

SIR WILFRID LAURIER OPENING CAMPAIGN



With Laurier at Simcoe—The large picture on the left shows the procession from the station to Lywood Park, Simcoe, where Sir Wilfrid opened the campaign, and the view on the right shows a section of the audience and the speaker's platform. Sir Wilfrid is shown in the centre picture in a characteristic attitude. In the circle is a picture of Hon. George P. Graham, Minister of Railways and Canals.

SOMEbody SENDS HIM \$40 A WEEK

New York Actor's Mix-up in German Court Circles

GOSSIP OF GOTHAM

A Diplomat Who Tripped Up When He Turned Masher—The Latest Sensational Elopement—Miss Eleanor Sears To Marry Young Vanderbilt

(Times Special Correspondence.)
New York, Aug. 18.—Much interest has been aroused here by the story of Henry Kurst, a handsome German actor, who says he is in receipt of \$2,000 a year from some mysterious source in Europe. Kurst is the son of a well-to-do merchant in Dresden, and has been in Germany several years ago because of the interest taken in him by the Crown Prince Louis of Saxony, former wife of the present King Frederick Augustus. He affects to be much worried over the report that the memoirs of the former crown prince to be published soon in London, contain some reference to him.

The actor is now happily married to the daughter of a wealthy brewer of Hannover and says he fears any intimate portrayal of his adventures with the Crown Prince Louis would be a disaster to his career. He will never be able to return to his native land.

"I happened to be standing by a baby carriage in the care of a maid, who was attached to a family with which my parents were acquainted," said Stainbrack, explaining his relations with the princess. "The baby was crying. I imagined my surprise when the royal carriage, containing the crown prince and her lady-in-waiting, stopped directly in front of me, and Her Highness offered some candy to the young girl, who immediately ceased weeping. Then she turned to me and said, 'If you are my father, you are the prettiest boy in Saxony.' This remark, which she turned my head, had been responsible for all of my misfortunes which followed."

Diplomat and Masher

For playing the role of a masher and annoying Mrs. John Watson Angell, wife of a Princeton man, Hugo Weiner, who says he is a diplomat personally representing the Austrian Government, spent nearly two hours in prison because he could not pay a fine of \$10.

Find Another Fiancee for Him

On the heels of the called report from London the other day that Claude Gramme-White the English aviator, who won the international trophy here last year at Belmont Park, intended to marry Miss Campbell, the pretty daughter of Mrs. William Converse, of this city, some surprise was occasioned by the announcement of the engagement of Eleanor Sears, a young Harvard graduate. At the time of the Belmont meet, Gramme-White was much devoted to Miss Sears, who accompanied him in several of his cross-country flights and appeared to reciprocate the interest which he made no effort to conceal that he felt in her.

A report was circulated at the time that the husband, upon returning home and hearing his wife's story, was wild with rage. He cooled down after

time and decided to have Weiner arrested. This was done, and Weiner was arraigned in court on the charge of disorderly conduct.

After Mrs. Angell had told her story in court, Weiner said that he was commissioned by the Austrian Government to send in reports of the commerce of the United States. This, however, did not save him.

The Geragaty-French Elopement

Whatever may happen, society is quite agreed that the family of Amos Tuck French, the multi-millionaire banker of this city, will have a hard job of separating their daughter from John Edward Geragaty, the \$40 a month Newport chauffeur, with whom she eloped from this city last week. Both being of legal age, the marriage will stand and the only chance the relatives of the young woman have of ending the union is the hope that when the excitement attendant on the runaway subsides, she will realize the folly of her act and want to go back home of her own volition. This, however, is recognized as a general possibility.

The friends of the young man in New York are inclined to doubt its authenticity in view of the frequency with which his name has been associated from time to time with different young women to whom he has been erroneously reported to be engaged. Miss Sears, who is one of the most prominent heiresses, with an athletic build, has had somewhat of a similar experience, her name having been coupled with no less than a dozen eligible young men to whom she was reported to have surrendered her heart and hand.

