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THE CAMPAIGN.

Not until after nomination day will it be clear how largely the various groups will be represented in the provincial election campaign. Besides the regular government and opposition parties there will be farmers, labor candidates, and independents. So many groups will of course complicate matters, and make it more difficult to forecast results in some constituencies. It will also give rise to a much keener interest in the general contest.

The government party is in the lead in getting its candidates in the field, and an excellent selection has been made in six of the constituencies. Other nominations will follow quickly, and the complete government line-up will show a strong field of representative men, supporting constructive policies inaugurated by a government with a clean political record.

The opposition has found it necessary to choose a new leader and is weakened by the defection of Hon. B. Frank Smith, who will run as an independent, and by the withdrawal of Dr. Crockett in York. The party also has to face its own record, which is the greatest handicap of all.

It is not yet clear how many United Farmers' tickets will be in the running, but there will be several. Their purpose is perfectly plain. They desire a larger representation, as a class, in the house, and believe it would be in the interest of the province if they controlled the administration of its affairs. They have already decided to have men in the field in several of the counties, and if both government and opposition have tickets in the same constituencies the contests will be extremely interesting.

There is still no indication of the number of labor candidates to be in the field, but that there will be some appears to be generally anticipated.

So far as the conduct of the campaign is concerned, it will probably be devoid of bitterness, for it will soon be over. The government, because of its excellent record and the progressive policies it is carrying out, has a very distinct advantage, and it would be strange indeed if the majority of the people did not rally to its support.

SAME OLD PARTY.

So far as St. John is concerned, it is the same old opposition party that appeals for the support of the people. Hon. J. B. M. Baxter is leader, and Messrs. Campbell, Tilley and Potts, who with him were ardent supporters of the old regime, are again nominated, with Mr. James Lewis to complete the ticket. It is true that Mr. Baxter declares that the party under his leadership is resolved to re-cast itself, but past performances are there to discount present promises. The new leader is much troubled over the government's attitude on prohibition, but it was during the old government regime that the liquor dealers were milked so handsomely. Mr. Baxter would develop hydro-electric power, but not under a commission. That plan does not offer as many chances for friends of the government as a member of the former government could wish. The new leader would also abolish the ministry of health and have a ministry of labor, which the government of which he was formerly a member somehow overlooked. It is perfectly clear that the opposition party is out after the farmer vote, the temperance vote, the labor vote, the independent vote, and any other vote that would help to restore its old leaders to power. Having no sense of responsibility but a great desire to get back into office, it is ready to promise anything.

On the subject of public health nursing the Halifax Chronicle says:—"The graduation of the first class of Public Health Nurses from Dalhousie University is indeed a noteworthy event. The establishment of a course in Public Health was a great forward step in social welfare, and the band of trained women who last night received their diplomas from the university authorities have opened to them a field of interesting patriotic service. It will be their opportunity to share in a very practical and intimate way in the work of bringing the gospel of good health home to the people of Nova Scotia. It is a kind of work for which women are particularly fitted, and in which they will find ample scope for their sympathy and their enthusiasm. Dalhousie is to be congratulated upon its leadership in this promising new department of public service."

The plea of the west side people to have the street-car tracks removed from Queen Square is well-founded. The tracks make it impossible for the West End Improvement League to equip its community playground. Another grievance of long standing, the dumping of sewerage in the old mill-pond, should also be dealt with decisively by the city council. There does not appear to be anything gained by delay in regard to these matters.

If you believe that Hon. Dr. Roberts should be enabled to go on with his splendid work in the interests of the public health, support the government of which he is a member.

Hon. L. A. Dugal, for business reasons, has retired from public life. The province owes a great debt of gratitude to Mr. Dugal. He it was who made on the floor of a hostile legislature the charges which resulted in the exposure and defeat of the most corrupt administration in the history of New Brunswick.

Toronto Mail and Empire:—"The decision of the American Woolen Company to reduce prices for spring by 15 and 20 per cent. indicates which way the wind blows in the textile markets. British mills are not being piled up with orders, some of them going on short time and talk of higher prices now seems pure propaganda."

