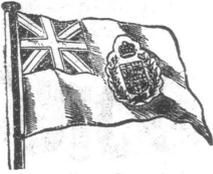


The Young Liberals.

Bright Young Men Organize to Fight for Laurier and Liberalism.

Enthusiastic Meeting in Pioneer Hall—E. V. Bodwell Chosen President.



Pioneer hall was last evening filled to overflowing with an enthusiastic gathering of young men as ever assembled within the four walls of a building. It was a most representative gathering, and they were present for the purpose of forming a Young Liberal club, to be enrolled under the leadership of Wilfrid Laurier, and a glance at the many faces, full of enthusiasm, augured well for the success of Liberalism in this city.

The following signed the call for the meeting:

- C. A. Gregg, R. Houston, James H. Falconer, Oscar C. Bass, William K. Tulloch, John Thoburn, George E. Powell, Peter S. Lammiman, F. Bernard Williams, J. H. Austin, J. E. Kinsman, Frank Higgins, F. Richardson, B. Powell, D. Murphy, G. Murphy, H. N. Howard, W. J. Burnes, Charles J. Quinn, George Denny, J. A. McKinnon, A. H. Scaife, H. P. Hanson, G. S. Williams, W. H. Langley, H. E. A. Courtney, James C. Scott, T. Roarke, Wm. Scott, J. Pilling, Hewitt Bostock, J. T. Bethune, Thomas Corson, A. S. Cartmel, Archer Martin, R. E. Burnes, D. J. King, E. D. Carmichael, H. C. McCauley, W. S. Stamer, George R. Jackson, George H. Redman, Dr. A. T. Watt, S. H. Matson, A. Sheret, Alf. Greenwood, Edwin T. Ward, H. T. Dods, Dr. Quinlan, A. H. Mitchell, P. G. Moody, Ernest V. Bodwell, J. Kingham, J. H. Johnston, W. E. Ditchburn, Alf. Hood, W. C. Jackson, P. A. Cowen, W. N. Carmichael, F. B. Strong, F. P. Watson, Dr. H. P. Moody, T. S. Burnes, T. G. Moody, A. M. Jones, W. H. Harris, R. M. Craig, William McKay, James Bell, William B. Hall, A. L. Campbell, Robert Dunn, Sam Sea, Jr., George Shelden, John Fraser, S. G. Campbell, W. Blakie, C. H. Hall, E. McDonald, C. S. McMicking, C. D. Smith, M. Flaherty, P. G. Moody, W. H. Handley, W. G. Workman, C. L. Wark, D. S. Mout, M. C. Baker, Wm. Brien, J. G. Miller, Henry Crane, Albert Wyde, R. Wilson, Edward Simpkins, Duncan Ross, A. A. Davidson, John McMillan, W. W. Clarke, J. Cartmel, C. L. Cullin, W. J. Johnston, Arthur Wheeler, J. Cochrane, Dr. A. A. Hunter, L. H. Jems, E. H. Tracy, R. L. Drury, George A. Morphy, Thomas Johnson, W. Shaw, Robert Atwood, J. Callwell, L. Craig, Dr. Lewis Hall, F. B. Gregg, W. J. Hanna, W. E. McCormack, William L. Challoner, A. G. Franklin, R. Kenny, H. J. Cave, L. M. Hall, F. J. Williams, A. C. Martin, F. J. Dalby, A. E. Belfry, W. M. Foster, D. M. Patterson, F. M. Crademan, W. M. Dean, T. F. Geiger, G. F. Stelly, J. S. Murray, Stephen Jones, A. B. McNeil, A. E. Cameron, John J. Stephenson, Alexander Brown, L. H. Hardie, T. H. Hodges, Patrick Lavin, James H. Stewart, M. H. Cowan, W. Allan, W. E. Dowlen.

George E. Powell was voted to the chair and C. A. Gregg was appointed secretary pro tem.

Mr. Powell stated the object for which the meeting had been called and expressed himself as highly pleased to see such a large number of young men present. He felt it was for a most laudable purpose and was confident that the young men would prove quite a factor in the coming contest. Judging from the appearance of things to-night he thought it boded no good for the candidates who may run in the interests of the Conservative party in this city. He paid a glowing tribute to the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, whom he was confident would be victorious at the coming contest. His

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remarks were greeted with applause. Mr. E. V. Bodwell, on being called upon, came forward amidst applause. He felt great pleasure at being present at such a meeting—a meeting which, he felt sure, was but the nucleus of an organization which would assume immense proportions and which would indeed be a factor in deciding the destinies of our country. He assured those present that he would do everything in his power to further the interests of the Liberal party in this city, and expressed himself as confident that the Liberals would win at the polls on election day. After some excellent advice as to organization the speaker resumed his seat amidst loud applause.

