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EUROPEAN NATIONS WILL TAKE STEPS TO PREVENT TURCO-BULGARIAN WAR

Revision of Treaty of Berlin May be Decided Upon.

Turkey is Anxious for a Pacific Settlement but Bulgaria Adopts a Rather Defiant Attitude—At the Same Time War is Unlikely.

Constantinople, Oct. 6.—The Council of Ministers held a long session this morning to consider the action of Bulgaria in declaring her independence from Turkey at Tirnovo yesterday. It was decided that it was impossible to accept any proceedings that violated existing treaties, and that Turkey should address a circular note to the powers pointing out the necessity of taking measures to enforce respect for the treaty of Berlin.

Replying to the telegrams sent to the Turkish government by Prince Ferdinand in which he declared in the independence of Bulgaria he had been compelled to respect the voice of the nation and expressed the hope that the friendly relations between the two countries would continue, Turkey says she has invited the powers to confer on the situation and as her rights are guaranteed by the powers, she will look to them for their defense.

The Yenae Gazette, the organ of the Grand Vizier, says today: We are ready to defend our rights with all our strength as the action of Bulgaria is not only directed against us but against all the powers, we should ask the powers to defend their interests and protect the interests of the treaty of Berlin."

According to this same Journal, Austria-Hungary has informed the powers of her intention of withdrawing her troops from the Sanjak of Novipazar.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 6.—The report that orders for the mobilization of 100,000 men had been given semi-official denial here today.

Phillippopolis, Eastern Roumela, Oct. 6.—The official announcement of the independence of Bulgaria made at Tirnovo yesterday by Prince Ferdinand has been enthusiastically received in this city, the capital of Eastern Roumelia. Today the church bells are ringing and large crowds headed by bands are parading the streets and holding peaceful demonstrations in front of the various consulates. "Emperor" Ferdinand is expected to arrive here shortly.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 6.—The intention of Russia to convoke a congress of the powers to discuss revision of the treaty of Berlin was the subject of conferences yesterday between acting Minister of Foreign Affairs Tcharykoff and the diplomatic representatives of the powers interested. These included the Turkish, British, and Austro-Hungarian Ambassador. No statement of the attitude of the Russian government is obtainable today. The general impression is that Turkey will not regard Bulgaria's action, which was taken in the face of emphatic Russian protests, as a cause for war.

When the Russian foreign office was sounded in the matter of the Bulgarian proclamation, it addressed strongly worded representations to Prince Ferdinand against the step, declaring it to be the duty of civilized powers to refrain from embarrassing the young Turks in their efforts for reform. The original Bulgarian plan was to allow Austria-Hungary to take the initiative in annexing Bosnia and Herzegovina. It was realized, however, that a spontaneous declaration and appeal would have a much greater effect on the popular imagination, and for this same reason. Tirnovo, the ancient capital of the kingdom of Bulgaria, was chosen as the scene of the proclamation.

Saloniki, European Turkey, Oct. 6—The committee of union and progress, which organized and carried out the recent successful revolution in Turkey on the part of the "Young Turks," has issued a proclamation, in which it is set forth that the committee regards the declaration of Bulgarian and independence and the intention of Austria-Hungary to annex, the occupied provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina as a violation of the rights of Turkey. It therefore solemnly protests in the name of humanity against the unfavorable attitudes of Austria-Hungary and Bulgaria toward a people which is progressing in the direction of liberty.

In conclusion, the committee appeals to Europe against "those attempts on the most sacred rights of the nation."

Paris, Oct. 6.—The Paris newspapers are inclined to take a hopeful view of the Bulgarian situation, which they consider serious, but by no means desperate. Bulgaria and Turkey, they believe, must soon realize that they will gain nothing by war.

The Bulgarian diplomatic agent here received a telegram from the Bulgarian Foreign Minister, instructing him to present the proclamation to the French Government. The despatch concludes: "Bulgaria will do all possible conformable with dignity to avoid overthrowing peace in the Balkans. At the same time, if events necessitate it, the whole nation is ready as one man to defend the blessed work accomplished."