Certain farmers of Charlotte county have decided to join up with the opposition and nominate two candidates on the opposition ticket. One of the farmers to be nominated is Mr. Scott D. Guphill of Grand Manan. Hats off to Farmer Guphill of Grand Manan.

President Wilson, still broken in health, is a pathetic figure during a campaign in which the League of Nations, for which he strove so earnestly, is one of the leading issues. He is unable to take an active part in the contest which now absorbs interest all over the country.

The latest reports show that there has been considerable loss to the farmers of the province through the effect of the prolonged wet weather upon potatoes and grain. It is a very regrettable ending of an exceptionally promising season.

It will be observed that there are farmers among the government candidates already nominated. There will be more of them. The Foster government has not been at all unkind to the interests of agriculture.

St. John people are especially interested in the return of the Foster government to power, in order that it may carry out the hydro-electric policy and provide the city with cheaper light and power.

One would think from the utterances of some gentlemen in York county that the people of this province had not voted on the question of prohibition. And yet the record is there.

The Prince of Wales has been winning the hearts of the people of Demerara and the West Indies. By his fine spirit and democratic ways he is cementing the bonds of Empire.

Mexico, under its new president, appears to have entered upon a peaceful era, to be marked by internal improvement and external relations of a friendly character.

Kings county supporters of the government have put a strong ticket in the field. It includes two farmers and Messrs. Keith, Harmer and Wetmore represent all sections of the county.

The government primaries in this city last evening were well attended and delegates elected for the nominating convention. A strong spirit of confidence prevails.

Great Britain faces the very grave possibility of a coal strike tomorrow. The public, however, does not manifest much anxiety, the cables say.

Government tickets are now in the field in Kings, Sunbury, Albert, Westmorland, Restigouche, and Madawaska.

As has been anticipated, Messrs. Smith and Messereau will again be the government candidates in Sunbury county.

Did Hon. B. Frank Smith know in advance who would be chosen leader of the opposition party?

When did it become a misdemeanor to urge the enforcement of law?

DISCUSS MONEY ILLS OF WORLD
Forty States Represented at Financial Congress of the League of Nations.

Brussels, Sept. 24.—One hundred delegates and twice as many advisers and secretaries have arrived here from forty states for the international financial congress organized by the League of Nations, which will begin its sessions today. All the allied and associated countries and all the former enemy states, except Turkey, are represented.

The financial experts will take up immediately after an opening speech by ex-President Ador of Switzerland, the question of the financial ills of the world generally and of individual states particularly, and the proposed remedies. Reparations and inter-allied war debts will not be discussed, these questions having been erased from the programme.

FOREMAN HONORED.
The members of the pan house staff at the Atlantic Sugar Refinery yesterday honored H. Freeman, G. H. Bradshaw, whose wedding took place this month, by presenting to him and his bride a handsome silver coffee percolator.



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THE FISHERS.

The fishers, sailing, look to me like men of dauntless daring; and they'll come homeward, o'er the sea, with loads of kippered herring. Before the dawn is fairly sprung I see their boats departing, and fishers old and fishers young on danger's round are starting. Oh, they are brave and home of nights with loads of finnan haddies. Their vigils in the fog they keep, they know all Neptune's glories, they see the wonders of the deep, and should be full of stories. They anchor in the little bay before my awed-of dwelling; I visit them at close of day, when curfew quits their yelling. "Oh, hoary farmer of the sea," I say, to some old chappie, "hand out a salty yarn to me, and you will make me happy." "There's nothing doing on the deep," the fisher says, a-lighing; "a delegate should landward keep—that's where the news is flying. I always knew that Fulton stiff would never be a winner; it only needed one good bill to paralyze that sinner. The prize ring now is run to cheese, and most of it is schweizer; the British champs have some disease, the Frenchman's punk, you're right, sir. Oh, yes, we sell our dories out, through all the spray and smother; but there's no yarn in that, old scout—one day's just like another."

CANADA—EAST AND WEST

Domestic Happenings of Other Days

ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE.

