

TRADES CONGRESS FAVORS FORMING OF A LABOR PARTY

Big Convention at Montreal May Take Definite Action Towards New Political Organization.

TORONTO AND MONTREAL READY FOR NEW PARTY

Montreal, Sept. 19. — This year's congress gives promise of being the most important and far-reaching in its effect upon the organized labor movement of Canada, that has ever been held. From the discussion among the delegates yesterday and today it is quite evident that the most important question to be considered is that of setting in motion the necessary machinery to organize and maintain a distinct labor party, with objects similar to those of the labor parties of Australia and the British Isles. President John Flett has already declared himself in favor of a straight labor party, and has been strongly supported by the solicitor of the congress, Mr. J. G. O'Donoghue.

This opinion is also entertained by delegates from all parts of the Dominion. Mr. Wm. Berry, president of the Hamilton Trades and Labor Council, was most emphatic in his pronouncements upon the subject. He said it was the paramount issue of the congress, and should be dealt with in the most enthusiastic and determined manner possible.

"We have started out to make our influence felt in municipal affairs in Hamilton," said Mr. Berry, "and we are just waiting the call of the congress to enter into a provincial and federal campaign. What we want is a distinct labor party with no compromise or fusion with either of the two existing political parties, and any move along this line at this session of the congress will receive the strong indorsement of the Hamilton delegation."

Mr. Samuel Landers, one of the best-informed labor men in Canada, and one of the leaders in the organized labor movement in Montreal, said that time had arrived when the whole policy of the congress must be changed when dealing with legislative matters. Mr. A. Verville, president of the Montreal Trades and Labor Council, said there was no room for doubt as to the attitude of the Montreal trades unionists towards the movement to organize a labor party.

"There has been a wonderful change in the opinion of the trades unionists of Montreal on the question of labor legislation during the past year," said Mr. Verville. "We have been spending money to send our deputations to our legislative halls, with a view to obtaining legislation in our interests, but so fruitless have been our efforts that the last time we have been to Ottawa every member stated it would be his last trip to any government to ask for anything in legislative matters. Not only this, but we have been disgusted with the action of one of our judges recently in sending one of our trades unionists to jail for three months, with hard labor, because he was picketing during a strike. The judge stated on the bench that he was opposed to trades unionists, and therefore would give the accused trades unionists the full penalty without the option of a fine. With such strong prejudices entertained by the judiciary we have no hope of any improvement, unless we have a say in the appointment of judges, and in the class of legislation to be passed. The future, we cannot hope to improve our conditions much. There is a feeling among the members of the two existing political parties that we have no political strength, and until we can dis-

FREETHINKERS' CONGRESS

Large Gathering of French Scientists at the Italian Capital.

Rome, Sept. 20. — The congress of freethinkers assembled here today at the Roman College, erected by Pope Gregory XIII. There were over five thousand delegates present, the Frenchmen alone numbering about one thousand. Spain had 300 representatives and 10 delegates came from America.

Professor Sergi presided and delivered an address, which was warmly applauded, glorifying the triumph of science over superstition. He called the fall of temporal power, condemned Catholicism as prehistoric and protesting against war, ending with advocating an indissoluble alliance of nations and the universal brotherhood of the peoples.

Professor Berthelot, the well-known French scientist, who is ill, sent an address, which was greeted with bursts of enthusiasm, accentuated by the band playing Garibaldi's March, and the March of the Socialists, singing the Workingman's Hymn, and waving flags.

A REAR-END COLLISION

Freight Train Crashes Into One Ahead at Forest, Ont.

Forest, Ont., Sept. 20. — About 7 o'clock, during a heavy fog, a freight train westbound ran into the rear end of another freight train near the town line crossing. One engine was derailed and a cattle car was thrown into the ditch. No one was injured but brakeman J. J. O'Rourke, who received a slight injury.

HOLDS HIS SEAT

The Judges Dismiss Petition Against Clarke, of Center Bruce.

