

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B. FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 1908.

HON. G. A. MURCHIE IS BEATEN FOR CONGRESS

Calais Man Beaten by Hon. Frank A. Guernsey for Republican Nomination in Fourth Maine District.

Bangor, Me., Aug. 6.—Hon. Frank A. Guernsey, of Dover, was the nominee for representative to Congress of the Republicans of the fourth Maine district in a special convention held here today, made necessary by the withdrawal of the regular nominee, Hon. Llewellyn Powers, since deceased. The feature of the convention was the presentation of five candidates, Hon. George A. Murchie, of Calais, from Washington county; Hon. Frank A. Guernsey, of Dover, from Piscataquis county; Dr. D. A. Robinson and Col. I. K. Stetson, of Bangor and Col. Stanley Plummer, of Dexter, from Penobscot county.

Col. J. B. Peaks, of Dover, presided and all the 322 delegates entitled to present credentials. On the first ballot, Mr. Murchie was well in the lead with 182 votes, representing a solid delegation from his own county and a portion of Aroostook, which had no candidate. Mr. Guernsey had 62, Col. Stetson 36, Dr. Robinson 31, Col. Plummer 24 and five were cast for Hon. F. Marion Simpson, of Bangor, who was not placed in nomination. On the second ballot, Murchie made a slight gain to 185, portion of the Penobscot delegates went to Mr. Guernsey, giving him 103, Stetson 46, Robinson 30 and Plummer and Simpson 11 each. The third and fourth ballots showed steady gains for Guernsey, and Murchie more than held his own, gaining ten from the first ballot.

On the fourth ballot Mr. Guernsey showed in the lead with 172 to 173 for Mr. Murchie and 30 scattering.

The end came on the fifth ballot when the Penobscot candidates withdrew from the field, throwing their support largely to Mr. Guernsey, who had 190, Murchie 184, Robinson 19, and Plummer 18.

**GREAT POSSIBILITIES
FOR BUSINESS IN CUBA**

**J. D. O'Connell of Sussex Talks
of Opportunities in the "Pearl
of the Antilles."**

J. D. O'Connell, now of Camaguey, Cuba, formerly of Sussex, was at the Auditorium yesterday and left for Sussex on the 8 o'clock train last night. He says that business is generally good in Cuba, although there is an unsettled feeling about the island. This arises from doubts as to what the United States really means to do for the Cubans. The negro population, which includes one third of the whole, would, he thinks, welcome a return of Spanish rule, although the other two thirds recognize the continuance of American rule. The feeling on the part of the negroes comes from the treatment which the colored race receives in the southern states.

Mr. O'Connell was asked about the new St. John-Boston-Havana steamship service. In reply he said that he had heard but little about it. There was no question, however, of the great possibilities of trade between the Maritime provinces and Cuba. In produce, prices were excessively high in Cuba. Potatoes retailed for from \$4 to \$5 a barrel, while for eggs one is asked to pay as high as from 40 to 70 cents a dozen. For the better he used last winter, Mr. O'Connell added, he paid at the rate of seventy cents a pound. Pork was also excessively high and retailed as high as from fifteen to twenty cents a pound for the carcass.

The native people of the island, he said, do not eat much meat, but with side meat is its price. They would eat a great deal more if it was within the reach of their means. Beef was cheaper now in Cuba than it was formerly and soon it would be within the reach of the poor.

Mr. O'Connell said that he did not eat wheat bread. Instead of that they bought biscuits at from ten to fifteen cents a pound. The staple of their living was the plantain, a kind of banana. This is larger and coarser than the banana known to commerce and has to be cooked. Mr. O'Connell says that he has tried in vain to eat it readily commends itself to the palate of Europeans and Americans.

There are many Maritime province people in Cuba. In the city where Mr. O'Connell lives, there lives Fred Dewar, formerly of Fredericton, now manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, and Fritz Schaeffer, formerly of this city, in connection with the same bank.

"BOBS" GOES TO QUEBEC
Distinguished General Left For Ottawa Last Night—Will Sail For England Today.

Ottawa, Aug. 6.—Lord Roberts left Ottawa tonight en route to Quebec, from which port he sails tomorrow by the Empress of Britain. He was given a right royal send off and thousands of people turned out to cheer him. Though he has been four days in the city, there was no public function and tonight for the first time the general public had an opportunity to see the distinguished soldier. From government house his motor car came up Sussex street and took a circuitous route by way of Rideau, Wellington, Bank and Sparks streets, to the Central Depot.

Along the way people lined the streets and cheered themselves hoarse.

