WINNERS CHOSEN IN THE CITY AND COUNTY

ROCKEFELLER TOO SMOOTH FOR LAWYER

Proves Troublesome In Dissolution Suit

REPLIES AMBIGUOUS

Counsel for Waters Pierce Oil Company Submits Magnate to Grilling Cross Examination Without Obtaining Much Satisfaction.

New York, N. Y., May 28.—John D. Rockefeller, organizer and former president of the Standard Oil Company, spent a warm afternoon on the witness stand in a suit through which the Standard interests seek to obtain control of the Waters Pierce Oil Company.

The session was featured by the raking cross-examination of the oil magnate by Counsel Samuel Untermyer, who declared that Mr. Rockefeller was giving evasive answers and time and again warned him that he would get the truth out of him "if he had to keep him under fire all night."

This was the first appearance of Mr. Rockefeller on the witness stand since he testified in the Standard Oil dissolution suit in 1909.

"Where do you live, Mr. Rockefeller?" was the first question of Mr. Untermyer.

"Pontiaco Hill is my present residence."

"Do you remember executing a proxy for Waters Pierce Oil Company stock?"

"I do."

In reply to further questions the oil magnate explained that he signed proxies sent to him from his office. "I have never found proxies sent from my office that were not right for me to sign. There has never been any difficulty with them. I sign the proxies as a matter of routine," he answered.

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PREMIER AND MR. HAZEN TO CROSS OCEAN

With a Third Minister Yet to be Chosen They Will Attend Imperial Conference in England.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, May 28.—Premier Borden will go to England this summer as compelled by Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries, for the promised conference with the Imperial government. It has been decided that a third member of the cabinet will go along with the Premier and Mr. Hazen. Who this will be has not yet been decided, but that three members of the government will go may be stated authoritatively.

It is expected that they will sail on the 28th of next month, reaching London about July 4 or 5.

Many subjects of interest and importance both to Canada and the Empire will be taken up with the Imperial government by the Canadian ministers. It may be safely assumed that Canada's part in the naval defence of the Empire will figure prominently in the discussions, despite Liberal announcements that the government was not prepared to make good its promise to take that question up with the Imperial authorities. The early departure of the ministers shows that the Canadian government is quite prepared to deal at once with such questions as may properly be dealt with at such a conference.

MUCH LITIGATION ARISES FROM RY. EXPROPRIATIONS

Ottawa, May 28.—Mr. Justice Cassels of the Exchequer Court returned from Winnipeg last week where he disposed of a heavy docket of National Transcontinental Railway expropriation cases. Mr. Justice Audette took the eastern circuit for the spring beginning at Chatham, N. B., and closing at Sydney, N. S.

CLASS MAKES PRESENT TO UNIVERSITY

This Year's Graduates Erect New Observatory For Acadia.

Valedictory, Class History and Prophecy with Enjoyable Programme Make Class Day a Memorable One.

Special to The Standard.

Wolfville, N. S., May 28.—The nineteen-twelve class of Acadia, the largest in the history of that university celebrated its class-day exercises on Tuesday, College Hall being packed to the doors. From the entrance march played by the Misses Palmer and Thomas as the graduates filed and filled the platform, to the final march up the hill to the site of their monument, the interest was sustained. John B. Grant, class president, having appropriately welcomed everybody, Miss Gilroy read the minutes which were duly confirmed.

The roll call was of a more serious nature than is customary, although in accounting for the numerous presents purely departed ones, a merry ripple was often raised. The election of officers resulted in the present holders being re-elected for life.

Mr. Card and Walter Brass played a pianoforte duet and elicited well merited applause, being the best yet, which is saying a lot considering the standard of excellence set by the ladies.

Roy J. Bowes read the class history which proved to be a document not only amusing but worthy of the historian, his class and Acadia. The college quartette again sustained their reputation.

The prophecies of Mary R. Masters, all in clever limericks, compelled every victim that listened to his or her own bosom to tender their congratulations.

It was indeed a triumph of imaginative literary skill and natural expressive reading, but the best was yet in store for the valedictory address by Chas. E. Baker was a triumph of brilliant oratory which very much impressed the great audience, and at the close his fellow graduates vied with one another in their eagerness to shake his hand. After describing the conflicting emotions of joy and sincere sorrow, he said: "We have learned to love Acadia with a true and loyal love, to regard her as our alma-mater, to hold sacred her good name and although tomorrow we go out from her, yet ever we shall carry through the thoughts of love and fidelity to the name of Acadia. But how our race has been run, our course is finished, our time has passed and today standing on the threshold of a life practical and earnest, we turn to bid farewell to you from whom we now must part."