Berlin, Oct. 6.—The question whether there is to be peace or war in the Balkans has not yet been decided in Constantinople, according to official despatches received at the foreign office today. The ambassadors of the powers at Constantinople, find that the situation is a difficult one, because the control of affairs does not rest altogether with the cabinet of "Young Turks," but partially with the powerful committee of "Young Turks" outside the cabinet. The cabinet and the committee appear to be divided in their views.

Official opinion in Berlin leads to the belief that there will be no war insomuch as the change in the relations between Bulgaria and Turkey is merely a paper change.

London, Oct. 6.—The act is absolutely lawless from every possible point of view and an audacious violation of the treaty of Berlin, says the Times of the Bulgarian declaration of independence. After lecturing Burgaria soundly, the Times says that she may yet regret that her rulers have forfeited the respect and goodwill of the British people. The Times cautions the Young Turks "to take no risks of war and accuses Austria of entering into a conspiracy with Bulgaria against Turkey."

"If Austria-Hungary persists in taking up that part of the treaty of Berlin which she dislikes," says the paper, "Russia also will persist in tearing up those parts objectionable to her, in particular those provisions which relate to the Dardanelles."

This is the typical position taken by the English newspapers which are greatly angered by what they call a conspiracy because England and the King by a recent telegram has been sponser for the Young Turk movement and it is now felt that the Government has been duped by Austria and Germany.

Neither the Times nor its colleagues propose a policy for the British Government because they are awaiting the announcement from the foreign office which is consulting with France and Russia.

As yet no course of action has been decided upon beyond refusing to recognize Bulgaria's action.

London, Oct. 6.—The Bulgarian Charge d'Affaires, M. Debreefe today officially informed Great Britain of Bulgaria's declaration of independence. The Bulgarian Government instructed its representative to say also that in proclaiming her independence Bulgaria had no desire for war and that her aims were eminently peaceful.

All the Bulgarian diplomatic representatives abroad are taking similar action.

PROVINCIAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION WAS OPENED TODAY

Woodstock, N. B., Oct. 6—The second annual convention of the New Brunswick and P. E. Island W. C. T. U. opened this morning in the Baptist church. The following committees were appointed:—Credential committee—Mrs. Hoar, St. John; Miss McWhirty, St. Stephen. Finance committee—Mrs. Troy, Newcastle; Miss Sampson, Fredericton; Mrs. C. D. Dickinson, Woodstock. Courtesies—Mrs. C. R. Watson, Woodstock; Mrs. C. D. Jordan, Woodstock. Awarding of banners—Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Humphrey. Plan of work—Mrs. McAvity, St. John; Mrs. Troy, Newcastle; Mrs. Seymour, St. John; Mrs. Burtt, Fredericton; Mrs. Holman, P. E. I.; Mrs. Fraser, St. Stephen. Resolutions—Mrs. C. D. Dickinson, Woodstock; Mrs. McPhail, Perth; Mrs. West, Centerville; Mrs. Hanson, Fairville. Press committee—Mrs. Lindow, St. Stephen; Mrs. Andrews. Mrs. Dearborn was appointed timekeeper for the reading of reports.

The peace and arbitration report was read by the superintendent, Mrs. Holman, of Summerside, P. E. I., and was adopted. The report of the world's missions was read by the corresponding secretary, Miss Asker, of Campbellton. Parlor meetings were reported by the superintendent of parlor meetings, Mrs. Poole, of Summerside, P. E. I. The report of the mothers meeting and moral education was read by Miss Asker, of Campbellton, and after discussion, adopted.

Business was suspended for a short time, and Mrs. Fraser, of St. Stephen gave a Bible reading. The president then resumed the chair and asked that greetings be sent to the Nova Scotia W. C. T. U., now in convention assembled. Miss Asker and Miss Humphrey were appointed a committee on greetings. A telegram of greetings was read from the Calgary W. C. T. U., and also greetings from Mrs. Boscom, dominion corresponding secretary, was read, saying that the invitation from the N. B. and P. E. I. Union had been accepted and the Dominion W. C. T. U. would meet with in St. John, N. B., in the year 1909. Greetings were also read from the dominion president, Mrs. Wright, of London, Ont. The greetings committee were asked to respond to these greetings.