There was no military display or ceremonial, but the guards band played at the station. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir John Hanbury-Williams and Mayor Scott were at the depot to see him off, and Lord Roberts was kept busy doffing his hat and bowing his acknowledgements. He left at 7:30 traveling by a Canadian Pacific special, in D. McIntosh's car, the Metropole. He shows no signs of physical indisposition.

Col. Sir John Hanbury-Williams tonight received the following message from Rimouski:

Canadian Olympic team returning home, sends greetings. All well and glad to see our native land. (Signed) B. H. Crocker.

Secretary Wetmore, of the S. P. C. A., said last night that the matter of the mouse which died of exhaustion in the old burying ground is still under his consideration. So far he has not been able to find out anything on which to base action.

Mrs. O. D. Hanson, president of the Fairville W. C. T. U., said last night that that body will not proceed further with the charges against the Fairville policeman unless more definite information is forthcoming.

REV. F. S. HARTLEY FIGURES IN RESCUE

Clergyman Formerly Stationed in New Brunswick Saves Man From Drowning at Old Orchard.

Old Orchard, Me., Aug. 6.—Rev. Herbert A. Barker, pastor of the Baptist Congregational church, of Jamaica Plain, figured here today in the rescue from drowning of Professor Hugh R. Hatch, of Colby College. Professor Hatch was bathing in the surf at Ocean Park, when he was seized with cramps. Scores of other bathers and hundreds of people on the beach heard his shouts for help, but Rev. F. S. Hartley, of South Portland, who is superintendent of the Free Baptist camp ground at Ocean Park, was the first to go to the stricken man's assistance.

Professor Hatch was well out beyond the line of breakers, and as the surf was running very high, the task of reaching him was no easy one. When the clergyman reached Mr. Hatch, he was himself nearly exhausted and he found it impossible to return to the shore. He stood pluckily by Mr. Hatch, however, and signalled to the shore for assistance.

Rev. Mr. Barker was not bathing at the time, but he threw off his coat and shoes and plunged in. Mr. Barker is a strong swimmer and after forcing his way through the breakers, he was soon able to assist his brother clergyman in bringing the professor ashore. The latter was unconscious and it required an hour's vigorous work to resuscitate him. Tonight he was reported as resting comfortably, though both he and Rev. Mr. Hartley were still very weak from their struggles.

Rev. F. S. Hartley referred to above, is a son of late Rev. Dr. Hartley, so many years pastor of the Free Baptist church, of Carleton, and for a long time a well-known clergyman in New Brunswick.

**THE INGLENOOK
PHILOSOPHER OF
KENNEBACACIS BAY**

"I console myself with believing," said George William Curtis, "that a man need not be a vagabond to enjoy the sweetest charm of travel."

He need not open the door of his cabin in the wilderness to entertain a throng of friends, to listen to the most entrancing music or the wittiest speeches that ever fell upon his ears, and without the expenditure of a dollar he can hang upon his smoky and mouldy walls the most exquisite pictures that it has ever been his good fortune to look upon. I am apt to indulge in an inward smile when one says in my hearing that he "forgets."

One does not forget, except for convenience, anything that has come under his observation in which he was really interested. Men who travel through life with their eyes and ears closed—like the servant—know little of their surroundings, and so they cannot be said to forget what others have seen and heard while in their company. The author of the "Pot-Phar Papers" tells how once as he was rambling on the shores of a remote island in a dense mist that rendered all objects aloof and shore quite indistinct, he saw a picture in his mind's eye.

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"In this area are situated the city of Fernie and towns of Homers and Michel, all mining camps. There is a large mining plant at Coal Creek, near Fernie, whence comes the largest output of coal. Although the fire has been within two miles of Coal Creek, the town may be said to be safe, and although the fire is all around Michel, there is no grave apprehension as to it.

"Homers has escaped with little loss on its mining side, but Fernie has been completely obliterated, only twenty-three houses and three business houses being left. On both banks of the Elk River are a large number of saw mills, all of which, with one exception, have been swept out of existence and probably a large number of men have lost their lives in the woods. The houses recovered so far number sixteen, and there will be more, but in the woods only.

"The loss to the city of Fernie will be not less than \$200,000. The greatest care is being taken to isolate them. Passengers on all trains coming into Fernie are very serious, for the two thousand women and children refugees are crowded very closely, and the weather is exceedingly hot.

