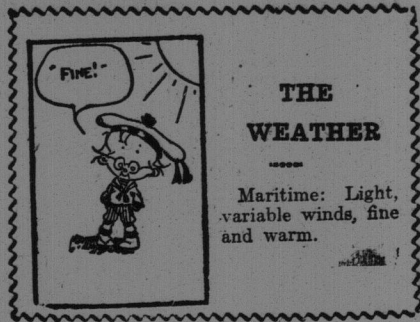


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INSPIRING FAREWELL WORDS OF THE AMERICAN CONSUL

Judge Willrich Sees Great Future For St. John, But People Must Have Confidence Which Begets Energy—Courtenay Bay Outlook—St. John River Beats His Own Rhine—Pleased With Stay Here and Regrets to Leave.

Judge Willrich, who is leaving today for Quebec, to assume the duties of United States consul at that port, was asked yesterday by the Times for an expression of his views about St. John, its present condition, its future prospects and his feeling toward the people he had met during his stay here in the consular office.

"In the first place," said the retiring consul, "I would like to say through the Times that I have been exceedingly well pleased with my stay in St. John. I can't say too much about the splendid character of the people, their hospitality and their solid qualities as citizens as well as their enterprise, which has been so well exemplified in the rebuilding of the city within a generation to its present condition, under adverse circumstances.

"Some may criticize what has been or is being done, and I have seen many criticisms in the local press with reference to general conditions, and while there may be some truth in all this, it must be remembered that a city has to go through a slump. It is better to go slowly and gradually build up than to boom like the western cities and eventually fall by the wayside.

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SAYS TARIFF MAY LEAD TO RECIPROcity

U. S. Government Expert Thinks It May Open Canada

Washington, Aug. 4.—Charles M. Pepper, who has been investigating trade conditions abroad for the department of commerce and labor, and whose expert knowledge has been used by the administration during the tariff struggle, has for several days been analyzing the effect of the Payne-Aldrich bill on foreign trade, and says:—

"An important provision in relation to foreign commerce is the fact that it is taken toward reciprocity with Canada. The dominion now buys from us to the amount of \$225,000,000 annually, and it has been felt on both sides of the line that any thing approaching reciprocity would add to this a trade of \$225,000,000 annually. The approach to reciprocity is made in the provision regarding agricultural implements. The duty is reduced from 20 per cent. to 15 per cent. ad valorem. This is below the Canadian general tariff on agricultural implements, which ranges from 17 1/2 per cent. to 30 per cent.

"But there is also the provision for the free admission of agricultural machinery from any country which admits free from the United States. There are 200,000 American settlers in the Canadian northwest who prefer farm implements made in the United States. Many of the other settlers there, including those from eastern Canada, have the same preference. If their influence in the course of a few years does not cause the dominion government to take advantage of the offer from the United States, it will be a surprise to those who are familiar with the Canadian situation. The duty on the Canadian side will rest on the other side of the international boundary.

"The tariff conference report will be voted on in the senate at 2 p. m. Thursday. An agreement to this effect has been reached. A large number of the members of the House have left the city and should it be decided to introduce a resolution to remedy the difficulties resulting from the discovery of the 'pork' in the province for lower duties on leather and its products, an interesting situation will develop.

"It is said that Chairman Payne and other leaders would expect to get a number of favorable votes in support of a resolution extending the reduced rate on shoes and harness to articles made of cattle hides, regardless of whether they come in form of guttable under the present law.

"This was the only business done at the morning session of the Senate.

"The Times new reporter on the map. Silo would like to go to Cuba on a mission for Mr. Fleming, and has some very valuable ideas on the question of doing business with Spaniards. He had some dealings with one of them about a fortune in Spain some years ago. He did not get the fortune, but the experience was of some value, and he thinks it should be a consideration greatly in his favor. He cannot talk Spanish, but saw a bullfight once in his back pasture. This also should commend him for the office he now seeks.

"OUR AEROPLANE. The Times new reporter's new aeroplane, Windjammer II, is expected to arrive this week. His autopilot and rudder will then go out of commission. The rest of the crowd looked up.

