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BETTER ROADS ARE GREATLY NEEDED GUILTY MURDER LIBERAL WINS

Practical Ideas On How to Do It

Municipalities Union a Unit for Reform in Road-Making

President Siddall Condemns Practice of Appointing Political Superintendents—Tax Reform Advocated—Convention Closed After Very Profitable Discussion On Live Questions.

Special to The Telegraph. St. Stephen, Oct. 24.—The seventh annual convention of the Union of New Brunswick Municipalities closed this afternoon after one of the most successful sessions in the history of the organization. Although the attendance was not as large as expected it was realized that this is the busy season with many of the municipalities. The papers read before the convention have been of an exceptionally high order and clearly showed that the members were anxious to learn anything that would be a benefit to the communities they represent.

The paper by Dr. Kierstead, professor of economics at the University of New Brunswick, on taxation, was very timely and gave to those present many new ideas in regard to this important subject. Dr. Murray MacLaren's paper on Sanitation dealt with matters of the ordinary and showed that the public health was of vital importance. M. G. Siddall, councillor of Westmorland, outlined how the roads could be improved.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Ald. W. E. Farrell, of Fredericton, president; Thomas Murray, town clerk of St. John, vice-president; J. W. McCurdy, city clerk of Fredericton, honorary secretary-treasurer. The executive was selected as follows: Mayor Belyas, Newcastle; Ald. K. C. H. Jones, Woodville; Mayor Frink, St. John; ex-Warden McMullin, York county; Councillor White, Campbellton; Councillor Hiltz, Millville; J. King Kelly, K. C. H. Jones, Woodville; Councillor Black, Sackville; Ald. Price, Moncton; and Ald. Wallace, Sussex.

The union was invited by Mayor Robinson of Moncton, to meet next year in the railway town and the invitation was accepted.

The retiring officers and those newly elected gave short speeches of appreciation. Mayor Frink, of St. John, was first nominated for the presidency, but on account of business asked to have his name withdrawn. Dr. W. C. Kierstead and Dr. Murray MacLaren were elected as honorary members to the union.

The thank of the convention was tendered the officials and people of the town of St. Stephen, the press, the New Brunswick Telephone Co., Ltd., and George Bros., Ltd., for courtesies extended.

Better Roads Wanted. M. G. Siddall, of Westmorland, opened the discussion on good roads. He said that he had obtained many of his ideas from "Good Roads" Campbell, and he pointed out that good drainage was the most essential part in the building of good roads.

He cited instances where improvements could be made by simply obtaining proper drainage. He advised the use of tiles on the high side of the road for this purpose. Good main road makers were also a factor in good road making, and he said those present not to appoint friends who had given a vote in a recent election as road officials because in many cases these were not qualified as road makers. He said that a man who had been a failure at farming and other work is not usually fit for a job of this kind. Members of road committees should also keep a close watch on all road work in their district.

He spoke of the unreliability of the ordinary small bridge or crossover and advised the building of good culverts on a solid foundation so that the frost may not be able to damage them. Other members of the union who spoke in support of the people in New Brunswick did not know the present assessment law was any good or not, as in practically all cases the assessors are not fitted for the position. He told of instances that had come to his notice where properties had not been properly assessed.

Road Expert Needed. J. King Kelly advocated an expert road builder as a provincial officer. It would be the duty of this man to travel over the province, advising and teaching the local road masters how to make roads suitable for the different sections.

Other members of the convention endorsed the ideas expressed by those two speakers. The following resolution was then passed: "Resolved, that this union believe that the government of New Brunswick should employ an official skilled in road construction who will devote his time exclusively to the highways of the province."

It was also thought that a road patrol system as in vogue in some of the other provinces would be a benefit here and it was resolved that the highway act should be so amended as to provide for the (Continued on page 8, seventh column)

118 TEACHERS MEET IN SUSSEX

Kings and Queens Counties Institute Holds Its Annual Session

A YEAR OF PROGRESS

President Wetmore Dwells on Educational Improvements—Addresses Delivered by Chief Superintendent Carter, Chancellor Jones and Other Educators—Funeral of George H. White Largely Attended.

