WEEKLY SUN, ST JOHN, N. B., SEPTEMBER 22, 1897

Opened by Laurier. Canada's International Exhibition In Full Blast.

President Pitfield's Address and the Premier's Reply.

Sir Wilfrid Makes a Thorough Inspection of the Goods in the Various Buildings.

Large Crowd Listens to the Premier's Reply to W. C. Pitfield's Address.

The Reception That Night and the Names of Those Who Were Presented to Sir Wilfrid and Colleagues.

Canada having the desired effect of ducts of the farm and worksh Canada having the desired effect of materially enlarging the attendance, though not to the extent anticipated by very sanguine people. The wea-ther had something, however, to do with that, as the frequent showers kept many away. kept many away.

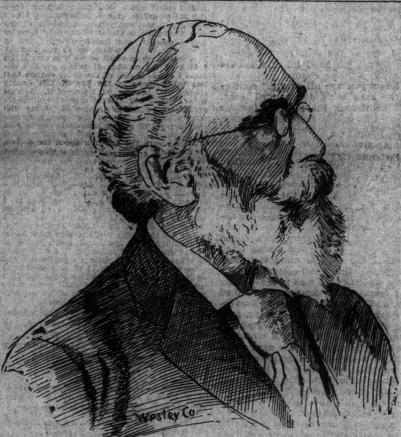
The gates were opened to the public at nine o'clock in the morning, but it was not until pretty well along to-wards high noon that the presence of wards high noon that the presence or wistors in any quantity was percept-fible in the buildings and the grounds. The early hours were taken full ad-wantage of by those exhibitors who were behind with their displays, and much was accomplished in a short

The first great event of the day was the arrival shortly after three o'clock of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who was ac-companied by the Hon. Mr. Tarte an Hon. Mr. Tarte an of at the entrand from the 62nd Fu d of Capt. Kaye. A



the grounds on which were erected have handsomely responded, so we The exhibition is now in full blast. Opening day was a pronounced suc-cess, the presence of the premier of and to hold exhibitions of the proare enabled to present to the public today this magnificent exhibition. To assist in defraying the cost of

We must give credit for a considerable portion of our success this year to the enterprising public spirit of the railway lines connecting with our city. Early in the season the Can-adian Pacific railway gave us assur-ance of the most liberal arrangement for the handling of stock and go for the exhibition, and later the same company have given us cheap pa



power to forward our interests. The Boston and Maine have granted us generous rates. The same may be said of the International Steamship Com-pany. and the boats plying on the River St. John.

pany. and the boats plying on the River St. John. In attempting to carry on these an-nual exhibitions, we feel that we have a great work and a patriotic duty to perform. We hope by this means to assist in stimulating our manufactur-ers and industrial establishments, to encourage the farmer and the artisan for the purpose of inducing the first to raise better grops and more of them, the raising of larger and better locks and herds; in brief, to give ma-terial assistance in the development of this young country, and the latter of this young country, and the latter (that is the artisan) to instill in him that feeling of generous rivalry that year by year he will endeavor to do better than in the past, and finally to

display the products and resources of this country to the world. As we admit exhibits from, and offer prizes to the people of the whole dominion, we hope and trust that at no distant day we shall be regarded as a dominion exhibition and be awarded dominion assistance.

As agriculture is the chief employ-ment of our people, I am glad to no-tice a marked improvement in our agricultural and dairy products, our agricultural and dairy products, our obcesse industries assuming marked proportions in the same way, and with care as to quality, color and uniform-ity, so can our butter exports be very largely increased and become largely profitable to our farmers, where it will command that even course, where it will command that ever open cash market, the mother land. All that is necessary for our farmers is to put up their goods in such a way as will suit that goods in such a way as will suit that market, where they will meet an ever ready demand for their goods. The introduction of cold storage will give an impetus to the exports of fresh



meats, fruits, eggs and many other lines of perishable goods. I am pleased to botice that the prices of many of the agricultural pro-ducts show an advance in price, and an increasing demand. I trust our farmers one and all will have a series of prognerous years I desire to thank the ma

n council for a grant this year. arry to announce that the prov-overnment could not see their

