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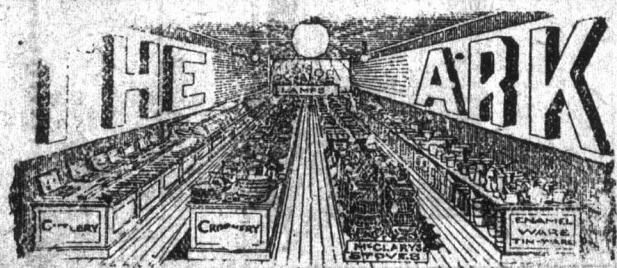
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## DUNDONALD WAS RIGHT

A Resolution Condemning Fisher's Conduct—Mr. Borden Pays Tribute to Scottish Hero.

Sir F. Borden's Fierce Personal Attack on the G.O.C.—The Debate Not Concluded.

Ottawa, June 23.—The debate on the Dundonald-Fisher episode drew to the House this afternoon the largest crowd that has thronged the precincts of Parliament for years. All the galleries were filled to overflowing. There was a full attendance of members.

On motion to go into supply, Mr. R. L. Borden arose, amidst cheers, and spoke to the following amendment:

### THE RESOLUTION.

"That the selection and appointment of officers in the militia should be made without regard to party political considerations, which if permitted to exercise an influence, will prove disastrous to the efficiency of the force."

"That while the Minister of Militia is charged with and responsible for the administration of militia affairs, the General Officer Commanding is by law charged under the orders of His Majesty with the military command and discipline of the militia, and with the duty of recommending to the Minister of Militia fit and proper persons for appointment to commissions therein."

"That the conduct of the Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, in interfering with the commanding officer of the Thirteenth Scottish Light Dragoons while that officer was engaged in the duty of selecting his subordinate officers for the approval of and for recommendation by the General Officer Commanding, and the action of that minister in interposing party political influence between the General Officer Commanding and his officers, and in requiring recommendations and appointments to be made or disallowed from party considerations, deserves and should receive the censure of this House."

"The House regrets that this unwarrantable interference has been approved by the Government, and that it not only has unduly delayed the organization of the regiment, but has culminated in depriving the militia of Canada of an experienced and distinguished commanding officer."

### MR. BORDEN'S SPEECH.

Mr. Borden, on opening up the discussion, said the question was whether we were to have in Canada a non-partisan militia force or partisan politics introduced into the appointment of officers. It would be certainly regrettable, he said, if partisan political considerations should be allowed to interfere between the General Officer Commanding and those who are subordinate to him. To permit that to be done would be to permit the interference by politicians with men who are engaged in the performance of their duty, and to interfere with an officer in that regard would likely result in the most disastrous effects upon the militia force of this country.

Dealing with the organization of the 13th Scottish Light Dragoons, Mr. Borden said there was nothing to indicate that political influence governed Col. Smart or Col. Whitley. They were simply endeavoring to find the best available men, qualified men, or, failing these, the most efficient men for commissions. Col. Smart had no politics whatever. Col. Whitley was Liberal; and what reason was there to suppose that either of them would endeavor to favor the Conservative party in making appointments. Mr. Fisher had stated in the House that the only grounds on which he made any suggestions in regard to the establishment of the corps were the immense importance of the appointment of leading officers with military qualifications, who knew the country and the people of the Eastern Townships. Had Mr. Fisher stopped there, his interference could only be regarded as meddling, but not absolutely vicious. He would only be meddling with what other men were much better qualified to do. But, if this was the case, it was necessary for Mr. Fisher to enquire into or state the political opinions of Senator Baker and his relations. Senator Baker seemed to be the bete noir of Mr. Fisher now. Yet the Minister of Agriculture stood up in the House and said that his interference in the affairs of that regiment was concerned solely and absolutely with the military qualifications of the officers.

Mr. Borden quoted from Mr. Fisher the latter's further remark that "putting aside many questions of military qualifications, which I went into afterwards, such a list of officers for that squadron in that neighborhood which he held to be an instance of political preference, and that it would be held to be, turning the whole regiment into a political Tory organization." "Now," said Mr. Borden, "I venture to say, that if an enquiry is granted by this Government, and if Col. Whitley and Col. Smart are examined on oath, they

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## RIGHT ROYAL GOOD TIME

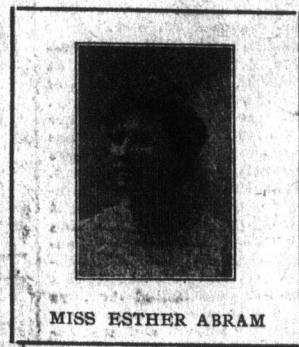
Pupils and Friends Had it at the McKeough School Picnic Yesterday.

Capital Program of Out-Door Sports—Dainty Decorations, Delightful Refreshments and Splendid Fireworks.

McKeough school picnic—that long-looked-for event is a thing of the past for 1904, and the scholars of that enterprising and up-to-date school have already begun to look forward to the picnic of 1905.

For many years past McKeough school picnic has been to the scholars—the feature of the school work. The boys—and girls, too—go into training and, long ere the picnic is due to come off, all are in first class shape. Almost any scholar can pick the medallist who will win the most races.

Each succeeding year sees almost double the number of girls in the races that entered the year before.

