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LAURIER OPENS HIS QUEBEC CAMPAIGN

St. Hyacinthe Followers Give Liberal Leader Flattering Reception and Are Rewarded With Vigorous Speech and Prophecy of Dire Disaster to Government When Election Comes.

MONTREAL, Aug. 16.—(Can. Press.)—The Conservatives may put off an appeal to the people—they may delay from day to day, from week to week, from month to month—but the appeal must come, and the longer it is put off the more bitter will be the retribution, the more glorious the triumph and victory of the Liberals.

Thus epitomized is the clarion call which permeated the utterances of all the speakers at a monster demonstration organized at St. Hyacinthe on Saturday in honor of Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, leader of the opposition.

Sir Wilfrid was in fine fettle, and despite the heat he spoke for upwards of an hour and twenty minutes before a gathering of over 6,000 persons on Laframboise square.

A flowered pathway. St. Hyacinthe was overrun with the incoming visitors, who came from every point of the province on special trains. The streets were festooned with flowers and bunting, special arches of greenery being thrown across at various points.

Sir Wilfrid took up the naval question and in rounded sarcasm dealt with the position of the Nationalist patriots, who had been, he said, traitors to all their pre-election promises.

SENSATIONAL ESCAPE OF HARRY THAW FROM MATTEAWAN ASYLUM MURDERER FREE MAN ONCE MORE

With the Aid of Confederates, Slayer of Stanford White is Safely Out of New York State and Secure From Rearrest.

MATTEAWAN, N. Y., Aug. 17.—(Can. Press.)—Harry K. Thaw, the slayer of Stanford White, escaped from the Hospital for the Criminal Insane here at 7.45 o'clock this morning.

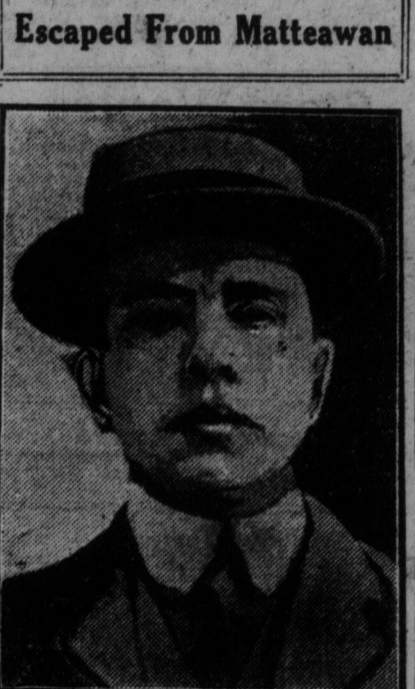
A dart for liberty thru an open gate, a dash in the open door of a powerful automobile that stood quivering outside, and a flight like a rocket for the Connecticut state line, 30 miles away, accomplished his escape.

Tonight he was still at large and the hospital authorities felt certain he was outside the state. Once beyond its boundaries Thaw is free. Only months, perhaps years, of litigation can bring him back to Matteawan, and then only in one event—that he be adjudged insane in the state to which he has fled.

Five confederates manned the car in which Thaw escaped, and a big black limousine which trailed it past the asylum gate. The police have their descriptions and the names under which they registered at a local hotel Friday night, and are seeking them.

The hospital authorities believe that Thaw has fled to the shore of Long Island Sound and boarded a yacht waiting with steam up, to rush him to Europe.

A reward of \$500 for Thaw's apprehension has been offered by Mr. R. F. C. Kelb, superintendent of the asylum. Howard H. Barnum, the attendant at the gate past whom Thaw dashed in his break for freedom, is under arrest, and other arrests are expected to follow.



HARRY K. THAW. Slayer of Stanford White, gains liberty by a daring ruse.

HIGH COMMISSIONER CLIFFORD SIFTON?

