "I see some newspapers have stated that I am here to take the stump against Major Beattie, but I am here to support public ownership and to support John D. Jacobs, the Labor candidate of the Labor party, who has plainly and fearlessly declared himself in favor of public ownership. I have no apologies to make. Surely it is no disgrace to utter such a doctrine. It is being preached all over the country by R. L. Borden."

Not a Fair Weather Friend.  
"I believe that every candidate for parliament should declare himself upon this principle, for to my mind it is the one big issue, the burning issue before the people. It is a principle in which I believe, and which I stand by, not as a fall weather friend, but at all times and places whenever I am called upon to address my fellow citizens, either in the newspapers or in my speeches in the house, or on the stump. Now what is the purpose and end of government? It has a duty of course to preserve order and to punish criminals. But that is only a small part of its duty."

White Coal of Niagara.  
It was for the people to decide whether the necessities of Niagara were to be their heritage, or whether it was to be cornered by the power barons of Canada.  
After discussing at some length water and other evils of private ownership, Mr. Maclean showed the great benefits conferred on the people in other countries who thought it unwise to have public ownership and operator of public utilities. He believed that the necessities of Niagara were upon the floor of the house. Here was an opportunity to elect a laboring man. There should be at least two labor members.

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## 2 SQUARE MILES ARE TO BE ANNEXED TO EAST TORONTO

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The board of control at a special meeting yesterday afternoon unanimously decided to recommend to the city council at the meeting on Monday next that the territory, as above given, be annexed by the city. In view of the opposition of Assessment Commissioner Forman and City Treasurer Coady to the taking in of East Toronto and to Toronto Junction, the board proposed acquisition of these municipalities.

Mr. Forman's hostile attitude was based mainly on the apprehension that annexation would open up an era of land exploitation and speculation, and that before considering annexing East Toronto, attention should be given the financial standing of both municipalities. Mr. Coady thought that the financial standing of both municipalities rendered them undesirable.

There were present deputations representing all the districts under consideration, including Mayor Baird of Toronto Junction, Mayor J. McP. Ross of East Toronto, and a number of Deer Parkers.

Controller Hubbard, while tacitly opposing the annexation of the northern territory, later launched into a vigorous tirade against the annexation of East Toronto and the Junction, which he declared to be unfair to present property owners within the city limits.

The Junction's Plea.  
Mayor Baird, the first speaker, denied that he had any need for adding to the police protection at the Junction, as Chief of Police Gasnett had reported. He explained that, while valued at \$100,000, they were exempt from taxation, they were assessed on school rates for \$400,000 at 25 mills, and that the Junction's school rate of 6 mills Toronto would get \$200,000 in school taxes. The members of the board had evidently made up their minds that the annexation of the northern territory was desirable, the plan of annexation being approved with little discussion after a scanning of the plans.

"Knock" for East Toronto.  
Mr. Forman's report on East Toronto was intended to be a damper. It stated that the Junction was 55 acres and the population, 2,006, or 7.4 to the acre; the rate of taxation 22.9-15 mills.

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## DUCK HUNTER LOST IN LAKE

### John Stamper Missing All Yesterday--Search- ers Find no Trace.

The disappearance of John Stamper, a youth of 17 years, whose home is on Park-avenue, Balmy Beach, has given rise to serious apprehension that he has been drowned.

Stamper has been in the habit since the opening of the duck-shooting season, of rising early in the morning and going out in his canoe in quest of game, returning usually about 8 a.m. Yesterday morning he went for a usual round in Scarborough, and has not since been heard from.

On his falling to appear, his friends became anxious and a search party was organized and started out at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, but all efforts to locate him were unsuccessful.

All afternoon the searchers persisted, one of them, Robert Ross, searching the lake shore and Ashbridge's Bay.

The Canada Life Company, where the missing young man is employed, reported that he had not been at his work since Tuesday. The gasoline launch Vida, owned by Mr. Lyon of Beach-avenue, and manned by Stamper, two brothers and Mr. Gleason, went down to Frenchman's Bay, returning at 10 o'clock last night, but no clue was found.

