

ELECTORS OF VICTORIA REGISTER THEIR VOTES

Liberals Confident Hon. Mr. Templeman Will Have Majority When Polls Close This Evening-- Two Personators Arrested

(From Thursday's Daily) After a campaign of exceptional intensity, in which the keenest political debaters on both sides have been engaged, the electors of the city of Victoria were called upon to-day to cast their votes for the representative of the Capital City of the province at Ottawa.

The personality of the candidates, the memory of the forged telegram, three years ago (which it is admitted defeated the Minister of Mines and Inland Revenue), and the great issue (disfranchisement) all contributed to this end, and a record was made.

The day was a fine one, with a light breeze and a few clouds. The morning opened dull and cold, with prospects of rain, but as the time wore on for the opening of the polls at nine o'clock the sun cleared, and the sun was shining brightly by the time the first vote was polled.

As there are about 8,200 names on the register, an advance from the figures of 1908 due to the normal growth of population, the work of the party agents was vastly increased, and as quite 90 per cent were expected to exercise the franchise, the work of the party returning officers was considerable.

The interest in the city is much deeper than the superficial observer would believe. The announcement of Mr. Templeman that the Dominion Government would be in hand on an effective and comprehensive scheme for the city, to place the harbor among the best ports of the Pacific coast, in preparation for the opening of the Panama canal, had impressed the public and raised the enthusiasm of many who were otherwise apathetic.

TROOPS CONTROL CAPITAL OF SPAIN MORE MEN OBEY ORDER TO STRIKE

Bilbao, Spain, Sept. 21.—The local strike committee, having as they affirmed proved the solidarity of labor, decided to-day that work should be resumed to-morrow.

Madrid, Sept. 21.—The men employed in the building trades of this city obeyed the strike order and quit work to-day. Thirty thousand men are involved.

The military holds the capital in a close grasp and acting under the authority of the imperial decree suspending the constitutional guarantees the government is maintaining a firm attitude toward the labor leaders who, it is said, are being used by revolutionary agents to further a campaign of violence against the state.

BIG VOTE IS BEING RECORDED

POLLING IN PROGRESS THROUGHOUT CANADA

Montreal, Sept. 21.—Canada is polling to-day the heaviest vote in its history to register its decision as to whether the government and reciprocity are to be endorsed or defeated.

The campaign had produced a deeper interest in politics with the recognition that the elector had a chance to vote something for himself, and enter an emphatic protest against the high price of living on this coast.

The deputy returning officers will commence the count immediately after the close of the poll, and progress announcements will be made while the figures are being enumerated.

At ward two Weston's carriage works, Broad street, there was a very brisk polling in the city was anticipated. Mr. Templeman was here making personal investigation of the progress of the poll and expressed his confidence in the result.

The interest in the rural districts was not less keen than that in the centres of population, and it is upon the heavy farmer vote that the government is chiefly depending for success.

San Jose, Cal., Sept. 21.—Rev. Father Thomas E. Sherman, son of General William Sherman, has been admitted to the state hospital for the insane at Agnew to-day, following an attempt at suicide yesterday at Los Gatos.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Sept. 21.—In the absence of any clue to substantiate a motive for the murder of Mrs. Alice Burnham, her daughter Alice, aged 6, and her son John, aged 3, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Wayne, found dead in their homes here yesterday, authorities here hold the theory that the crime was committed by some enemy of one or both families.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 21.—Samuel Lichtenstadter, resident member of the Arctic Club, principal stockholder of the famous Mount Andrew copper mine on Prince of Wales Island, and a mining man of world-wide renown, was found dead in bed of heart disease yesterday morning at the Steadman Hotel in Ketchikan, Alaska.

TWO THOUSAND INSURGENTS SLAIN

Force Besieging Cheng Tu Suffers Heavy Loss—Foreigners Unable to Leave

Cheng Tu, Sept. 21.—It is estimated that a total of 2,000 insurgents besieging Cheng Tu have been killed. The foreign residents have not yet been able to leave the capital.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 21.—For the protection of Americans in the disturbed province of Szechuan, China, the United States gunboat Helena has sailed from Hankow for I-Chang, the highest point on the Yangtze river that American war vessels can go.

Paris, Sept. 21.—The cabinet will meet to-morrow and examine the latest suggestions in high governmental circles leading to Premier Stolypin's sacrifice, are forbidden, says the Novoye Vremya, for patriotic reasons.

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Berlin, Sept. 21.—The German minister of foreign affairs, Herr Von Kiderling-Waechter, and the French ambassador, M. Cambon, conferred again to-day on the compromise proposals regarding the economic status of Morocco, further progress toward the settlement of which is reported.

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PERSONATORS ACTIVE AT PRAIRIE CAPITAL

Liberals Cause Twenty-five Arrests—Six Prominent Conservative Workers Arrested Charged With Aiding Personation

Winnipeg, Sept. 21.—Up to noon to-day the Liberals had arrested 25 personators and six prominent workers of Haggart's committee were arrested for aiding and abetting personation.

Among the workers arrested were: "Dusty" Holden, proprietor of the notorious Moose Club; A. M. J. Johnston, chief license inspector for Manitoba; Charles Gerrie, inspector of the court house; W. Veitch, wholesale liquor merchant, and Ralph Glube, proprietor of the Belmont hotel.

The weather is bright and a tremendous vote is being polled. Dozens of people were standing all morning in front of the booths. There are 23,000 names on the list.

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POPULATION MAY EXCEED 8,000,000

CENSUS RETURNS STILL COMING IN

Ottawa, Sept. 21.—Census returns for the whole of the Dominion of Canada ought to be completed very shortly now, probably next week. Returns are still coming in and it is impossible to judge what the population of Canada will be. Employees of the census department, however, who have an insight to census matters have got up a guessing contest to be decided by the publication of the census.

Bellingham, Wash., Sept. 21.—An unusual ruling was made by Superior Court Judge Hardin yesterday, under which George H. Westcott, a citizen of Blaine, must repair to Vancouver, B. C., and give testimony before the court, or be declared in contempt of court in this country.

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 21.—Further inquiry by the supervising inspector, John Birmingham, into the wreck of the steamer Santa Rosa off Point Arguello on July 7, was begun to-day by United States Inspectors Bolles and Bulger, with a view of obtaining further light on the message sent by the Pacific Coast Steamship Company to Captain Faria.

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