R. L. Drury offered valuable suggestions in regard to the mode of procedure in the formation of a Young Men's Liberal club.

E. V. Bodwell was unanimously tendered the office of president of the club and a committee consisting of Ditchburn, Bodwell, Powell, Gregg, Falconer, Stelly, Geiger, Davidson, Hardy and Kenny were appointed to draft a constitution, etc., and report at the next meeting.

It was decided to meet again on Tuesday evening, March 5th, at 8 p.m. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed throughout the entire proceedings, and the meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock.

Every young man in the city who has the interests of his country at heart is earnestly requested to become a member of the club. The list may be seen at the Times office, and names may be added at any time, or handed to any member to be added.

SENT UP FOR TRIAL.

The Cook Gambling Case Goes to the Higher Court.

John Cook was this morning committed to stand trial in the supreme court on the charge of being proprietor of a gaming house. The evidence for the prosecution was all heard yesterday and when the case was reached in police court this morning A. L. Belyea for the defence, moved for the dismissal of the information and raised two very important points in support of his contention. He held first that it had not been shown that Mr. Cook was proprietor of the place on January 21, 22 and 23, and the fact that Mr. Kent had issued him a license on January 30 did not establish the fact. He also held that it had not been shown that the game came within the provisions of the sections of the code dealing with the matter. As it was partly a game of chance, and partly a game of skill. The magistrate said that he would not go into those matters there and that he regarded it as a proper case to send up for trial. He therefore ordered the accused committed for trial.

Bail was fixed at \$500, the accused to furnish \$250 bail himself, and two sureties in the sum of \$125 apiece. An application was made to have Mr. Cook released on his own recognizance as he was under bonds on another charge but it was held that the court lacked the power.

THEY MANAGED IT WELL.

Young Men of St. Andrew's Give a Very Successful Concert.

The concert at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church last night, tendered by the young men of the church to the Ladies' Aid of the congregation, was a very pleasing success in every respect. The young men provided an excellent programme of a varied nature and other amusements, and all who attended were delighted. A feature of the evening was a guessing contest. Ten young men were placed on the stage behind a curtain and sang one after another, and the ladies were given a chance to name the singers. Miss Bertha Jameson guessed all in order and won the first prize, while the booby prize was taken by Miss Walker. The contest was very amusing.

Rev. W. L. Clay distributed the prizes. The tableaux, "The Last Message," "The Fraternity," "Women's Rights" and "At Bay" were very good. Those who took part in them were Messrs. McConna, McMickin, Bland, Hutcheson, McConnan, White, Bland, Small and Brown. The two quartettes, the Big Four, Messrs. Leroy, Jones, Chapman and Sehl, and the Wee Four, Messrs. Allan, Keith, Shelden and Mr. sang several very good selections. Messrs. Hood, Floyd, Russell and Brown were at their best in their solos. Mr. Allan's recitation was very funny, the piano solo by Mr. Burnett was good, and the violin solo by Mr. Sharpe was appreciated.

Frank Gregory acted as chairman, and his running fire of good humor heightened the effect of the programme. Messrs. Giffen, Muir and Allan acted as floor committee.

HE FAVORS SOUTHAMPTON.

If left to Huddart the English Port will be Southampton.

London, Feb. 25.—James E. Huddart, promoter of the new Canadian Pacific line of steamships to Australia said at a recent banquet that if the election was left to him Southampton would be the English port of the new line. He declared that the American steamship line had judged the matter accurately when it chose Southampton, which was making itself felt against Liverpool.

BRIEF LOCALS

Cleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

From Wednesday's Daily. —Director Wickens, of the Euphonic Orchestral society, has handed to Mayor Teague \$62.50, the proceeds of the concert held on Monday night. The gross takings were \$120.50 and the expenses \$58.

—To-day is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. At St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral high mass was celebrated at nine. There was a large congregation. After mass the priest distributed the ashes.

—United States Consul General Roberts has received a letter from a Boston firm enquiring about guano deposits in British Columbia and the general has referred the letter to the agricultural department.

