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THINK ST. JOHN HAS MORE PEOPLE

Citizens Disappointed At What Census Shows

FAVOR ANOTHER COUNT

Growth in Prosperity, More Business Being Done, Few Vacant Houses, They Say, and Yet Only a Trifling Increase in Population

Surprise and disappointment were among the emotions with which the announcement of the census returns were received in St. John. There have been indications in recent years that the city was gaining in population at a fair rate and it is felt by citizens that the figures should be larger than those that are credited to St. John.

Some of the business men who are anxious that another census be taken at once and others, more cautious, advocate an inquiry by the board of trade of some other body into the census figures and their comparison with other available figures. Here are the views of citizens:

Hon. R. J. Ritchie was of the opinion that if the present figures are correct that the city must have been over-rated at the last census taking. If the figures submitted are correct, then I think it is up to the board of trade and the common council to start another boom, and interest industry to locate in St. John. St. John has forged ahead much in the last ten years, but the people seem to be leaving the town. If we are going to lose our status, it is a serious matter, and I think another census should be taken in order to prove the figures. All the expenditures that have been made in the city do not seem to have any good. I think there must be some mistake in the figures, and they were very thickly inhabited at the present time.

G. A. Henderson, president of the Canadian Club, said that he knew positively that there were several people in the city who had not been interviewed by the census commissioners. It seems a pity that after such a large amount of money has been expended on the city within the last ten years that the population has not increased more. I think if a more careful census of the city were taken, the result would be more gratifying.

George McAulay, of the following companies, Limited, said that he, with many others, had been under the impression that the city had a population of 10,000. The census figures so far as they affected St. John would indicate either that we were going behind or that there were inaccuracies, and he was inclined to think the latter.

Looking about at conditions, buildings, operations, etc., there was assuredly ground for belief that St. John was showing a marked advancement. It is a pity that it was not familiar with the system employed in getting the results but he was inclined to the view that there must be some thing wrong in the figures.

B. R. Macaulay, of Messrs. Macaulay Bros. & Co. said that he had always believed that St. John had a population of 10,000 and still thought so. He favored a different method of census taking than the one adopted at the present time. He is of the opinion that the information being sought was for the purpose of levying taxes, the result was, naturally, that correct information in many cases was not obtained. Commissioner Berton did the work well under the circumstances but there were too many questions asked, all of which tended to frighten people.

Mr. Macaulay favored the citizens taking the census themselves and if every one took hold and worked together the results could be obtained in one night. Each street or section of a street could be patrolled and the information collected in the morning. Circulars could be sent out warning it clear that any information obtained would be confidential.

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CHINESE TROOPS AND REBELS FIGHT BATTLE AT HANKOW

General Engagement is Fought With Some 12,000 Troops Engaged

Rebels Fail to Prevent Landing of Imperial Forces to Re-inforce General Chang Piao—The Fighting Spirited—Japan Fears Trouble For Outside Nations

(Canadian Press)

Hankow, Oct. 18.—A general engagement between the revolutionary army and the imperial forces was precipitated at the water front here early today by the attempt of Admiral Sah Chen Ping to land a large body of troops for the re-inforcement of General Chang Piao.

It was just daybreak when Admiral Sah ordered his cruisers to disembark their soldiers near Chang Piao's position. The revolutionists on the Wu Chang fortifications immediately detected the movement and opened a hot with their artillery. The cruisers and gun boats in the river applied with a rain of shells which diverted the attention of the Wu Chang revolutionists and eventually covered the landing of the troops.

Scattered bodies of revolutionists on both sides of the river joined in the fighting and by mid-afternoon it was estimated that 2,000 imperial troops and nearly 10,000 rebels were engaged.

The warships used a large quantity of ammunition but the effectiveness of their fire was hampered by their fear of endangering the foreign consulates. All the foreign warships in the river sent landing parties ashore for the protection of the consulates.

Tokyo, Oct. 18.—Despite the fact that the revolutionaries in the central Chinese provinces that the rights of the revolutionaries will be respected, the government is likely to develop phases alarming to outside nations.

Some feeling against Japan has already been noted at Peking, where Chinese merchants and financiers have freely asserted that Japan incited the revolution in order to create a crisis which would prevent the European-American loan. In revolutionary circles, on the other hand, reports are being circulated that Japan is aiding the imperial government and this impression has already created an antagonism against the Japanese in the south and it is said to have resulted in the beginning of an anti-Japanese boycott in South China.