EVIDENCE OF BOTH SIDES IN CURREY CASE TODAY

Boy Speaks of Home Condition and Denies Being Coached as to Testimony—Re-Drinking—Mrs. Currey's Examination is Continued and Evidence in Rebuttal Given By J. C. Miles and Miss Currey

The Currey case again occupied all morning in the divorce court. No mention of the suit money was made. Willie Currey, his mother, John C. Miles and Miss Currey were the witnesses. In re-examination by Mr. Teed, Willie Currey stated that the quarrels between his mother and father originated from trivial affairs.

Mr. Teed—"Was your father unkind to you?" Willie—"Yes; he would hit me hard with his cane on the legs, in front of people, and with his hand hard on my head. He also whipped me with willow sticks. I remember the quarrels between his mother and father originated from trivial affairs.

Mr. Currey—"You've been getting post all right, I see." Mr. Teed—"Did you ever speak to your mother about it?" Mrs. Currey—"Yes, my mother and I often talked about papa's drinking and so on, and I was examined privately twice by Messrs. Teed and Hanington. I knew that Mr. Teed forgot to ask that question."

He denied that his mother brought the liquor matter up after the conclusion of yesterday's session.

Mrs. Currey Testifies Again. Mrs. Currey was re-examined by Mr. Skinner. "Did you ever call Mr. Currey a brute and order him not to speak to you again, and also call him a monster in the presence of the maid?" Mrs. Currey—"Yes."

Mrs. Currey—"Did you not, at about midnight on another occasion, come home when Mr. Currey's sister was stopping at his place, and in reply to Mr. Currey's interrogation of where you had been, you said, 'It's none of your business'."

Mrs. Currey—"I was out until midnight several times during Miss Currey's stay at our house and my husband knew that I was out at the club gatherings."

To Mr. Skinner's query if she arose from the breakfast table and waited on her husband she said that she had waited on her husband's face and, justifying his wife, Mrs. Currey said, "Don't do that to me."

From her standstill on the witness stand, Mrs. Currey was asked to describe the conversation which took place in the bathroom which she had had with Mr. Currey at the breakfast table.

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REPORT COUNTRY TRANQUIL FROM BAY OF BISCAY TO THE MEDITERRANEAN—MEN FLOCKING TO RECRUIT FOR MOROCCO SERVICE

Madrid, Aug. 4.—The government today issued an official announcement saying the crisis in Spain is now at an end and that the country is tranquil from the bay of Biscay to the Mediterranean.

The release of Senor Iglesias, Editor of El Progreso, and a certain relaxation of the censorship are considered the best evidence that the danger is past. The minister of the interior has given out a statement in which he says among other things that not only the reservists but volunteers are flocking to the recruiting stations for service in Morocco.

London, Aug. 4.—The Daily Telegraph's special commissioner, who has just arrived in Barcelona, sends his paper a dispatch giving a curious picture of the indifference or ignorance of the Spanish people evinced throughout his journey from the frontier, even in Madrid, to the event in Barcelona.

"The tranquility and gaiety of the populace of Madrid, the correspondent says, seems to me incongruous and absurd. Barcelona is not loved much in the rest of Spain and the old deep hatred between Catalonia and Madrid is aroused on every occasion. The cannonades in Barcelona disturbed Madrid about as much as if they had occurred in a foreign country. Spain favors repression there because Barcelona raised the flag of insurrection."

COL. MACDOUGALL NEW COMMANDER. London, Aug. 4.—(Special)—Lieut. Col. J. C. MacDougall, R.C.R., now in command of Velez Barracks, will be transferred to Halifax as chief staff officer of the maritime provinces.

Col. MacDougall has for the past year been on special duty at military headquarters and lately has been in charge of the provincial school of instruction in British Columbia.

SHOARED THROUGH AIR; WATERS ENGLISH HIM. New York, Aug. 4.—Percy Woodruff, an aeronaut, who has figured in several sensational cases, was drowned yesterday by the upsetting of a launch in the Hudson off Yankee Mills. Durkin, a companion, was also drowned. Three others were saved.

