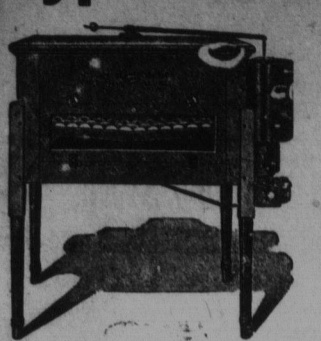


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"Fellow McKeown," said the President, "I am requested to ask you to state what you know about the increased cost of criminal prosecutions in New Brunswick."

Fellow McKeown advanced to the platform and was greeted with great applause.

"Fellows," he said, "I am glad you have asked me to discuss this question. Our opponents have made grossly false charges about the cost of criminal prosecutions in New Brunswick. If you think of it for a moment it must be perfectly clear to you that Messrs. McInerney and Hatheway are no true representatives of labor. The liberals stand for a lower tariff than the conservatives do. There are numerous flour mills in this province. Canada is a magnificent country and we should rejoice that we are Canadians. If time permitted there are many other matters I would like to touch upon, and I thank you for this magnificent reception. I trust I have made myself clear."

"Perfectly," said the President. "We now see how utterly baseless are the vile charges made by our opponents."

"Has the wad come yet?" yelled a back-bencher.

"The first instalment," said the President, "is now in circulation."

"Haden't you better get a doctor?" demanded the back-bencher.

"For what reason?" queried the President.

"The circulation," replied the back-bencher, "appears to me to be defective. It hasn't warmed me yet."

"All in good time, my good fellow," said the President. "There's a hot time ahead."

"You're right there," said the back-bencher—"a red-hot time ahead."

ORGAN RECITAL.

The organ recital and concert at Centenary church last night was well attended, and worthy of the high appreciation of all. Mrs. F. G. Spencer and Miss Trueman sang soprano, Miss Shute contralto, Cameron Bogart tenor and D. B. Pidgeon baritone. D. Arnold Fox and Miss A. G. Hea were organists.

The Crucifix was sung by Mrs. F. G. Spencer and D. B. Pidgeon, much to the delight of the audience. The soft Southern Breeze was rendered most acceptably by Cameron Bogart. Miss Shute, Miss Trueman and Mr. Bogart sang "Thou Shalt Love the Lord" in a most creditable manner. Miss Hea's organ solo, Andantino, and Mr. Fox's organ solo, The Lost Chord, were rendered in a manner that showed talent of the highest order.

A well known musical authority writes to the Star:

"The organ recital in Centenary church last evening was a decided success. Mr. Fox's masterly playing will not soon be forgotten. He is without a doubt a skilled organist, and quite at home on the king of instruments. Mrs. Spencer's singing, too, was worthy of high praise."

KILLED BY TRAIN.

PASSAIC, Feb. 20.—Dr. Alice H. Burdick, sixty years old, who practiced medicine in New York city but lived here, was struck by a train and instantly killed at the Prospect street crossing of the Erie R. R. last night.

Opposite the station at the time a doctor was standing. He was called and hurried over, only to find that the victim was his own mother, he being her son by her first marriage. The man was so shocked he had to be led away.

KILLED A DESPERADO.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 20.—A negro desperado named Lafayette, who barricaded himself in a North Rampart street house early today and defied the police, at whom he shot frequently, was finally killed by the officers, after the fire department had been called out and preparations made to smoke him out.

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CAMPAIGN NOTES.

Opposition Outlook Bright All Over the Province.

Mr. Hill is Out of the Government—Review of the Situation.

The Telegraph says, "he is a foolish liberal, or worse, a false one," who opposed the Tweedie government. That's the nice talk.

The Telegraph says the Globe is an "opposition organ," and that John Morrisey is not a good liberal. Mr. Tweedie is the standard.

Dr. Pugsley is not now a director of the Port Kent Dam Co. He has withdrawn his name from the bill. His name should never have been there.

John L. Carleton has discovered the gaunt, shadowy form of Geo. E. Foster hovering behind Mr. Hazen. Mr. Foster may not be a good liberal, but he is a worthy while for Mr. Carleton to sneer at him. Mr. Foster is not an issue in this campaign.

Mr. Ellis is not a good enough liberal for Blair. Tweedie's the standard.

Mr. Hill's resignation has at last been accepted by the government.

The Telegraph says, "Charlotte county is all right." Wouldn't that jar you?

There will be a rally of the Brooks ward workers this evening at No. 8 engine house, upstairs. The room will be open from now until the elections take place. All workers welcomed.

"I am in hearty sympathy with the ticket as it is now constituted, and I respectfully ask that, on election day, the alienated Messrs. Clarke, Grimmer and Hartt will be found on every ballot cast for me."—Hon. Geo. F. Hill.