In conclusion the nineteen-twelve class gave an earnest expression of their devotion to and a token of their affection for Acadia by leading the way to the hill-top where a new observatory is being erected by the class whose late president, John Grant, the prophetess designates as the future president of China within whose vast territory he was born, presented the key to Dr. Cullen who on behalf of the governors and faculty accepted the magnificent gift with sincerest thanks and reciprocated their good wishes.

TOWN WIPED OUT BY STORM, THREE PERSONS KILLED

Meagre Advices by Telephone Indicate Skiatook is Completely Destroyed — Relief Party Starts for Scene.

Tulsa, Okla., May 28.—Meagre advices received here by telephone from a point near the town of Skiatook, 15 miles north, says the town was practically wiped out by a storm early today and that three persons are known to have been killed. Many are reported injured. All wires are now down and details of the disaster will not be obtainable until news is received from a relief party which has gone to the scene.

GUESTS MUST GO HUNGRY.

New York, May 28.—Every waiter in the Holland House walked out on a strike during luncheon hour today to join their brethren from the Hotel Knickerbocker who struck last night.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORTERS HELD GREAT CONVENTION

Four Strong Men Chosen For City

Stirring Speeches Indicate Victory

Six Ballots Necessary to Select Ticket from Many Capable Candidates Desirous of Upholding the Flemming Government.

At a very enthusiastic and largely attended convention of supporters of the local government, held in Keith's Assembly Rooms last evening John E. Wilson, C. B. Lockhart, Philip Grannan and L. P. D. Tilley were chosen as standard bearers for the City of St. John. All the ward delegates were present, and great interest was taken in the proceedings. Eleven names were put in nomination. John E. Wilson and C. B. Lockhart were selected on the first ballot, Philip Grannan on the third, and L. P. D. Tilley on the sixth.

During the evening stirring addresses were delivered by Col. Baxter, Warden Carson, C. B. Lockhart, John E. Wilson and Dr. T. Walker. They were given rousing receptions, and their remarks created great enthusiasm. The enthusiasm at last evening's meeting was a most favorable augury of the success of the whole ticket.

Hon. Robert Maxwell presided, and J. E. Cowan acted as secretary.

After the roll call of delegates Dr. T. Walker moved, and H. B. Emerson seconded, the adoption of the following resolution, which was carried unanimously:

Convention Arrangements.

Resolved, that in order to obtain a nomination from this convention the candidate must receive a majority of all votes cast; that upon the first vote being taken all those who received such majority shall be declared selected and a second vote taken upon the names of the remaining candidates; that after such second vote the lowest candidate shall, after each vote be dropped unless more than one candidate shall receive an equal number of votes which shall be less than that received by any other candidate in which case another ballot shall be taken upon the same names before dropping the lowest candidate or candidates.

On motion of H. Thorne, scrutineers were appointed as follows: R. G. Murray, M. W. Doherty, J. G. Harrison, F. C. McNeil, R. W. Wigmore, Florence McCarthy.

Nominations were called for with the following results:

John E. Wilson, nominated by R. B. Emerson.

Philip Grannan, by Dr. T. W. Walker.

F. L. Potts, by J. H. Crockett.

Frank Elliott, by C. M. Lingley.

Daniel Mullin, by Florence McCarthy.

Wm. H. Harrison, by R. R. Armstrong.

L. P. D. Tilley, by Dr. Jas. Manning.

J. C. Chesley by David Magee.

A. J. Armstrong by B. P. Gerow.

C. B. Lockhart by W. J. Brown.

H. H. Pickett by Robt. McPherson.

Cyrus Inches by A. E. Prince.

R. G. Murray by R. Cochrane.

Mr. Pickett's name was withdrawn at his request, as was also that of R. G. Murray.

Mr. Colwell moved the nomination of Geo. Maxwell, but Mr. Maxwell declined to let his name go before the convention, saying he would only accept a nomination from the labor party.

Ovation for Col. Baxter.

While the ballots were being counted Col. Baxter was called upon for a speech. He said that while there was every reason to believe that the candidates of the government in both St. John City and County would be returned, they could expect a bitter fight in which the resources of misrepresentation would be taxed to the utmost.

He felt, however, that the intelligence of the people would assert itself, and assure the return of all the supporters of the Flemming government in the county and city.

He said it might have been expected that he would be a candidate in the city. He had been urged to allow his name to go before the convention as a candidate from the city, but he felt he owed a duty to his party, and should not retire into a comparatively safe constituency. He felt that he and his colleague Mr. Carson would have no trouble in winning out in the county.

Ammunition Ready Made.

He had noticed an article in the Times stating that the convention would be devoted to abuse of the Times and Telegraph. He thought if speakers on behalf of the government turned up the files of those valuable journals, they would find all the ammunition needed to defeat the opponents.

