

FIFTEEN KILLED ON INTERURBAN NEAR VANCOUVER

FIRST GUNS FIRED AT SPRING RIDGE

Liberal Candidates Open Their Campaign--Rousing Meeting Addressed by Drury, Munn, Houston and Morley.

A meeting in the interests of the Liberal candidates held in Odd Fellows' hall, Spring Ridge, on Tuesday proved a decided success from every standpoint.

Mr. Munn was the first speaker, and on rising he was splendidly received. He believed the issues of the campaign to be, first, the record of the McBride government; second, the moral question; and, third, the railway proposals which the government had brought down.

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extent of \$35,000 per mile. What the people of Victoria wanted and what the people of Vancouver Island wanted was a railway running through the length of the island, with connection with a transcontinental system on the mainland; and it would be unfair to the rest of the island if the people of Victoria were to endorse this project at this time--a project which in any event would discriminate against the large section of the island clamoring for a comprehensive railway policy.

As to the record of the government, said the speaker, it was a record of promises. (Applause). Mr. McBride had promised to do "something" for Victoria, but up to the present nothing had been done.

Mr. L. Drury, the next speaker, was greeted with tremendous enthusiasm when he rose to deliver his address. He began with his great popularity amongst the workmen in Spring Ridge, who were present in large numbers.

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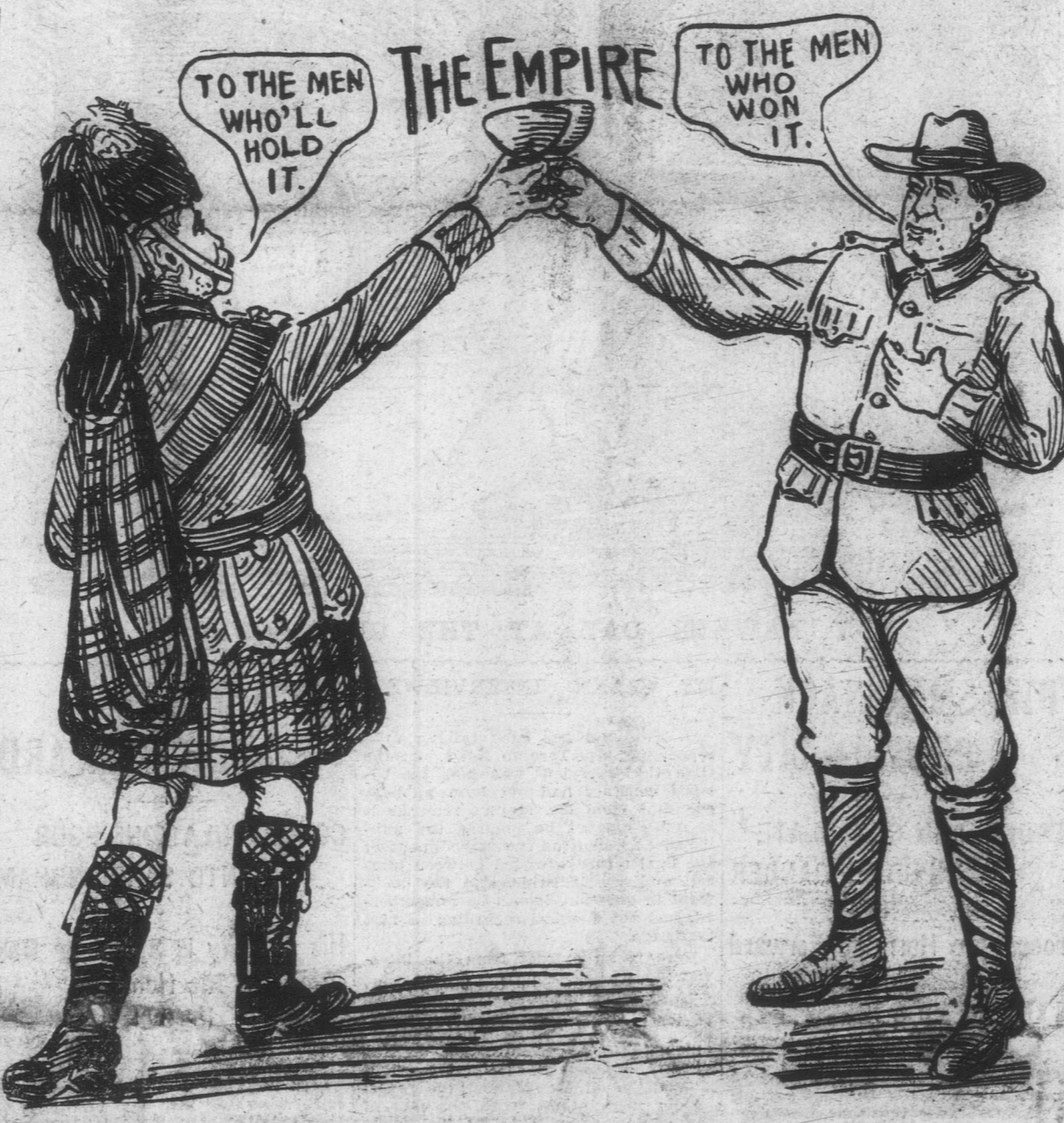
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IN MEMORY OF A GLORIOUS DAY. (INKERMAN, NOV. 5, 1864.)

