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UNIONISM IN THE CITY OF VICTORIA

The thirty-eight delegates who compose the Victoria Trades and Labor Council represent nineteen unions, the membership of which aggregate nearly a thousand.

Five years after the printers the ship carpenters and caulkers organized, but the two oldest bodies had a somewhat uneventful career.

It was in 1890 that the Victoria Trades Assembly was formed, with five affiliated unions.

Since 1900 the presidents and secretaries of the Victoria Trades and Labor Council elected semi-annually have been as follows:

1900-1st term, president, T. H. Twigg, representing typographical; secretary, E. Harrop.

1901-1st term, president, A. S. Emery, representing carpenters; J. D. Logg, representing tailors; secretary, J. D. McNeven, typographical.

1902-1st term, president, D. L. Kelly, representing shipcarpenters; secretary, F. W. Patton, machinists.

1903-1st term, president, E. Bragg, representing bricklayers; G. F. Hauff, representing barbers; secretary, F. W. Patton, machinists.

1904-1st term, president, J. W. Bolden, representing carpenters; secretary, C. Sivertz, letter carriers.

1905-1st term, president, J. C. Watson, representing boilermakers helping secretary, C. Sivertz, letter carriers.

1906-1st term, president, W. J. Yard, representing barbers; G. A. Coldwell, representing typographical; secretary, C. Sivertz, letter carriers.

1907-1st term, president, G. O. Caldwell, representing typographical; secretary, C. Sivertz, letter carriers.

1908-1st term, president, G. E. Gray, representing street railway employees; secretary, C. Sivertz, letter carriers.

LETTER OF THANKS.

Japanese Acknowledge Generous Contributions From Canada for Relief of Famine Stricken.

Ottawa, Sept. 20.—Sir Claude MacDonnell, ambassador at Tokyo, has forwarded to the Governor-General a copy of a letter which he received from the authorities in the famine-stricken district of western Japan.

The Canadian government has in such a generous manner contributed towards the relief of sufferers by famine in northern districts of Japan, it has been from time distributed amongst wards and villages, and the recipients of this relief have on each occasion expressed their feeling of deep gratitude towards the generous donors.

The union immigration is a subject which has been discussed at their meetings at all possible intervals of the progress of the day.

Madrid, Sept. 20.—The threatened cabinet crisis is regarded as virtually over, although the exact nature of the disciplinary action which the government will take against the Bishop of Tuy for his personal letter denying the civil marriage law has not been announced.

Samuel L. ...

THOROUGHBREDS



BY W.S. FRASER.

CHAPTER XXVII.—(Continued.) He went to sleep in this happy glimmer of assured success, and, by the inevitable contrariness of things, dreamed that he was falling over a steep precipice on the Dutchman's back, and that at the bottom Mortimer and Allis were holding a blanket catch him in his fall.

Crane was a man not given to superstitious enthrallment; his convictions were usually founded on basic manifestations rather than fanciful visions; but somehow the night's dream fastened upon his mind as he lingered over a breakfast of coffee and rolls.

More than once he had thought of Mortimer as a possible rival. Mortimer was not handsome, but he was young, tall, and square-shouldered—even his somewhat plain face seemed to reflect a tall, square-shouldered character.

Crane had not been responsible for the bribing of Lucretia's jockey, though he was well aware what had occurred; had even profited by it.

"There'll be no crooked work this time," he said; "nobody will interfere with the mare's ride, I hope, and he looked significantly at Langdon.

"I don't think they will," and the trainer gave a disagreeable laugh. "From what Shandy tells me, I fancy it would be a bad game, but the matter is that gossling Redpath is stuck on the deal."

"Crane's pale face flushed hot. 'I believe that Shandy you speak of is a lying little scoundrel. I have an idea that he wrote me a note, a wretched scrawl, once. Wait, I've got it in my pocket; I meant to speak to you about it before.'"

Crane drew from the inner pocket of his coat a leather case, and after a search found Shandy's unsigned letter, and passed it over to the trainer.

"It's dollars to doughnuts Shandy wrote it. Let me see this, sir," answered Crane; "you can settle with him. But about the Derby, I have reasons for wishing to win that race, reasons other than the money."

"I think I do. When you say you want to win a race, you generally want to win it."

"Yes, I do. But see here, Langdon, just leave their jockey to take orders from his own master, see?"

"I wasn't going to put up no game with him, sir."

"Of course not, of course not. I wouldn't do. He's a straight boy, I think, and just leave him to ride the Derby with Lucretia. We've got a better bet, he knows how. We've got a better jockey in Westley. Besides, the Brooklyn Handicap has taken a lot out of the mare; they may find that she'll go back after all. I think you'd better get rid of that Shandy serpent; he seems ripe for any devilry. You can't tell but what he might get at the Dutchman if somebody paid him. If in any judge of outwitted human nature, he'd do it. I've got to run down to Brookfield on a matter of business, but shall be back again in a day or so. Just keep an eye on The Dutchman—but I needn't tell you that, of course."

"That two-year-old I bought at Morris Park is coughin' an' runnin' at the nose; I blistered his throat last night; he's got influenza," volunteered the trainer.

"Keep him away from The Dutchman, then."

"I've got him in another barn; that stuff's as catchin' as measles."

"If The Dutchman were to get a touch of it, Porter would land the Derby with Lucretia, I fancy."

"Or if they got it, their stable we'd be on East Street."

"I suppose so. But Dixon's pretty sharp; he'll look out if he hears it's about. However, we've got to watch our own horse and let them do the same."

CHAPTER XXVIII. The next day, intent on persuading Porter to accept the money won over Diabolo, Crane took a run down to Ringwood farm.

ing to hedge on the mare?" "No; he'll stand his bet flat-footed. Say, he's the straight office that the mare might get sick, then I'm a Dutchman."