At the last provincial election the government heeled worked a tinted ballot in this city so that they could tell how the government employees and others voted. It was a trick worthy of Mr. Tweedie. What scheme will they adopt this time?

Mr. MacAlpine says Mr. Ellis ought to be ashamed of himself. That settles it, even if Mr. Blair had not declared that if he wanted political advice he would never go to the senator for it.

"The north end is aroused," says the Telegraph. That's right, too. But watch it when it goes out after Tweedie on the 28th.

Mr. Blair wants to see the port of St. John developed. Mr. Tweedie once said never go to the senator for it. Mr. Hazen is quite an idea. Mr. Hazen did not. Mr. Hazen is quite an idea.

Mr. McInerney is being savagely assailed by Mr. Blair, Mr. Carleton and others. They are beginning to find out that Mr. McInerney will be elected.

Wonder if it's true that the speeches of Messrs. Purdy and Lantieri are to be distributed in pamphlet form?

This must be frightful weather for bridges. Hon. Mr. Lablache advertises in yesterday's Royal Gazette for tenders for the repair or rebuilding of over twenty bridges. Did somebody say that all the roads and bridges were in fine condition? Or was it an echo?

SITUATION REVIEWED.

Never did a party on the eve of an election have better prospects for a decisive victory than has the opposition in New Brunswick today. The opposing lines have been in array for over a week now and with only a week between them and the balloting, the attacking force are already well within the outskirts of the defense. The government party is weakening daily. In almost every county internal strife is having an irretrievably disintegrating influence and wholesale defections from the doomed party are occurring daily.

Mr. Blair is hurrying from rank to rank, encouraging, cajoling, threatening, and immediately under his eye the lines stiffen temporarily. But no sooner does he turn to another weak point than the wavering is again noticeable.

The fears of the government for the success of the candidates in the city is shown by the frantic efforts to keep the minister here at the expense of those in other constituencies who are clamoring for his assistance. The weakness and pusillanimity of the local members of the government who left alone is pitiful.

From all over the province comes news of cheering omens of victory. The opposition candidates in Kings are meeting with receptions warmer than has greeted government opponents for a long time. Messrs. O'Connell and Sproul were heartily greeted at a meeting at Bayview last night. Friends of the opposition in that county are gathering hope and expectancy every day.

In Carleton county the election of Messrs. Flemming, Hartley and Smith as opponents of the government is practically conceded by all. The enthusiasm of their meetings is in marked contrast to the growing despair of the government gatherings. The turning point of Mr. Appleby by the machine has alienated hosts of good liberals.

In Charlotte it is generally conceded by practical men that the coalition ticket will be returned by a large majority. The strength which the straight government ticket hoped to gain through the deal made with them by C. W. Vroom and other liberal workers to hand over the temperance vote has been lost to them. Liberal and conservative temperance men resent the deal, and will show their resentment at the polls. Mr. Vroom pledged himself to the convention to run as an independent, but his name is signed to the government ticket.

The repudiation of Hon. Mr. Hill by the government ensures the election of four men who will do all in their power to overthrow the Tweedie-Pugsley aggregation.

The opposition in Northumberland are confident that Mr. Tweedie will stay at home this trip. Canvassing is being vigorously carried on all over the country. W. S. Loggie and John Morrisey were in the upper parishes Tuesday and Wednesday and report favorable meetings at different points, while Messrs. Watt and Morrison are in Hardwick and Glenelg districts, where the prospects are encouraging on an opposition standpoint. The liberals up there know Mr. Tweedie as he is and bitterly resent Mr. Blair's attempt to log-roll him into their embrace, while the conservatives in the

county, for whose support the premier has been appealing, are now alienated from him.

If Sunbury the election of Mr. Hazen and Mr. Glasier is certain and with a far larger majority than on other occasions. In this county more than any other the difference between the manly straightforwardness of the opposition leader and the time-serving, shifting policy of the present premier and his colleagues is appreciated.

Reports received from all sections of York county are most encouraging. The opposition candidates are throwing themselves into the campaign with vigor and enthusiasm. Mr. Pinder is well known as a most successful and energetic campaign worker, and the people of the county recognize that the legislature sustained a loss in his defeat at the last election. Mr. McLeod is holding meetings in conjunction with Mr. Robinson, and is meeting with every possible encouragement.

Westmorland is another sure opposition county. Its ticket is a splendid one, while that of the government is far weaker than the last. There are many evidences of popular revolt against the government of Tweedie and Pugsley. Some liberals are working heartily in the opposition ranks, while others who support the government ticket on the strength of Blair's promises openly express lack of confidence in Tweedie and Pugsley and go into the contest half heartedly and with a feeling that they will be beaten in Westmorland, whatever happens in other parts of the province. It is only a question of majority in Westmorland, and while the opposition will leave no stone unturned it would be surprising if the majority for the whole ticket should run between five hundred and a thousand.