I feel that I must refer to the death of a gentleman who, from the organ-ization, was an active officer of the association, who took a deep interest in the organization of our association, nd upon him rested much of the re-ponsibility of the exhibitions of 1890-1891, who occupied the position of manager and secretary and afterwards vice-president of the association. His efforts were always in the best interests of the association and the city. I refer to Ira Cornwall, whose untimely death so recently stirred the hearts of all our citizens. The hoave I appreciate to its fullest extent is that I have the privilege as chief executive officer of this associa-tion to introduce to my fellow citizens



HON. W. S. FIELDING. Minister of Finance

Canada's gifted, eloquent and loyal son. In his own words he comes not on political lines but as the premier on political lines but as the premier of us all. After his tour of the past summer to the great mother land his royal reception in the great heart of the greatest empire the world has ever seen, after his recent honors from her most gracious majesty, the Queen, after his tour through the land of his ancestors, after receiving honors and hospitality in Paris the magnificent, after his tour through and under the azure hued skies of Italy, his recep-tion by the holy father, his holiness the pope, the head of a great Christian the pope, the near of a great one gran-church, after all the pomp, the gran-deur and magnificence he has seen, he returns to us, and in memorable vords, worthy of a place in history words, worthy of a place in history and worthy of acceptance and emula-tion by the Canadian people, he says "he loves Canada best of all." Ladies and gentlemen, I have much pleasure in introducing to you the Right Honorable Sir Wilfrid Laurier, M. P., G. C. M. G., premier of the do-minion of Canada

SIR WILFRID LAURIER

SIR WILFRID LAURIER was received with three hearty cheers. He expressed the pleasure it gave him to be entrused with the agreeable duty of orening this international ex-hibition. True, as Mr. Pitfield had stated, it was at some inconvenience to himself, but when the telegrams from Mr. Ellis, M. P., were supplemen-ted by Col. Tucker's bodily presence, he instantly surrendered. Whatever thought he might have had of par-sonal inconvenience, it had disappear-ed today before the warmth and occsonal inconvenience, it had disappear ed today before the warmth and con diality of his reception. He had seen St. John before. He had read a great deal about the city. But until today, when he saw it for the first time, he when he saw it for the first time, he had no conception of the magnitude of St. John harbor. He was glad to see present at the opening of the exhi-tion such a representative assembly from, he had been informed, all parts of the province, lawyers, doctors, far-mers and especially the ladies. (Ap-plause.) He had not yet seen the ex-hibits in the buildings, but he felt that if there was not a prize for beauty there was something wanting in the there was something wanting in the exhibition. (Applause and laughter.) Sir Wilfrid next referred to the St. John river as the rival of the Hudson and second only to the magnificent and unique St. Lawrence. He was orry that such a great country as New Brunswick had not retained its population, and while he felt that the sident of the Exhibition Associaeye as to the causes of the de-crease, he was positive that all present, conservatives and liberals, were agreed as to the necessity for a remedy, and in holding that every child born in Canada should give his life labor to his native country. When he was a boy he had seen a coin from the maritime provinces, he could not say it was a New Brunswick coin, that hore the motto "Ships and Free Trade." Of free trade he would say Trade." Of free trade he would say nothing today. [Laughter.) But there could be no better place than St. John in which to talk about ships. Thanks to the energy of the pepople of St. John, there had been a revival of busi-ness, and a successful beginning made in taking away from American ports the Canadian trade which had been soing that way to Europe. So far as going that way to Europe. So far as the government were concerned they would not rest until all the Canadian