PICKED UP AT SEA

Remarkable Journey of a Note Laden Bottle Thrown Overboard by a St. John Man.

A note placed in a bottle and thrown overbond from the D. A. R. steamer Prince Arthur near Boston on June 28th was picked up on Sept. 28th in the vicinity of Digby Gut.

A. Secord of the C. P. R. Telegraph staff here accompanied by Mike Walsh were on board the steamer mentioned and when about four hours from Boston Mr. Secord wrote the following note placed it in a bottle and threw it overboard:

Yarmouth to Boston on board S. S. Prince Arthur, June 28, 1908.

Finder:

Please let me know where you found this, when and how. Its just an experiment, I don't think it will even be picked up, but we trust to luck. We are having a delightful trip. I have a friend of mine with me. My address. Mr. Mike Walsh, care of Associated Press., A. Victor Secord, Boston, care of C. P. R. Tel. St. John, N. B., Canada.

The following letter was received by Mr. Secord:

Culloden, N. S.
Sept. 30th, 1908.

A Victor Secord:

Picked up your note of June 20th, 1908, written on board S. S. Prince Arthur, four miles north west from Digby Gut on Sept. 28th, 1908.

Yours truly,
J. FRED O'CONNOR.
W. P. ROSS.

P. S. Kindly let us hear from you. We were fishing when we picked this note up.

Furness steamer St. John City, Captain Scott, left port this morning early for Liverpool via Halifax with a general cargo.

POLITICIANS NOT WANTED AT THE FAIR

Loch Lomond Farmers Decide They Will Not Allow Dr. MaaRae or Others to Speak

There will be no political speeches, at the Loch Lomond Fair today—at least not with the consent of the Agricultural Society, though it was reported this morning that Dr. MacRae would speak elsewhere in the vicinity if he was not allowed to discuss political questions in the building devoted to the fair.

A meeting of the society was held this morning when the question of allowing political orators to discuss the issues of the campaign at the gathering, was discussed and it was decided that the meeting should be confined to agricultural matters alone. Any discussion of political questions, it was felt would only result in injury to the work of the society.

The action of Dr. MacRae in announcing that he would address the gathering without consulting the society in any way was strongly censured. It was stated that Dr. MacRae would speak somewhere in the vicinity but many were of the opinion that such action was certainly not in accord with the feeling of the people.

The Liberal organization in the county decided that in deference to the wishes of the people they would not send any speakers out and they heartily concurred with the view taken by the society that the day was set apart for purely agricultural purposes.

There was a very good crowd at the fair grounds at noon and the displays of cattle, field roots, fancy work, etc., were of a high order.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

York Circuit Court Opened This Morning But There Was. No Business.

Fredericton, N. B., Oct. 6 (Special).—York Count court met here this morning, Judge Wilson presiding. There is no business of a criminal nature and no civil cases have thus far been entered on the docket. Petitions were presented for naturalization papers for Leonard W. Johnson, formerly of Fort Fullfield, but for twenty-five years a resident of Fredericton, and also for Bernard McAdam Rogerson, of McAdam Junction, formerly of Lewiston. Johnson holds the offices of principal assessor and chairman of the police commission and recently decided to become a British subject. Both applications will likely be granted.

The appeal case of the King vs. Thomas McCorquindale, was stood over until next term.

Chief Justice Barker is holding a sitting of the equity court here today and had an unusually large number of cases before him. The most important was that of Frank I. Morrison and others vs. the Bishop of Fredericton and the legatees and heirs of the late Mrs. John J. Fraser, and the late Miss Frances Fisher, deceased. The lawyers interested in the case are A. J. Gregory, Fraser Winslow, A. B. Connell, H. B. Rainsford and Slipp & Hanson. Mr. Gregory with the consent of the other counsel is applying for reference and an order to take the accounts of the two estates.

In the case of Allen O. Lombard vs. Alexander Dunbar Sons, Ltd., of Woodstock, L. E. Young, without notice to the defendants, applied for an injunction order to restrain them from infringing on certain patents which the plaintiff claims are his property. Application was refused.