To thousands of tourists in Canada and the United States St. Anne de Beaulieu is the Mecca each year. In a quaint village near Quebec is to be found the famous miracle working shrine with its wonderful church. In the long ago fierce Indians, taught in the faith of the Catholic Church by the dauntless missionaries of the pioneer days, ran the rapids, braving death in the river to pray at the shrine. It is said to have been founded in the sixteenth century by the sailors of a Breton ship as a thank offering for their escape from death in a hurricane at sea. They landed at last and built, in accordance with their vows when the seas ran high, a little chapel. As the years went by portions of the body of St. Anne, the grandmother of Christ, were brought from France to the new church. The miraculous cures began in 1897. Then the fame of the place spread rapidly although it had been considered a very sacred spot previously. The present church is a magnificent one, blessed in 1898 and opened by His Eminence Cardinal Taschereau. The building is 200 feet in length and fifty-six feet in height inside, with several lateral chapels and other accommodations. It is filled with relics thrown away by those who have secured cures there; huge piles of canes and crutches bound everywhere as a sign of healings that have taken place. Its interior fittings are most elaborate and there is a famous statue of St. Anne, part of which was presented to the church by Pope Leo XIII. But there are many other gifts from the devout and rich of the world, and these are being added to almost annually. For it is a wonderful place of pilgrimage and unique in the new world.

TO DAPHNE.

(It is far more salutary to kiss a girl in the evening than in the morning, before the fresh air and sunshine have had a chance to sterilize her lips.—Dr. L. Brown U. S. A.)

"Take, O take those lips away!" Please listen that dirge! While they linger, tempting, gay, Life is far from simple.

Fools, to all discretion strange, Without trepidation Mutually exchange fervent osculation.

But, before our love can flow Turbulent and tempestuous, I should rather like to know Are your kisses germless?

Love, my dear, is in eclipse—Therefore, though I prize them, Ere I browse upon your lips . . . Kindly sterilize.—London Bystander.

LIGHTER VEIN.

A Successful Candidate.
Blancall, the strong man, was doing well. Everywhere he appeared fresh triumphs awaited him. He found himself in a first-class compartment seated opposite a thin, seedy little wretch with side-whiskers, knowingly. "Dear, dear! Recognized again. Gettin' quite a celebrity, I am," he murmured, as the little wretch leaned forward and tapped him on the knee. "Excuse me, sir, but you are not Blancall, the strong man?" "Blancall admitted the soft impeachment. "Is it true that you can lift two and a half tons in harness?" "Yes." "You can hold two men at arm's length?" "I can." "And put up 500 pounds with one arm?" "Yes." "And 700 with two?" "Yes." "Then," concluded the man with side-whiskers, "would you kindly raise the carriage window for me?"—Tit-Bits.

Only Explanation.
She—I know one woman who never talks about anybody else, and who does not even listen to scandal when others start telling it. He—Poor thing! Was she always deaf and dumb.—Stray Stories.

In the vestry after the marriage service a North London clergyman reproved the bridegroom for his burst of laughter in church when the words of the service "With my worldly goods I thee endow" were reached. The bridegroom replied: "Why, bless you, I've only got this suit of clothes to endow her with! If I give her them I'll have none for myself, and she can't wear them, anyhow."

"This is rather a curiosity," remarked an artist who was entertaining a lady in his studio. As he spoke he produced a tiny but exquisite painting. "It is nice!" gushed his visitor. "I was out in the country one day," he went on, "and had all my materials with me except a canvas. But I was keen on painting this scene that I took out my handkerchief, stretched it upon my case, and painted the picture."

"Dear me!" exclaimed the lady. Then a look of horror came over her face as she went on: "But you'll never be able to wash all that paint out of it."

Take home the Atlantic Leader.

BURNS BARNS AND KILLS HIMSELF

Quebec Province Man, in a Spell of Insanity Runs Amuck.

Quebec, Sept. 24.—(Canadian Press)—As a result of a sudden attack of insanity, Joseph Girard of Notre Dame du Rosaire, Montmagny county, ran amuck on Wednesday night, set fire to three barns, which were destroyed, and committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. A jury brought in a verdict of "suicide in a moment of insanity."

GENERAL ROSS MAY LEAD ONTARIO CONSERVATIVES

Toronto, Sept. 24.—Brigadier-General Arthur Edward Ross, M. D., member of the Ontario legislature for Kingston, is spoken of as a probable successor to Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, former minister of lands, forests and mines, as Conservative leader in this province.