Canada occupied the first place in his heart. He had seen prosperous and wealthy Great Britain, and had visited sunny France and Italy, but none of the countries he had seen could compare with Canada, which God had blessed with a glorious climate, a fertile soil and all those things which make for national wealth and advancement. Allusion had been made, he said, in the address presented to him at the depot to the development of the trade of the port. He could assure his hearers that he had not overlooked this very important matter. He had brought with him the minister of public works to see what had to be done and the minister of finance to find the money. The premier then formally declared the exhibition open. Three rousing cheers were given by

the crowd for Sir Wilfrid, then followed cheers for Hon. Mr. Tarte, Hon. Mr. Fielding, Col. Tucker, M. P., and Lady Laurier. There were some calls for Mr. Field-

ing and Mr. Tarte, but the ministers declined to address the multitude. Immediately after the opening cere-monies, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, accom-

panied by President Pitfield and a crowd of enthusiastic admirers, made tour of the grounds and buildings. At his entrance into machinery hall the different engines and pieces of ma-chinery were immediately put in mo-

The premier then passed through the main building and took consider-able interest in the exhibits. He expressed himself as greatly pleased with the entire exhibition. During his tour many friends took the opportun ity of greeting the premier.

MACHINERY HALL.

Special preparations were made Special preparations were made in machinery hall by Harris Allan for the premiers visit. The stateway was carpeted in red and at the landing an-arch of tricolor was set up. Flags were posted all along the main pass-ageway, and bunting was freely dis-played in the several exhibits. A fine portrait of Sir Wilfrid, with the words: Blien Venu, was placed over the head of the stateway leading to the hall. Six steam engines on full the hall. Six steam engines on full run supplied the motive power for all the agricultural and mechanical machinery, and the scene was one of difference of the scene was one of remarkable activity. The steam en-gines themselves were alone a credit to any country, as they combined in themselves the very latest advance in engineering science. Mr. Allan shows in this department

Mr. Allan shows in this department a very interesting and novel exhibit of oil filters, gotten up in styles that would adorn any engine room. The idea of the filter is to so transform oil once used that it is as good as new. Their working is worthy the careful investigation of engineers and others who use oil in any quantity.

THE CARRIAGE SHOW. THE CARRIAGE SHOW. There are about nireity cartiages and sleight exhibited in the drill shed, and in style and finish the rigs equal, i they do not surpass, anything of the kind shown here before. Crothers Henderson & Wilson show sixteer jobs, made up of carriages and sleights Edgecombe & Co. have twenty-two pieces in the shed. A. Myers, agent for Monroe, McIntosh Co. of Ontario, shows twelve rigs, nine carriages and three sleights. P. S. McNutt exhibit