—The big four-masted ship Olivebank at present at Port Townsend, is to be towed to Hastings, having taken a lumber charter. She is a 2047 ton ship, and will probably be the largest vessel that has ever taken lumber at Hastings.

—The losses and insurance on the property destroyed by yesterday's fire are now given as follows: The Canadian Pacific Land and Mortgage Company are owners of the buildings, insurance, \$4000 and loss on buildings, \$700; on the electric light plant the loss was \$10,000, and insurance \$5000.

—Phineas Manson is dead at the Jubilee Hospital. He has been sick for some time. Mr. Manson is an old-timer in Victoria, coming here in the fifties. For many years he was pilot on the Fraser river and was one of the first steamboat men in British Columbia. Mr. Manson's brother survives. He lives in Toronto and is well known.

—John Morris, who has in past years done a thriving liquor business among the swashes, was before Magistrate Macrae to-day, charged with supplying liquor to one Peter, who has a copper colored taste and had been in a similar position many a time before. John was convicted of supplying and fined \$50 or three months with hard labor and Peter of being in possession and fined \$25 or one month with hard labor.

—George Valtz has been arrested upon complaint of Aaron Lewis, who charges him with brutally assaulting him. According to the story of the complainant Valtz called to collect a bill of \$2, and being put off attacked Lewis, and being a larger man easily worsted him. Lewis is in support of his story is able to produce a badly decorated face, with a particularly large cut on the nose. Valtz claims Lewis struck him first and that he only defended himself. The case was called in the police court to-day, but was postponed to give an opportunity to make the charge aggravated assault.

—At the Willows on Saturday night H. P. Hanson, retiring cashier of the Pacific Publishing Company, was given a farewell dinner by the "chapel" of the printing department, which consists of William Chapman, foreman, W. W. Clarke, chairman, H. Dods, Alf. Greenwood, L. Netherby, Joseph Davies and Arthur Wheeler. The menu was excellent and the menu cards one of the best creations of the office. The dinner was heartily enjoyed by all, and the compliment was no doubt greatly appreciated by Mr. Hanson. The latter leaves the Province to accept another post.

—Glasgow Herald: A bank dividend of a disappointing character was announced to-night, viz. that of the Bank of British North America. It had been known that business had been bad in the timber trade, and it is suspected that the bank has suffered from the financial crisis in Newfoundland. A year ago the bank paid a dividend of 40s. per share, making with the interim dividend a distribution of 7 1/2 per cent. for the year 1893, being the same rate as had been paid regularly for the previous eight years. To-night the dividend announced is 20s. per share only, making with that paid in the autumn a distribution of 4 1/2 per cent. only for the past twelve months.

—The Conservative association at its meeting last evening, in addition to denouncing rumors and painting the political horizon rose tint (see Colonist), had a very interesting discussion as to committee as a reformer who attended the meeting explained to-day. Said he: "They proceeded with the appointment of a lot of committees to work for candidates not yet named. It must have struck many as inconsistent, and there was some objection to the idea, but it went through. Those who managed the matter very likely figured that getting a lot of men pledged for committee work would keep them in the right line for any candidates named. It may and may not. The meeting was largely attended, but the crowd did not enter."

From Thursday's Daily. —William Jackson, a colored man, was arrested last night on suspicion of being the man who burglarized the Grotto saloon on Tuesday morning. There was no evidence against him, and he was discharged from custody this morning without the formality of a hearing.

—The committee of the school board yesterday had an interview with the government respecting the teaching of music in the schools and re-improving the standard of entrance examinations into the high school. The committee will report to the board at the next general meeting.

—Henry Hyde, bricklayer, is missing. James Hyde, of Portland, Ore., son of the missing man, is anxious to know the whereabouts of his father, and has written Chief of Police Shepherd. The missing man is said to have worked here about three months ago, since which time he has not been heard from.

—After having a few hours' experience cleaning the streets while a chain was dangling from his foot, Professor Reed decided that if the two offers made to him by Chief Wilkes, that of taking his duds and leaving was by far the more desirable, says the Port Townsend Leader.

Guest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U.S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

of yesterday. Consequently when the City of Kingston left last night for up sound she bore that worthy, who goes to seek pastures new.

—An enjoyable social was held at the First Presbyterian church last night. The audience was good. The programme was as follows: Vocal solos, Misses Field, Robertson and Peverett; reading, Rev. Mr. Murison; speeches by Dr. Lang and Mr. Alex. Wilson.

