

FISHING FOR VOTES BY CLOSING GAMBLING DENS OF SARATOGA

Governor of New York Wants Renomination and
Thus Plays His Game

**Told to Take a Look at Albany's Crookedness and is Sur-
prised—Queen Alexandra Found 22 Knots an Hour Too
Slow on Torpedo Boat and Made the Engineer "Speed"**
—Tammany Leader Out for Bryan's Nomination.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

New York, Aug. 8.—There is a loud wail because Saratoga, the national gambling resort, has lost its chief reason for existence. Saratoga is the fashionable watering place in "the season," but nobody goes there for any reason except to gamble. All the glittering places of chance were closed last night by the sheriff by direct order of Governor Higgins.

The lights went out, even at Canfield's, for the first time. The army of money-making visitors now bet only at the race track, and some of the disgruntled gambling house keepers may cause complications there.

This action of Higgins is attributed solely to politics. Higgins is very anxious for a renomination, and from present indications he is likely to get it. Heart will be his opponent, and it will then follow surely that the spoils of yellow journalism and the arch fakir of the age will become the governor of New York. However, Higgins thinks he has a chance and this funny little move of his at Saratoga is to curry favor with the "respectable" element, chiefly the farmer variety.

**Tells Him to Clean
Out His Own House.**

Higgins came down from Albany today and was asked why he did not stop gambling in the capital city. He expressed great surprise, and said that if there was any gambling there, and it was brought to his attention, he would certainly stop it. This is hilarious to anyone who knows Albany and the resorts frequented there by the legislators.

By the way, New York city has not been too "open" in years. This, of course, is due to chance, but to some deliberate arrangement of somebody in authority with the gamblers. The Sullivan are all powerful in the city government. Fire Commissioner Jack O'Brien, who is backed by the Sullivan, is credited with a great deal of influence at police headquarters. It seems to be the old game of having an honest, respectable figurehead at the head of the police. Commissioner Bingham is a retired army officer, a man of unquestioned character. His deputies are amateur nonentities. The police force is run by somebody outside the department.

**Queen Alexandra
Makes the Yacht Fly.**

A cable from Cowes says: "King Edward and Queen Alexandra, accompanied by the Spanish and Italian royal couples, departed yesterday on the new motor torpedo boat, Mr. Yarrow, the builder, commanded the boat, and the party made a trip in the Solent. While Mr. Yarrow was conducting King Edward over the vessel and King Alfonso was in the engine room questioning the engineers, Queen Alexandra found the speed, which was then 22 knots, too slow. She said to the navigation officer 'Go as fast as ever you can without blowing up.' As she said the words she added, 'Don't take any risks.' 'Later, when King Edward, King Alfonso and Queen Victoria had returned to the royal yacht Queen Alexandra coaxed the Prince of Wales and Princess Victoria on board the torpedo boat and made a dash for it. She laughed delightedly as the boat sped forward, where she was almost smothered with spray."

The first race for the King's cup was sailed off Newport today by American yachts. King Edward's gift to the New York Yacht Club has been described as a direct result of the cup which Kaiser

Wilhelm, King Edward's nephew, offered for the ocean schooner race last year. At the same time the king is an enthusiastic yachtsman, having raced and sailed the schooner *Formentor*, when he was Prince of Wales, and later the *Hildegarde* and the cutter *Britannia*.

For years he has followed the sport of yachting in this country, and when Sir Thomas Lipton sought to lift the cup he received full need of kindly encouragement. In fact, King Edward went so far as to sail in the trips of *Shamrock III* on the other side and was on board the day she lost her mast. He offered the cup for which the yachts are racing today, last winter, suggesting that it be raced for annually.

The cup, according to the terms of the deed, is to be the personal property of the New York Yacht Club, and each year the name of the winning yacht is to be engraved on it, and the club announces that it will give to the owner a medal as a souvenir. This cup the club accepted, although it meant that the club, which had always given closed regattas, had to allow any yacht belonging to any recognized club to race. That was the only stipulation that the king made in presenting the cup.