Mrs. Aveney, Miss F. Rainnie, Rainnie, Miss and Mrs. A. Rain dee, Mr. and Mrs W. McCormick, M W. McCornick, Mrs. J. V. Ellis, M. P ward, Miss Jones N. Jones, H. H. H worth, Rev. Jame ker, J. H. Parks, Mrs. Geo. Peck, A. Ferguson, Miss Fisher, J. F. Ash J. E. Gleeson, G. Caller, K. Shives, Budge, Barton Ga Miss M. Core, Miss O'Brien, M. P. P., D. Armstrong, M A. H. Leger, W. McNaughton, A. A. D. Johnson ton, Mrs. Cushi C. M. Sprague, I ard P. D. Tilley, Heartz, C. S. Ch lege), C. B. Ross, Miss S. Hicks, Rankine, Mrs. B. Chesley, Mrs. liams, Mrs. F. I Irvine, A. H. Lin ner, E. A. Hays Smith, R. T. Word den, Dr. Walk Misses Walker, Dr. T. D. F. R. Mrs. town), Mrs. Ben. Keown, W. H. Ba L. Hay, Mrs. T. I James Estey, M Everett (Frederict dry, Mrs. P. A. Landry, Dr. W. S B. Allan, Mrs. W Allan, Mrs. V. E. Hudson, Mrs. S. J D. McDonald. Chapman, A. J. C patrick, Major A. Kerr, Mrs. H. P. J G. W. Hurst, Mi Robertson, W. Sha son, J. W. Arnol Thos. Stothart, M Kinnear, Miss I Brown, Rev. R. E. Miss L. McCalan R. Devitt, Miss E L. S. Weldon (Ch ertson, H. Kinn Mrs. Clinton Purc P. S. MacNutt, Nutt, J. H. Witheil, J. R. F. Wm. C. Whittake (Boston), P. L. bridge), Andrew M. K. Co.), John M. Thorne, R. B. Scot Rev. Joseph Smit Stephen E. Steven Rev. A. H. Lave Lookhart, Rev. D Carey. James Bar Robertson, Mrs. J. Morrow, M. P. P., White, E. A. Bur Porter, M. P. P., Roht Laughlin, Mill Miss Wellington, M Sharp, J. K. Allison Kaye, Mrs C. J. R. Newcomb, Thos. 1 Russell, Mrs. J. V. Gray, F. O. Allison, Mrs. DeForest, Ca Anglesla; H. H. Ho Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. ter, W. H. Faulkr E. Taylor and Mr. Cully of Truro and Keeffe, Thos. McA son, Lt. Col. and Mr Ald. D. J. Purdy, Mrs. Vassie, Miss Vassie, Miss Domvil michael, Miss Edna Hunter, James Lauria Anderson, W. Wells, Port El ham and Mrs. Mark son, Sackville; Jo Bertie Collins, Fran A. Clark, Gco. W. 1 B. Gallagher, Jan Miss Robertson, Ch H. Seaman, E. J. tyre, Mrs. Wm. Mc. nald, T. Caleton Clary, W. M. Feuth Dorchester; H. E. H E. J. Kennedy, Hon mouth, W. B. Stev A. Hopper, A. B. M er, Mrs. W. S. Filed Fielding, Miss Field man, Mrs. Dykems Chas. A. Clark and J. M. Withwomba J. M. Withycombe, of Woodstock. G J. Crawford, Dr. A Phinney, Dr. A. A Coakley, R. R. Billi Geo. K. Berton, Dunn, T. Allen, Joi McReche, and Miss McPeake and Miss Goggin, A. Thomp Mrs. Thompson, F Lambert, H. B. La Doody, Mrs. J. W. Barry, Mrs. H. I Pickett, J. G. Har R. Keltie Jones, M Miss Hayes, I. J. Landry; Miss Burpe W. R. Dresser, S. Hays, Hampton; B H. G. McGrath, W. county; Mrs. E. I Ont.; Mrs. Wilb Surgeon Major And Andrews, Allan Ra worth, W. F. Taylo F. Merritt, Frank Dearborn, James ter, Otto Fahrenh Mrs. McAvity, Ja John Ring, Simeo Meartz, Camille Su Arthur, W. E. Wetr and Mrs. Martin, M Sears, Daisy Sears Chas. Scully, Geo. 1 Avity, Mrs. G. H. Came, James H. M Fritz, John Murra Wm. Roberts, H. M ton, Mrs. Nace, Ne B. MacLean, C. F. Mrs. C. F. Tilton, 7 After all who des uted, the pr

Breating the guard Sir Wilfrid was assorted to the pavilion in the centre of the parade grounds by President Pitfield, Manager Everett, the exhibi-tion executive, Lt. Col. Tucker and of-ficers of the 62nd and J. V. Ellis, M. P., the mayor and members of the ficers of the 62nd and J. V. Ellis, M. P., the mayor and members of the sommon council. On the platform were also a number of ladies, Senators Ferguson and Pointer, Hon. A. S. White, Hon. A. T. Dunn, Wm. Shaw, M. P. P., Jas. Robinson, M. P., Dr. Lewis, M. P., Mr. Talbot, M. P. tor Bellechasse, Quebec, Mr. Logan, M. P. for Cumberland, N. S., and many others. The crowd had by this time increased to large proportions, and when the pre-mier took his seat the green in front was well filled, and almost every seat on the grand stand near by was occu-pied. Fortunately the rain held off while the outdoor proceedings were going on, although the sky had a very threatening aspect.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS. When quiet was obtained, President Pitfield rose and said:

