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ARRANGEMENTS TAKING SHAPE.

Although Fredericton's programme for the reception and entertainment of Lord and Lady Aberdeen cannot as yet be announced with absolute certainty in all its details, the general scope of it is fairly within the minds of the gentlemen who have charge of the affair. The general committee have had several meetings and are actively working up a provincial interest in the farmers' picnic. They have extended an invitation to every county and hope for a favorable response. The question of site has caused some discussion. The first impression was in favor of Government House grounds, but it is said the majority of the committee are against going there on account of the distance and the expense in fitting the place up. On Thursday, the Mayor applied to the Minister of Militia for Officers' Square, and permission to use it was promptly granted. It will be for the committee to decide between the two sites. Parliament Square is also mentioned as a suitable place for the picnic, but it is altogether likely the Officers' Square will be chosen, and that the civic address will also be presented and the public reception held at the same place.

It is understood that the programme in detail may be unofficially stated as follows:

Wednesday, Aug. 15th.—Arrival of the Vice Regal party by train from St. John, and disembarkation at the foot of Brunswick Street, about 6 p. m.; dinner at Government House the same evening, to be followed by a reception given in honor of the visitors by Governor and Mrs. Fraser in the Parliament buildings. Presentations will be made in the Assembly Chamber, and after that a little bird whisper to the Herald that the Council Chamber will be cleared for dancing.

Thursday, Aug. 16th.—In the forenoon the visitors will be driven around the city and to Marysville, and in the afternoon the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association and the City Corporation will present their addresses, followed by speeches from the Governor General, Governor Board of Illinois, Prof. Robinson, and prominent local men. A popular reception will probably follow this. In the evening the Governor will give an outdoor dinner party, and the farmers propose a display of fireworks and a torchlight procession to escort the visitors through the city to wherever they may be staying.

Friday, Aug. 17th.—If agreeable to the visitors, a special steamer will be placed at their disposal for a trip down the river to St. John. There are the arrangements so far as THE HERALD could learn from authentic sources this morning. Governor Fraser is taking an active part in the preparations and acting in concert with the Attorney General and the committee, to make them as complete and satisfactory as possible.

THE SESSION.

The Parliamentary session which opened at Ottawa on the 9th of March, will close Monday afternoon, having lasted four months and twelve days. It has been most barren of useful legislation, and notorious for the corruption it has revealed. Mr. Foster started out with a great flourish of trumpets in the matter of tariff reform, but when he got through the schedule the duties remained substantially at the old figures. The tariff reform policy had to give way before the monopolists who flooded the Capital, for it is these gentlemen and the contractors who furnish the government with election funds. The Finance Minister, a professed temperance man and prohibitionist, pushing through parliament a measure to reduce the duties on liquors imported, not only from France but from all other foreign countries. The Curran bribery scandal which was probed in the public accounts committee showed that the country has been robbed of tens of thousands of dollars by corrupt contractors and officials whose liberal contributions to campaign funds closed the eyes of the government to the morality. The session was fruitful in whitewashing votes. Caron and Langevin, heroes of the public works scandals, received a second dose, and Turotis, an M. P. who was paid money directly by the government for his interest in government contracts was shielded by the administration and sent out with a parliamentary certificate for honesty. The dying hours of the session were occupied in the passage of railway subsidy resolutions, which pledge the country to an enormous expenditure, and a special bonus of \$50,000 was voted to Senator Burns' Carquet railway. These are some of the things that mark the session just closed, as one discreditable to parliament, degrading and debauching to the country and strong evidence of the general corruption and dishonesty of the Tory party. Under the late Sir John Macdonald, public affairs were administered from a party standpoint, but the present Premier has given countenance to and abetted conduct which should bring the blush of shame to every honest Canadian.

With increasing taxation, a reduced revenue, and largely augmented expenditure, Canada may well pray that the administration which has flourished in corruption for the past sixteen years should give place to more honest and capable men.

ARTHUR M. COTTON, the leader of the opposition in the British Columbia Assembly, was in jail during the recent general election, he was elected in Vancouver by a vote of nearly two to one over the highest government candidate.

The Constitutional Convention Committee on Suffrage of New York, have reported adversely all the proposed woman suffrage amendments, except the proposition to give women the right to vote for school officers.

The Government estimate of the Curran bridge at Montreal was \$122,000, but the actual cost was \$450,000. The difference represents the sum of which the country has been robbed by Government negligence.

The Sun complains because the writ has not been issued for a new election in Carleton. Why is it not issued? The Dominion government for neglecting to long the federal vacancy in Quebec West.

FARMERS' PESTS.

A Keswick farmer informs THE HERALD that the oat fields in that vicinity are suffering from a new pest, which leaves the grain in a scorched and useless condition. The same report comes from other parts of the province, from Nova Scotia and Ontario. The pest or oat fly, as it is called, has such a voracious appetite, that most of the late oats and a great deal of the early will be destroyed if the plague continues its ravages. The fly is so small as to be hardly visible to the naked eye, but when placed under a microscope it is seen to be armed with a pair of pincers, with which it pierces the oat. A poison contained by the nippers of the insect, works its destructive course, turning the straw a reddish color. One bite is sufficient to blast a stalk of grain. With the parent are associated several of a brood, each of which does its share in the work of destruction.

The same farmer also tells us that the potatoes are suffering severely from the bug, which do not yield to generous doses of Paris green as formerly. He believes the poison, as now sold, is adulterated and does not do its work as effectively as formerly. Some farmers, whose crops have been quite destroyed by the bug have ploughed up their fields anew and cropped them with buckwheat.