Every indication, official or otherwise, points to the determination of Japan to remain absolutely neutral. It is declared in official circles, that the Peking government is being assisted against the revolutionists. But Japan replied explicitly that she would not interfere as long as her interests were not attacked.

The revolutionists have been notified, however, that the iron works at Han Yang which are under Japanese ownership are to be regarded as distinctly a Japanese interest.

RECORD RECEIPTS AT BALL GAMES

Attendance Will Be Ahead of Last Year

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

Today's Business at the New Brunswick Convention—Reports and Addresses and Suggestions

(Canadian Press) Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 18.—A heavy rain which set in during the night, makes it practically certain at 8.30 a.m., that the fourth game between the Philadelphia Athletics and the New York Giants for the baseball championship of the world, will not be played here today.

The rain, which is falling intermittently in showers, is driven by a southwest wind, and the baseball grounds are thoroughly soaked. The game, however, will not be officially postponed by the umpire until later in the day in the hope that there may be a chance for a contest.

New York, Oct. 18.—All records for gross receipts for the world's baseball series have been smashed in the three games between the Giants and the Athletics while the attendance mark also is sure to go. The total receipts for the three games reached \$105,914.50 as compared with \$108,302.20 the previous record made in the seven games series between Detroit and Pittsburgh in 1909.

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DYNAMITERS AT WORK

Office of an Employment Agency in Spokane is Wrecked

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 18.—Dynamiters wrecked the office of the Sun employment agency in Front Avenue last night. The explosion shook scores of other buildings, including the city hall, four blocks away. No one was injured, although a number of persons were in the immediate vicinity. The damage is estimated at several thousand dollars.

SAYS TAFT'S TRAIN PASSED OVER BRIDGE MINED WITH DYNAMITE

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MR. SIMS SPEAKS OF ELECTION MATTERS

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Among instances he named was that of four of the local option booths opened on the street, while there was but one booth to the street in the two booths for the council's election. This created a large crowd in front of the booths and ballots at times were unable to get in. Again, he said, the supply of ballots was not sufficient and the officers inside of the booths had to come out to the street and get ballots from the workers. The manner of marking the ballots he described as confusing as a cross designated the intention of the voter on the local option ballot while a cross unified a ballot for a councillor. For this reason twenty-five ballots were spoiled in booths from A to L.

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WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

9 A. M. WEATHER REPORTS. Temperature Past 24 Hours. Max. Min. Dir. Val.

Table with 4 columns: Location, Max, Min, Dir. Val. Rows include Toronto, Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, Yarmouth, St. John, Sydney, Sable Island, St. John, Charlottetown, Boston, New York.

Bulletin from Central Office. Forecast—Increasing easterly winds, rain tonight and on Thursday.

Synopsis—A disturbance which is not unduly to develop into an important storm is centred in Virginia. Heavy rain has fallen in Ontario and Western Quebec. Weather continues fine and warm in the western provinces. To Banks and American ports, east and southeast gales.

Saint John Observatory. The time ball on Customs building hoisted half its elevation at 12.45, full elevation at 12.50, and drops at 1 p. m. Standard time of the 60th Meridian, equivalent to five hours Greenwich mean time.

Local Weather Report at Noon. Wednesday, Oct. 18, 1911. Highest temperature during last 24 hrs 54. Lowest temperature during last 24 hrs 42. Temperature at noon 52. Humidity at noon 78. Barometer readings at noon sea level and 52 degrees F. 30.25 inches. Wind at noon—Direction south, velocity 8 miles per hour; cloudy.

Same date last year—Highest temperature 54, lowest 38; fair and clear.

D. L. HUTCHINSON, Director.

TURKISH FORGES NOT IN GOOD SHAPE

Reports from Tripoli Indicate Grave Condition of Affairs

Rome, Oct. 18.—(Via Frontier)—Authoritative reports from the Turkish camp at Tripoli indicate a grave condition of affairs. Muntah Pascha, it is said, has been obliged to abandon the coast of the Adriatic, and his place has been taken by Colonel Muecht Bey. The latter opposes the plan of a majority of the troops to cross the sea to the island of Rhodes, which he attempted to desert, have been shot.

The report of a new naval action on the Albanian coast. The formation of this certain reports and should occasion arise to engage the Italian ships.