Special to The Telegraph. Sussex, N. B., Oct. 24.—Fair weather greeted the opening of the twenty-ninth annual session of the Teachers' Institute which is being held in the Sussex High school here. About 118 teachers from various districts of Kings and Queens counties are in attendance. President Chas. T. Wetmore was in the chair. The meeting opened with a chorus from the pupils of the Sussex school, with Miss Bessie A. Parker at the piano.

The enrollment fee was fixed at thirty cents. The following committees were appointed by the chair: Nominating, R. P. Steeves, Morris E. Smith, Ruth Thibault, B. C. Archie and Margaret Burgess; audit, Grace Aiton, Hattie L. McMurray and Eunice Allaby; resolution, N. S. Fraser, R. B. Masterton and Herbert Logan.

President C. T. Wetmore in his opening address dwelt on the progress made along educational lines throughout the counties in the past year, among which were school gardens, advances in nature study and physical drill.

Chief Superintendent W. S. Carter, Chancellor Jones, of the U. N. B. Inspector R. P. Steeves and Dr. G. U. Hay gave short addresses.

Miss Bessie Parker, of the Sussex school, gave an excellent lesson in music and A. J. Brooks, B. A., read a carefully prepared paper on Soil and the Plants.

At the afternoon session the institute divided into sections, primary, intermediate, advanced, trustee and taxpayer for the various work assigned to them. At the close of this session the teachers and visitors were invited to a social hour in the vestry of the Methodist church, where refreshments were served by the Sussex school staff.

This evening a public meeting was held in which the assembly hall was comfortably filled. The first on the programme was a concert solo by J. A. Perkins, then an address of welcome by Mayor C. H. Perry, followed by a vocal sextette by W. H. Plummer, J. D. McKenna, Mr. Wellington, Harry Black, Miss Bessie Parker and Miss Della Dyer.

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The funeral of the late George H. White was held this afternoon and was largely attended. Many floral tributes were sent. Service was held at the Avenue Baptist church, conducted by Rev. W. Camp, of St. John, assisted by Rev. Mr. Mitchell. Interment was made at the Mount Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Mr. White, White and George White, sons of the deceased; George Morrison and Arthur Keith.

Twice during the afternoon the jury coincided with Justice Goff. Once it asked for the stipulations made by the state with the four informers, Rose, Weber, Vallon, and Scheppe, and Scheppe's letter to Rose written by the little gambler at Hot Springs (Ark.) and expressing his willingness to testify.

The second time the jury wanted the testimony of persons who talked with Scheppe in Hot Springs. The first request was granted, the second, because portions of the testimony taken at Hot Springs had been excluded from the evidence by the court.

Scheppe, in view of the court's charge, apparently was much in the jury's mind. The prisoner's destiny was delivered into the jury's hands at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon after a three-hour charge by Justice Goff, which Becker characterized as distinctly unfair and "a thin veiled attempt to put the state's case upon a debatable point." John F. McIntyre, declined to comment. To do so, he said, would place him in contempt of court.

Stripped of the legal verbiage, as it came from the careful lips of Justice Goff, the charge was in effect a ruling that the guilty innocence of the prisoner rested almost solely upon the debatable point as to whether Sam Scheppe was an accomplice to the crime. "Dapper little Scheppe, when arrested at Hot Springs, stilled himself the 'Keystone of the arch.' As an accomplice he was charged more truly than he knew. The court himself was inhibited as to what he could say. The judge charged the

Remanded For Sentence

Took the Verdict Coolly, But His Wife Fell in a Swoon in Court—Jury Ten Hours Reaching a Decision—Judge Charged Strongly Against the Prisoner.