William Hagerman, of Keswick, shot one of the largest moose of the season on Lepreaux waters yesterday morning. The antlers were very massive and have a spread of fifty-six inches and twenty-nine prongs.

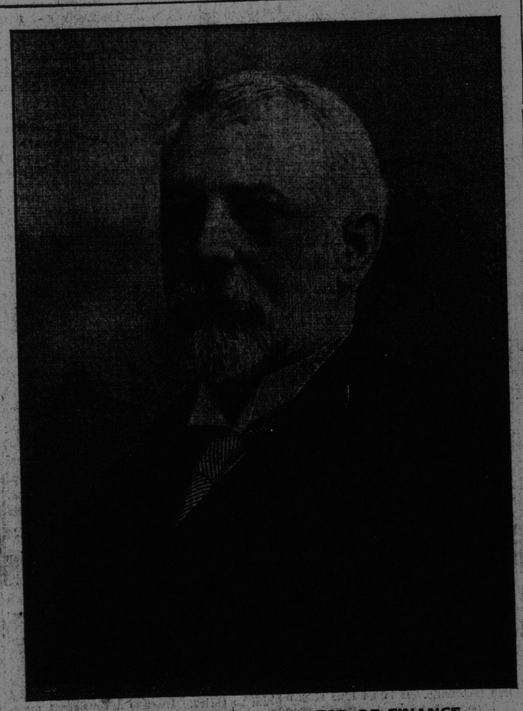
All members of the local government are here with the exception of Solicitor General McLeod who has been campaigning in Carleton County a meeting was held this morning but Mr. Hazen when seen after adjournment said that only routine business had been transacted. Another meeting will be held this afternoon and the members will likely return home this evening. W. Albert Mott, conservative candidate in Restigouche and W. W. Hubbard are here on government business.

Police Sergeant Phillips was around for a time this morning in plan clothes and when asked for an explanation said that he had thrown up his job. The police commission fixed his hours of duty at from twelve o'clock until midnight and he refused to agree to the arrangement. Finally a compromise was affected by which he will be allowed to go off duty at ten o'clock and he went back to work.

BORDEN CLUB SMOKER TONIGHT.

The Borden Club smoker in Keith's ballroom suite tonight is free to all Conservative young men who desire to affiliate with the club and to Conservative workers generally. The programme of musical, vaudeville and speaking members is long and interesting, and a rousing time will be held. Cigars, pipes and luncheon.

MR. FIELDING EXPOSES THE HYPOCRITICAL CLAIMS OF FOSTER-FOWLER CROWD



HON. W. S. FIELDING, MINISTER OF FINANCE.

Different Canvasses Used in Different Provinces.

While Foster Rails Against Expenditure in One Breath, in the Next he Promises to Spend Country's Revenues With a Lavish Hand-A Great Meeting at Coburg.

Toronto, Oct. 5. (Special)—Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance, addressed a crowded meeting at Cobourg to-night, large numbers being turned away. He was given a splendid reception and escorted to his hotel after the meeting by a big torchlight procession. The minister discussed the substantial progress made by the country under the Liberal rule, how the rate of taxation had been reduced and how the net debt per head had been reduced.

Mr. Fielding again took up the question of the tariff. There would never come a time he said when there would be a tariff absolutely satisfactory to every one. There was a happy medium and he thought they had found that medium. There was some dissatisfaction concerning the woolen industry. In this connection he said every reasonable thing had been done by the government in fact they had gone a long way and he hardly thought they could go any further. The protection now being accorded to the woolen industry was larger than most other industries but when these people said they could not get along it was something for him to consider though he would, he added, make no promises.

Mr. Fielding then referred to the charge of extravagance so freely made by the opposition. He said he had observed that Mr. Borden at a recent meeting said the government were expending too much and that a policy of retrenchment was necessary. "If we assume for the sake of argument," he continued, "that the government are expending more than they should what hope of retrenchment is there from the opposition. On the other hand they are proposing enormous expenditures of money for the purpose of influencing electors. I have under my hand notes of sixty-seven occasions during the recent session of parliament on which opposition members asked for sums to be expended over and above what the government were asking for.