## SIXTY MILLIONS PAID TO RALLY WALL ST.

### Dramatic Support of Great Financiers Pre- vents Utter Chaos and Restores Confidence.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—As a result of to-day's developments in the financial world there is every indication tonight that the crisis in the banking and trust company situation has been safely passed. The Trust Company of America all thru the day's banking hours paid out money to depositors as rapidly as possible and closed the day with all demands having been met. A very favorable feature of the situation respecting this company was that it was able to make its payments with very little assistance and another was that the company received over its counters in the morning hours in ordinary deposits more than \$1,000,000.

Millions Upon Millions.  
The aggregate amount of money which has been contributed in order to weather the storm and restore confidence assumes truly colossal proportions. Roughly estimated it includes \$25,000,000, which Secretary Coady deposited in New York banks; \$25,000,000 which the Morgan pool brought to the floor of the stock exchange, \$10,000,000 which John D. Rockefeller deposited with the Union Trust Co., as a means of stemming the tide at the Trust Company of America, and finally another fifty millions, which it is understood Mr. Rockefeller stood ready to advance to meet any further stress of conditions—in all considerably in excess of \$100,000,000.

First and earliest in the day came the announcement of trouble in three minor state banks in the outlying districts of Harlem—the Hamilton Bank, and the Twelfth Ward Bank, and the Empire City Savings Bank. These banks transacted only neighborhood business and their suspension of payment was absolutely without significance as bearing on the general condition. The Empire City Savings Bank was controlled by a Tammany Hall politician, and its business operations were confined to a small area. Although these banks obliged to close because of lack of ready cash, State Bank Examiner Pudon declared this afternoon that all three were solvent and that the depositors would lose nothing.

The second episode was a rather more serious run inaugurated against the Lincoln Trust Co. This run against the company was steady thruout the day, but was not serious at any time, and the sums withdrawn were not large.

A Run at Providence.  
PROVIDENCE, Oct. 24.—For three hours yesterday a stream of depositors passed before the window of the paying teller of the Union Trust Co., and withdrew their deposits with an estimate of the number withdrawing deposits was 700.

SOLD WIFE FOR \$20.  
Then Ordered Her to Return—A  
Curstome Romance.

GLACE BAY, Oct. 24.—(Special.)—A Dominion C.B. man bought a wife for \$20 a short time ago and has now lost her.

A few weeks ago a young Englishman desired to marry, and paid court to a married woman of Sydney Mines, also from England. A bargain was made with the woman's husband, who sold his wife for \$20, the sum being paid in the presence of witnesses.

The young man went to Port Hood with his prize, apparently satisfied with his purchase. A week ago the lawful husband ordered his wife, under threat of bringing whatever property of the other fellow she could get away with. She obeyed, and now the purchaser of the bride is seeking legal advice.



ALL ON THE WATER WAGON

## EARTH SHAKES IN CALABRIA

### List of Dead Placed From 20 to 120-- Towns Panic- Stricken.

ROME, Oct. 24.—The details received here during the day regarding the earthquake at Calabria yesterday tend to show that the damage done was much more extended than at first estimated, but that the loss of life did not been great. The lowest estimates place the number of killed at about 20, and the highest at about 120.

Half the houses at Ferruzzano and Brancaleone collapsed and many persons were buried in the ruins at Sinopoli and St. Ilario many are said to have lost their lives. Panic prevailed everywhere.

Rocella, Jonica, Reggio, Cosanzza, Baradico, Clitta Nova, Palmi, Gerico, Mazina and other towns also suffered from the shocks, but not severely.

The ancient cathedral at Torre di Gerace was thrown down, as was also an ancient tower.

Half the houses in the Village of Gerace are in ruins.