Walkerton, Ont., Sept. 20. — The petition for the election of Hugh Clarke, member for Center Bruce, came up for trial today before Chief Justice Moss and Judge Street, and was promptly dismissed. The petitioners said they had no evidence to offer and the judges dismissed the petition with costs. The judges found that Mr. Clarke had conducted a pure election.

IRVING'S LAST SEASON

Famous Actor Opens at Cardiff With Merchant of Venice.

London, Sept. 20. — Sir Henry Irving began his farewell season in the provinces at Cardiff last night, appearing in "The Merchant of Venice," with Edith Wynne Matheson as Portia. The house was crowded, and the audience gave an enthusiastic reception both to Sir Henry and to the play. The review published in American that Sir Henry Irving has engaged Miss Matheson as his leading lady in place of Miss Terry is incorrect. Miss Matheson is only a temporary replacement. Sir Henry will play "Becket" here tomorrow in the "Lions' Mall," and in the "Story of Waterloo," at the early '90s. His farewell tour in the United States and Canada, Sir Henry will play "Becket" here today.

"BILLY" MATTHEWS DEAD

Famous Canadian Wing Shot Loses Life in Michigan.

Bad Axe, Mich., Sept. 20. — Wm. Hudson Matthews, well-known to the residents of this city as "Billy" Matthews, has been drowned in Saginaw Bay.

Matthews' home was formerly in Montreal. He spent the last years of his life in the employ of the Bank of Montreal. He was a ranchman near Winnipeg in the early '80s. His fortune was made at a low ebb for several years until he was one of the best wing shots in Canada and was well known among the residents of this city. His body has not yet been found.

AFTER THE ROWDIES

New York Citizens to Put an End to Reign of Terror.

New York, Sept. 20. — Sworn to put an end to the existence of gangs of street hoodlums, lawless organizations of foreigners, stop the carrying of concealed weapons, and to protect women from insult and annoyance by rowdies, 74 businessmen of Brooklyn have become incorporated as the Citizens' Protective League for law and order.

The incorporators propose to encourage men of intelligence and standing to join the league and not to open the way to membership to everybody who may wish to join.

Special details will be assigned to work among the great crowds which surge to the Brooklyn bridge during the rush hours of morning and evening. These details will make extraordinary efforts to suppress rowdism in every form.

THE ITALIAN STRIKES

A Twenty-Four Hour Walkout in Eight of the Large Cities.

Rome, Sept. 20. — A 24-hour strike has been inaugurated at Florence, Leghorn, Naples, Venice, Sion, Carrara, Ancona, and Novara, where the strike has come to an end at Ancona, Portofino, and Genoa, where railroad traffic has been regularly resumed. At Genoa the workers, including those employed about the harbor, have refused work and the night passed tranquilly.

An additional demonstration for the army was made, but a deplorable incident happened as the carriage of General Escard passed a group of strikers. The latter tried to stop the carriage, but this was prevented by the police, who started to arrest the aggressors. These rebelling workers of the officers over the head, and trying to disarm him. The policeman, who was struck, defended himself, shot, and dead his principal assailant.

The strike at Milan continues, but the shops of that city are open and the railway service is regular.

RUSSIANS SEE A PROTECTORATE

Say That Britain Has Broken Pledges in Regard to Tibet

CZAR TO TAKE A HAND LATER

The St. Petersburg Press Intimates That Russia Will Cause Trouble in Central Asia.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 20. 1:46 p.m. — With the arrival here of the full text of the British treaty with Tibet, the irritation of the Russian press at its sweeping character is more pronounced. The Russ, which is now considered to especially reflect the views of the foreign office, is more pronounced. Great Britain has gone beyond her promises concerning the expedition, by acquiring a virtual protectorate over the country, and by playing into the hands of Great Britain in disposing of the Dalai Lama and appointing in his place a protege of Great Britain.

The sensational articles in the British press about the alleged Russo-German secret understanding regarding the far east have not attracted much attention here. It is denied in responsible quarters that Germany has overstepped the bounds of neutrality in any particular. The existence of a secret treaty between Russia and Germany is absolutely denied. The Japanese suspicions of Germany are attributed to the memory of the part which Germany, with France and Russia, played in the Russo-Japanese war. The Shimoneki treaty, concluded between Japan and China as a result of the war between those two countries ten years ago.