Vienna, Oct. 18.—A despatch from Constantinople says that the Turkish fleet, which is now in the Aegean Sea, is thought in Constantinople, are intended to force Turkey to accept the loss of the island and to enter into negotiations for peace.

REWARD FOR NEWS OF MISSING TEACHER

Toronto, Oct. 18.—To encourage the searchers for Violet Smith, the school teacher missing from Dillon Fort more than a week, the Ontario government has through the department of education will today advertise an offer of a reward of \$500 for information which will lead to the location of the girl.

SAYS UNREST IN INDIA IS FROM POLITICAL REASONS

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—Speaking of the unrest in India, Dr. John Willie, formerly of Gwalior, India, now of Toronto, who is a missionary in India 23 years attributes the condition of the people to religious and political reasons. The people felt that Hindoos had fallen and that Brahmins were now in the latter case they were now ruled by members of what he regarded as the scavenger officialdom. Christianity. The result was an organized society for the purpose of assassinating the officials. The great danger to fear in India was Mohammedanism, which was gaining converts all over the continent of Asia.

George A. Knodell. George A. Knodell when asked by the Times what views he had formed as to the census figures said that so far as St. John was concerned there must be a reasonable doubt as to whether or not the census figures represented the real increase in population. "Now," said Mr. Knodell, "I think it would be well if the incoming commission would, early in its term of office, have made a careful and complete city census in order to determine with absolute accuracy what the population of John is. If necessary the legislature could be asked for a law authorizing such action and making it imperative upon all citizens to give accurate statements when called upon to do so, third column."

NEW DANGER IN EXPLOSIVES FACTORY

Important Report to Canadian Government on Fatal Explosion in Dominion Company's Works

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—An important report has been made to the department of mines, by one of its experts, J. G. S. Hudson, who investigated a recent fatal explosion in the Dominion Explosives Company's works at Beloit, near Montreal. It has been found that the cause was a spark from an electricity charged belt on one of the machines.

It has been found to be the curious fact that practically everything about an explosives factory tends to become magnetized, even to the copper rivets in the workmen's shoes. A special report will be made on this discovery.

THE RAILWAYS IN ENGLAND AND THE WORKMEN'S UNIONS

London, Oct. 18.—It is expected that the railway commission will recommend the recognition of the railwaymen's unions in working the conciliation boards established at the instance of Mr. Lloyd-George, but while the labor members of the commission desire that recognition be given unconditionally, the remaining members stipulate that it should entail corresponding duties, involving penalties in case of non-fulfillment.

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COUNTERFEIT MONEY AGAIN

Bogus Copies of the Old \$4 Notes Placed in Circulation on the Border

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—Inspector Smith of the Dominion immigration staff, on the border between the United States and Canada, reported that counterfeit \$4 bills are being circulated in border cities, presumably by a gang working from the American side.

The fake bills are copies of the old style note and pretty clever ones. The new \$4 note, so far as known, has not been counterfeited. One of the bogus bills was passed on the inspector at Niagara Falls, Ont.

SACKVILLE MAN KILLED IN NEW YORK

Sackville, N. B., Oct. 18.—(Special)—A telegram received here this morning announced the death of Mark Snowdon, of Sackville in Brooklyn yesterday. While getting off a trolley car he fell and his skull was fractured. He was hurried to an hospital, where an operation took place, but he died soon afterwards.

Mr. Snowdon left Sackville a week or two ago. He leaves his wife and four children here. He was about fifty years old.

FARMER WAS KILLED AS HE LAY SLEEPING

Wakefield, R. I., Oct. 18.—While sleeping with his son Joe, Brigham, a farmer, 43 years old, was killed by a shot fired through the window of his room. The son was uninjured. He at once called Sheriff John R. Wilcox and a small posse went on the trail of the murderer.

A short time afterward Biennin Cravager, who was employed on the farm of Joe Brigham at Boston Neck, was arrested as a suspect and taken to the Kingston jail.

Brigham was a woodchopper and lived with his wife and family on Wakefield hill, an isolated district near Wakefield. The police believe the shot was fired at the head of his bedroom. The shot entered Brigham's head and caused instant death.

It was announced that the elementary workers may hold a supper at White's at 6 o'clock this evening.

Madrid, Oct. 18.—Field Marshal Lopez Dominguez who was premier of Spain in succession to Moret Prendergast, in 1904, yesterday. His cabinet resigned after holding office for four months.