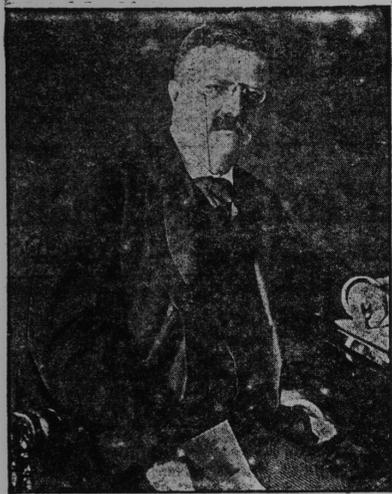


BOTH SIDES CLAIM THE VICTORY IN U. S. TODAY.

But the Odds Are Better Than 5 to 1 That Roosevelt Will Be Elected--Little Excitement.



PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT, Republican Candidate for a Second Term.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—From the politicians to the people; from the campaign managers to the voters; from the spellbinders to the ballot boxes, the presidential election of 1904 is now committed.

Eight up to the hour when all efforts had ceased the campaign managers of both parties confidently claimed success with a certainty which seemed remarkable in view of the wide divergence of expressed opinion.

It is not to be expected that any person connected with a political campaign will surrender his right to claim all doubtful states, and no one in this campaign is privately or in confidence willing to concede defeat.

The confidences of the managers is shared by their followers and on every hand the stout declarations of partisanship for their party candidates are heard.

Aside from the preparations for the receipt of the election returns there is little evidence of the close of the political campaign today, unless it might be found in the absence of familiar faces about the national and state headquarters and hotels.

There was nothing that indicated any excitement or undue interest, and, in fact, the political headquarters, both national and state, showed little of the activity that has been noticeable up to the end of last week.

Nothing that either campaign committee could do at this late day, it was recognized, would affect the result and this accounted for the quietude, it being well known that the case had gone to the great American jury.

The extreme quiet of headquarters was also apparent at the hotels and those haunts where politicians often congregate to discuss the prospects of different candidates were deserted nearly all day by the men who are most interested in the elections.

The betting on the presidential results was livelier today than at any time during the campaign. It is estimated that nearly \$200,000 was wagered on the Broad street curb and in the various hotels.

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SEAT FOR BORDEN.

Col. Hughes May Resign in His Favor. May be Elected by Acclamation—Fitzpatrick May Succeed Blair on Railway Commission.

MONTREAL, Nov. 7.—It was learned here today on good authority that Col. Sam Hughes, member elect for Victoria-Halifax, has offered, provided his electors consent, to retire in favor of R. L. Borden. In an interview published in the Herald with Sir Wilfrid Laurier the latter expresses his willingness, should the conservatives allow Aylesworth to be elected by acclamation, to resign his seat on the railway commission in place of Blair.

It is quite likely that a new leader was selected it would require a few years for the people of the country to get so well acquainted with him as they are with Borden today. Furthermore, while Mr. Borden has not acquired the reputation of an orator or of a magnetic speaker, yet he is recognized from one end of the country to the other, by friend and foe alike, as a sound and safe man, thoroughly sincere, and a man who when he makes friends will keep them.

There were a number of wagers made on the result in New York, and it would be republican for president. Several private wagers are said to have been against Parker at odds of 7 to 1, but no such bets were openly announced.

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MR. BORDEN WILL REST.

He is Going South for a Few Weeks—Did Good Work in Ontario.

HALIFAX, Nov. 7.—R. L. Borden went to Kings county today to visit his mother. Later this week he and Mrs. Borden will go to the Southern States for a rest. He is still hoarse, but there is no doubt that a few weeks' rest will restore him to perfect health and remove his throat trouble. It was impossible to see Mr. Borden this afternoon after the news came of the offer of Col. Sam Hughes to resign his seat in Victoria. In his office, but Mr. Borden, his private secretary, said that he would give a positive assurance that if Mr. Borden were asked the question by your correspondent that his reply would certainly be that he would give no answer to any question of that kind at present.