The Novosti undertakes the defense of the British claim to Russia's supplying British coal to Russia, without which the Russian Baltic fleet would not go to the far east. In compelling Japan to be neutral, the Russians are applicable to states and not to individuals, adding: "We are entitled to expect that the Japanese will be left free to act as our purveyors."

A DEAL WITH VAN HORNE

New Railroad for Guatemala From Pacific to Atlantic.

San Francisco, Sept. 20. — The Examiner says that Mr. John H. Van Horne, the Creckers, Edward Stanford, and Gen. Thomas H. Hubbard, are in the process of organizing a company, of the Guatemala Central Railroad, have made a deal with the British treaty with Tibet. The company is interested in an overland rail line between the Pacific and the Atlantic. It will be 270 miles long from ocean to ocean and will be completed within twelve months. It is proposed to run a line of steamers connecting with New York, San Francisco, and another line on the Pacific, connecting with San Francisco.

RUSSIA AND THIBET

London, Tuesday, Sept. 20. — A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from St. Petersburg says it is reported on high authority that Russia will refuse to recognize the British treaty with Tibet, article 9 being fatal to Russian aspirations.

HOGUE TO HANG

Montrealer Who Strangled Wife Gets Limit of the Law.

Montreal, Sept. 19. — Magloire Hogue, on conviction of murder, was sentenced in the court of King's bench last night to be hanged on Nov. 18. The trial began Friday, and during its progress evidence of a revolting character was produced. It was proved that the accused, following a debauch a few days prior to the crime, had strangled his wife in her room, and then disposed of the body in a most revolting manner. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and the court sentenced Hogue to hang.

SHIP DISAPPEARS

The Juverna, a Brand New Vessel, Vanishes on Maiden Voyage.

London, Sept. 20. — The latest mystery of the sea is also the most inexplicable.

The Juverna, a brand-new steamer, left the Clyde, with a crew of about fifteen hands, on Aug. 14 for the one day's run to Kingston, where she was to be delivered to her owner, Mr. H. Flynn, of Liverpool.

From that day to this nothing has been seen or heard of her.

There was no bad weather to account for her disappearance; there is scarcely any possibility of her having struck on a submerged rock; and no ship of the thousands that plow these waters has sighted her flying signals of distress.

The Juverna was of about four hundred tons burden, 130 feet in length, and was fitted with triple expansion engines. She was turned out by the Garston Graving Dock Company.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Tomorrow — cooler.

London, Tuesday, Sept. 20. Sun rises, 6:30 a.m. Moon sets, 4:20 p.m. Sun sets, 6:30 p.m. Moon rises, 2:40 a.m.

The weather has cleared this morning in the Northwest Territories and Manitoba. Elsewhere in Canada it has been fine.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 42-54; Calgary, 40-54; Qu'Appelle, 32-44; Winnipeg, 40-54; Port Arthur, 40-54; Parry Sound, 42-54; Toronto, 50-62; Ottawa, 44-50; Montreal, 41-52; Quebec, 42-53; St. John, 56-64; Halifax, 56-64.

FORECASTS

Tuesday, Sept. 20. — Strong breezes, moderate to heavy rain, with some clearing; local showers today; turning much cooler tonight.

STATIONS.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	26	24	Cloudy
Winnipeg	28	26	Cloudy
Parry Sound	28	26	Cloudy
Windsor	28	26	Cloudy
Ottawa	48	44	Cloudy
Montreal	52	48	Cloudy
Quebec	48	44	Cloudy
Father Point	40	32	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES

A pronounced cold wave is spreading over Canada from the northwestward, indicating frosts in Ontario and Quebec. Heavy frosts occurred from the Rockies to Manitoba during last night. Winds from the west were blowing rapid, with some rain.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday were: Highest, 70; lowest, 56.5.

PERISHED IN QUICKSAND

Child Sinks Before Eyes of Mother While at Play on Seashore.