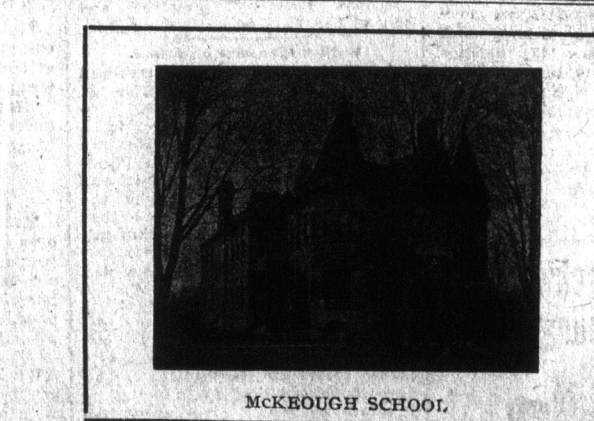


MISS ESTHER ABRAM

They now enter nearly all the different races, and it is surprising to see the wonderful speed, skill and endurance they display.

The kind Weather Man did his best, the teachers did their best, the people did their best in patronizing the affair, and, needless to say, the scholars did their best. In consequence—as many who always attend the McKeough school picnic were heard to say—the big event was never before so well systematized and never before a greater success. Everything went off splendidly.

The races began shortly after six in the evening with the relay race, which creates such intense interest and is watched so closely by not only



McKEOUGH SCHOOL.

the pupils but also all who know of it.

Quite a number of the Public School Board and others were present and aided the principal, Miss Abram, and the teachers, in carrying out the program. The starters were Trustees Wm. N. Morley, Dr. McKeough, Geo. Hayward, Dr. R. V. Bray, Ald. John Edmondson and J. Brackin.

The races concluded—after a short wait—the ex-Regimental Band arrived and an open air concert was much enjoyed.

As soon as darkness came on the fireworks display was inaugurated. It was in charge of Daniel Clements, assisted by J. Brackin. The fireworks were exceedingly beautiful and were certainly enjoyed by old and young.

In the meantime the band had adjourned to the play shed, where dancing was in vogue, until about half past ten.

The interior of the school was lively all this time. Ice cream was being served in the band room, which was prettily decorated with flowers, foliage, etc. A number of the little girls were acting as waitresses. This part of the entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed and was well patronized.

The principal, Miss Esther Abram, and her able staff of assistants, deserve great credit and praise for carrying such a heavy undertaking to such a successful issue. The ladies did all the work themselves with the exception of the gentlemen who assisted on the grounds. The prepara-

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## FINE FESTIVAL IN HARWICH

Immense Reunion Gathering at S. S. No. 1—Growing Tables and Splendid Program.

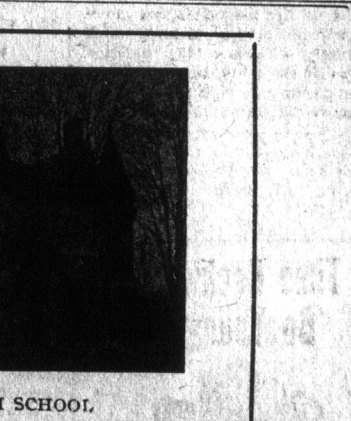
Capital Addresses by Col. Rankin, Judge Houston, Ald. McColg, Nell Watson and the Coming Member for Kent.

The Strawberry Festival and Old Boys' Reunion, of School Section, No. 1, Harwich, was held at the school house last evening under the management of the Literary Society of No. 1. It was a grand success in every particular. The strawberries were excellent, the crowd was exceedingly large and merry, the program was enjoyable, and the proceeds were most satisfactory.

The grounds were decorated with flags and lanterns and presented a very gay appearance. The social was held out of doors and the weather was everything that could be desired. The object of the entertainment was to raise enough money to purchase a piano and the young people have every reason to be satisfied as they succeeded in getting better than the required amount. The 24th Regiment Band was in attendance and gave excellent music during the festivities and everything together made it a very enjoyable evening.

After ample justice had been done the strawberries and cream and cake, Lindsay Parrott, president of the Debating Society, called the meeting to order and asked Harry W. Anderson to assume the responsibilities of chairperson. An excellent program was provided, including selections from a fine string orchestra, highland dancing, pipes by the Camerons, songs by Sam Mains and R. W. Angus, a recitation by Mrs. J. S. Turner, and admirable speeches by Lt.-Col. Rankin, Judge M. Houston, Nell Watson, Herbert S. Clements, Dr. Jameson, Ald. Archibald McColg and others. Each one of these gentlemen made excellent addresses and all were enthusiastically received by the audience.

Geo. Stephens, M. P., had promised to speak, but sent word that he could not be present. It was arranged that he and Mr. Clements would meet on the public platform for the first time at No. 1. Mr. Clements was there, however, and he gave an excellent speech. As he stepped on the platform he was greeted with rounds and rounds of applause. It was anticipated that both speakers, Mr. Clements and Mr. Stephens, would be present to address the gathering. Mr. Stephens, however, failed to put in an appearance.



but Mr. Clements was there and he was one of the best speeches of the evening. He was frequently interrupted by applause from his audience who were pleased to see him taking a deep interest in the farmers and their cause.

"I am delighted to be called upon to address you," said he, "and I must congratulate the society in charge of this entertainment for their zeal and energy in affairs of this kind. These functions are essential for happiness especially to the young people who are thus enabled to do their courting, which is a very important part of this life. I think that we have great reason to thank to congratulate ourselves that we have peace within our borders and that we have in our homes the ability to produce happiness, which is one of the chief aims in life."

"I feel that this would be a very opportune time to state the stand I am taking in the coming contest. I was not an aspirant for the position of candidate. I did not ask for a single vote from any man at any convention. There were 15 or 20 of the best men of the city and county named for the nomination and each one resigned in my favor and I got it unanimously. The stand I took then was taken without advice from anyone. I refused to take it on strictly party lines. The trouble to-day is that there is too much partyism and the second stand was that I would be able to support all measures which would benefit the country."

"I am opposing to the farmers to-night and I would like to say a

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