"We're both Dutchmen," The Dutchman laughed innocently at his stupid joke. "See, my friend, standin' for The Dutchman, ain't we?"

Langdon frowned at the other's levity. "You'll laugh out the other side your mouth, Lucretia, up a race the derby like she did in the Handicap."

"But ain't she goin' to get sick? We could whip-saw them both ways then, that's if we knew it first. I could lay against her an' back your horse."

"I wish the old man wasn't so devilish deep; he makes me tired sometimes; give it to me straight in one breath that's got reason for wantin' to win the race, an' then he pulls that preacher mug of his down a peg an' says, solemn like: 'But don't interfere with their jockey.' Then he says, 'The Dutchman or Lucretia gettin' the influenza, an' that Andy Dixon is pretty fly about watchin' the mare. Now what do you make of all that, Jake?'"

"Well, you are a mug. I don't need no makin' up. That book's all rounded to. He wants the mare stopped, an' don't want no muddin' about with the jockey, see? Wasn't there a row over stoppin' the Dutchman's horse? Wasn't the boy set down for the meetin'?"

"You ought to know; you had to pay through the nose for shuttin' his mouth. But what made the old man talk about the Dutchman or Lucretia gettin' the influenza, an' that Andy Dixon is pretty fly about watchin' the mare. Now what do you make of all that, Jake?"

"Well, you are a mug. I don't need no makin' up. That book's all rounded to. He wants the mare stopped, an' don't want no muddin' about with the jockey, see? Wasn't there a row over stoppin' the Dutchman's horse? Wasn't the boy set down for the meetin'?"

"You can't take a strange horse into their stable, an' him sick," objected the trainer.

"Right you are, Dick. But you could take the sickness there, if you had a boy with the sabre."

"I was thinkin' of that," said Langdon, reflectedly, "we wouldn't if that's what the Boss meant."

"Sure thing—that's his way; he never wants to stand in for none of the blame, but he likes to feel sure that he's got the horse's bones, an' judgment, no doubt whatever but his statement of the case was absolutely truthful. But Allis had refused to accept the money; it would never do for her to go beyond her daughter's judgment. She even thought it inadvisable for Crane to discuss the matter with her husband; it would only worry him, and she was positive that, in his pride of independence, he would refuse to touch a penny that was not actually due him."

"But there's a payment on Ringwood due in a few days," Crane argued, "and we must arrange for that at all events. If this money, which is rightfully your family's, could be applied on that, it would make a difference, don't you think?"

"I suppose John must settle it," she said, resignedly; "perhaps you had better see him. I can't interfere one way or the other. I have no hand for business," she added, apologetically; "I'm no good at that sort of thing. We just seem to drift, drift, drift."

Crane stated the facts very plausibly, very seductively, to John Porter. Porter almost unreasonably scented charabanc in Crane's proposal. He believed that the bet was a myth; Crane was trying to present him with this sum as a compensation for having lost Diabolo. It wasn't even a loan; it was a gift, pure and simple. His very helplessness, his poverty, made him decline the offer with unnecessary firmness. If Allis had refused it, if she were strong enough to stand without his charity, surely he, a man, battered though he might be, could pass it by. He had received a hopeful message from Allis as to Lucretia's chances in the Derby; they felt confident of winning. That win would relieve them of all obligations.

"I can't take it," Porter said to Crane. "Allis is more familiar with the circumstances of the bet—if there was one—than I. It must just rest with her; she's the man now, you know," he added, plausively; "I'm a broken wreck, and what she says goes."

"But there's a payment on Ringwood falling due in a few days," Crane remonstrated, even as he had to Mrs. Porter.

Porter collapsed, fretfully. He could stand out against prospective financial stringency, but actual obligations for which he had no means quite broke down his weakened energy. He had forgotten about this liability, that it had thought the time for payment most distant. He would be forced to recall the money he had given Dixon to bet on Lucretia for the Derby, to meet this payment to the bank.

Quite despondently he answered the other man. "I had forgotten all about it; this shake-up has tangled my memory. I can pay the money, though," he added, half defiantly; "it will hamper me, but I can do it."

A sudden thought came to Crane, an inspiration. "I've got it!" he exclaimed. Porter brightened up; there was such a world of confidence in the other's manner.

"We'll let this Diabolo money stand against the payment which is about due on Ringwood; put it in the bank to cover it, so to speak; later we can settle to whom it belongs. At present it seems to be nobody's money; it's seldom one sees a few thousand going a-begging for an owner," he added, jocularly. "You say it isn't yours; I know it isn't mine; and most certainly it doesn't belong to the bookmaker, for he's lost it fair and square. We can let him keep it; they win enough of the public's money."

Reluctantly, Porter gave a half-hearted acquiescence. He would have sacrificed tangible interests to leave the money that was in Dixon's hands with him to bet on Lucretia. It would be like not taking the tide at its flood to let her run unbacked when her chances of winning were so good, and she could stand her enough to insure a big return.

(To be continued.)

Those who have not registered for the provincial voters' list are notified that R. Ryan will be in attendance at C. Jones' cigar store, Douglas street, tonight and to-morrow evening to take the necessary affidavits.

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Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described tract of land, situated on the west shore of Naden Harbour, Graham Island, C. I. Commencing at a post marked W. N.'s northeast corner, thence running 40 chains west, thence following the shore line to point of commencement, containing 100 acres more or less.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to make application to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land, situated in Barkley District: No. 1. Commencing at a stake planted at the N. E. corner of Section of No. 1, Sarita Lake, thence east 80 chains, thence north 90 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to the point of commencement.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on the bank of Skeena River at the mouth of Trout River, thence north 1 1/2 miles above the mouth of Trout River, thence east 40 chains, thence north to point of commencement.

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