New York, Sept. 20. — Unable to render assistance, Mrs. Kinley, wife of James Kinley, superintendent of a motor supply company, saw her 4-year-old daughter swallowed up by the quicksands today, near the shore front here, says a Port Washington, L. I., dispatch to the Herald. She then fell unconscious, and is now in a dangerous condition.

The girl was at play only a few feet from her home, which is near the shore. During the recent rain large pools of water formed on the sand along the beach, making it dangerous for the children, who romp in that vicinity. Mrs. Kinley was with her child and had admonished her not to go too near the treacherous pools.

The child approached the edge of the murky water and suddenly lost her balance and slipped in. The water was only two or three feet deep, but the bottom of the pool was quicksand. Mrs. Kinley rushed to the spot to snatch her daughter from the water and was horrified to see her slowly disappearing in the sand. The woman screamed and then swooned. Workmen from the factory rushed to her aid, and she was restored sufficiently to tell what had happened and the men set to work to rescue the child. The body being light, one of the rescuers sunk to his knees in the quicksand and had to be pulled out by a crane.

Quick efforts were made to revive the child and physicians were summoned, but their labors were fruitless.

WARSHIPS ON THE BANK

British and French Commanders Confer on Shore Question.

St. John's, Nfld., Sept. 20. — The British flagship Charabdis and the French flagship La Volaine arrived here yesterday. The commanders of these vessels will confer with the colonial Government respecting the difficulties between rival fishermen over phases of the French shore dispute, which have grown acute in the last few weeks. The ships will remain here and take part in the reception to Sir Wm. McGreggor, the newly-appointed Governor of Newfoundland, who is expected to arrive on Sunday next.

NEW LINE TO MEXICO

Not Likely To Be in Operation Before First of Year.

Victoria, B. C., Sept. 19. — J. H. Greer, of this city, who represents A. Weir & Co., of Glasgow, the successful tenderers for the Mexican line, says his company will not be able to put on a service before the beginning of the new year. A contract has not yet been entered into with the Dominion Government, and there are numerous details to be arranged, such as trade connections, appointments of agents at various ports of call, the question of bunkers along the Mexican coast, and banking facilities. "All of this will take considerable time, but once the agreement with the Dominion Government has been signed," said Mr. Greer, "we will be in a position to inaugurate the service in probably sixty days. Arrangements for loading and discharging of ships on the southern coast will be one of the highest problems to be considered in connection with the whole undertaking."

GAY ESSEX FUSILIERS

On Their Way to Camp on World's Fair Grounds.

Detroit, Sept. 19. — Gay in red coats and white helmets the Essex Fusiliers left this city this afternoon over the Michigan Central Railroad for Chicago, where they will be stationed for the World's Fair. The regiment is composed of 1,000 men, and will camp on the fair grounds. The regiment is composed of 1,000 men, and will camp on the fair grounds.

EAST END LONDON STREETS CHOKED WITH FIGHTING MOBS

Non-Conforming Jews Disregard Fasting Injunctions and Are Attacked by the Orthodox.

SOCIALISTS HURL BOTTLES--BROKEN HEADS GALORE

London, Sept. 20. — The Day of Atonement was marked in London by serious rioting in the Jewish quarter of the East End. Over two thousand Jews engaged in a disturbance and nearly three hundred police had to be called out before the disorder was quelled. The trouble arose over the action of non-conforming members of a Social-Democratic Jewish club at Spitalfields, situated in the heart of a district containing about 20,000 Jewish inhabitants. The Socialists openly paraded, in disregard of the fasting injunction, and made a celebration with wines at the club house.

The orthodox Jews were angered and surrounded the clubhouse and stoned it. The Socialists threw bottles at the crowd and soon the two or three narrow streets in the vicinity became choked by a fighting mob. Ambulances were called out, and the doctors had many minor cases to attend to. Finally the police quelled the disturbance, cordoned off the streets in the disturbed area and made several arrests. Excited groups of orthodox Jews, however, continued to parade the streets, and the houses of several Socialist Jews were stoned.