As in each of these cases, her present captivation is denied, but in this instance the general impression among her friends is that the announcement, while premature as in the case of the engagement of Mildred Sherman and Lord Camoy, is technically correct. It is known that she has regarded the attentions of young Vanderbilt with marked favor for several months and that the possibility of an alliance with this family, of which the Duchess of Marlborough is the recognized social head, is not displeasing to her. A formal announcement of the young people's engagement is looked for in the fall, with a brilliant society wedding in the early part of the year.

The Astor-Force Wedding

On his arrival here this week after the coronation ceremonies in London, the Right Rev. Dr. Nutt, Church of England Archbishop of the West Indies, took a hand in the big hub-bub made by the clergy of the city and the country generally over the prospective marriage of John Jacob Astor to eighteen-year-old Madeline Force. In spite of the vehement protests of the society folk, who characterize the wedding made by the ministry as scandalous and an indecorous violation of the privacy of a citizen, the comment continues unabated.

"You know," he said, "there are two factions in the recognized Church of England. One is very narrow in its views. That faction believes in the indissolubility of the marriage tie. The other faction is more liberal. It takes a broader view of life, and is not opposed to the innocent party in a divorcee marrying a second time under certain conditions."

"I know very little about the Astor-Force engagement, but from what I have learned a clergyman of the Church of England would hardly have the temerity to marry Mr. Astor, because he is regarded as the guilty party."

"Indeed, such a clergyman in performing a ceremony with an applicant for marriage such as Mr. Astor is represented to be, would be held before a church tribunal. Further than that he would be liable to the civil courts, for the Church of England recognizes in a divorcee the right to marry, which he made no effort to conceal that he felt in her."

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THE RETURN OF PRIVATE CLIFFORD, BISLEY HERO



The winner of the king's prize was entertained at luncheon spread on a truck at Leaside station on the C. P. R. while putting in the time before being taken to Toronto for the reception. He is on the left, facing the reader. Next him is his wife then comes his mother. Lt. Col. Simcoe is in the light suit opposite Mrs. Clifford. He commanded the Canadian contingent in the old country. On his right is a Lieut. Duncan, of whose company in the Grenadiers Clifford is a member.

THE GAME OF TREASON

(Toronto Globe)
The leaders of the Conservative party are at this moment playing the most dangerous game ever played in Canadian politics. Indirectly, and directly, too, they are cooperating in the organization of a French-Canadian party which, were it effective, would work not only political mischief, but the gravest national peril. Conservative leaders have joined hands with Mr. Bourassa. They not only discourage opposition to him and his campaign from their own ranks, but positively and publicly they give him and his allies their sympathy and support. He would not today be a factor in Canadian politics were it not for encouragement given to him by leaders and journals of the Conservative party in Ontario.

Were Mr. Bourassa and his party Conservatives loyal to the principles and restrained by the traditions of the Conservative party the matter would be of minor significance. It would mean at most nothing but a swing of power from one political party to the other. But on trade questions and on all essentially Imperial questions the French Nationalists are worlds away from Mr. Borden and the Conservatives. The one thing they all have in common is the determination at all costs to break the power of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the Province of Quebec.

On the vexed question of the navy and on questions of Canada's relation to Britain the declarations of Mr. Bourassa are fiercely anti-Imperialistic.

And yet Conservative leaders welcome into Canadian political activity this disunionist. They encourage him to scatter firebrands among the inflammable materials of ignorance and prejudice and suspicion. As though it were not enough to breed bigotry and sectionalism among the English-speaking Protestants of Ontario, for months past work has been going on, for the most part in secret, deliberately seeking to awaken and organize the religious fears and racial animosities of the French-speaking people of Quebec. That it has not been altogether in vain recent Nationalist demonstrations illustrate.

