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## HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

W. HAMILTON LIBERALS CHOOSE MAJOR McLEAN

Liberal Standard Bearer for E. Hamilton Makes a Break at Nomination.

HAMILTON, Aug. 18.—(Special).—The West Hamilton Liberal Convention to-night had no trouble in selecting a candidate to contest the West Hamilton seat in the Dominion house, and he honor went to Major, Controller and ex-Mayor John I. McLean. It is doubtful if the Liberals could have made a better choice, for while there is little hope that their candidate will succeed in wresting the seat from the present member, Major McLean is known as a hard fighter and it is said he would rather fight T. J. Stewart than any one else in Hamilton. Whatever the outcome, the public will get a run for its money in this particular constituency.

The meeting to-night was fairly enthusiastic and addresses were delivered by Major McLean, W. M. McClelland, K.C., P. D. Crear, K.C., John Lennox, Arthur O'Hell and John Peckles, the Liberal standard bearer for East Hamilton, who made the only important statement of the evening. He stated that the Liberal Government had always legislated for the financial and industrial interests of the country rather than for the working classes. He hastened to renege himself in the good graces of his audience by saying that the reciprocity agreement was in the interests of the laboring people.

Resolutions of confidence in Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. A. G. McKay were adopted. Coroner Anderson's jury to-night found that Geo. W. Perkins, the colored race track man, who died here suddenly last Wednesday, came to his death from natural causes, heart failure being the immediate cause.

Short shift is the rule of Hamilton's police magistrate in dealing with motorists in the local police court. For driving his car at the rate of twenty-one miles an hour, Peter Christopher, a driver of this city, paid with \$20 at the request of the court and without any argument. M. J. Clancy of Toronto was charged by Constable Hazel of the local police force with hitting the high spots along the Beach at the rate of sixty miles an hour. The defendant claimed that the officer was mixed in his testimony, that the auto which was supposed to have made the blue streak was not out of the garage on the afternoon of the alleged offence. A remand of one week was granted on the case. Roy Knowlton, another Toronto man, was fined \$10 for exceeding the speed limit with his car.

**Bread Seizure.**  
A quantity of bread, which was alleged to be under the prescribed weight, was seized by Inspector Shalin this morning and summonses will be issued for the manufacturers of the loaves.

Gordon C. Wilson and W. O. Sealer, the candidates for the Westworth parliamentary seat, are still at loggerheads over their joint debates and it seems doubtful if much discussion of the burning questions of the hour can be arranged between the candidates. Mr. Wilson will address an open air meeting in Crown Point Monday night.

## A Theatre in the Palace of the Popes

The palace of the popes at Avignon is known to all the world. For a long time it has been used as barracks, and thereby suffered very considerably by alterations and constructions. Much of the interior decoration was damaged in putting up partitions, etc. Then a better state of things arose. The French Government had the place restored, and this was done with discretion, and the building was placed in the custody of the municipality of Avignon. The civic authorities wished to turn their trusteeship to account, and it seems that they are in negotiation with a theatrical manager to have performances in the historic building. When weather permits the representations will be given in the grounds, but in inclement seasons the halls are to be used for entertainments.—London Globe.

## St. Thomas and Return, \$2.15, C.P.R.

Social Order of Moose Excursion, 9.00 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22. The Social Order of Moose are making an excursion to St. Thomas Tuesday, August 22, leaving Toronto 9.00 a.m., arriving St. Thomas before noon. Fare for the round trip Toronto to St. Thomas, \$2.15. Tickets are good going special train Tuesday and are good for return all regular trains. Tuesday and Wednesday, 22 and 23. Tickets are on sale at all United Clear Stores, Moose Club, Cor. Queen and Spadina, and all C.P.R. Toronto offices, Union Street, and North Parkdale station. City Ticket Office, 16 King-street East. Phone Main 6589.

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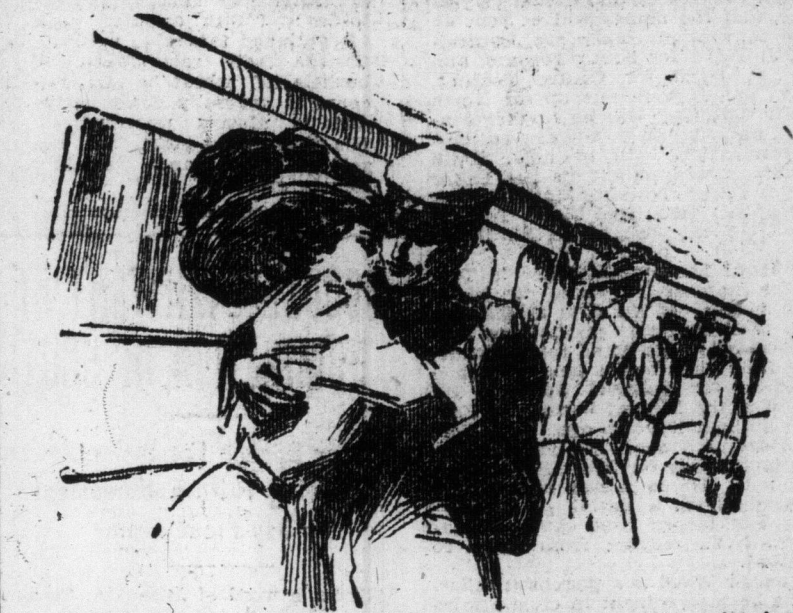
Americans do not seem to be burdened with an unlimited knowledge of their own laws regarding navigation for they have issued a letter, and sent a copy of it to all the officers in charge of their ports, in which they state that according to their law no Canadian vessel shall carry passengers out of an American port and return there to that port nor shall they carry passengers from a Canadian port to an American port and return.