**Tammany Leader is
Out for Bryan.**

To induce William J. Bryan for the Democratic presidential nomination in 1908, Charles F. Murphy will issue a call for a special meeting of the Tammany general committee to be held next week. Announcement of this intention on the part of the Tammany leader convinced Democrats that Mr. Murphy, contrary to a belief which existed in some quarters, is heart and soul in the Bryan movement. His intimate friends expressed no surprise, because they have known all along that he favored the nomination of Mr. Bryan in preference to all others.

Mr. Murphy also accepted an invitation yesterday to serve as a member of the executive committee in charge of the arrangements for the Bryan reception.

MANY LEAVING SYDNEY; LABOR BECOMING SCARCE

Sydney, N. S., Aug. 7.—The industrial situation at this end of Canada was not improved this morning by the departure of 310 persons, chiefly from Sydney and the Mines, for Cape Breton. The number of Cape Bretoners will probably exceed 500. It is stated that the Dominion Iron Company was never so badly off for men as at present. The company's contracts call for a number of miners are now on their way from the Old Country.

Child Burned to Death.

Whitby, Ont., Aug. 8.—(Special)—The four-year-old son of Arthur Hatrick, of Whitby township, was burned to death yesterday. The child got some matches, climbed into a hayloft and started a fire. The charred remains were found in the ashes of the burned building.

In Rockland (Me.) the other day a shipment of live lobsters was taken to Seattle (Wash.), and is believed to be the longest distance thus far for a consignment of that kind.

GETTING READY TO CALL FOR PLANS FOR OTTAWA DEPARTMENTAL BLOCK

**Competition to Be Limited to Canadian Architects—Extension
from the House of Commons Building Which Will
Make Much Improvement—Promoting Ordnance Factory
for Canada—Prison Doors Opened for 443.**

Ottawa, Aug. 8.—Chief Architect Ewart, of the public works department, is in correspondence with Mr. Sweeney, of Montreal, president of the Quebec Architects' Association, and Mr. Burke, of Toronto, president of the Ontario Architects' Association, in regard to the conditions to be laid down for the public competition for plans for the new departmental block. It is believed that the competition will be set on foot this fall and that it will be restricted to Canadian architects.

Considerable progress has been made in the plan for an additional wing to the house of commons. It will consist of an extension northward from the northwest corner of the house of commons building, where the quarters of the press gallery are, and will be at right angles with a similar extension westward from the speaker's quarters. The new wing joined to the old will thus form a quadrangle on the western side of the house of commons building.

It will be three stories high and the proposition has been made to locate the common restaurant in the upper floor. This would enable a dining hall to be provided in place of the present stuffy and wretchedly ventilated room, and the odors from the kitchen would not offend the fastidious taste of dyed-in-the-wool members of parliament in the legislative corridors, as they now do.

Moreover, it will be possible to construct an ornamental balcony outside the upper story, on to which the parliamentarian

could step and, as he smoked his cigar, survey as glorious a panoramic view as any other spot in Canada could offer. To harmonize with the new wing, it is proposed to add another story with a flat roof to that part of the building from which the proposed northern extension will spring.

There were 443 persons pardoned from Canadian penitentiaries during the year ended June 30 for various reasons, but mainly for good conduct. Of this number 173 were under the ticket-of-leave system. The remainder were released unconditionally.

Sir Charles Rivers Wilson and party passed through the city at noon today on their way to inspect the docks and elevator at Depot Harbor, Parry Sound. They will afterwards spend a week fishing and camping in Algonquin Park, and then go to the north.

Thomas Ahearn says that if the government would give its endorsement to the scheme for establishment of an ordnance factory, the company having the matter in hand will make \$1,000,000 outlay immediately, and the government will be required for a site, and the town of Prescott is anxious to furnish it.

Cost Balloonist His Life.
Utica, N. Y., Aug. 7.—William Johnson, a balloonist, made an ascent in connection with a fair in Little Falls this morning. In coming down with a parachute, the apparatus failed to work and Johnson fell upon the railway tracks. He cannot live.

AT HEAVEN'S GATE.
St. Peter—That must be a lady's maid waiting out there; I've noticed her several times looking through the keyhole. Translated for Tales from "Meggie-dorfer Blatter."