—It is understood from good authority that a requisition is being circulated in Methosin district in the interest of two of the candidates who are seeking nomination from the Conservative organization of this city. If this plan succeeds a convention will not be necessary.

—The British steamship Belisote passed up at noon on her way to Comox to load a cargo of coal. After taking coal she will go to Port Blakely to load 2,000,000 feet of lumber, all of which is to be taken to South Africa for railroad construction. The steamship came to San Francisco from Cardiff with coal, and sailed from San Francisco on Comox on Saturday.

—The election of the additional school trustee under the act passed at the last session of the legislature will shortly take place. Secretary Williams of the school board is to-day making arrangements with returning officer Bull. Several of the candidates in the field at the last general election will probably contest this election. With the election of a new trustee the board will be composed of seven members instead of six.

—The cargo of the wrecked bark Southern Chief is almost entirely out of that vessel and will be on its way to San Francisco early next week, says the Port Townsend Call. The work of discharging is being done by the lightening griffs, and the two vessels, the barkentine Griffiths and the schooner Buhrne, are nearly loaded with it. The wreck of the bark will probably be placed on the beach and burned for the old iron it contains.

—Eight years of sickness and John T. Howard, proprietor of the Howard hotel, Esquimalt, died last night. Deceased was 71 years of age and was born in Manchester, England, but has long been a resident of Victoria. Mr. Howard was four times stricken with paralysis, and he had the last and fatal stroke two weeks ago last Monday. He leaves behind to mourn his loss a widow and two children. The funeral will be conducted by the Masonic order, of which deceased was a member.

—The impressive burial services of the Masonic order were conducted over the remains of Fred Thomas at the Masonic hall, according to the Worshipful Master of Victoria-Columbia Lodge, A. F. & A. M. A. L. Belyea. Mrs. Tom and her daughter, several friends and a large number of members of the order were present. After the services the body was escorted to the steamer Charcoal the following acting as pall bearers: Messrs. D. Wilson, M. H. Thomson, A. B. Erskine, George Dow, A. McKeown and W. J. Quinlan.

—The members of the local government party are in caucus this afternoon on the matter of a successor to Hon. Theodore Davie, whose commission as a chief justice is believed to be in the mail speeding toward the coast. It is whispered that all unite on Hon. Charles E. Cooley, Q.C., now president of the executive council, but that a number believe that he must give up certain corporation clients, and that the giving up of them must be actual and not nominal. D. M. Eberts, Q.C., is said to be not settled man for a portfolio, but that is not decided.

—George Valtz, charged with committing an aggravated assault on Aaron Lewis, declined to be tried summarily by Magistrate Macrae this morning and was after a preliminary hearing committed to trial before the first court of competent jurisdiction. The evidence offered by the prosecution, which was represented by E. E. Wootton, showed a clear case of assault. The witnesses were the prosecutor, his father, L. Lewis and Sergeant Hawton. The first named swore that Valtz was waiting for him in the store and seizing him by the collar, threw him down, struck him repeatedly and kicked him. The prosecutor admitted striking the accused twice, but that was after he was assaulted. He was evidently still suffering from the effects of the assault for during his examination

TOO GREAT A SUCCESS.

That Is What the Thunderer Says about the United States Loan.

London, Feb. 22.—The Times will say to-morrow: The United States loan has been almost too great a success, for it may encourage the Americans to think there was not, after all, any need for alarm for the position of the treasury three weeks ago and there is no necessity to reform the currency. The success of the loan ought not to blind any one to the fact that the loan was a necessary expedient to get time to carry out reforms, and was not the reform itself. It is no permanent remedy for the malady from which the treasury suffers. We hope that the few months' security now assured will be used by the executive and congress to place the currency system of the United States on a sound basis. For this purpose the withdrawal of a large part, if not the whole of the outstanding greenbacks, is an essential preliminary.

AN IMPORTANT JUDGMENT.

The Sewer Contractors Gain Their Suit for Claims Against the Corporation.

Mr. Justice Drake's Interpretation of the Tenders and Specifications.

