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SPEAKERS MAKE FINE IMPRESSION AT MONCTON

Premier Hazen and Hon. J. K. Flemming Enthusiastically Received Last Evening

Opposition Criticism Torn to Shreds in Effective Speeches by Government Leaders--Largest Theatre in City Totally Inadequate to Accommodate Crowd--Prominent Men on Platform

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Jan. 23.—It was a large and delighted audience that heard Premier Hazen, and Provincial Secretary Flemming in the Grand Opera House tonight.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the local Conservative Club, and it was first ararnged to have it in the club room, which would accommodate four or five hundred. There were so many demands, however, to have the meeting in a larger and more public place that it was decided at the last moment to secure the most commodious theatre in the city, and this decision, though only announced this morning, was amply justified by the result.

The Grand was unable to accommodate the crowd, and until the close standing room was in demand.

Dr. O. B. Price, president of the Conservative Club, occupied the chair, and on the platform, beside the speakers were W. B. Dickson, M. P. P., for Albert; Col. Sheridan, M. P. P., for Kent; Messrs. O. M. Melanson, Shediac; F. B. Black, Sackville; P. G. Mahoney, Botsford, and F. W. Sumber, Moncton, who carried the Hazen standard at the last election; W. F. Humphrey, C. P. Harris, H. H. Warman, J. H. Yeomans, Petitcodiac; E. W. Seeley, W. J. Weldon, A. Steeves, W. A. McDougall, A. E. Metzler, B. Weldon, W. Pippey, John Abrams, G. A. Robertson, J. D. Henderson, G. C. Matthews, G. R. Jones, John Gauvin, Dr. L. H. Price, G. L. Harris, Herbert Armstrong, Capt. Masters, J. A. Marven, C. F. McCready, Sackville; James Geary and others.

Heartily Received.

Casson's orchestra furnished music and the arrival of the Premier and the Provincial Secretary was the signal for prolonged applause.

Mr. Flemming was first called upon and in his address of one hour and a half confirmed his reputation as one of the most talented platform speakers in the province.

Premier Hazen followed for an hour and the applause that greeted him at the outset and at intervals during his able address testified to his great popularity in this centre of Dominion government work shops and offices which for the time being makes it a Liberal stronghold.

Both the Premier and Mr. Flemming took up the recent criticisms of their administration by Opposition leaders and literally tore them to shreds. They showed that the government had carried out its pledges in every respect and that if they had a larger revenue it was due not to fresh taxation but to honest administration of the Crown Lands Department and honest collection of what was justly due the province.

This larger revenue they showed had been expended for useful public services for agriculture, for education and rebuilding or repair of hundreds of rotten bridges left them by their predecessors. These being the circumstances they challenged Opposition leaders on the platform and would challenge them in the legislature to put their finger on a single item of expenditure that had been improperly made or that they dare ask the electors to condemn.

At the close a vote of thanks was tendered the speakers, moved by E. W. Seeley, seconded by W. F. Humphrey. After the meeting the visitors were entertained at a supper at the American Hotel.

Tomorrow morning they leave for Albert where the annual meeting of the party association will be held, to be followed by a public meeting.

PUTS IT UP TO LAURIER

Meductic Board Of Trade Thinks It Time That Dominion Government Should Be Heard From On Railway.

Special to The Standard.

Meductic, Jan. 23.—At a largely attended meeting of the Board of Trade held here today, a resolution bearing on the construction of the Valley Railway was adopted unanimously. The resolution set forth that sufficient time had elapsed since the Provincial Government had announced its railway policy to have received an announcement from the Federal Government as to what it intends to do in the matter, and urged immediate action on the part of both Governments.

The resolution was as follows:—"Whereas the necessity of building a railway along the St. John River Valley for the further development of that section of the promise has been fully recognized, and,

"Whereas, the denial of railway accommodation will mean a depletion of population and a decline of agriculture along the river, and,

"Whereas, the residents of the Valley have never complained of the expenditures for railways in other parts of the province, and,

"Whereas a demand has been made upon the Government of New Brunswick and the Government of Canada for a railway up the St. John River Valley, and,

"Whereas the Provincial Government has provided for the construction of a railway in that section, and,

"Whereas, sufficient time has elapsed to have enabled the Dominion Government to secure sufficient information to announce its policy;

"Be it resolved, that a demand be made for information regarding the state of the negotiations between the two Governments; and further, resolved, that if the Dominion Government fails to co-operate with the Provincial Government in the construction of the railway, the Provincial Government be again called upon to proceed with the construction of the road, and that a demand be made upon the Dominion Government to do its share of the work.