## EXPLAINS HIS CONTRIBUTION TO PARTY FUNDS--Bri- bery Plot Un- founded.

Hush Graham, proprietor of the Montreal Star, writes The World as follows in explanation of certain matters which have lately agitated the politicians of both parties:

From several attempts which have been made to interview me since my return to Canada, touching the subject of my subscriptions to the Conservative election fund for the Quebec district during the last general election, I infer that there is still some public interest in the subject, and, as it is of importance to myself, at least, that any impression which goes abroad shall be accurate, I have nothing to conceal, that I do not regard it better to deal with the matter in a signed statement than in an informal interview.

Perhaps I may say, to begin with, that I have nothing to conceal. My contribution to the Conservative election fund for the Quebec district during the last general election, was \$250 for each rural constituency for preliminary expenses, \$300 for the campaign in each rural constituency, and \$400 for each of the Quebec City constituencies.

As to my subscription to the Conservatives in the Quebec district in 1904, I have nothing to conceal. The amount subscribed was \$4000 for a contract for literature, \$1381 for expenses during the year in the City of Quebec, \$250 for each rural constituency for preliminary expenses, \$300 for the campaign in each rural constituency, and \$400 for each of the Quebec City constituencies.

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## EARLY MORNING FIRE.

One of Griffin's Amusement Theatres Gutted.  
Fire broke out in the Griffin Amusement Theatre at 183 Yonge-street, near Queen, at 1.05 this morning. The blaze broke out suddenly and flames shot half way across the street. Defective wires from the shocks, but not severely.

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## SAW PHOENIX WORKS.

Canadian Royal Commissioners Investigating Bridge Disaster.

## PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 24.—

The Canadian royal commission which is investigating the Quebec bridge disaster, today inspected the plant of the Phoenix Bridge Company at Phoenixville, Pa., where the steel for the collapsed structure was made.

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## NOVA SCOTIA AT NORFOLK.

NORFOLK, Vt., Oct. 24.—Nova Scotia was celebrated at the Jamestown Exposition to-day, with Lieut. Gov. Fraser, and now the purchaser of the principal speaker. Many exchanges of international felicitations were made.

## AID THRU TRAFFIC AT EXPENSE OF LOCAL.

The Canadian Pacific Express from Montreal got into Union Station yesterday morning one hour and a half late, and, as a consequence, quite a number of passengers missed their connections for various points in Ontario and in the United States. As usual, there was nobody on hand to explain to the travelers what they could do, other than to grin and bear it.

The train was made up of eleven cars, and whenever there are eleven cars there is bound to be delay. One of these eleven cars was the private car of a railway magnate, Mr. Spencer of the Canadian Northern, to wit, who had his special car, Columbia, on the train. The Columbia is a new kind of sleeper, which weighs as much as two ordinary passenger coaches, and has great tank accommodation, both Scotch and otherwise.

The World yesterday came across a whole lot of information about the grievances of shippers all over Ontario as to not getting cars. For instance, at the board of trade were half-a-dozen grain buyers, who wanted at different points from 20 to 60 cars apiece, and who, at most, were getting two or three, and every car they got was a matter of supplication, of entreaty, of trying to play one company against the other, and all that kind of business. The more The World examines the situation in Ontario, the more it is convinced that the best of the equipment of our two big systems, namely, the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific, and certainly all the energy of the chief executives of these

two systems are consecrated to handling the thru American traffic, and that these high officials one and all scorn to do anything in regard to local traffic, and turn it over to their underlings, and even to the striplings in their employ. Apparently Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, Mr. McNicoll, Mr. Hays and Mr. Morse, Mr. Wainwright and all the other magnates in Montreal do not wish to be bothered about the local traffic in Ontario. It is enough for them if they attend to the long-distance messages from Chicago, insisting on quick thru meat and grain trains, and answering the complaints of the Armour's and the Cudahy's men of that class, and that they are quite willing that boys at \$6.00 a week, and chief clerks and other irresponsibles attend to the complaints of the ordinary people of Ontario.

Furthermore, it is true that these two great systems have deliberately decided on carrying out this policy of having their Ontario business—the local business of this province—placed in the hands of irresponsible men, and have so organized the system that you cannot get at the responsible men, except by a letter, and a letter which they, as a general thing, pitch into the waste-paper basket without answering.