CANNOT GIVE MORTGAGE EXCEEDING \$15,000 A MILE

Canadian Northern Railway's Power is Restricted By Conditions Governing Issue of Perpetual Consolidated Debenture Stock.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Nov. 10.—The Free Press this morning points out that the Perpetual Consolidated Debenture stock of the Canadian Northern railway, which amounted a year ago to over twenty-four million dollars, is secured by a second mortgage on the entire system, with the further provision that the Canadian Northern cannot give a first mortgage to any province in excess of fifteen thousand dollars a mile.

TOURIST POSSIBILITIES OF CROW'S NEST PASS

Canadian Pacific Official Says Travel is Rapidly Increasing.

(Special to the Times.)

Nelson, Nov. 8.—C. E. McPherson of Winnipeg, assistant general passenger agent of the C.P.R., while here attending the sitting of the railway commission met by E. A. Starkey and E. K. Beeson, president and secretary of the board of trade, with whom he had a conference.

land or money subsidies) of the company subject to the Ontario division bonds and to charges created or to be created not exceeding \$10,000 per mile of line other than the 287 miles in Ontario or \$15,000 per mile if guaranteed by the parliament of the Dominion or the legislatures of any of the provinces of Canada.

The Free Press says that this makes it impossible for the Canadian Northern to give British Columbia a mortgage for more than fifteen thousand dollars a mile, while the additional promised "charge upon the whole system" cannot be better than a third mortgage.

WILL PROSECUTE KETCHEL IN BURNING MINE

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 9.—The local Japanese colony has engaged Attorney Joseph Greeley to prosecute Stanley Ketchel, the middleweight champion prize fighter, who Sunday ran down and injured M. Origarba with his new \$6,000 automobile.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Nov. 10.—Labor delegates from Hosmer, Michel and Fernie met here last night for the purpose of organizing the Independent Labor Party of British Columbia and to nominate a candidate for this riding.

THE KING TO HIS SOLDIERS

"The British Campaigners, Victoria, B. C.: "The King thanks the British Campaigners of Victoria, B. C. for their loyal good wishes and congratulations."

LABOR DELEGATES ENDORSE OLIVER

WILL SUPPORT LIBERAL CANDIDATE AT FERNIE

Decided Not to Put Man in Field Against Mr. Fisher.

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MINERS IMPRISONED IN BURNING MINE

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Nov. 10.—Nine ladies already have been recovered from the Achingsass colliery of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Coal-Company's plant at Nanticoke, where a number of men were shut in last night following Monday's explosion.

Between five and ten persons still are missing and it is feared that they are dead. Although the fire still is burning fiercely, it is believed to be under control.

RUNAWAY CAR DASHES INTO PASSENGER COACH

Occupants Have No Time to Escape and All Are Buried Beneath Mass of Lumber and Wreckage.

THE DEAD.

- T. Bowes, Grandview. E. S. Lyons. T. Farmer. J. F. Stevens. J. Pachin, 1852 Third avenue, Grandview. J. H. Crowther, 112 Sixth avenue East. William Johnson, conductor. W. Stevens. T. E. Holland. George Thorborn, motorman, 110 Odium Drive. S. M. Mitchell, 241 Keefer.

A. S. Wilkinson, Williams street. Harry Dayton, of Ross and Howard's foundry. Thomas Tuttle, or Turtle. Charles Harris, extra conductor, died in hospital.

THE INJURED.

- F. Carty, of New Westminster. George Traford. Thomas E. Jackson. J. W. Rushton. C. W. Carlsen. Robert Forsythe. W. T. Hains. M. Zimmerman.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Nov. 10.—Fifteen men were killed and eight injured in an accident which occurred about 6:30 o'clock this morning on the New Westminster lines of the British Columbia Electric railway.