"Further resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to the members of the Dominion and Provincial Parliaments, and to the Boards of Trade in the towns along the River."

D. G. PHILLIPS SHOT DOWN BY INSANE MAN

Writer Victim Of Southern Man With Fancied Grudge Who Fires Six Shots And Then Kills Himself.

AUTHOR HAS SLIGHT CHANCE OF RECOVERY

New York, N. Y., Jan. 23.—David Graham Phillips, editor, publicist and novelist, was shot six times today as he approached the Princeton Club, by Fitzhugh Coyle Goldsborough, a Harvard man, who immediately afterwards committed suicide. Tonight Phillips is at Bellevue hospital in an extremely critical condition, but with a chance for life. The body of Goldsborough, whose career at Harvard was brief, lies in the morgue. Apparently insane, he had a fancied grudge against the author, and sought his life. He was only 31 years old, and is a son of Dr. Edmund K. Goldsborough, of Washington. Phillips is 43.

"There you go," snapped the assassin as he opened fire, and "here I go," he re-echoed, as he sent a bullet into his own brain. He used a 10 shot, 32 calibre automatic pistol and all six shots he aimed at Phillips took effect. One of them perforated the abdomen; another pierced the right lung and came out at the back; a third shattered the left wrist and a fourth drilled the right thigh. Two of them dropped from the wounded man's clothing as he was being undressed at the hospital.

One Through the Lung.

The course of the bullets was erratic and there was such doubt as to just which wounds were points of entrance and which points of exit that the surgeons were uncertain whether he had been shot four, five or six times, but their best belief tonight was six. The most dangerous wound is thought to be that through the lung. Septiceamia or pneumonia are the two secondary effects most feared. The robust constitution of the patient bore him through the loss of blood and shock surprisingly well, and his first request to his physicians was that no alarming reports be given out.

"My mother," he said, "is an old lady, and the shock might kill her. I'm young and strong; I may get well. Make the best of it and I'll try to bear you out."

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ANOTHER STEP TAKEN IN MARCH OF VICTORY

Mrs. Shenck Will Know Fate Today

MRS LAURA FARNSWORTH SHENCK.

Wheeling, W. V., Jan. 24.—Out since 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon the jury in the case of Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenck, charged with poisoning her husband, John O. Schenck, the millionaire pork packer, still hold the secret of the woman's fate behind locked doors. The result will not be known until later in the day.

Hon. Robert Rogers to Enter Federal Politics as Chief Organizer for Conservatives.

First of Several Prominent Provincial Politicians to Enter Larger Field--Day in House.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 23.—The news is now definite that Hon. Robert Rogers, virtually Premier of Manitoba, will shortly enter federal politics. He will sit for a Manitoba constituency, but which of them it has not yet been decided. Seven of the eight Conservative members for Manitoba have offered to resign their seats in his favor. It is probable that the offer of W. D. Staples, of MacDonald, will be accepted.

Mr. Rogers is conceded to be the best party organizer in the Dominion of Canada. He is a whirlwind campaigner, and will probably devote all his time and attention to the task of organizing the federal forces of the Conservative party for the battle of the next general election.

Some time ago The Standard announced that after the reorganization of the Conservative party some of the most prominent of the Canadian provincial politicians would be found enrolled under the banner of Mr. Borden. Mr. Rogers is the first of these. There will be others shortly.

Civil Servants In Office.

Mr. Borden started a brisk discussion in the House today by moving for papers bearing on the attitude taken by the Government towards its servants who take municipal office. In his own constituency a man who got a mere $150 a year for discharging certain duties under the customs department had been elected to the local municipal council and had been bidden to give up the council or the job. Meanwhile in Ottawa three members of the city council were civil servants. There should be some uniform rule.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, while he had been unable to look into the matter, was disposed to agree.

Mr. Perley, Mr. Emmerson, Mr. Conmee, Mr. McGiverin, Mr. Lennox, Dr. Sproule and others took part in the discussion. Mr. Emmerson feared the advent into municipal politics of Intercolonial employes who have men under them.