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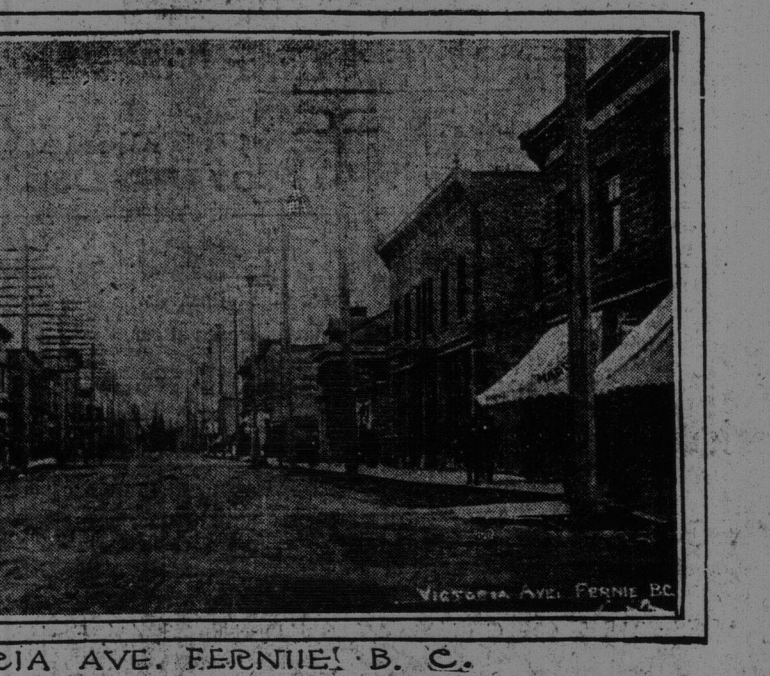
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SUPREME LODGE FINISHES ITS BUSINESS

Henry P. Brown of Texas Chosen Supreme Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias Without a Contest.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 6.—With the election of their officers today, the supreme lodge of the Knights of Pythias closes the most important business session of their 25th convention, which opened in this city Monday. The Pythian Sisters also elected officers and exemplified the secret work of the order. The uniform rank devoted each of the days as was free from rain to competitive drills on Franklin Field, for the \$10,000 cash prize offered.

Henry P. Brown, of Cleburne, Texas, was elected supreme chancellor, without contest, he having served as vice-chancellor for the past year. There was a spirited contest for vice-chancellor, however, in which two men from the east and two from the west, contested. After five ballots George W. Hanson, of Calais, Maine, was elected.

There was but one other important contest which was for the members of the board of insurance control. The fight was between a faction standing for strict retrenchment and those satisfied with the present conditions. The retrenchment faction won out after four ballots and elected their two candidates. The result of the elections, in addition to the officers named, was as follows:

Supreme Prelate, Rev. Dewitt C. Cobb, Salem, N. J.; Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, R. L. C. Wilcox, Nashville, Tenn. (re-elected); Supreme Master of Exchequer, Thomas D. Meares, Wilmington, N. C. (re-elected); Supreme Master at Arms, Samuel H. Davis, Davis, Okla.; Supreme Inner Guard, E. Allison Power, Quebec, Que.; Supreme Outer Guard, William D. Cantrion, Meridian, Miss.; Board of Insurance Control (for 6 years), U. S. G. Cherry, Sioux Falls, S. D., and C. S. Davis, Denver, Col.

The uniform rank assembly, consisting of twenty-six brigadier generals, formally appointed Major General Arthur Stroobert, of St. Paul, Minn., to succeed himself in command of the uniform rank. The appointment will come up before the supreme lodge tomorrow for ratification.

Tomorrow there will be further competitive drill work, the exemplification of secret degree work and the consideration of further business by the supreme lodge.

**WILL BE WELL LOOKED
AFTER IN HALIFAX**

**Board of Trade There Has Good
Plan of Entertainment for the
Maritime Board Delegates.**

A good programme of entertainment for the delegates to the Maritime Board of Trade annual meeting in Halifax, on Aug. 19, 20 and 21, has been arranged by the Halifax board as follows:

Wednesday, August 19.

9:30 a. m.—Delegates will please register at the Maritime Board of Trade.

10:30 a. m.—Exercises in connection with the 150th Anniversary of Representative Government, in Provincial Building.

2:30 p. m.—Opening session of Maritime Board of Trade.

3:00 p. m.—Ladies will be tendered a baroque drive around the city, park, etc., and 5 o'clock tea at the Waquoit Club House, North-West Arm.

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FILLING PLACES OF STRIKERS ON C. P. R.

One Thousand Men Applied for Jobs at the Angus Shops Yesterday and 250 Were Hired.

Montreal, Aug. 6.—The feature of the C. P. R. strike today is that at the Angus shops there were at least 1,000 men applying for jobs, and of this number the C. P. R. had engaged about 250 by noon.

The car shop at the Angus shops was working full strength with about 150 men. There has been no disturbance. There are pickets at every gate trying to persuade men from working, but they do nothing more. There are ninety-one special constables around the works.

Two of the strikers made startling statements today. One was a machinist and the other a blacksmith. They