Referring to Mr. Pugsley's criticism of the government, he said Mr. Pugsley should explain his actions in connection with the Central Railway before criticising Mr. Flemming's bargain. According to Mr. Pugsley, Mr. Flemming's scheme was that he had handed over the Central railway to the province. C. P. R. But in handing over the road, the government was getting rid of a burden placed upon the province by Mr. Pugsley.

Pugsley's Criticisms.

Speaking for himself and his colleague, he said that if they were returned to the legislature they were prepared to devote their time and attention to the interests of their country. But their efforts or their pledges would be worth nothing to the electors if the government they supported was not worthy of the confidence of the people. He was satisfied that from the third day of March, 1908, the province had had a government of which it could be proud; a government which had kept its promises and had given to the province honest and capable administration.

Col. Baxter then referred to the attack made by William Pugsley on the Central Railway management, as featured in large type in yesterday's Telegraph. The Central Railway had been investigated soon after the government had come into power.

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THE WINNING TICKETS

ST. JOHN CITY
John E. Wilson
C. B. Lockhart
Philip Grannan
L. P. D. Tilley

ST. JOHN COUNTY
J. B. M. Baxter, K. C.
T. B. Carson

Baxter and Carson The Men in The County

Strong Team Named In Winning Fight

The Most Enthusiastic Gathering in County's History Endorses Premier Flemming and Makes Nominations.

The local government convention to nominate candidates for the county of St. John was held in one of the Nickel Theatre rooms last evening. Every district in the county sent its full quota of delegates and enthusiasm ran high.

John B. M. Baxter and Warden Thos. B. Carson of St. Martins were unanimously nominated as the winning ticket.

Councillor Wm. J. Dean of Musquash was elected chairman of the convention and G. Earle Logan secretary. After the roll of delegates had been called A. H. Clarke nominated J. B. M. Baxter, whose nomination was seconded by Councillor James Bryant. Edward Boyle nominated Warden Carson, whose nomination was seconded by Andrew R. Moore.

On motion of H. Colby Smith, seconded by Mr. Stymest, the nominations were made unanimous.

W. B. Tennant was elected chairman of the campaign organization committee and G. Earle Logan secretary.

While Messrs. Baxter and Carson were being sent for Judson P. Mosher, the county's war horse, delivered a fighting speech.

Wm. Patterson, a former supporter of the local opposition, John McDonald, jr., Henry Shillington, H. Colby Smith and Councillor Bryant delivered spirited addresses.

Cheers for Candidates.

When the candidates entered the room they were greeted with an outburst of hearty applause. Col. Baxter was the first speaker and made a strong speech. In opening he said he would take up with the questions before the electorate at length, as he would have ample opportunity to do so during the campaign. He first took up the land settlement policy of the government and showed how it was intended to settle the vacant farms and thus bring the province into a greater era of prosperity. He had been informed on good authority that there were valuable areas of farm lands in this county which would be considered under the land settlement policy and an effort made to bring some new settlers into the County of St. John. If it was found that the land in question was at all suitable it would be one of the first sections to receive attention. The value of his policy was also shown. The settlement of the land would have an important bearing on the future prosperity of the county. If only twenty, thirty or forty settlers were added in the year, valuable work would have been accomplished. He assured the meeting that himself and his colleague would leave nothing undone to secure this boon for the county.

He then referred to the government's agricultural policy which was designed to give the farmer the benefits of the very latest and best knowledge in all pertaining to agriculture. The aim would be to teach the farmers how to make their lands more productive and to yield greater results. To this end the government had enlisted the services of men who were experts in their line and he was sure that in five years the great benefits accruing from this course would be abundantly manifest all over the province.

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DEGREES CONFERRED AT MOUNT ALLISON

Many Present at The Convocation Exercises

VALEDICTORY READ

W. H. Irving, of Moncton, Reflects Credit on Class and University in Role of Valedictorian —Contribution to Endowment Fund.

Special to The Standard.

Sackville, May 28.—A large audience assembled in the Fawcett Hall tonight to attend the convocation exercises in connection with Mt. Allison University. Degrees and certificates were conferred on the following:

W. H. Irving, who delivered the valedictory at Mount Allison yesterday.

Programme.
1. Prayer.
2. Song. Serenade. . . . . Schubert
   Miss Helen A. Hughes.
3. Canada's Debt to the Empire,
   Norman N. Guy.
4. Songs, (a) Ich Liebe Dich, Grieg.
   (b) Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal, Quilter.
5. Valedictory address, William H. Irving.
   Conferring degrees, presenting certificates, reports, etc.
6. Addresses.
7. Song, When they Fades . . . Baar
   The University Quartette.
   God Save the King.
   List of graduates:
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SIR HIBBERT FOR RAILWAY COMMISSION

Ottawa Hears that Sir Charles Tupper's Son May Succeed Late Judge Mabee in Important Position.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, May 28.—The name of Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, K. C., is now being mentioned in connection with the chairmanship of the Railway Commission. The vacancy has not been filled, nor has the matter come before the government since the return of the minister of railways from Toronto.