Dr. Daniel was inclined to advise civil servants to stick to their work for the Government.

P. E. Island Tunnel Debate.

The annual Prince Edward Island tunnel debate took place. This time it was Mr. Richards who moved the annual resolution for papers on the project. He urged that recent improvements had caused the cost of such works to decrease. If the tunnel could be built at a reasonable cost, surely it should be undertaken, at least the government should inquire into the subject.

Dr. Fraser and Mr. Warburton took the same ground.

Mr. Pugsley said that it was useless to make a survey unless it was thorough. If the cost did not exceed $10,000,000 the tunnel might well be built, but they could not tell whether it would cost ten millions or forty. He dwelt on the importance of the questions of fissures and the extent to which the uncertainty on this point renders it difficult to compute the cost with accuracy. A complete survey would be pretty expensive, but would not cost more than was warranted by the importance of the subject. He would submit the matter for the consideration of the cabinet during the present session.

Mr. Borden recalled the fact that he had urged the government three or four years ago to take this very course.

Admiralty Courts.

A discussion on admiralty courts followed. D. D. McKenzie on a motion for papers on the constitution of the admiralty court of Nova Scotia complained of delays and difficulties arising from the present practice.

Sir Alan Aylesworth avowed himself in favor of a drastic change whereby full jurisdiction over admiralty matters should be given to all superior courts, county judges being made registrars. He could not see why this change was opposed.

F. M. MacDonald took much the same view.

Mr. Borden thought the remedy unnecessarily vigorous, and thought that it would be sufficient to create local registrars. He had experienced no difficulty in his own practice.

Mr. Jameson was told that dredging is being performed by the government in the harbor of Lunenburg, N. S. The public works department is dredging the entrance channel to 20 feet depth and along the face of the wharves to 17 feet. The department does not know who owns these wharves.

PACT HELP TO TRAVELLERS

Under Terms Of New Agreement Representatives Of U. S. Concern Will Receive Refund Of Duty On Samples.

Ottawa, Jan. 23—One important feature of the negotiations at Washington is said here to be the extension to the United States of the provisions of the French treaty (article X14) by which a commercial traveller may, upon entering Canada deposit the dutiable value of his samples with the first customs house he meets, with the understanding that upon his departure from Canada he shall, if the samples are still intact, receive a refund of the full amount of duty so deposited.

This will, if agreed upon, prove of immense value to the business houses of the United States. As present they have to pay full duty upon their samples no matter how many times they may bring the same articles into Canada and the practice has been for a majority of such travellers to dispose of their samples at any prices they could get before returning home.

HOSPITAL PATIENTS DRIVEN OUT BY FIRE

Fifteen Sick Removed From New Glasgow Institution When Blaze Threatened Building.

Halifax, Jan. 23.—Fifteen patients in the Aberdeen Hospital at New Glasgow, were hurriedly removed today because of a fire in the building, which it was feared would totally destroy the place. The work of volunteer firemen and subsequently the town brigade prevented this, and confined the flames to the roof, though at the cost of completely flooding the structure.

Flames breaking from the roof were seen by passengers on a tram car. They got to work and were the means of saving the building. The fire was caused by sparks falling from the chimney. Every minister and doctor was on the scene ready to help the sick people.

TWISTED HIS ARM.

London, Jan. 23—Battling Jim Johnson, the colored heavyweight of Galveston, Texas, and Jewry Smith, of South Africa, met in a 20 round match at Wonderland, Whitechapel tonight. The men fought a stubborn battle for seven rounds when Smith twisted his arm and was obliged to withdraw.

DIRECT LINE FROM OTTAWA

Grand Trunk Vice-President Confirms Statement That Toronto Will Be Linked To Capital By Railway.

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—"We have in view a direct line from Ottawa to Toronto," stated Vice-President William Wainwright, of the Grand Trunk tonight, but as to just what route we will take I am not prepared to say. As a matter of fact it has not been decided. There are three suggestions, one is by what is known as the Kingston, Smith's Falls and Ottawa line. We control that now. Then through the Rideau Valley, Brockville people are after us, while yet another interest wants the line to go by way of Gananoque. That Ottawa needs direct connection with Toronto is obvious, and I think the matter will be determined before long."