How the law does read is exactly the same as the Canadian, which says that no vessel from a foreign shore shall enter a port, take an excursion party out and return without touching a port in the country to which the steamer belongs. The penalty for offending this regulation is a fine not exceeding \$300 per passenger carried. The United States authorities were moved to this action by the Turbinia carrying an excursion party out of Rochester on Saturday evenings and after taking on coal on Sunday morning to carry an excursion party of Americans down the lake to the Sand Hills. Had the steamer called at some port the unpleasantness would have been avoided. The managers of the American lines were wide awake to the intruding Canadian vessel and watched its movements very closely, with the hope that some fault might be discovered and the weekly trip be forced to come to an end. Had the Americans been right in their interpretation of the law, no boats could ply between Toronto and Lewiston, Rochester or any of the American ports where a good number of Canadian steamers now call daily.

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## CLOTHES PHILOSOPHY

Summer Thoughts on Men's Garments of the Present Day.

During the long spell of magnificent weather that has been such a notable feature of this coronation year the question of how to dress comfortably must often have perplexed the professional man confined to city life, and therefore to some extent forced to observe the conventions. Of late years there has certainly been a far less rigid adherence to these conventions than, say, 20 or 30 years ago; but the legal and medical professions at any rate have been slow to wholeheartedly adopt the new and more conservative in this respect. With regard to headgear, the ordinary silk hat of the town dweller has long been criticized; but it must be admitted that in spite of many attempts to displace it in popular favor, it remains the sine qua non for certain society functions, the not now so indispensable for many others where a short time ago it was quite compulsory. We do not understand why the white tail hat has fallen out of use; it was lighter to wear, cooler to look at, and so long as there was no black band to suggest that the wearer was in mourning for the last remnants of his respectability, its appearance was cheerful.

Straw hats, that now form so large a proportion of the summer headgear of our town population, are certainly cool and light; the soft Panama variety looks more comfortable, but not only is it much more expensive, but from a medical point of view it has a drawback. Whatever type of hat is worn the lining should be soft and elastic, so that there is no constriction anywhere round the brow; yet the Panama offers so large a surface of attack for sudden wind that it must be tight to the forehead. The air space above the head should be ventilated. Air itself is a bad conductor of heat, and if a deep layer of air is interposed between the head and the head covering this forms the best protection against the effects of sun, provided, of course, that the air layer is kept cool by free ventilation.

Altho the tall hat to some extent retains its vogue, the double-breasted frock coat has almost disappeared for daily use; but we still seem to cling to funeral black as the appropriate hue for city life. Our climate is so variable that we cannot always assume that a fine warm morning will be followed by a hot day; therefore we cannot always, at the beginning of the day, dress appropriately for the ensuing eight hours or so. When sturdier material and a loose fit, will secure comfort and protection from extremes both of heat and cold. Light colored garments are naturally cooler than dark ones as they reflect instead of absorb the sun's rays; but a permeable texture is of much more importance than color; it is necessary for health and comfort that free passage should be allowed for evaporation from the skin, inasmuch as this is the most effective physiological means of cooling the body. Dwellers in tropical countries generally wear white cotton clothing, very light in texture, being careful, however, to protect the head from the sun's direct rays by some form of turban, and the abdomen from chill by several folds of material, forming a summerbund. With our variable climate we must be cautious, even in the hottest weather, how far we imitate the habits of people whose weather is so settled one way or another as to afford no topic for conversation.

The male garments of the present day, save where a ceremonial occasion or a professional convention alters the circumstances, are loose in texture, not tightly fitting, and not necessarily dark in color. They are hygienically reasonable and practically well adapted for the requirements of ordinary life, and we rejoice in the emancipation from actual discomfort that is implied in them for many of our readers.—The Lancet.

## A Scotch Marriage.

By the act of 1886 the parties sign in the presence of two witnesses a declaration that they take each other as husband and wife. They then present a petition to the sheriff, asking him to certify that they have been married, and that one or both of them had their usual residence in Scotland before the marriage, or had resided there for 31 days preceding it. This petition may be presented within three months of the declaration constituting the marriage, but is usually presented within three hours. The sheriff thereupon grants a warrant to the registrar to register the marriage. The registration can be completed at once. The whole procedure only takes an hour or two and the cost is only a few shillings. On the eve of the new year and summer holidays there is a constant procession of newly married couples and their witnesses to the sheriff in Glasgow. The suitors are principally drawn from the artisan classes and the classes below them, but there is usually a sprinkling of a better class.—The Spectator.

## Cause Expensive.

The traveler took out a patent cigar lighter. "What's that thing on that?" asked a man sitting near, whose attention had been caught by something about "Republique Francaise" stamped on the metal. "That," said the owner of the lighter, "is the stamp of the French Government. You know matches are a state monopoly in France and if you carry and into the country you are liable to a tax of a franc for each match found on your person. Well, since cigar lighters have come into vogue the customs authorities over there have been very active over them and if they find one in your effects they send you a heavy duty on it and you must either have it stamped or give it up to them. I paid a ridiculous price for this in Paris, the duty, as I told you, being based on the number of times one can light a cigar or cigarette with it, but it is so much superior to French matches that I haven't regretted it."

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