But what does it mean? If it succeeds what will it involve? How can the races in Canada be united and the life of Canada be made positive and potent if after all these years of patient co-operation of earnest and high-minded Canadians of all races and parties this reckless and ambitious firebrand is encouraged to destroy the national fabric?

This is indeed a serious national situation. Industry may flourish, trade and commerce may expand, great transportation routes may be established throughout Canada and across the seas, all the framework of a great nation may be available in abundance, but there can be no Canada no national future, no prestige in the Empire, and no worthy part among



HON. RODOLPHE LEMIEUX, ON THE LEFT AND HON. MCKENZIE KING, ON THE RIGHT AT SIR WILFRID SIMCOE MEETING

CANADIANS DOING ENGLAND BY AUTO

Pleasure and Education In Cathedral Cities Tour

INVEST FRENCH CAPITAL

Financiers Coming To Canada To Look Over The Ground—Promise of Winter Work For Harvesters—The Inventor of Volapuk Dead in London

(Times Special Correspondence.)
London, Aug. 8.—Motor tours through Great Britain seem to be the favorite recreation of visiting Canadians, who by this rapid and comfortable method of transportation see far more of the old country than does the average man.

A well-known Toronto man said to the writer: "I am taking my children to every cathedral town in England and Wales during their holidays. We have two motors. We stay a while in those cities which specially attract us, while in every case I expect my young people to prove that they have acquainted themselves with the history of the place."

"This idea of continuing education agreeably in the holidays is to be commended to those who can. It is the possession of a fair knowledge of the history of the cathedral cities of England and Wales means a good general knowledge of the history of Europe, too, since before the time of William the Conqueror and hundreds of years before the North American continent was discovered."

Another Toronto man, now motoring as far north as Inverness, is John Ross Robertson, with Mrs. Robertson. They expect to return by the Olympic from Southampton on August 20. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Carrik are also spending the last few days of their stay in England, motoring into the West Country. They will sail for the Royal George. When the writer last saw Mr. Carrik at the Savoy Hotel he was busy cogitating over the contents of a sheet of calligraphic urging him to accept nominations as candidate for the Riding River district in the Dominion House.

The few Canadians in London for bank holiday are mostly spending it in the house of commons which is holding a momentous sitting instead of participating in the public worship of the most popular holiday of the year. It does when the weather is almost invariably hot and sunny. This year, however, hot and sunny days have been even too plentiful, and more than one Canadian has complained of being overcome by the heat. Indeed, it is discomforting than the same figure in the thermometer in Canada.

French Capital for Canada

In addition to a party of London financiers who left for Canada last week and the English pressmen who go with J. Obel Smith, the assistant superintendent of emigration, a number of leading French bankers and financiers are leaving France for Canada to make a survey of the opportunities for investment of French capital. The deputation will take every opportunity to satisfy themselves of the desirability of further investments in Canadian industries.

Winter Work for Harvesters

Hon. W. R. Moberly, minister of agriculture for the province of Saskatchewan is doing his best to create an eager response to J. Obel Smith's invitation for 30,000 farm laborers for the Canadian harvest. By stating that his government had made arrangements that the harvester who took up temporary employment in Saskatchewan would be provided with work during the winter he has done much to allay that anxiety—the fear of winter—which prevents many in this country from going to Canada.

It must be remembered that when a minister of the government makes such a statement it carries much more weight than if coming from an emigration agent.

Inventor of Volapuk Dead

Johann Martin Schleyer, the inventor of Volapuk is dead. He first launched his universal language in 1870; and at the French exhibition of 1889 it was used on some of the posters which conveyed information to miscellaneous strangers. Afterwards, as everyone knows, it was superseded by Esperanto, but Herr Schleyer continued his linguistic studies. At the time of the Boxer rising in China he issued a phras-book for the use of the soldiers of all nationalities marching to Peking. Of late years he had lived in quiet retirement on the Lake of Constance.

Give the farmers, the lumbermen and fishermen their turn

Their prosperity means prosperity for the province.