Canadian Press. New York, Oct. 24.—Police Lieutenant Charles Becker was found guilty tonight of murder in the first degree by the jury which has been trying him for instigating the death of Herman Rosenthal, the gambler.

The verdict was "Murder in the first degree" and was pronounced exactly at midnight. Becker was remanded for sentence to the Tombs by Justice Goff until Oct. 30.

Becker did not flinch when he heard the verdict pronounced by Harold B. Skinner, foreman of the jury. Mrs. Becker, sitting outside the door of the court room, fell in a swoon when the verdict was announced.

John F. McIntyre, Becker's chief counsel, announced that he would take an immediate appeal, but added before this he had nothing to say.

The twelve jurors, with solemn faces and heavy-lidded eyes, filed into the courtroom at 11:55 o'clock. A minute later the defendant was brought in. Justice Goff had not yet entered the room and for a moment Becker took a side seat.

The faces of the jurors, but one of them returned his gaze. A tense silence prevailed. At 11:58 Justice Goff entered the courtroom and, bowing to a social hour in the vestry of the Methodist church, where refreshments were served by the Sussex school staff.

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BULGARIANS WIN A GREAT VICTORY

Capture a Turkish Stronghold After Three Days of Desperate Fighting and Report They Have Taken 50,000 Prisoners—Constantinople Admits Defeat—Adrianople Now Likely to Fall and the Road is Open to Sultan's Capital.

Canadian Press. London, Oct. 24.—A three-day battle and a Bulgarian turning movement has resulted, according to Sofia accounts, in the fall of Kirk-Kiliseh and the capture of the Turkish garrison, numbering 50,000 men. That so many Turks have been taken is regarded as improbable and the more likely reports is that the Turks retreated in the direction of Bannahissar to the southeast.

The capture of this stronghold, to which the Turks attached almost the same importance as to Adrianople, was confirmed tonight from Constantinople in an official communication explaining that the Turkish army at Kirk-Kiliseh in attempting to retreat to the Greek, Serbian, Russian and British legations, the palace and military club. In front of each of the national army was sung and cheers were given. A party of boy scouts headed one of the processions and the Greek minister was carried through the street on the shoulders of some of the enthusiastic demonstrators. Church bells were rung and the whole city was lit up with flags. Masses will be celebrated throughout the kingdom tomorrow for the Bulgarians who have fallen in the fighting and thanksgiving services for the success of the Bulgarian army.

In other directions both the Serbians and the Turks claim great victories at Kumanova. The Serbians declaring they have captured the town and the Turks claiming that they have razed the enemy. Late reports indicate that the fighting is still proceeding in the direction of the Greek consul.

The Greeks are operating from Arta towards Jazina Metehche and the neighborhood of Grimbova.

Servians Win Three-Days Battle. Belgrade, Oct. 24.—Official announcement was made here tonight that the Servian forces have occupied Novigrad, Pristina, Kumanova, Kratovo and Kotchanska.

Detachments of the Servian army entered Kumanova this afternoon after annihilating Turkish batteries. The fighting around that town lasted three days.

Another Defeat for Turks. Sofia, Oct. 24.—In an engagement today at Marashat the junction of the Miritos and Arda rivers, close to Adrianople, the Bulgarians were attacked by 8,000 Turks. After an hour of heavy artillery and rifle fire the Turks were defeated and fled in disorder, leaving the field strewn with dead and wounded. The Bulgarians captured 300 prisoners, a dozen quick-firers, and quantities of ammunition.

Many Turks drowned themselves in the Arda river because they believed the Bulgarians massacred their prisoners.

Greeks King Off to Capture Town. Athens, Oct. 24.—The king and queen left yesterday aboard the royal yacht for Volo, Thessaly, and from there will go to Larissa. The king will proceed to the town of Servia, which has just been taken by the Greeks.