"How is Ottawa to be connected with the Transcontinental?" he was asked.

"That matter is in the hands of Mr. Hays and Mr. Chamberlain, but as a matter of fact it has not been decided."

M'CURDY FLIGHT OFF UNTIL TOMORROW

Decks Placed On Torpedo Boats In Case Aviator Dips Into Water—Expects To Go 1,000 Feet Up.

Key West, Fla., Jan. 23.—J. A. D. McCurdy, the Canadian aviator, who will try to fly from Key West to Havana, returned this afternoon from the Cuban city where he selected a landing place. While it originally was announced that McCurdy would start tomorrow, he said that he would set sail about daylight Wednesday.

Platforms will be built on the decks of the torpedo boat destroyers which have been detailed to convey him, to permit him to make fresh starts if he falls into the water. The boats will be stationed ten miles apart.

The start will be made from the railroad terminus. McCurdy stated he expected to fly about 1,000 feet high. Several persons have asked to be taken as passengers.

KNOCKED OUT BY GRIPPE.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 23.—Tommy Murphy, the lightweight, took to his bed tonight and will not be able to fight Knockout Brown, at the Empire Athletic Club, next Wednesday. Bert Keyes will take his place. Murphy is suffering from grippe.

RECIPROCITY IN FISH WOULD BE RUINOUS

Representative From Massachusetts To Oppose Removal Of Duty On Salt Water Fish—Reduction Unwise.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—If the present duty on salt water fish from Canada, which is three quarters of a cent a pound, is taken off or even reduced greatly, the Massachusetts fishing industries cannot survive, said Representative Gardner, of that state today.

So carefully have the secrets of the treaty been kept that Mr. Gardner said he had not been able to learn positively what the change in the duty on fish was to be, although the best information he could gather was that all duty would be taken off.

He said this would be ruinous and that while he hated to oppose the general principle of reciprocity for which President Taft was fighting, he would be obliged in this case to do so.

NO CIVIC CONTEST AT ST. STEPHEN

Some Question Yesterday Whether Entire Board Of Councillors Would Be Filled —Nominated In The End.

St. Stephen, Jan. 23.—Nominations for the town council closed at 6 o'clocked this evening with just one man named to complete the board after it had seemed for some hours as though some of the seats would remain vacant.

Wm. A. Dinsmore, for mayor; Eugene Thornton and Elwell Dewolfe, councillors in Queens ward; Geo. H. Budd, councillor in Kings ward and J. R. Polley, councillor for Dukes ward were members of the last board and consented to serve again. Jos. R. McClure takes the place of J. T. Whitlock for councillor in Kings, and John G. Hamilton takes the place of J. R. Sederquist for councillor in Dukes ward.

Thos. K. McGeachy, H. L. Wall and J. Fred Douglas are returned for assessors.

DISMISSAL OF 12 PREDICTED

Man High Up In Customs Service With Eleven Subordinates To Go—$15,000,000 Loss On Tobacco.

New York, Jan. 23.—Collector Loeb will be given in the New York World tomorrow as authority for the statement that a high official of the port, a chief clerk in one of the departments, and ten other men drawing good salaries, are to be dismissed for alleged complicity in the customs scandals of recent years.

At the office of the United States District Attorney it is said to have been admitted that a communication had been prepared advising the collector to make the dismissals in contemplation.

Tobacco Frauds.

A country wide investigation which the treasury department has started the Tribune will say tomorrow, has disclosed, it is said, discrepancies in the wrapper and filler statistics of tobacco imports from Cuba which have deprived the government of between $3,000,000 and $5,000,000 annually for the past five years.

According to the Tribune, tobacco trade statistics show that cigar makers who turn out pure Havana cigars must have 6 per cent. of their stock in "wrapper," while the statistics of the treasury department show a fraction under one-fifth of 1 per cent. of the Cuban importations are classified as and paying duty as "wrapper."

FEAR TURKISH MASSACRES

Athens, Jan. 23.—A recrudescence of the anti-Christian agitation in Adana, a vilayet of Asiatic Turkey, is feared. The Turks are believed to be preparing for fresh massacres of Armenians, many of whose houses are marked with a red cross, and the inscription "Death."

The Governor has asked that troops be sent to Adana to keep order, as the garrison there is not to be relied upon.