Various accounts of the accident are given, but all details seem to tally in one respect. A heavy car, loaded with big timbers, broke away from a train which was proceeding ahead of the 6:10 Interurban car from Vancouver at the incline at a point between Lakeview and Collingwood stations. The runaway came with terrific momentum on the passenger car and swept everything clean down to the level of the seats. There were about 25 people in the car and not one had a real chance to escape.

According to one of the injured, who gave a short interview with a reporter, Motorman Thorborn yelled a warning to the passengers as he saw the big car bearing down on him and then tried to jump to safety. He was caught by the runaway and the life crushed out of him. His dead body has been brought to the city with others and are at the local undertakers.

The bodies of the victims are so terribly mutilated as to be unrecognizable. The victims were identified by articles on the remains.

The injured are being cared for at the general hospital. Carty and Traford were reported at 1 o'clock to be in a very serious condition. The injuries of the others are not likely to prove fatal.

A. Johnston, who assisted in extracting the dead and injured from the wreck, was returning home from his work at the time of the accident. He had got off the car which was in the smash-up and was proceeding south on the Cedar Cottage road when he heard an awful crash.

"All was still for a moment," said Mr. Johnston, "then I heard cries and moans and at once knew that a collision had taken place.

"I hastened to the scene as quickly as possible, proceeding along the track. It was still almost dark, but the sight that met my eyes was indescribable. A coldness passed over me like a flash and for a moment I stood paralyzed. Afterwards I, along with others, who began arriving at the scene, commenced lifting the timber and wreckage off those whom we saw pinned down. There were so many cries for help all at the same time we hardly knew where to start first.

"The heavy 12 by 12 timbers were piled and scattered all over the injured, which took the many willing workers what seemed like hours to clear away. We took out twelve bodies up till the time that I was forced to abandon the rescue work through exhaustion.

"I think that everything was done by the company officials that was possible.

Others who arrived immediately after the wreck felt much the same story. Rev. Mr. Madill and family live directly opposite the place where the

accident happened. His daughters heard the crash, which shook the house and on looking out of the windows, saw what had taken place. They all hurriedly dressed themselves and assisted in the work of rescue.

George Scott, who lives opposite the scene of the accident was just getting down to breakfast when the accident occurred. He said:

"I heard a crash, jumped up and it seemed as if I could see dimly outlined near. The top of the car had been torn off by the lumber which had forced the mass of men into a very small space, it seemed only a couple of yards square. Moaning and crying and occasional shrieking added to the horror of the scene.

"It must have taken us quite 20 minutes before we could get enough of the lumber off to liberate any of the poor wretches. I shall never forget the ghastliness of the scene when we did. One man badly hurt was lying unable to stir. A dead man was across his neck and another dead man across his chest. The eyes of another poor fellow were full of clotted blood—not his own—so that he could not see. They had all been jammed into a solid mass where dead and dying and injured lay helplessly.

A broken coupling on the freight car caused the accident, according to the crew. They had left the lumber car on the main line and gone into a siding to get an empty car. When they returned they shunted into the standing car and coupled, but the momentum broke the coupling and sent the car down the slope.

D. McDonough, motorman of the freight car, Fred Wiggins, conductor, and W. Bowes, brakeman, are being detained by the police.

CONDUCTOR FORMERLY EMPLOYED IN VICTORIA

William Johnston was married to Miss Berridge, of Victoria, a sister of W. W. Berridge, employed at the Melrose company, Fort street. He worked on the car of the local company for some time and afterwards went to Vancouver and later to New Westminster, where his wife resides at present.

CANADA'S RECORD GROWTH OF TRADE

Stands Second in World in Comparative Increase in Past Decade.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Nov. 10.—The annual report of the trade and commerce department shows that during the decade, from 1898 to 1908, Canada led the world with the exception of Argentina in the comparative increase in trade.

During the preceding decade Canada ranked third in respect to trade growth, Argentina ranked first and Japan second. Japan now ranks third.

COMMITTED TO ASYLUM.

Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 10.—William Macklem, the young man who on Friday night created a sensation by threatening to shoot his sweetheart, Minnie O'Connor, and then take his own life, has been committed to an insane asylum.

THREE YEARS FOR PERJURY.

Toronto, Nov. 10.—Morris Levy, of Hamilton, was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary for perjury.



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LIST KILLED. Cal., Nov. 5.—Coasting on a hill last night on- ies Westcott, a wealthy builder, collided with an- ho is not known, and who- hill. Westcott was hur- and sustained a head- skull. He died early to- ed Cross Guild hospital.