Perhaps Canadians will sit down and think a little about

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## INSURANCE WIG- DECIDE MIT IN THE TOMBS

### Jury Find Dr. Gillette Guilty of Perjury— First Big Official Reached by the Law.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—The first conviction in the cases based on the disclosures in the legislative investigation of insurance affairs in 1905-06, was obtained by the district attorney's office to-night when a jury in the criminal branch of the supreme court found Dr. Walter R. Gillette former vice-president of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, guilty of perjury in the third degree. The verdict was accompanied with a recommendation for mercy. The maximum penalty for this degree of perjury is ten years imprisonment.

Justice Dowling remanded Dr. Gillette to the Tombs. During the trial the defendant had been at liberty under \$50,000 bonds.

The jury was out one hour and 25 minutes, in the interval Dr. Gillette chatted with his son and daughter. It was at all nervous he did not betray his state of mind. When called to face the jury however, he paled perceptibly, the pallor giving away a flush he had worn the verdict. For a moment he appeared surprised, but promptly recovered himself. He was accompanied by his son and daughter to the entrance to the Tombs.

Dr. Gillette is 57 years of age and in well advanced middle life, a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of this city. He served in the civil war as acting assistant surgeon and later coming here was in the management of the State Asylum for the Insane and became consulting physician at several hospitals. Later he was associated with the insurance business, resigning only last year the vice-presidency of the Mutual. His home here is at 24 West 23rd-street.

Legal witnesses swore to the reputation of the defendant for integrity, after which former Justice Hatch summed up for the defendant. He was made aware that had been made a scapegoat, while the really guilty officers of insurance companies had escaped prosecution, and that he was giving the jury the impression that he was a man of character and reputation, and that he would tell the truth, but he had not.

## JUROR FALLS IN FIT WHEN ASKED QUESTIONS

Coroner's Enquiries as to Henry  
Watt's Absence Result in  
Exciting Scene.

Troublesome times followed the calling of the roster of jurors at the adjourned inquest into the death of William Simpson, a laborer, who was killed by the falling boom of a derrick at the O'Brien School several weeks ago. This jury has been held from its task by the repeated absence of jurors.

When the roll was called James Ross was not present. The jury waited from 7 until 8 o'clock when Ross strove in.

Henry Watt, for whose neglect two adjournments were taken, was questioned. He was evidently agitated when he rose to explain.

"Why were you not here?" asked the coroner.

"I have a reason, but I cannot tell it," replied the juror.

"This is a serious matter," said County Coroner Attorney Drayton. "You must answer to me."

Watt strove to speak but stretching out his hand toward the coroner he fell forward in an epileptic fit. Police Inspector Dixon and P. C. Grant held the man upon the ground, and Dr. J. M. Cotton came to his aid. Dr. Hay, who was in the room, also attended, and Dr. McMahon was summoned. The enquiry went on with Watt sitting in a dazed state.

As the man lay in the throes of the fit, Coroner Elliott sprang to his feet, declaring, "It is only a sham. He is bluffing!" He was assured that the man was really ill, but at the adjournment of the inquest he reiterated his belief that Watt's fit was only a sham and fined him the fee due him as a juror. At the request of a juror he withdrew like fines in the cases of Jurors McNulty and Rose.

The jury found that Simpson had come to his death by accident, due to the negligence of the contractor, John A. Webb, in employing inexperienced hands for the manipulation of the derrick.

A SIGHT IS SEEN.

Nature has been decidedly busy for the past week or so putting the irredeemable hues on the world's leaf with glorious results. It is indeed a picture that is to be witnessed in the Roseade and the other park sections of the city. Take your Sunday walk that... The silk hat is the universal Sunday hat, and Dineen's, at Yonge and Temperance-streets, pay particular attention to that branch of the business. They are sole agents for Henry Head, London, and also handle all the other prominent makers. The price range from \$5 to \$8 and any gentleman can be suited at Dineen's.

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