Turks Admit Defeat. Constantinople, Oct. 24.—A Turkish defeat east of Tundis, in the Kirk-Kiliseh district, is now admitted here. An attempt is made, however, to minimize its importance by representing it as an unsuccessful Turkish movement, which owed its failure to the detachment having encountered the Bulgarians in the direction of the river.

The Bulgarians apparently left a covering force in front of Adrianople and attempted to work to the rear to menace the communications. The Ottoman government has decided to increase the import duty from 11 to 14 per cent owing to the requirements of the war.

Russian Crown Prince to Undergo Operation. St. Petersburg, Oct. 24.—Dr. Ramm, a noted surgeon, has been summoned to Spala for consultation over the condition of Crown Prince Alexis. The crown prince is suffering from an injury to the groin and an abscess has formed which will probably necessitate an operation.

Sir MacKenzie Powell's Condition. Toronto, Oct. 24.—Sir MacKenzie Powell, who sustained injuries by falling down stairs at the Albany Club on Tuesday, is now in a favorable light. This morning his temperature and pulse were normal, respiration 24. Charles J. Powell, of Belleville, is in attendance on his father.

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WOODSTOCK PAIR ARE DIVORCED

Mrs. Amanda J. Johnson Freed from Husband in Boston Court

A CLERICAL SINNER. Wife of Rev. Ernest W. Hunt Tires of Supporting Her Husband and His Female "Mental Retard." and Has the Marital Knot Untied.

Special to The Telegraph. Boston, Oct. 24.—A divorce was granted to Mrs. Lilla M. Hunt by the superior court today in the ground of infidelity on the part of Rev. Ernest W. Hunt, formerly Episcopal rector of Bangor (Me.). The Hunts were married at Waltham (Ont.) in 1891.

Mrs. Hunt told the court that four years ago her husband was pastor of the Wollaston Unitarian church, although he was an Episcopal clergyman. She said that he did not get along well with his congregation and when he brought a young woman to his home, she scandal caused the parishioners to ask for his resignation.

Since that time she said that he refused the offers of work made him, saying that they were beneath his dignity.

Mrs. Hunt testified that she objected to the young woman's presence in the house but that her husband said he needed her as a "mental retard."

Mrs. Hunt told the court that she was forced to take in boarders to support her husband and his woman friend and that when she at last declined to do so she and her young woman friend were evicted from Boylston street, where the woman took in dressmaking.

The Episcopal church records show that Hunt was deposed from priesthood in 1908. A divorce was granted to a Woodstock (N. B.) couple by the court. Amanda J. Johnson and John J. McLean Johnson were married in Woodstock in September, 1890, and came to Boston five years ago. They lived together for some time until the husband went to Berlin, Columbia. The wife testified that her husband used to swear at her and frequently told her to get out, that he did not want her any longer and he also threatened to kill her. Johnson was a street railway conductor.

Seven-year-old Colored Child Ran Away from Mother to Escape Punishment and Hasn't Been Seen Since.

Special to The Telegraph. Sherbrooke, N. S., Oct. 24.—On Tuesday at noon a colored girl, aged seven years, from Goldenville, having been threatened with punishment for a trifling mistake by her mother, ran out of the house and crossed the highway into some low undergrowth.

The mother followed the child across the road for about fifty yards along a foot path when the little one vanished. The mother returned to the house and stood in the doorway for some time calling the child to come back and getting no response, she went about her work.

Another child reports seeing the little wanderer on the highway 300 yards from its home. The child has not been seen since. As dark a general alarm was sent out and the male population engaged in a night-long search without result. Yesterday the mills at Sherbrooke were shut down and every man in the village with his gun in hand joined in the search again without result. This morning the search was resumed and when darkness fell, although the country had been secured for miles by teams and men on foot, not the slightest clue to the child's whereabouts had been found.

COMMANDER OF THE CZAR'S YACHT SUICIDES. St. Petersburg, Oct. 24.—Rear Admiral Chagin, commander of the Emperor of Russia's yacht Standard, committed suicide at the residence yesterday. The cause of his act is unknown.