COMFORT BAGS WANTED.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Seaman's Mission was held yesterday afternoon in the Chipman house. The principal question discussed was the comfort bags for the sailors. The ladies are very anxious this year to have enough of these for all the sailors. In former years they have usually been short. They will very gladly receive any comfort bags or materials for making them which any of their friends are willing to donate. The comfort bags are to measure 8 by 9 inches exclusive of drawn trim. The contents are as follows: Pocket Testament, Christian letter from the donor, sticking plaster, old linen, strips of old flannel for bags, white and black thread, wax, coarse pins and buttons, darning yard, and what, with any other articles that might be of use to sailors. Any of the above will be thankfully received at the Seaman's house between now and December 1st.

WANT FAIR TREATMENT.

Halifax Board of Trade Would Have Lloyds Examine Atlantic Ports.

HALIFAX, Nov. 7.—The Board of Trade today passed a resolution that the Halifax Board of Trade should be invited to send a committee to Canada to examine our ports, and that the City Council be asked to defray the expenses of the committee's visit to Nova Scotia. This is in consequence of discrimination in the matter of the press agents for Nova Scotia ports, which the board holds Lloyds persists in doing, and in regard to which many protests have been made in the past.

WHIST TOURNAMENT.

A whist tournament was commenced last evening between the Neptune Rowing Club and the Thistle Curling Club. In the rooms of the former. Five pairs on each side are engaged, and sixteen rounds of duplicate whist are played at each table. The Neptune obtained a decided advantage in two of the matches, but in the other three the players broke even. The totals for the evening gave the Neptune a lead of twenty-five points. The tournament will be continued on Thursday evening. The score was as follows:

SOCIAL IN ST. DAVID'S.

The young people's association of St. David's Church were last evening the hosts of the members of the congregation, whom they entertained in a very pleasant manner. Alexander Murray, president of the association, presided, and in a brief address outlined the work of the association for the coming season. The musical programme furnished was of a superior order, and included vocal solos by H. J. Doherty, Miss Louise Henderson, DeWitt Cairns, and Walter Belding, and a mandolin solo by Miss Doherty. When the aesthetic tastes of those present had been gratified, they were introduced to the material, in the form of coffee, and all the known varieties of cake. There were a large number present, and they all looked comfortable and happy.

TAKING THEIR TIME.

It will be remembered that the Factory Act Commission held a number of sessions in St. John and at different places along the North Shore, some time ago. Mayor Palmer, the chairman, was to have called the commission together at a convenient time, but the St. John members of the commission have not received any notification as yet. The object in calling the commission together again is to consider the report to be made to the government.

HAVE BEEN PROMOTED.

C. B. Foster, W. B. Howard, and M. G. Murphy are Open to Congratulations.

The many friends of A. H. Notman, assistant general passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Toronto, will regret to hear that on account of ill-health he has had to take several months' leave of absence and gone to California to recuperate. Owing to Mr. Notman's illness it has been arranged for C. B. Foster, district passenger agent of the C. P. R. at St. John, to go to Toronto as acting assistant general passenger agent for the Canadian Pacific in the Toronto territory, and W. B. Howard, chief clerk for the passenger department at St. John, will be appointed acting district passenger agent in charge of the passenger department in the Atlantic division territory, which includes all the maritime provinces, as well as part of Maine and the province of Quebec.

M. G. Murphy, travelling passenger agent, who is now on a trip to the Pacific Coast, will on his return be appointed chief clerk, pro tem. Mr. Foster, who thus receives such a creditable and well merited promotion, feels almost as sorry to leave St. John as his hundreds of friends do about losing him. He has been in the passenger department of the C. P. R. for only thirteen years, first on the staff as travelling passenger agent, then as chief clerk with A. J. Heath, and since February, 1902, as district passenger agent, with office at St. John. His promotion has been rapid, and is seemingly an evidence that his work has been appreciated by the managing officials.