PRINCE RUPERT CONTRACT.

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—The contract for a new marine depot at Prince Rupert has been awarded to the Pacific Construction Co., of Vancouver. The price is $150,000.

BOY DROWNED AT HALIFAX

Fred Kent, Well Known As An Athlete, Went Through Ice In Precaution To Save Companion.

Halifax, Jan. 23.—While skaters were gliding over the Dartmouth lake tonight a tragic drowning took place in which Fred Kent, a young athlete, lost his life. Kent, who was nineteen years of age, with friends started to skate to the young man's camp at the head of the second lake.

In company with Mrs. Gordon, Kent started out ahead, and when half way up to the camp, they noticed that the ice looked dark ahead. The young man parted company with Mrs. Gordon, requesting her to remain on the thick ice while he went ahead and made sure that the other was safe. He had only made a few strokes when the ice gave way and he went through The woman's cries for help attracted a crowd, but the young man did not come to the surface, and the body has not yet been recovered.

MONTREAL RELIGIOUS MET SUDDEN DEATH

Sister St. Eucerce Falls Down Elevator Shaft While Making Inspection—Held Engineer's Certificate.

Montreal, Jan. 23.—Sister St. Euchere of the congregation of Notre Dame, met an instantaneous death today in the Mother House, West Sherbrooke street, when she fell down the elevator shaft from the fifth floor to the basement. The elevator had been out of order and Sister St. Euchere, who had charge of all the machinery and electrical apparatus in the building, was testing and examining the elevator when she lost her balance and tumbled back under the elevator into the shaft falling to the basement, seventy feet below. Her skull was crushed, one of her arms was broken, and she had sustained internal injuries.

Sister St. Euchere held certificates as a mechanical engineer, and devoted herself to the mechanical and electrical apparatus in the Mother House. The building was erected only a few years ago, and the machinery installed there is the most modern type.

Before taking her religious vows, she was Miss E. Therriault. She was 44 years of age, and her family reside in the Madgalen Islands.

EXTENSION OF ELECTRIC ROAD

Bills Introduced In Maine Legislature For Enlargement Of Aroostook Valley Line—From Bangor To Houlton.

Augusta, Me., Jan. 23.—An extension to the Canadian border of the Aroostook Valley Railway, an electric line, is urged in bills presented to the Maine legislature today. The company seeks the right to extend its line from Washburn to New Sweden, Maine; west from Washburn to the Canadian line, and by purchase from the C. P. R. east from Presque Isle, Me., to Arcostook Junction, N. B. This would have the effect of shortening the direct line from St. John to Montreal by about 200 miles.

The legislature will also be asked to grant a charter for a railroad from Bangor to Houlton over a route describing nearly a straight line between the two places, a distance of about 108 miles. The promoters are mostly Maine capitalists with Hon. A. L. Lumbert, of Houlton, the principal attorney.

Houlton and Bangor are already connected by the Bangor & Aroostook railroad but the route takes a wide swing to the westward. The mileage from Houlton to Bangor is now 141 miles, which includes five miles from Northern Maine junction to Bangor, over Maine Central rails.

The proposed new railroad traverses a sparsely settled region with only a few small villages anywhere near the line of survey so that it is evident that its primary object is to make a new outlet for the great northern Maine region and beyond, to the seaboard and tidewater at Bangor, Bucksport or some new terminal on the eastern side of Penobscot Bay.

It will have exactly the same rail connections for the west at Bangor as does the Bangor & Aroostook.

CHANTICLER FIRST PLAYED IN ENGLISH

New York, Jan. 23.—With Miss Maude Adams in the title part, Edmond Rostand's famous play "Chantecler" had its first production in English upon any stage, at the Knickerbocker theatre here tonight.

Among the audience were Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, and M. and Mme. Lefeuve Pontalis, first secretary of the French embassy, sent expressly by the French government out of courtesy to Miss Adams.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Amoy, Jan. 23.—Bubonic plague, showing the pneumonic type has appeared in Amoy.

SANTO DOMINICA AND HAITI ARBITRATE

Port Au Prince, Hayti, Jan. 23.—The Haitien and Santo Dominican governments have both accepted the proposal to submit to arbitration the delimitation of the frontier, which has been the cause of serious disputes between the countries. Pending this they have agreed to withdraw their respective forces.