All over the country the conservative candidates are telling the people that with a new government in power large sums will be spent for public works. A special case of this kind, I may mention occurred in Prince Edward Island. Mr. Foster went to P. E. Island and told the electors in effect that if placed in power he and his friends would construct their tunnel. I have newspaper reports in my hand and from a conservative paper the heading of which distinctly states that Foster promised a tunnel. Now no man with any sense of responsibility is in a position at present to promise the construction of that work. The latest engineering information concerning it is that it is almost impossible to make any reliable estimate of the cost. The work, engineers say, may cost from nine to forty millions of dollars. Yet for the sake of influencing a few votes in Prince Edward Island, Mr. Foster is ready to promise the construction of this work the cost which may run into untold millions.

What can the people think of a political party which cries out that expenditures are already too high and then for political capital commits itself to this enormous outlay without any proper information to justify such an action. Similarly what would it cost the country if the planks in Mr. Borden's platform for public ownership of railways, telegraphs and telephones were taken up seriously?"

MONCTON NEWS

A Big Moose—St. John Woman Asks Police to Find Her Daughter.

Moncton, N. B., Oct. 6—(Special).—One of the largest moose brought down in the New Brunswick woods during the present season has been captured by William MacMullen, proprietor of the Windsor hotel here. The animal was shot at Big Forks, Kent Co., and had a fifty-three inch spread of antlers and twenty-three prongs. MacMullen says the woods are fairly alive with big game.

Another St. John elopement case promises to end in Moncton. Mrs. Annie B. Oagle of that city, has written to Chief of Police Ridout under the date of October 3rd, asking him if he would endeavor to locate Thos. Guy, a young man who, she claims, has eloped with her daughter. Mrs. Oagles, in the letter, says she left St. John to go on a visit to relatives, and during her absence, the young couple eloped, going either to Moncton or Newfoundland.

WHOLE MARATHON TEAM UNDER BAN

M. P. A. A. A. Bulletin Announces Suspension of Marathon and St. John Baseball Teams.

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 6 (Special).—The official bulletin of the M. P. A. A. A. has been issued suspending all the players of the Marathon baseball team, also all the players of the St. John team, both of St. John. The suspensions are caused on account of playing against Tommie Howe. The suspended men are: Marathons—J. Malcolm, Stubbs, Bradbury, Ramsay, D. Malcom, Lynch, Clawson, Rootes, Barrett. St. John's—Cregan, Callahan, Harris, Britt, Mills, T. Howe, Woods, A. Howe and Nesbitt.

Particular stress is laid upon the suspension of Stubbs, who was lately reinstated.

The association also gives notice that standard certificates will be issued to all competitors in Halifax Mail's ten-mile championship road race, as well as those taking part in the indoor sports at Dartmouth and Halifax. The delegates to the annual meeting on October 16th at Halifax will also receive the certificates.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, Oct. 6—(Special).—The Balkan war cloud scared traders today, who held off, and trading was dull. Detroit rose sharply yesterday in the face of a declining market to 40 3-4 and touched 41 this morning, but later receded to 40 1-4. Toledo was weakened and sold off to 72, Pacific was fractionally lazier at 176 1-2 and Toronto was firm at 103 1-4.

A fire in the Italian village of Sant Angelo Cancelli was extinguished by wine, as it was more plentiful than water.

TWO FAMILIES IN HARD LUCK

Pathetic Story Told During Police Court Hearing This Morning.

The pathetic condition of two families was revealed at the police court this morning during the examination of Lee Blizzard and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Henry Hall, accused of assaulting Constable Godfrey. S. A. M. Skinner conducted the prosecution and J. B. M. Baxter the defence.

The constable testified that yesterday afternoon, as he was serving a distraint warrant on Mrs. Hall in her house on Delhi street, he was roughly used by the woman and by Blizzard. He said he had no time to tell the woman he had a warrant to seize her furniture for rent, for as he opened the door, he said, "I'm a constable," and thereupon he was attacked by the woman, who seized him by the shoulders, and helped by Blizzard, she ejected him.

Mrs. Hall testified that on Thursday her daughter was buried, and her other daughter, who was recently married to Blizzard, is dying from consumption. To aggravate her troubles, Mr. Hall is seriously ill and Blizzard's father and mother are also sick. She denied using force to eject the constable.

