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GOODBYE CANADA?

Not for 20 years has the Democratic party in the United States had such reason to hope their party will this year elect the president. The split in the Republican party bids fair to give the Democrats a term in office.

Woodrow Wilson, the chosen candidate, is a man who believes to maintain a protective tariff is a crime against the great mass of people. His first duty if he gets in office will be to reduce or abolish the duties on the necessities of life, and this means letting down the bars to Canadian products.

This is the crumb of hope left to cheer those who still feel disappointment over the defeat of reciprocity—the hope of the farmers.

But there is cause for grave alarm if what our Conservative friends told us a year ago be true. An exchange says:

"If the Democrats should win, and should carry out their tariff promises, Canada, in the view of our Conservative friends, would be in a fearful position. The Americans, by removing the duty from natural products, could buy up our farm, lumber and fishery output, and the Conservative idea is that we should thus be ruined. Canada will regard that particular peril with marked complacency."

A Comment.

(The following was intended for issue of July 4.)

Mr. Editor: I saw in the last issue of the Observer in a report of the celebration held here on the evening of June 22 a statement that "Mr. Hayward and Mr. Hartley were at their best." I have nothing to say about Mr. Hayward's address, but if that was Mr. Hartley's best, I never want to hear his "worst" for it was the greatest exhibition of what the French call "diarrhea de bouche" that I ever listened to. Leaving politics alone, he launched out into a nasty, coarse, attack upon his former partner, Mr. F. B. Carvell, and for low Billingsgate we have seldom heard the like. The wonder is that some friends, seeing the condition he was in, did not compel him to sit down. It was remarkable, however, by many that at the very time he was vilifying our esteemed Federal member the bon fire that had been lighted blazed up with increased brilliancy, bringing out the beauty and symmetry of the fine post office that we owe to the efforts of that same Mr. Carvell.

We hope it may be a long time before Mr. Hartley is again to inflict such an address on the people of Hartland. Yours, etc.,

DECENCY.

Annual School Meeting.

At the Annual School Meeting in Hartland on Monday W. D. Keith, the retiring trustee, was unanimously re-elected. E. C. Morgan was also re-elected auditor.

The report of the trustees was to the effect that during year school bonds to the extent of \$600 have been retired, leaving an indebtedness on the building of \$1200 only; the sum of \$426 was expended in erecting the new outhouses, in general repairs, in putting water into the building and \$65 of the amount was expended on the furnaces which never gave complete satisfaction, and which for some years have increased in inefficiency, notwithstanding repeated efforts to rectify them. They are now giving complete satisfaction; \$112.62 was paid for insurance of which \$4500 is carried in 3-year policies. Teachers were paid a total of \$825.75. Interest on bonds, fuel, janitor, incidental and Sec. Commission amounted to a total of \$530. The whole expenditure being \$2295.90.

The vote of the Annual Meeting in 1911 was \$1200 for current-expense.

For the ensuing year the trustees estimate that a total of \$1800 will be required. It is absolutely necessary to paint the building. Fire escapes

must also be provided. A new flag-staff is urgently required and there is due to the sinking fund for last year \$150. To meet these requirements they have funds on hand \$70; county drafts to be received will probably be about \$140. Uncollected taxes amount to \$375.

The meeting voted \$1250 to meet requirements.

It is anticipated that the rate will be somewhat lower than last year.

Primitive Baptist Annual Conference.

The annual conference of the Primitive Baptist denomination opened in the church a mile above the village on Saturday morning when Rev. C. H. Orser preached. In the afternoon the annual conference meeting was held and communion was partaken.

On Sunday the United Baptist church was opened to the use of these worthy people and a large congregation went to hear Rev. G. A. Giberson in the morning and Rev. Arch Hatfield in the evening. At the upper church on Sunday morning Rev. D. E. Brooks preached, in the afternoon Rev. H. Hart and in the evening Rev. Kicollins from Maine.

There was a very large attendance from all points. Saturday evening and Monday morning business meeting was held. The denomination is in a lively and progressive condition. During the year three churches have been organized and 100 added to the membership. There have been 125 baptisms.

On Monday evening Bro. Hunt preached.

The old board of officers was re-elected: Rev. C. H. Orser being chairman and Rev. J. M. Mallory clerk.

The visiting members are very grateful for the splendid hospitality of the people here, and especially to the United Baptists who gave them such hearty invitation to the use of their church.

Foreston.

A number of people of this place attended the "Regatta" at the "Forks" on Monday. All reported a fairly good time.

Armin Dow of Houlton spent a few days of last week at his old home here.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. John Brooks who has been ill of scarlet fever is on the mend.

Mrs. Geo. Brooks is spending a few days at Hartland.

Colby DeWitt is visiting relatives in Houlton.

Mrs. Abner DeWitt is spending a few days with relatives at Newburgh.

Miss Nettie Mangel has returned to her home in Knowlesville.

River Bank.

Herbert McDonald has returned from the west.

Daniel Lovely is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Eddie Wiley in Argyle.

C. M. Dow spent last week home with his family. He, Rupert Long and James Brooks went fishing Tuesday.

Mrs. William Brooker has returned from a week's visit to her daughter, Mrs. Frank Emery at Pioneer.

Mrs. Henry Smith, Mrs. J. W. Smalley with Mary and Charles have returned home to Houlton, after spending a week here with friends.

Leon Tompkins, Bruce and Fennie Waugh went on a fishing excursion Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Holmes went to the meetings at Hartland Sunday.

In the last items I should have said H. M. Hunter was the superintendent of our Sunday school instead of H. M. Smalley.

Joseph Jompkins was calling on friends at Peel a few days ago.

Our school examination is worthy of mention in these columns. A goodly gathering of the mothers were there and all were well satisfied with the progress the children had made. The programme was fine especially the singing. After it was all over a picture was taken of the scholars with the teacher.

Armand.

Mrs. R. Wood of Lowell with her little sons Raymond and Kermit is visiting friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Asa Dickinson visited her mother, Mrs. Buchanan of Centreville recently. Lynne Kimball and his mother were also guests of William Cogswell of that place a short time ago.

On Thursday Mrs. Edmond Robinson, Mrs. Henry London and Mrs. A. A. Kimball attended the "circle" which was held at the home of Mrs. Mary Spinney of South Knowlesville.

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Archie Robinson went to Caribou to visit their brother, B. Robinson of that place.

On Monday several men with their teams went to South Knowlesville to assist Albert Frost move a building, which was successfully accomplished.

Mrs. Robert Henderson was a recent guest of Mrs. Sam McAfee.

Fort Fairfield, Me.

Miss Sadie Cox of Linville, N. B. who is now working in Mary Hill visited her aunt Mrs. Walter Cheney Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Mrs. and Mrs. F. W. Burns and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Jenks of Houlton returned home Friday afternoon from a trip of nearly 3 days to St. Francis, Fort Kent, Van Buren, Grand Falls and other places.

Lyman Everett, fireman on the C. P. R., with head quarters at Woodstock has been spending a vacation of 2 or 3 weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Everett.

George B. Everett went to Jacksonville Friday to visit his brother Edward J. Everett. The two brothers on Saturday started for Montreal, the latter to receive treatment for a long standing kidney trouble.

Mrs. Charles O. Baker of Carlingford was in town Wednesday of last week, accompanied by Miss Ethel Wakem, the popular teacher of the Carlingford school for the past year and a half.

Potatoes are coming very finely after all, very few places showing much damage on account of the wet weather. It has even been remarked that the stand is more uniform and vigorous than usual, every indication being for a good crop this season.

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