## GOOD WEATHER IS ST. STEPHEN'S ONLY NEED NOW

Fair Opening is Postponed One Day Because of Deluge of Rain.

(Special to The Standard)
St. Stephen N. B., Sept. 14—The opening of the fair had to be post-poned one day on account of the wet weather which made it impossible to get ready in time. However, the weather man gives promise of being good for the rest of the week, and every-

The fair this year is the best both for quality and quantity of exhibits over held under the auspices of the society. The pick of the horses, which has been racing on the eastern tracks this summer are here and waiting to face the starter.

Live Stock is Good

The live stock exhibit is one to gladen the heart of a lover of good animals. Every available than of space is occupied, and this morning two herds had to be turned away because of lack of accommodation. Over 200 head of cattle are now on the grounds. Among the horses entered for exhibition are some splendid specimens or horses flesh, and nearly 100 will face the judges in the yurious classes. The exhibition of sheep and awine is particularly good, and every

bit of space is taken up.

The poltry lovers have a treat,
store for them; every pen in the lar
poultry house is occupied and the
birts are of an exceptionally high que

Ladies' Department Good

The ladies' department is always an interesting spot to the lady visitors, and this year is no exception. The showing in the different classes is better than the average and Saen competition is grountised in all lines. The agricultural exhibit this tabuilding alloted to it to overflowing, every class has been filled, and the vegetables and grains are exceptionally good. On account of not being able to open today, the fair will be kept open on Saturday, the racing programme will be set forward one day, today's events being run off on Wednesday.

## ENORMOUS GAIN IN EARNINGS OF LAURENTIDE CO

Six Months' Income Almost Equals Last Full Year of

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, Sept. 14.—A

Moutreal, Sept. 13.—At a meetic of the board of directors of Laure tide Company, Limited, the financi report for the first six mouths of Uyear was given out. The new copany took over the plants and operations of the old company as of Jan ary 1st, this year. Earnings for the mouths amounted to \$2,566.65 compared with \$2,355,979, in the pivious full year, and \$2,598,835 for the entire year 1918. Net earnings, if fore deducting dividends for the smooths were \$1,499,539, company with \$1,833,657 for the year 1919, at \$1,704,655 in 1918. The new company are the summary of the smooths ander review were equiver the summary of the smooths under review were equiver to the company, so that carnings for the smooths under review were equivent for the entire year. On the chasis of capitalization \$9,600.0 earnings in the half year were at a rate of 15.61 per cent, or practical properties of the control of the theory of the summary of the

#### Hampton

Hampton Starton, Sept. 14—Mrs
Wm. Robinson and Mass Jesste, wh
have been spending the summer a
Lakeside, returned to Montreal of
Thresday, Miss Katherine Robinsot
who has been spending the summer
with her mother and sister. ha
moved to St. John for the wintel
having again taken up her duties a
teacher in the public schools there.
Mrs. Wan. Angue and childre
have returned to Montreal afte
spending the summer at Lakeside.
A party of young people spet
Labor Duy camping at Erk's Cove of
the Belleisle. They were chaperone
by Mr. and Mrs. Penton Keirstead.
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spurden, wh
have been visiting their daughte
Mrs. F. S. Porter, returned to the
home in Fredericton this week.
Miss Constance March left fe
Mount Allison College, at Sackvill
on Monday, where she will take

ericton.
On Thursday evening Miss Marjorie
Barnes entertained at bridge at her

Mr. and Mrs. H. Judson Smith and
Mrs. W. D. Aitkin, of Boston, motored from Boston and are guests with
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sharpe.
Rev. Mr. Helps has returned from
his vacation, which he spent at
Gaspe, Mrs. Helps will not return
for some time.
Miss Louise Glichrist left for Sack

ville, where she will resume her course at Mount Allison, Dr. Roy Smith, of Sydney, and Mr. Verner, also of Sydney, are guests of the former's parents, Mr and Mrs. J. Wm. Smith, Mrs. Fred Scovil and children who.

Mrs. Fred Scovil and children who have been spending the summer with Mrs. Scovil's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Coster. Everett street, have returned to their home at Guelph, Ontario, Mr. Ted Coster was in Moneton on Labor Day attending the sports.

Mr. Frank McMulkin, of Montreal is a guest of his sister, Mrs. Fenton Kwirsteed.

Mrs. H. H. Scovil and children who baye been spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Wilson, returned to St. John on Friday,

Lady Hazen, of St. John, and Miss Burnside, of Rothesay, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McAvity who are spending September in the Angus cottage, Lakeside, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Ryan spent last Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Ryan

Augusta, Mahne, on Monday accompanied by Miss Johane Ryan.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Thompson and young son, have returned to Hampton, having spent the summer at their camp on the St. John river.

Miss Parker, of Truro, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Fairweather. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Flewelling have moved in the C. T. Welmore cottage

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Wetmore will spend the winter at Mrs. DeLong's, having engaged rooms there. Miss Grace Flewelling was host

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HON. R. W. WIGMORE

A self-made man and a living embodiment of what brains and energy can achieve with the opportunities of a blessed

Rupert W. Wigmore, Minister of Customs in the Meighen Ministry, is a striking exemplification of what ability, initiative and courage can achieve with the opportunities of a blessed democracy. Fourteen years ago Mr. Wigmore was the manager of a small milk and dairy business in St. John, N. B., without thought of entering public life. At that time the Winter Port city was in the midst of a furious controversy. Advocates of the commission form of municipal government had been active, with the result that a plebiscite on that plan as opposed to the more democratic aldermanic system was taken. Wigmore, a democrat by instinct, came into the public eye as one of the most formidable opponents of a change, and was elected to the city council on an anti-commission ticket. The year following, however, the commission system triumphed, but Wigmore's record at the council board had so impressed the citizens that he was induced to offer for election as a commissioner. He was returned at the head of the poll, and became commissioner of water and sewerage.

As an administrator his success was brilliant. No previous incumbent of the office had been successful in making it self-supporting, but Wigmore not only produced a surplus in his first year, but also reduced the rate of water taxation on the citizens. The result was that he became a power in municipal politics, heading the noll at successive elections and declining several invitations to become a candidate for the mayoralty.

When in 1917 the Unionists of St. John sought a candidate who would ensure the triumph of their cause, Wigmore was their unanimous choice. With his son serving with distinction in France, and he himself a volunteer rejected on account of age, he made an ideal candidate, and was returned by one of the largest majorities in Canada. In Parliament he rendered useful, solid service. Not an orator, and without pretensions to political genius, he showed himself to be a keen, sure-headed business man, and while he was seldom heard in debates, his counsel was sought by his party leaders and his influence became considerable.

His selection for the portfolio of Customs was a simple recognition of the fact that this was a business department and should be administered by a business man. Although less than two months in office. Mr. Wigmore has already demonstrated the wisdom of his choice. Believing that a surplus of legalisms and official red tape was placing a hobble skirt upon the usefulness of the department, and that what was needed was fewer irritating regulations and more business-like common sense, he has ruthlessly eliminated a number of pin-pricking rules and replaced them by sensible and ordinary methods of business.

"What is needed in politics," said a famous British statesman, "is less of rhetoric and more of common sense." A plain business man, a man of few words, but of strong will to render service, Mr. Wigmore fulfills that ideal, and his future as legislator and administrator is safely assured. A sketch of the Minister of Customs by one of Canada's shrewdest observers in Ottawa.

Let Everybody Vote for Wigmore, the Man Who Can Do Things for St. John!