This is equally true of Mr. Howard, who entered the service only seven years ago. He was for a time on the staff, then entered the office here as chief clerk to Mr. Foster when the latter succeeded Mr. Heath. As chief clerk Mr. Howard has become even better known in St. John than when he was on the road, and has made many friends, who will join in congratulating him on his promotion. Mr. Murphy was for a time stationed in Halifax, and when the changes were made in 1902, went on the road, succeeding Mr. Howard. "Matt" is becoming almost as well known as his associate, J. D. McKenna, but has not had time to cover so much country. The changes in the staff will go into effect on Monday next.

Although these appointments are made temporarily, the Star understands that they will become permanent as Mr. Notman, when he recovers, will probably be promoted to a more responsible position.

BIG FIRE IN ST. WEST.

LETHBRIDGE, N. W. T., Nov. 7.—Fire yesterday destroyed a large portion of the business section of the town of Cardston Centre, in the Dominion Territory. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. Insurance not known.

DO ALL MERCHANTS REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF ADEQUATE SPACE FOR THEIR ANNOUNCEMENTS?

Advertisement for Munyon's Heart Cure. Text: 'THE MORAL FORCE OF A "BIG GUN" IS AS GREAT AS THAT OF A "BIG GUN"'. 'A "Company" of soldiers may be adequately armed for ordinary service with rifles only. If the rifles are modern and of long range. A regiment, if operating independently in active service, must make heavy use of "big guns." "Big guns" are the "manned fist" of a Major-General. Without them he is partially disarmed; losing any of them to the enemy is counted to be a humiliating reverse, apt to nullify a whole plan of campaign. The little store, like the company of soldiers, may get along with little aids, if they are placed in "long range" mediums. A "bigger store," like a regiment, must have some display space—some field guns, for offence and defence. A "well-bigger store," like a Regiment, must carry "bigger guns." Must expand its display advertising from inches into columns. A really "BIG" store, like an Army Division, must carry the "biggest guns." Must use whole pages for "broadsides," and must make its advertising its "manned fist" for patrolling every.

RETURNS FROM THE WEST.

Some Big Majorities are Reported, and All Returns are Not Yet in.

KINGSTON, Ont., Nov. 7.—The official figures of Kingston city election are: Harty, liberal, 2,377; Gaskin, conservative, 1,735; Graham, independent, 53. Graham loses his deposit. Harty's majority in Ligon is 235. Hon. Clifford Sifton's majority in Brandon is 333. In Portage la Prairie, Crawford, liberal, has 334 majority. Second, conservative, has over 700. Talbot, liberal, carried Strathcona by over 700. Lamont, liberal, has over 700. Several private wagers are said to have been against Parker at odds of 7 to 1, but no such bets were openly announced.

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MR. POTTINGER HONORED.

Has Been Made a Companion of the Imperial Service Order.

OTTAWA, Nov. 7.—Over a thousand people attended the final state ball given by their excellencies at Government House tonight. People were present from all the important centres of Canada. The consular corps were here in full force, including representatives of the United States, Russia, Denmark, the Netherlands, France and Denmark.

Additional interest was imparted to the gathering by the presentation of Sir George A. Drummond by his excellency under special warrant from His Majesty, also by special command of His Majesty the decoration of Companions of the Imperial Service Order was conferred on David Pottinger, manager of government railways, and A. A. Boucher, assistant clerk of the senate.

WILL HOLD A TEA.

The ladies of the Main Street Baptist Church held a meeting last evening in the parlors of the church, to discuss proposals in regard to augmenting the fund for the new church organ. It was finally decided to hold a tea meeting on Thanksgiving day, and Mrs. R. C. Elkin was appointed chairman and Miss Ella Molary secretary of the committee in charge of the affair. A committee was also appointed to canvass the districts for contributions to the tea. The meeting was very largely attended last evening, and every effort will be put forth to make the supper a pronounced success.

Y. M. S. OF ST. JOSEPH.

The Young Men's Society of St. Joseph met in their rooms in St. Malachi's last night. Arrangements were appointed to make arrangements for the annual reunion next Thursday evening. The prizes in the pool tournament last winter and summer in the rooms will be given out. William Garnett, Geo. McCarthey and Fred Sweeney were the winners. A programme will be carried out and there will be card playing and refreshments.

The dramatic society will hold a meeting Sunday afternoon.

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