Ladles and Gentiemen:-

Ladles and Gentiemen:-On behalf of the Exhibition Asso-clation of the city and county of St. John, I extend to you a hearty wel-come on this the opening of the fifth exhibition held under the sus-plees of that association. Babar proceeding to the opening ceremonies and the introduction of our distinguished guest, who at much personal inconvenience, has with his usual kindness of heart, consented to be with us today, allow me for a few moments to bring before yeu some facts concerning the history and am-bitions of the Exhibition Association of the city and county of St. John. The association was organized in 1889 for the purpose of holding an-mual exhibitions of the industries not enul exhibitions of the industries not only of the provinces, but of all the countries that chose to send us speci-mens of their handiwork. The industrial buildings which were placed in our care and the necessity to construct stalls and sheds for horses, cattle, sheep and swine exhib-its, compelied us to abandon the in-tention of holding a fair in the year of our organization. Having detern-

tention of holding a fair in the year of our organization. Having determ-ined to hold an exhibition each year, we accepted the offer of the St. John Agricultural Society of a portion of their grounds at Moosepath, on which

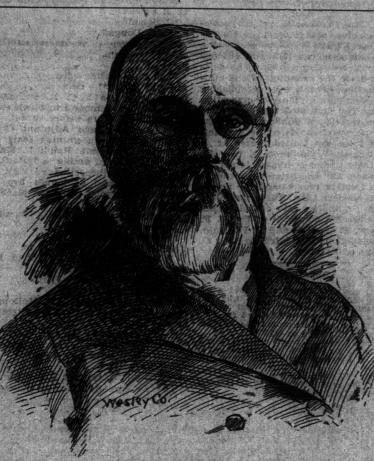
Agricultural Society of a portion of their grounds at Moosepath, on which is erect the necessary horse stalls, eatile sheds, etc. In many respects the exhibition was guite successful, but the separation of the five stock fufficult to secure the attendance of visitors at both places. In 1891 we held another exhibition but the experience of the former year induced us to abandon the buildings at Moosepath, and to hold an exhibi-tion exclusively on these grounds. Live stock was not included in the ex-hibits. That exhibition was a finan-visitors were then made by the associa-tion to extend these grounds in the inmediate vicinity, but success was not achieved until in the spring of 1895, when the city of St. John leased us

D. W. McCORMICK, Vice-President.

the buildings and the other necessary nger rates and good accommoda

expenditures, we, from time to time, have asked and received substantial assistance from the province and city of St. John. To no other public bodies are we indebted for financial aid. A small grant has been made by the city this man Through the continued kindn lister of railways and his offithe minister of raiways and his om-cials, who from the first have taken the deepest interest in our exhibitions, the Intercolonial railway has made large concessions and has completed arrangements by which people all along its lines can reach St. John at

amain gramt has been made by the city this year. The province has not seen its way clear to render assistance, and there-fore we were compelled to call upon the citizens of St. John for a guar-antee fund. To this fund with their usual liberality and public spirit, they The Dominion Atlantic railway and all other lines of travel connecting with St. John have done all in their



C. A. EVERETT, Secretary and Manager.

way clear to give us a grant this year, but we hope they will see the desirability of assisting us to place our exhibition on a firm financial , and in the future give us sub-

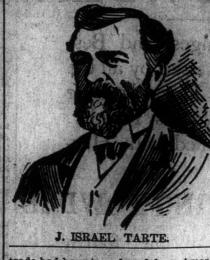
basis, and in the future give us sub-stantial aid. Our thanks are due to Mr. Eilis, M. P., for assistance kindly offered and given to enable us to secure the attendance of the premier. I desire to extend the thanks of the association to a gentleman who, I am sorry is not with us today, who during his position as premier of this prov-ince, always gave as his hearty sup-port, and when asked to do so, assisted us by grants and guarantees out of the public funds, and since then in his higher position as minister of railways and canals, has assisted us in every way in his power to give the people along the Intercolonial railway

a chance to visit us at very low rates Finally, I may say he has never re-

SIR LOUIS DAVIES fused any requests that I, in my posi-

tion as president of this asso have asked him. The thanks of the associat The thanks of the association and the citizens are largely due our good friend Colonel Tucker, who has shown great interest in our association and has ever been willing to do all in his power. It was his efforts that gave us the honor and pleasure of the pre-mier's presence here today. When asked to assist us, Colonel Tucker had no pro's' and con's, but in his quiet, gentlemanly way, he said: "I will do all I can to assist you, gentlemen." To that end he boarded the train for Montreal and his mission was an un-qualified success, as you well know. I welcome the visiting members of the federal cabinet, also the other dis-tinguished visitors. ished visitors.