**Sweaty, Aching Feet, St. John's
Energy and Endurance, Refresh
Your Patience and Abolish Your
System.**
"Foot Elm" makes feet healthy and in
vigorous them.

FINE RACE FOR THE KING'S CUP

"Effort" the First Name on
Trophy Given by
Edward VII.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 8.—F. M. Smith's little sloop *Effort* won today's race for the king's cup. The new schooner *Queen*, owned by J. Rogers Maxwell, led the fleet at the finish, but lost the race by nine seconds on time allowance.

The race was sailed in a fine club sail breeze from the east over a 37½ mile course, 17 miles of which was a beat to windward in an embay sea.

The *Queen* led nearly the entire distance but the *Effort* reached for the finish very fast and just clinched the race.

Nine yachts started—seven schooners, three sloops and a yawl—and seven finished, the sloop *Rainbow* and the schooner *Muriel* meeting with accidents.

The race was lively, continually interesting and always in doubt. At the first turn at Hen and Chickens lightship the *Queen* was nine minutes and ten seconds ahead of the *Effort* and as she was well ahead of the others it looked as if she would win.

At Vineyard Sound, 2½ miles from the start, she had increased her lead to nearly thirteen minutes and on the run home added eight minutes more. That it lacked ten seconds of being enough to win was not due to poor handling for never was a boat driven like the *Queen*.

Three other boats followed her not long after, the sloop *Yankee*, the yawl *Vigilant*, the schooner *Elmira*, but they had all been beaten long before. But three miles from the start the *Effort* with her spinaker boom up to starboard and pulling like a building straining at his lash. Most of the yachts, knowing of the two odd minutes of time allowance due from the *Queen* to the *Effort*, hung about the finish line and waited to see if the little sloop would get there in time.

At the time the *Effort* came on with seemingly increasing speed. A mile more and still there was five minutes left.

On the committee boat the seconds were being counted off and with a minute left the *Effort* was still a few hundred yards from the line. Then came the final spurt and, picking up her heels, she tore through the water. Sprinting along the line the committee men saw her mainmast as it swung by the foremast of the lightship.

"Time," he yelled and saw that the watches while the man who was counting stopped.

Glancing down at their time pieces the committee found that there was just nine seconds to spare.

That nine seconds will probably live for many years in the memories of the yachtsmen who were present. The *Effort* had a record of 11:23.71. The receipts were \$24,142, and the total balance on hand for the year was \$6,237.56, and the expenditure \$3,418.42, leaving a balance of \$2,819.14.

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DECIDE AGAINST WORLD KILL HED DOWN SON

Grand Lodge at Sydney Also
Votes Down Educational
Scheme

**NEXT MEETING TO BE
IN ST. STEPHEN**

**Business Begun in Earnest Last Even-
ing After Pleasant Afternoon's Out-
ing—Growth Shown by the An-
nual Reports.**

Sydney, C. B., Aug. 8.—The majority of the delegates to the session of the Grand Lodge of Old Fellows this afternoon enjoyed an excursion on the harbor, others going through the steel works and others inspecting the collieries.

The business of the association began in earnest this evening when the educational scheme was warmly discussed and ultimately voted down. The proposition to establish an Old Fellows' home under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge was also defeated. The new constitution for the Grand Lodge was laid over for another year. St. Stephen was chosen as the site of the new headquarters of the organization. The invitation from that place being the only one received. The grand officers will be elected tomorrow.

The Annual Reports.

In his address, Grand Master Skinner made a number of suggestions looking towards the fostering of greater interest in lodge meetings. Among other things, he thought the grand lodge ought to add to the constitution of the subordinate lodges a programme of things to be done, questions to be discussed, and upon which essays should be prepared and read at the meetings under the head of "good and well-fare." The grand lodge, he said, ought to adopt some measures which would tend to improve the character of the officers of the lodges, and that they are expected to continue their activities in the lodge room after their term expires. He concluded by paying a high tribute to the grand secretary, D. G. Whidden, Deputy Grand Master Walker and the other deputies.

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