It is believed that while the vacant office has not been offered to Sir Hibbert Tupper his name has been under consideration. It is not known whether or not he would be willing to accept the position in view of his large professional interests in the west. At the same time he is regarded as a likely man for the office, having an exceptionally wide knowledge of railway law as well as close familiarity with the conditions of railway development in Canada, and of its relation to private and municipal rights.

SESSION OF BLACK KNIGHTS

Officers Elected for the Year at Yesterday's Convention.

Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association Grand Lodge Convenes and Sovereign Grand Grand Lodge Starts Today.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, May 28.—The Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association Grand Lodge of British America opened their session here this afternoon and tomorrow the Sovereign Grand Orange Lodge of British America will commence their session.

Sir MacKenzie Bowell, looking hale and hearty at 89, arrived from his home at Belleville, Ont., today and addressed the Grand Black Chapter of the Royal Black Knights of Ireland this afternoon.

The veteran was given a fine reception.

This evening the election of officers was proceeded with by Sir Knight Lt. Col. J. N. Scott conducting the ceremony and resulted as follows:

Grand Master—Thomas Shaw, Toronto.
Deputy Grand Master—John J. Quik, Vancouver.
Associate Deputy G. M.—W. R. McConnell, Winnipeg.
Grand Chaplain—Rev. Canon Wm. Walsh, Brampton, Ont.
Deputy Chaplain—Rev. Dean Saunders, Montreal.
Grand Registrar—J. S. Williams, re-elected for the 30th term, Toronto.
Deputy Registrar—John Easton, Winnipeg.
Grand Treasurer—W. H. Wilson, Toronto.
Deputy Treasurer—Geo. Langmead, Newfoundland.
Grand Lecturer—A. A. Gray, Toronto.
Deputy Lecturer—J. C. Puddister, Newfoundland.
Deputy Lecturer—Geo. White, Nova Scotia.
Deputy Lecturer—Geo. Haviland, New Brunswick.
Deputy Lecturer—R. A. Crawswell, P. E. Island.
Deputy Lecturer—Samuel Brown, Quebec.
Deputy Lecturer—H. S. Kennedy, Ontario East.
Deputy Lecturer—J. R. Finley, Ontario West.
Deputy Lecturer—Wm. Conolly, Manitoba.
Deputy Lecturer—Thos. McMann, Saskatchewan.
Deputy Lecturer—Geo. Kennedy, Alberta.
Deputy Lecturer—W. H. Brett, British Columbia.
Grand Censor—T. J. Noble, Winnipeg.
Deputy Censor—J. W. Featherstone, Ottawa.
Grand Marshal—W. H. McLeod, North Battleford.
Grand Standard Bearers—R. W. Gregory, Fredericton; Benj. Kirk, Toronto.
Grand Pursuivants—David H. McKee, Winnipeg; J. J. Friedenburg, Toronto.
Grand Committee—J. W. Whitely, Vancouver; Sam Larbin, Winnipeg; R. K. Bruce, Charlottetown; James Willoughby, Winnipeg; John R. Carphin, Winnipeg; H. S. Scratch, Calgary.
Grand Auditors—William Lee, Toronto; Wm. Chenery, Toronto.

The installation ceremony was carried out by Sir Knight William Lee, Past Grand Master.

MONCTON YOUTH DISAPPEARS NO CLUE TO HIS FATE

Joseph Main Leaves Home Suddenly Leaving No Trace of Whereabouts— Parents Anxious for News.

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, May 28.—Joseph Main, aged 19, son of Nelson Main, High street has been missing from his home since last Sunday night and his parents are greatly worried over his unaccountable disappearance. No reason for the young man's strange disappearance can be given by his parents, who have reported the matter to the police. The missing lad worked steadily and gave his earnings to his mother and his absence is a complete mystery.

Sympathy for Dr. McInerney.

C. B. Lockhart then referred to the resolution which was seconded by Thomas Kickham:

Resolved, that in view of the enforced retirement from active political life of James P. McInerney, Esq., M.D., caused by severe illness, this convention in desirous of expressing to him its deep sympathy for the affliction under which he has so long, so patiently and so bravely suffered. Eloquent as a campaign speaker, active and able as a member of the House, kindly in his relations to his fellow men and universal in his sympathies, the loss of such a man to public life is very great. It is the earnest hope of this convention that he may be sustained in his suffering to some extent by the thought that not only his political party but the entire community feel for him the warmest sympathy.

In putting the motion Mr. Maxwell spoke appreciatively of the work of Dr. McInerney, saying he was a broad minded citizen who as a representative had brought credit to the city and the province.

The resolution was carried by a standing vote.