It was reported at the time of the recent trouble among the sailors of the Russian Black Sea fleet that they had arranged a plot to seize the Standard while the emperor and the imperial family were being conveyed from Malha to Sebastopol. A large number of bluecoats were taken arrested.

LIBERAL WINS IN RICHELIEU

Cardin Elected By 301 Majority

Tory Bribery Fails to Turn Constituency From Laurier

Sir Rodolphe Forget Promised in the Name of the Government to Build a Railway if They Would Return a Conservative—Incidentally He Lost a \$5,000 Bet.

Canadian Press. Sorel, Que., Oct. 24.—The election for the house of commons to fill the vacancy for the county of Richelieu caused by the unseating of the sitting member, took place today and resulted in the return of Arthur Cardin, Liberal, by a majority of 301, the completion of the division thus remaining unchanged.

Sorel gave Cardin a majority of 264; St. Joseph, 43; St. Charles, 45; Sorel, 17; St. Louis, 47; St. Arme, 48; Marie, 14. E. A. D. Morgan, the Conservative candidate, obtained majorities in St. Ann, 22; St. Pierre, 25; St. Roch, 5, and St. Vastier, 118, leaving Cardin's net majority 301.

Railway Bribe Fails. Montreal, Oct. 24.—Tuesday night Sir Rodolphe Forget took a hand in the contest, and said in part: "I pledge my word of honor that if you elect Mr. Morgan on Thursday the marine railway will be voted during the parliamentary session which will open next month. And if the government does not keep the promise, which was made to me in writing, I sympathize with Mr. Morgan to resign his seat, and I know he will do so."

Sir Rodolphe declared he had seen the Hon. Mr. Rogers and that the minister had given him a written promise binding the government. He also stated that eleven Conservative members of parliament would be invited to assist Mr. Morgan in the fight.

Sir Rodolphe also made a wager of \$5,000 that the Tory candidate would win.

VALLEY ROAD BULGARIANS START FOR HOME

Woodstock Store Burglarized—Fox Ranch For Carleton County—Inquest Into Death of Norman Williams.

Special to The Telegraph. Woodstock, N. B., Oct. 24.—Coroner Lindsay has summoned a jury and will hold an inquest to inquire into the death of Norman Williams, who was killed on the C. P. R. last night. The family of the deceased will be represented by counsel and the inquest will take place Friday at 2 o'clock. Awaiting the arrival of relatives the internment will not take place until Sunday afternoon. Much sympathy is felt for the family in the tragic death of the young man.

A bold robbery was committed last night when the store of J. O. O'Brien was broken into and over \$100 worth of goods stolen, in addition to the money in the cash drawer. There is no definite clue to the robbers, but the police are watching several suspicious characters who have been in town for the past week.

A fox ranch is to be established here in which local, New York, and Montreal capitalists are interested. Fumor says the undertaking will be on a big scale and the promoters have every confidence in its turning out all right.

Several Bulgarians employed on the Valley Railway passed through town yesterday on their way to the seat of war in the Balkans. All the expenses of the trip were paid by themselves and they are filled with enthusiasm at the thoughts of being able to fight for their native land. The spokesman of the party said they did not care for the money consideration and gladly returned to do what they could against the Turkish government. The persecution and tyranny of the Turks has filled them with a desire to avenge some of the wrongs of their country.

Tory Candidate in Carleton. Ottawa, Oct. 24.—Alderman W. F. Garland, of Ottawa, was the choice of the Liberal-Conservative Association of the county of Carleton which met in convention at Stittville today to appoint a member to contest the riding for the federal seat made vacant by the death of Edward Kidd, M. P.

Lady Mulock in Long Mulock State. Toronto, Oct. 24.—Lady Mulock, wife of Chief Justice Sir William Mulock, who underwent an operation at the Wellesley Hospital on Thursday is in a critical condition, according to the statement of the house physician of the hospital.