M. MILLERAND NEW PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH

Versailles, Sept. 23.—Alexander Millerand was today elected President of France by the national assembly in session here, receiving 695 votes out of a total of 922.

Immediate inauguration of the new president was decided upon by government officials.

BOMB EXPLODES IN MONTREAL

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Montreal, Sept. 24.—Early this morning the neighborhood of blocks around St. Timothy's street, near St. Catherine street east, one of the main thoroughfares of the city, was shaken by a bomb explosion. The house in St. Timothy's street where the explosion occurred is occupied by a French woman. Every window in the house was shattered and blocks of the masonry of the cellar were hurled across the street. So far as is known no one was injured.

SUBSCRIBE \$20,000 IN TWENTY MINUTES.

Montreal, Sept. 24.—The Kiwanis Club yesterday subscribed \$20,000 within twenty minutes to install hospital equipment at the Boys' Farm and Industrial School at Shawbridge.

John Barnes, superintendent of the school, set forth the great need of the school for this equipment and following his address 200 members of the club assured responsibility for \$100 each.

INTOXICATED FARMER SHOT BY CONSTABLE.

Swift Current, Sept. 24.—Eric E. Willander, a farmer near Waldeck, was shot and killed this week by Constable Galt of the provincial police. Willander had gone to his mother's home and threatened to murder all in the house; the police were called, and when the man began shooting called upon him to stop. Willander was about to fire at the constable also, but was shot first. He had been drinking. Constable Galt was exonerated by the jury at the ensuing inquest.

FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN

The Alberta government is proceeding energetically with its fire prevention campaign. A series of six publicity slides will be supplied to 84 movie houses and these will be shown during September and October. Fire prevention cards are being distributed broadcast, over 80,000 having been already given out. 950 school districts are co-operating in the summer. A competition will be held in the schools pupils being required to answer the question: "How do you prevent fires?" Prizes amounting to \$100 will be donated. W. M. Selzer, deputy provincial fire commissioner, is in charge of the campaign.

Y. W. C. A. GIRLS WORK

A meeting of the Co-operative Committee for Girl's Work was held last evening in the Y. W. C. A. recreational centre in King street east, with Mrs. J. D. Hunter in the chair. Miss Mary Allison, field secretary of girl's work for the province led the devotions, and then told of the work accomplished during the summer. She announced that Miss Littlefield, girl's work secretary of the city has arrived. Miss Phyllis Woods was introduced to the members and it was announced that her services will be available for the churches of the city. It was decided to hold a series of Mother and Daughter banquets in October. A leaders' conference will be held on October 23.

IS IT A SCANDAL?

Chicago, Sept. 24.—In a story printed here yesterday, B. B. Johnson, president of the American League, was quoted as having said he had "heard statements that the White Sox would not dare to win the 1920 pennant because the managers of a gambling syndicate, alleged to have certain players in the power, had forbidden it." The gamblers are said to have backed Cleveland heavily.

Paint in the Fall

The fall of the year is, by general consent, the most favorable time for painting the house. Blistering summer heat has passed, paint anchors deep in the open wood pores, there is comparative freedom from dust. A Good Paint like

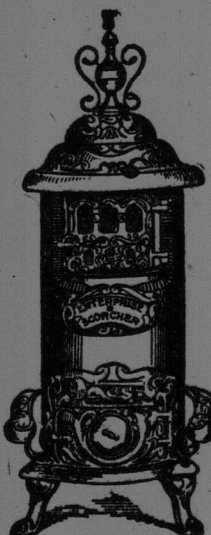
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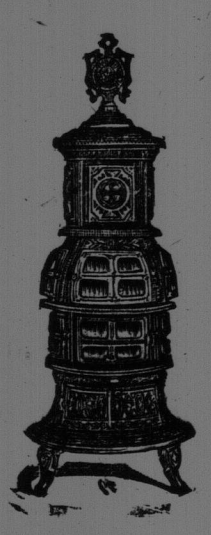
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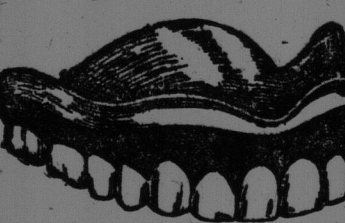
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