Rumored Russian Defeat; Attacked Jap Positions

Czar's Scouts Find the Enemy Strongly Entrenched.

Reported That General Mstchenko Has Been Killed.

Fresh Russian Troops Pouring Into Mukden--Japanese Also Reinforced--Fighting Going On.

London, Tuesday, Sept. 20. — The Morning Post's Shanghai correspondent telegraphs that there is an unconfirmed rumor that General Mstchenko, commander of the Russian Eastern Cossack brigade, has been killed.

Other special dispatches from Shanghai report that the Japanese on Sunday last repulsed an attack to the eastward of Yumen Tsai Shan, north-east of Yantai, inflicting a heavy loss on the Russians.

According to the Daily Telegraph's Tientsin correspondent, General Kurapatkin is in need of supplies, but his orders cannot be fulfilled.

London, Sept. 19. — A dispatch from Tokyo to a news agency says: "A strong Russian force made a sortie from Port Arthur on the afternoon of Sept. 18, and attacked the Itzhuan line, which was strongly fortified by the Japanese. The fighting lasted some hours, and the Russians eventually were repulsed with heavy loss."

St. Petersburg, Sept. 20. — The following dispatch has been received from Gen. Kurapatkin. The reconnaissance made Sept. 17, established the fact that the Japanese position at Banizui is strongly held by a brigade with guns. There was no enemy east of Banizui, but Japanese reinforcements arrived Sept. 18 in the vicinity of that village. Large Japanese forces from Liaoyang have already crossed to the right bank of the Taitsze River.

Strydoff Blessed.

Vladivostok, Sept. 20. — The hermit from Mount Athos, with the holy image of the Mother of God, has conferred his blessing upon Vice-Admiral Skrydloff and the ships of his squadron.

FANATICAL JAPS.

Moscow, Sept. 20. — Commander Dabich, of the cruiser Gromobol, one of the Vladivostok squadron, has been interviewed here. He tells the story of the battle of his squadron with Kamimura practically as it has been told before. He says that during the fight the Gromobol fired 6,000 shells. Commander Dabich himself was twice wounded, once by the bursting of a shell, and once by a splinter in his leg. He speaks of the Japanese as fanatical and says: "During the sinking of the Japanese transport the sinking of the Japanese transport by the Vladivostok squadron it was reported later."

WILL SUPPORT LIB. GOVERNMENT

Big Conservative Manufacturer Grateful for Protection of Interests.

Hamilton, Sept. 20. — The Herald published an interview yesterday with Mr. George T. Tuckett, president of the George T. Tuckett & Sons Co., tobacco and cigar manufacturers, in which Mr. Tuckett stated that, although he was a Conservative, he was going to support the Liberal Government in the next general elections, because of protecting Canadian manufacturers from unjust competition from the American Tobacco Company. Mr. J. W. Lamoreaux, secretary of the Tuckett company, did not care to speak of the company's intentions with reference to politics for publication, but he said the company had friendly feelings toward the Dominion Government for their treatment of the Canadian manufacturers.

BREAK IN RATES.

London, Sept. 20. — The first break in the steamship rate war occurred today, when the North German Lloyd raised its steamer rate to New York to \$15.

HEAVY FROST OUT WEST.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 20. — Heavy frosts set in around the west last night. The thermometer registered 26 at Winnipeg during the night.

A Mysterious Epidemic Hits Town of St. Kitts

St. Catharines, Sept. 20. — A strange epidemic of diarrhea, accompanied in many cases with nausea, struck the city on Saturday and spread with alarming rapidity on Sunday and yesterday. Hundreds of people were taken sick, many requiring medical assistance, and some being so sick for several hours that it was feared they would die. The cause of this epidemic is attributed to the water that has been supplied to the city for the past few days, but others claim that the epidemic is due to the water from the city on Saturday and Sunday and yesterday. Hundreds of people were taken sick, many requiring medical assistance, and some being so sick for several hours that it was feared they would die. The cause of this epidemic is attributed to the water that has been supplied to the city for the past few days, but others claim that the epidemic is due to the water from the city on Saturday and Sunday and yesterday. 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