A. B. COPP IMPROVING. A telephone message from Dr. Copp, Sackville, this afternoon, stated that A. B. Copp, M.P.P., who is seriously ill, had rested easily last night and his condition is somewhat improving.

FEAR CHICAGO STRIKE. Chicago, Aug. 4.—Active preparations to meet a possible strike are making by the city fathers. They are arranging for the use of extra police, and have broken the teams of the Chicago stock exchange.

One of the largest salmon caught this season was captured last evening by John Ferguson, of Lorneville. He was fishing for shad, and was considerably surprised to find a thirty-four pound salmon in his net. The fish is now in John Sealy's store on the South Wharf.

The funeral of Daniel Murphy took place at nine o'clock this morning from his late residence, Sand Cove. Rev. J. O'Donovan officiated. Interment was made in Sand Cove cemetery.

Lillian Blackman was arrested between 1 and 2 o'clock this afternoon for not giving a satisfactory account of herself. She claims Thomaston (Me.) as her home, and says she came to the city on the boat from Digby yesterday.

John C. Miles Called. In rebuttal, Mr. Skinner summoned John C. Miles, artist, who was sworn and examined by Mr. Skinner. On the night of the episode at the Currey house in which the services of the police were required, Mr. Miles said that he and Mr. Currey were in the Union Club and imbibed one round of drinks each. They walked home together and read in the newspapers on the following day, July 11, 1908, of the summoning of the police to the house. He was surprised at this as he would consider Mr. Currey to have been sober on that night. He and Mr. Currey were friends for thirty years and Mr. Currey was always a gentleman and seldom lost his temper. He rarely heard of Mr. Currey using profanity.

Mr. Skinner—"Well, what do you say of the interpenetration during your association with him?" Mr. Miles—"I never saw him drunk." Mr. Teed—"When do you say a man is drunk?"

NEW CONSUL MAY HAVE LOST HIS EFFECTS IN EARTHQUAKE

Mr. Moorhead Can't Say Yet What About His Plans Till He Hears From Mexico—St. John Climate Pleases Him. The new United States consul, Maxwell K. Moorhead, has announced the news of office here, and for a few days at least will likely be a pretty busy man, while gathering up the details connected with the taking over of new duties.

LADS ARE AWAY TO LIFE IN THE OPEN

Y. M. C. A. Boys' Camp Party Up River Today on the May Queen. On the steamer May Queen this morning 80 boys left for the Y. M. C. A. camp at Robertson's Point, Grand Lake, for a two weeks' outing under the leadership of B. M. Nicholson, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Association.

MAINE TEAMS IN NEW SCHEDULE

Houlton, Aug. 3.—The baseball situation in northern Maine is again on a new basis. Dover and Foxcroft having dropped out, the St. John party, which numbers twenty, about sixty will take the trip from St. John. Five others are coming from St. Stephen, and a number are expected from Fredericton, making about eighty in all. J. G. McKinnon, of St. John; Morley Carson, George Patterson and Harry Gorbell, of Moncton; C. H. Greig, an Acadia College student, and Charles Hall, of Quincey, (Mass.) will assist Mr. Nicholson as leaders.

HUNDRED LOSE WORK

Boston, Mass., Aug. 4.—One hundred men of the shipfitting and other ship trade forces, were discharged yesterday from the Charleston navy yard, the work having been so reduced there is not enough for the large force of men to do.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM. The fact that a window at City Hall was found open last night, and that a policeman found easy access to the chamberlain's office does not indicate carelessness. He will enter and carry off the contents of the civic treasury. It is empty.

WANTS THE BIG FIGHT

Denver, Aug. 4.—In a resolution introduced by Alderman Thomas Hyler, the board of aldermen was asked last night to use its influence to obtain for Denver the fight for the championship between James J. Jeffries and Jack Johnson.

CRUSHED BY MASS OF IRON

Pittsfield, Mass., Aug. 4.—Walter H. Mitchell, a graduate of Brown University this year, was killed yesterday by eight tons of pig-iron which broke through the ceiling and fell upon him while he was at his desk in the office of the Stanley Electric Co. The iron had been stored in a room over the office.