At the close of the trial of Coughlan & Mayo vs. the Corporation of Victoria, Mr. Justice Drake gave judgment in favor of the plaintiffs, extracts from which are as follows:

The tender is undoubtedly a lump sum tender, and the schedule prices which are referred to as that tender are the prices at which the contractor is to execute additional work that is not mentioned or specified in the tender and specifications, and which are mentioned in sections five and six. Now, when we refer to these specifications, I can possibly see where the trouble has arisen. Here are the figures of the lineal feet on the left-hand side, which have been furnished by the corporation, that are the estimated feet which may require excavation, and for which, under the 3rd section, they are not to be responsible in any way—in fact the contractor is to ascertain his own particulars. On that schedule what has the contractor done? He has taken the schedules "earth," "hardpan" and "manholes" and various other things, and he has fixed against the different sizes of trench the prices, and he has gone a step farther than that—he has carried out the rate in the right hand margin. He has carried out the rate on the estimate of the amount of lineal feet which the corporation have given to him in order to make out a schedule. Now, I do not think his carrying out that rate really has any bearing on it. That carrying out the rate appears to be in order that an engineer shall be able to ascertain what would be the amount of totalling work to be done should his estimate of quantities were correct. But, having carried it out, he has put it into his tender, the contract, of the 20th of August, is made. And that contract is made by the plaintiffs and the corporation, the contract. Now, that is an absolute contract to pay that sum of money after the completion of the works in accordance with the plans and specifications; it is not a contract according to schedule prices. If it were intended to be a contract according to schedule prices, there would be no necessity for putting in a fixed sum, but they would have agreed to pay according to the schedule prices, for what was done by the contractor. Whether the work here was really more or less than would amount to the lump sum, does not make any difference; the contract is specified in its terms, and it cannot be altered. The defendants allege that the contract was entered into, but not a contract to pay any specified sum, but to pay according to the schedule prices and according to the actual number of feet constructed; but that is not my view of it at all (reading section five of the specifications). It is practically admitted that the whole of the work under this contract has been completed. Therefore the question that arises now is, the work having been completed, is the contractor entitled to be paid according to this specification? Under the specifications he is entitled to be paid on the work being completed, less a certain per cent. which is kept back for a period of six months. The question of hardship I do not intend to enter into.

I do not think it has any bearing in this case; the parties are simply governed by the contract. But there is another point with regard to the question of extras, of which I am not prepared to give a final judgment now, because according to the contract which is put in, I should like to have some information which could only be obtained on a reference, as to how much earth and how much rock in each of these cases has been excavated. I think there must be a reference as to the amount of extras.

E. V. Bodwell for plaintiffs and W. J. Taylor for defendants.

INSURRECTION IN CUBA.

It is Believed That the Uprising Will be Promptly Put Down.

New York, Feb. 28.—The steamer Orizaba arrived from Havana to-day with the first details of the insurrection in Cuba. According to the advices by the steamer it is believed the insurrection will be promptly crushed by the government. It is the belief that owing to a division between the rebels themselves over the selection of a leader of the revolution, plans and names of the revolutionaries were betrayed to the government representatives. Some rebels demanded the selection of the notorious brigand, Manuel Garcia, as leader, but others opposed it on the ground that his selection would mean the loss of sympathy and support of many citizens. On the day the steamer sailed, Sunday last, the rebel general, Sangruit and thirty members of the first families were arrested and imprisoned. A report was circulated that three hundred others were arrested on suspicion of sympathizing with the rebels.

Watts—Isn't there a play called "The Kentucky Colonel?"

Fottis—Believe there is. I think it is some sort of a tank drama, though I am not sure.



COUNTESS DE C...

Miss Anna Gould Becomes Countess de C...

Two Million Dollars Which the Countess...

New York, March 4.—Archbishop Corrigan of Anna Gould became Countess de C...

The ceremony took place at the cathedral owing to the bride is a Protestant. Limited to less than 100 interior of the house was decorated with palms, ferns, plants. The ceremony was the East India room and the fair lady. The music was an elaborate one.

The guests were received by George Jay Gould, a mother, Mrs. Kingston Gould gave the bride away. The marriage was officiated by the archbishop who gave the bride away and the happy couple were congratulated by the friends. This over, breakfasted. The orchestra and several selections while the progress.

The presents were numerous. The bride wore a gown of ivory white satin, hanging in graceful folds. Exquisite thread bodice which was pinned. The robe was high and the bouffant sleeves and the bodice was of ivory white. The veil was a piece of French lace worn in the Castellane family were comprised of a sapphire diamond and emerald diamond and ruby ring. The guests were presented with a hundred diamonds, all of which were from the groom. Her brother's gift diamond coronet sparkled. The bridesmaids wore costly trimmed with sapphire and emerald dresses. The bridesmaids were presented with a diamond and emerald necklace. The bridesmaids were presented with a diamond and emerald necklace.

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