Permit me to refer to the fact that during the years of our association's life we have lost many members who were active in the work of the organi were active in the work of the organi-zation, as well as some distinguished friends who were deeply interested in our prosperity. Among the latter I may mention his honor, John James Fraser, the late lieutenant governor of our province, who had been pres-ent with us and opened our exhibi-tions. I may say that this gentle-man's kindness of heart endeared him to the people of this province and his to the people of this province and his universally regretted.



trade had been transferred from Amer-ican ports to Hallfax and St. John and Montreal, and with it a large portion of the American trans-Atlantic trade as well. Our line of communication was shorter than theirs and the ricans as keen business men would, Americans as keen business men would, he felt, when the case was stated to them, give the preference to the quickest and best route. The premier referred in a graceful way to Mr. Pit-field's allusion to his remarks on his referred in a graceful way to Mr. Pit-field's allusion to his remarks on his return to the dominion, stating that while he loved England and France, P. Quinn, Dr. A. F. Mc-

bree sleighs. P. S. McNuut exhibits several rigs of the Tudhope Mfg. Co. of Orilla, Ontario, William Green, of Orilla, Ontario, William Gre agent for Heary & Co., Montreal, hibits fifty jobs, J. G Chables, ag for the J. B. Armstrong Co., shows sixteen rigs, eleven wheels and six outtens. Quher rigs are coming in and the exhibit promises to be the largest and finest seen here. THE PREMIER'S RECEPTION

The event of the even .30 p. m., Sir Wilfrid rea 8.30 p. m., Sir Wilfrid reached the ex-hibition entrance, where he was re-ceived with full honors and escorted to the agricultural hall. The premier was accompanied by Sir Louis Davies, who had just reached the elity, Hon. J. Israel Tarte, Hon. W. S. Fielding, Mr. Coste, Mr. Talbot, M. P., and Mr. Logan, M. P. The upper flat of agri-cultural hall has been decarated with bunting for the occasion. The cabinet ministers, Mr. Coste, President Pit-field, and representatives of the ex-hibition executive stood on the plat-from a little behind Sir Wilfrid. Major Edwards announcei the presentations, Edwards announced the presentations, as each lady and gentleman passed up through the line of Artillery and **Pusilier** officers. The crush on the stalaway leading to the hall was at times very great, buit the crowd was a good-tempered one and bore the temporary inflotion with the best of humor. Following is a list of the ladies and gentlemen who were pre-

sented: Harold G. Taylor, Dr. Stewart Steaner, Miss Taylor, Mrs. J. W. Tay-lor, Mrs. C. W. Burnyeat, Chas. A. Peck, Mrs. Chas. A. Peck, W. H. Wat-ers, Mr. Justize Forbas, Miss Jessie G. Forbes, Miss Homer, A. M. Woodman, Mrs. A. M. Woodman, B. J. Dowling, the Hon. D. Ferguson, F. W. Jacobs, Mrs. F. W. Jacobs, John Leonard, Theodore Harris S. Schoheld, Alfred Alian, Capt. C. Babbit, Wm. Herbert, Dr. J. H. King, L. F. Cooey, Lieut. Col. W. Canard, J. M. Thorne, Alex. Wilson, Miss B. M. Wilson, J. W. Dickie, T. A. Turnay, M. Gallagber,

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Sheriff Sturdee, Chas. F. Kinnear, F.
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Capt. Barker, Miss M. S. Fowler, Patrick,
Gleeson, A. L. Goodwin, Mrs. A. L.