Lee Blizzard corroborated the statements of the preceding witness. He said Godfrey hit his dying wife with a cane.

The magistrate convicted Blizzard of a technical assault, but imposed no fine, and held Mrs. Hall blameless.

MONTREAL FOG BOUND

Several Accidents as Result of Heavy Fog in Montreal.

Montreal, Oct. 6 (Special).—Montreal was fog-bound again this morning. At an early hour conditions were such that traffic in general was tied up. There were several street car accidents, one of which proved serious. Two cars of the Notre Dame line colliding and several passengers receiving painful injuries and having to be removed to hospitals, they were, however, able to leave for their homes after their wounds were dressed.

Navigation was also tied up for a time, but the fog has now lifted and conditions are much better.

AGED CHATHAM WOMAN MISSING

Chatham, N. B., Oct. 6 (Special).—Mrs. George Robbins, an aged resident of the West End, disappeared from her home here on Sunday night and has not been seen since. About half past seven that evening she said she was going out for a short walk. Neighbors say that after leaving the house she came back, looked in the windows and then went away again. It is feared that she walked over the bank into the river and was drowned.

Although over 60 years of age, she had complete possession of her faculties with the exception of her hearing, but she had been worrying much lately and her mind may have been affected. She has four sons, two here and two in Campbellton.

A CHATHAM WEDDING

Chatham, N. B., Oct. 6 (Special).—The marriage will take place this evening at 8 at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hutchinson, of their only daughter, Belle J., to Hugh G. Moncrieff, formerly of St. John's, Newfoundland, but now of Winnipeg. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. F. C. Simpson, of Douglastown. The bride will be unattended and the groom will be supported by his brother. A feature of the ceremony will be the attendance of Hon. Allan A. Ritchie, of Newcastle, and Mrs. L. J. Tweedie. When Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hutchison were married Mr. Ritchie was the best man and Mrs. Tweedie, at that time Miss Aggie Loudon, was bridesmaid. Many beautiful gifts testify to the esteem and popularity of the bride.

Proceedings in the sheriff's court in London were interrupted recently to allow a marriage ceremony to take place.

PHILADELPHIA'S BIRTHDAY

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 5.—Business in Philadelphia was practically at a standstill while the citizens gave themselves over to the celebration of the 225th birthday anniversary of the city. Probably the greatest throng that ever gathered along Broad street, witnessed the parade of 20,000 soldiers and sailors of the United States and of the National Guard of Pennsylvania.

TYPHOID IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Oct., 5.—This city has little less than an epidemic of typhoid fever. There are now one hundred and sixty cases reported to the health authorities, and more are being added to the list daily. The water supplied the citizens is put down as the cause.

FOUND DEAD IN BED

Montreal, Oct. 5 (Special).—Dr. John Sutherland, of Summerside (P. E. I.), was found dead in bed in the St. James Hotel here tonight. He was on his way home from the West. Heart trouble is supposed to have caused death.

A LONG DEFERRED VACATION.

Fitchburg, Mass., Oct. 5.—Keeping a promise made to himself when he was a boy working in a mill that he would take a vacation when seventy years old. Jos G. Edgerly, who is thought to be the oldest superintendent of public schools in point of consecutive service, today tendered his resignation to the Fitchburg school board.

It takes about 2,000,000 cords of wood a year to make the newspapers that go through the presses of New York city.

Guatemalan revolutionaries tried to kill President Cabrera by an infernal machine connected with his telephone.

Fireworks were originated in the thirteenth century by the Florentines, and later were popularized in Rome.

Over 23,000 tons of rabbit meat were received in London from Australia last year.

NEWS AND VIEWS OF THE CAMPAIGN

AN HONEST OPINION.

"Ask ten reasonable, thoughtful Conservatives what is their private opinion of the election chances, and nine of them will say, in confidence, that they look for a return of the Government, but with a reduced majority.

VICTORY IS SURE.

Mr. D. C. Cameron, ex-M. P. P., has been nominated by the Liberals of Winnipeg. The nomination was unanimous and enthusiastic, and his election is almost assured. His opponent has not yet been named, and a convention has not been called, as the party leaders cannot, so far, agree upon a candidate.