In Albert, Gosse and Rommel are making a stiff fight, with a large majority of the better thinking people in the county arrayed on their side. Some three hundred non-resident and swamp voters will not be able to take part in this election, and those it is well known were mostly government supporters. The opposition prospects in Albert are looking up every day, and it is a foregone conclusion that unless the county is flooded with money on polling day the opposition men will go to Fredericton to assist Hazen in forming a pure government.

In Restigouche, despite the fact that Mr. P. C. Gogan has been obliged to retire from the opposition ticket, the opposition is supposed to lie in the debris, although it is possible they also may be located among the rescued. The ruins are still burning, and it is impossible to search them for bodies.

HOGGINGTON, Mich., Feb. 20.—Fire that started at 8:30 this morning at Miller's store, a three story frame building, and which threatened to destroy the business portion of the town, was still burning at 4 o'clock. Miller's grocery and the Murphy block, and Dea, Hedick & Co's cigar store have been destroyed. The Harrington block, Miller block, Foley residence and the Pfeffer House are burning.

In Kent there is now in the field the government ticket composed of Barnes, Johnson and Goguen, with Antoine Girouard, ex-sheriff of Kent, and Pascal Hebert, both running as independents. The election of Girouard and Hebert is admitted on all sides, and the race for third place will come between Barnes and Johnson, in case no other candidates are nominated.

THE WAD AT WORK.

A small portion of the wad has been opened for present campaign uses in the city. Some of the agents of the government party have been within the past few days visiting licensed taverns where the thirst of a great many of the faithful has been quenched. This anti-election proceeding is much appreciated by the recipients of the heeler's bounty. Still it has its drawbacks. The wad might be exhausted before election day and there will be no doubt a lot of thirst in the interim.

AND MR. VROOM SUPPORTS THEM (Chatham World.)

The system of issuing tickets, good for liquor at the bars of certain dealers, which was followed by the Tweedie party at the last election, has already been put into operation in this campaign. Men, some of them having good situations in workshops, who have been given such tickets are reeling around the streets drunk. Shame!

THE DEATH ROLL.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The Bishop of Southampton, Rev. Hon. Arthur Temple Lyttleton died this morning at Petersfield, Hampshire. He was born 1852.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Jean Clara Walters, once an actress of national fame, is dead at East Oakland. She made her debut forty-five years ago at Newark, N. J., and toured with John McCullough, Fanny Davenport and other stars.

VIENNA, Feb. 20.—Chevalier Karl Scherzer, the well known traveler, died today at Cortez. He was the author of several books of travels in the United States.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—James Flynn, former assistant corporation counsel, was taken ill in an elevated train today and died shortly afterward.

GLENS FALLS, N. Y., Feb. 20.—Rev. Mgr. James McDermott, for forty years rector of St. Mary's church at Glens Falls, died today. He was born in Ireland in 1836. In December, 1901, Pope Leo, in recognition of his services in the interest of the Catholic education, appointed him prothonotary apostolic, which carried with it the title of Monsignor.

TUNNEL UNDER EAST RIVER.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The directors of New York Dock Company have decided to dig a tunnel under the East River, the route to be fixed as soon as soundings have been made. The project also includes an elevated structure in Brooklyn along the water front from Catharine Ferry to Red Rock. The tunnel is to facilitate the handling of freight between this city and the company's warehouses and docks in Brooklyn. The officials of the company declare that old fashioned methods of handling freight have retarded the growth of Brooklyn's water front.

HOTEL HORROR.

Fifteen or Twenty Persons Burned to Death.

Caught Like Rats in a Trap in Blazing House This Morning.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 20.—Fifteen or twenty persons were burned to death and twice that number seriously injured in a fire that destroyed the Union House at Cedar Rapids early today. There were 120 guests in the building when the fire broke out, and most of the dead are buried in the debris. Owing to the destruction of the house register the names of the missing are as yet unobtainable.

The fire originated in the basement, presumably from an electric wire, and spread rapidly through the lower floors. Escape in the lower doors and windows were cut off entirely before the guests could be aroused. In a few moments persons could be seen at every window, clad only in their night robes, wildly calling for help.

The facilities of the fire department were meagre and each moment's delay increased the panic that already prevailed. One after another the guests hurled themselves through the windows. The limbs of many were broken and the sidewalks were soon packed with a mass of helpless beings. Those who jumped through the third story windows had little hope of surviving, but few hesitated as the flames came nearer and nearer. The injured were conveyed to adjoining business houses. The fire department confined its efforts to preventing the spread of the flames. Several times the National Hotel caught fire, but was saved. Entrance to the Clifton was out of the question and the persons who had not jumped were soon suffocated.