LONDON, Aug. 17.—The retirement of Lord Strathcona, from the high commissioner's office, which has been so often announced and denied, may be expected very shortly, according to a newspaper report today which says that his successor will be the Hon. Clifford Sifton.

FAILED TO AGREE ON TREATMENT PATIENT DIES

First Doctor Declared Chinese Had Appendicitis, But Second Medico Disagreed, Now Patient is Dead and Inquest Follows.

Because he was not immediately removed to the hospital and an operation performed to save his life, Wong Ho, a Chinese who recently arrived from China, died in the police ambulance Saturday night. It is alleged that two prominent medical men advised different treatments for Wong Ho, and as a result of the delay in deciding whose advice was to be followed the man succumbed.

RUSSIAN SHIPS LEFT BOSPHORUS

Mysterious Errand of Battleships Thought to Have Some Bearing on Turks' Presence in Adrianople.

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Insurrection Being Continued for the Sake of Loot—Bodies Piled High in Canton Streets.

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PTE. HAWKINS WARMLY WELCOMED BY CROWDS OF FELLOW CITIZENS WHO LINE THE STREETS AND CHEER

BIG WEEK OF CELEBRATION IN HAMILTON CLOSED ON SATURDAY

Sideways and Amusement Centres Disappeared From the Streets at Midnight, But the Crowds Still Continued to Indulge in Carnival Spirit—No Conflict With Authorities.

HAMILTON, Monday, Aug. 18.—The great centennial celebration is a thing of the past, and all that remains to remind one of it are the decorations, which still remain intact.

FUGITIVES FACE MURDER CHARGE

Schaefer and Sirrocco Believed to Be Men Who Killed Martin—Trail is Hot.

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ROOSEVELT BACK TO PARTY FOLD TO GET REGULAR NOMINATION?

Colonel is Said to Be Planning to Enter Primaries and Old Guard is Beginning to Grow Anxious—Reorganization of Party Will Be Hurried in Consequence.

King's Prizeman Given Great Ovation on His Return to City—Met at Station by Civic and Military Authorities Who Conduct Him to Queen's Park.

Private William A. Hawkins, who won the King's Prize at Bley, returned to Toronto Saturday night. More eloquent of the admiration which his achievement has gained for him than the illuminated address composed by the city council was the roar of cheers which welcomed him as the hero-bearer.

Then about the cheering, could be heard the notes of the salute. The band had not forgotten its duty. Twice the salute was played and then "God Save the King" and Private Hawkins appeared on the steps, escorted by Col. Currie of the 48th.

In a moment the Highlanders fell in line, led by the band and the pipers the procession started on its road to Queen's Park.

Less spectacular was Private Hawkins' first meeting with his commanding officer, which took place in the dimly-lighted waiting room at Lesaside station, twenty minutes before the public reception.

"In winning the King's Prize, Hawkins has demonstrated all the best qualities of the race," declared Mayor Hocken, in opening the ceremony at Queen's Park.

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MRS. PANKHURST IS SAFE IN FRANCE Will Recuperate at Seaside But Intends to Return to London in Fall.

TROUVILLE, France, Aug. 16.—(Can. Press.)—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the English militant suffragette leader, arrived here today from London by way of Havre to join her daughter, Christabel, who has been staying at this seaside resort for the past fortnight.

WAGES OF G. T. R. TRACKMEN GO BEFORE BOARD OF ARBITRATORS

A committee representing the trackmen of the Grand Trunk Railway from Chicago to Portland has recently been in session with the officials of that company in Montreal, Que., and has agreed upon a set of working rules similar to those enjoyed by the same class of employees on the government railways of Canada, the C. P. R. and other lines.

CYCLIST COLLIDES WITH MOTOR CAR

John Parkinson Knocked From His Wheel on College Street.

While riding his bicycle east on College street near Ross street yesterday morning, John Parkinson, 22 McConnell avenue, was struck by motor car 9930, owned and driven by Geo. Brintnell, 419 West Queen street.