NO OPPOSITION YET.

Dr. Neely, M. P. P., has been nominated by the Liberals of Humboldt, Sask. The Conservatives have not yet placed a man in the field.

THINK IT OVER.

"Better men and better times" is the Conservative campaign slogan. Better men? Borden for Laurier; Foster for Fielding; Fowler for Pugsley; Pope, Lefurgey and Bennett for Lemieux, Aylesworth and Patterson! Think it over.

"A SERPENT, SIR!"

S. D. Scott's St. John Standard finds it necessary to give Mr. Alex. MacRae, the Tory candidate against Dr. Pugsley, a certificate of political character, but opposed to this is the expressive declaration of Mr. Harry A. Powell, who, addressing Mr. MacRae at the close of the St. John Tory convention, hissed out: "You're a serpent, a serpent, sir!"—Halifax Chronicle.

EXPONENTS OF PURITY?

When President Roosevelt suppressed Senator Foraker, Mr. Bryan countered by suppressing Governor Haskel. Now, who is to be Borden's Haskell? He need not pause for lack of material. There is Mr. Foster, the man who profited by a personal speculation with "trust funds"; there are Fowler and Lefurgey, the members of Parliament who sought favors from two powerful railway corporations when they were elected to stand between the people and the greed of just such bodies.—The Montreal Star (Conservative).

"BIRDS OF A FEATHER."

Who is going to believe that Mr. Borden is sincere in what he says so long as he does not repudiate the actions of G. E. Foster with the Foresters' money. There is no use in Mr. Borden hugging himself in the belief that the people are putting any stock in what he says respecting these things so long as he keeps Foster and Stanfield in his company, for "birds of a feather flock together."—Charlottetown Patriot.

AN EMPTY BOAST.

"Mr. Borden in his Fredericton speech says he has sufficient men to form three Cabinets. Empty boast. If so, why has he to call on Provincial Premiers to come to his assistance instead of Federal members? If he intends taking those men into his Cabinet, why, when they appear to be so sure of victory, do they not resign their seats and take a Federal constituency? Just for the same reason that these charges of corruption and graft were not brought forth and proved in the only place where they should have been made and proved—on the floor of Parliament. Because hon. gentlemen of the Opposition—including their leader—were afraid of losing their seats. Just the same is it with Mr. Hazen and the boastful Mr. Roblin; they are very loud in their prophecy of the defeat of the Liberal party, but not sure enough to trust their seats by resigning and entering the Federal contest.—"Onlooker" in the Charlottetown Patriot.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

A NIGHT OFF.

The assembly rooms at the Nickel will no doubt attract a large and delighted audience this evening, when the following exceptionally clever programme of what the Standard rightly describes as "up-to-date vaudeville" will be presented:

Programme.

Opening chorus—"Borden, Bayne and Booze,' by the Borden Club Sicktette.

MacRae and Powell, Knockabout Comedians, in their Saurian Symphony, entitled "Snakes."

Robbie Maxwell, positively the greatest living elocutionist, in his howling success "The Light that Failed," with interpellations by the Opera House general staff.

Milt Price, the boy wonder, endorsed by press and public as the greatest example of infantile precocity known in any civilized age, will sing "When I'm a Man."

John W. Daniel—Statistical juggler, in his stump speech "Frenzied Facts for Fervid Fanatics."

The whole to conclude with an exhibition of the triumph of mind over matter by Prof. Harri Also Ran Powell, snake charmer extraordinary. He handles the most venomous serpents without gloves.

Refreshments.

Pipe dreams. Choice Tomatoes.

PATENT GRANTED.

Blather & Blight, patent attorneys, report that through their agency a patent has been granted, No. 0023, to the St. John Standard, for a self-adjusting scandal-fastener, warranted to last three weeks.

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A SHORT SEASON.

Halifax, Oct. 6 (Special).—A preliminary estimate gives Borden seven seats in Nova Scotia. Next week the number will be increased to twelve, and the following week to eighteen. After that the estimator will be plugged and sent to the junk shop.