The state Y. M. C. A. convention was in progress in Cedar Rapids at the time and also a district Knights of Pythias convention. Delegates to these conventions constituted most of the injured and missing.

At 10 o'clock all but ten of the missing had been accounted for. These are supposed to lie in the debris, although it is possible they also may be located among the rescued. The ruins are still burning, and it is impossible to search them for bodies.

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POPE'S JUBILEE.

His Holiness Completed the Functions Without Undue Fatigue.

Brilliant Assemblage of Diplomats, Aristocrats of Rome, and Vatican Officials.

ROME, Feb. 20.—The Pope completed the functions of his jubilee today without undue fatigue. Upon returning to his apartments the pontiff exclaimed: "This is really the happiest day of my life."

It seems impossible that it is twenty-five years since I have been there," was the pope's exclamation as he looked from a window of his apartments this morning into the sunlit piazza of St. Peter's. This was the pontiff's only reference to his long term of self-imposed imprisonment in the vatican, during which he never has gone beyond the palace grounds of St. Peter's, which is considered to be part of the vatican.

"What a glorious morning for the jubilee of my pontificate," the Pope added, as he proceeded with evident pleasure to peruse the almost innumerable telegrams, letters and addresses of congratulation which have reached the vatican from all parts of the world.

The Hall of Beatification, above the portico of St. Peter's where the pontiff held his jubilee reception, presented a brilliant scene. It was beautifully lit with antique brocades and illuminated by thousands of electric lights and wax candles. The boxes lining the long, narrow hall were filled to their capacity with members of the Roman aristocracy, diplomats, women with black veils, men in evening dress and monks and sisters in varying garb.

Here and there groups of papal guards in white uniforms, lent color to the whole. Notable among the diplomats was Count Almador, head of the special mission sent to represent the King of Spain at the jubilee.

The struggle to get into the hall was terrific. People were swept off their feet and women were overpowered, but no one was injured. The babel of tongues raised in protest testified to the world-wide character of the gathering. There was a long and tedious wait before the ceremony commenced and the audience was growing restless when, suddenly, a great roar of "Long live Leo," and "Long live the Pope-King" announced the arrival of the pontiff.

His holiness was borne in the sedia gestatoria on the shoulders of eight men habited in red brocade. The pope himself wore gorgeous robes and had the triple crown on his head. He bestowed his benediction right and left as he passed through the cheering concourse, whose enthusiasm was so great and whose desire to touch the hem of the pope's gown was so intense that the presence of the guards seemed really necessary for his protection.

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QUEEN'S RINK

PYTHIAN AT HOME.

A Grand Gathering in Castle Hall Last Evening.

The "At Home" held by New Brunswick and Union Lodges of the Knights of Pythias in Castle Hall last evening, in honor of the anniversary of the founding of the order, was a great success. The fine hall in Wygodsky building was filled with a large and representative gathering of the members and their lady friends, the bright uniforms of the members of the Union Rank lending a brightness to the scene.

Col. Jas. Moulson, Past Supreme Prelate, was chairman for the evening, and the following programme was carried out: Addresses of welcome by W. T. G. Cosman and W. C. Clarke, chancellor commanders of New Brunswick and Union Lodges respectively; selection, K. of P. orchestra; address, His Worship Mayor White; vocal solo, John A. Kelly; reading, Wm. Thompson; whistling solo, Walter Nixon; address by the chairman; selection, orchestra; violin solo, W. C. Bowden; vocal solo, Miss Nane; address, P. G. C. John Beamish.

The addresses of the mayor, and the chairman and John Beamish were all excellent, and brought to light in many ways the good work that is being done by the order.

In the army, which was brightened up for the occasion with some flags and plants, an efficient committee prepared and served a dainty supper in an excellent manner, and the whole evening was so successful that all of those who were fortunate to be present expressed the hope that before long the K. of P.'s will again have another such evening.

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MONTREAL, Feb. 19.—McGill graduates here are to hold a meeting here in a few days to take into consideration the proposal to erect a \$75,000 students' club house. Ten thousand dollars has already been promised towards the project.

TORONTO, Feb. 19.—The Telegram's correspondent cables: Lord Strathcona, who is in splendid health, told me in the course of a conversation today that since his appointment as high commissioner he has not bought or sold a single share of Canadian Pacific stock, of which he is now the largest holder.

TORONTO, Feb. 19.—Charles R. Devlin, the Canadian immigration commissioner for Ireland, while visiting in Galway promised that if he received a unanimous nomination for the vacancy in Galway's representation in the imperial house of commons, created by the forced resignation of Col. Lynch, he would do his best to have Galway selected as the port for the Canadian fast line.

CHEPSTOW, Ont., Feb. 19.—Dr. J. M. Stewart, liberal, and Hugh Clark, conservative, were nominated today in the by-election for the Ontario house. The election takes place Feb. 26th.