A Pleasant Excursion.

I happened to be one of the lucky ones that was on the Rev. Mr. Bell's excursion to Chatham on the 11th inst. It is about thirty years since I moved from Chatham, and am so sorry to find that Chatham has not improved in appearance. The west end of the town has gone back. I was sorry to see the old Mill Pond and mill property gone to decay, also the David Richey ship yard and several other industries, all things of the past. The east end of the town has made marked improvement. Wm. Richard's mill, Snowball's and the pulp mill, give employment to large gangs of men. Mr. Richards is very popular in Chatham, and everyone has a good word for him. One great improvement in the town, is the fact that there are no open liquors as there used to be. The Scotts act has done much to improve the morals of the people, and the inspector is the right man in the right place.

At two o'clock, p. m., we boarded the trim little steamer Newcastle, and the trip up the Miramichi river is just lovely. We got a fine view of the old French fort, where once the French planted their batteries and the grim models of their guns guarded the river so that no enemy could reach their town on Bubar's Island.

Newcastle has rapidly improved having fine public buildings; in fact all the buildings in Newcastle are tasteful, clean and pretty and the streets are clean and well kept. The old square the people made a cow pasture in of bygone days is now just lovely; it is nicely fenced and planted with nice shade trees; it also has nice gravel walks, there is a nice fountain, and a very high flag staff where the old Union Jack is unfurled to the breeze, reminding one that under there is protection to life and property. I must not forget to mention our old friend the caretaker of the post office and custom house, which is a fine freestone building and cost about \$5,000. Our friend the caretaker, showed us through all the departments, every part of which is so clean and trim that it is a real pleasure to go through it. Then our friend took us to his own apartments on the top flat, and introduced us to his lovely daughter, who is a host in herself and served light refreshments. Time being up, we had to part with our new friends, and we carry home with us kind memories of them, and when they are done with the things of time, I hope their end will be peace and their heaven glorious. I must say that the employees on the C. E. R., are the most obliging lot of good fellows I ever got acquainted with.

THE SESSION.

Bloomfield, York, July 14th, 1894.

Register Leighton to the Glenora.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD: Sir,—The Fredericton Daily Gleaner of the 11th inst., contains a libelous editorial attacking me as Registrar of Deeds and Wills for the County of Carleton.

Among other things, the article charges that I was agent for Leverett Estabrooks, and as such agent, received from Joseph Vandine the sum of \$600 in payment of a mortgage held by Mr. Estabrooks against Mr. Vandine's property, and that I retained the said sum of money instead of paying it over to Mr. Estabrooks.

It is evident, from a perusal of the article in question, that the editor of the Gleaner is not so anxious to expose a fancied public wrong, as he is to make a base and villainous attack upon my character, as he goes on to ask: "How much money belonging to Leverett Estabrooks, has Mr. Leighton kept? How many other mortgages have been fully paid, remain undischarged, because Mr. Leighton kept the money and paid the annual interest?" I take this early opportunity of declaring that the said charges against me are utterly false. I am not now, nor was I ever at any time in my life, agent for Leverett Estabrooks, and I never at any time received from Joseph Vandine any sum or sums of money for Mr. Estabrooks nor for any other person.

I furthermore say that I shall call the editor of the Gleaner to a strict account for his false and malicious libel and to that end I have already placed the matter in the hands of my solicitor.

Register Deeds, Carleton County, Woodstock, July 18th.

THE NEWS IN QUEENS.

Upper Gagetown.

JULY 18.—The strawberry festival and fancy sale which was held here on the 2nd, proved a great success. Although there was an excursion to Fredericton very few went. We desire to thank the people from a distance for their kind aid. The proceeds which amounts to \$35.50 will go to the repairing the interior of the F. C. B. church.

The people here have been having for some time on the highlands.

Bedford Carrier returned to-day from his trip up river.

Nelson Currier and his bride are spending a few days here, guests of C. L. Currier. They leave on Wednesday the 25th, for their future home in Brooklyn, N. Y.

The usual number of boarders are stopping at the boarding house.

White's Cove.

JULY 15.—The farmers in this vicinity have begun haying. The hay crop is somewhat better than last year.

Mr. L. P. Perris, M. P., and wife have gone on a visit to Dorchester.

Rev. C. P. Hurley, Episcopal, will preach his farewell sermon next Sunday.

Messrs. W. W. Wright, Gordon Knight, F. D. White, and W. Gunter, are home spending their holidays.

Miss Jennie Macdonald of Macdonald's brooks are the subject for the coming term. Miss Mary Orchard is visiting friends in Carleton Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooke of Boston are visiting at Wm. Taylor's.

The wife of E. J. McGarrigle, formerly of this city, died at Vancouver, B. C., on the 11th inst. The deceased, whose maiden name was Miss Sharp, was for some years a well known Fredericton milliner.

F. M. Tweedie of Chatham, son of the Surveyor General and at the Queen's yard, and left for Queen's county coal fields where he is to be engaged in surveying.

Sunday, July 22, the morning services at the Baptist church, Gibson, will be in commemoration of the death of Miss Yeomans.

AROUND THE WORLD.

The News of the World in Brief—The Cream of our Exchanges.

The Dominion parliament will be prorogued this afternoon.

Yarmouth's new hotel was opened with a reception and ball Thursday night.

Utah has been admitted as a State in the Union and raises the number to forty-five.

The Halifax firemen have declined to take part in the St. John celebration next month.

Mrs. Botsford, widow of the late Senator Botsford, died at Sackville, Thursday, aged eighty years.

At Bisley the English team won the Kangaroo cup, beating the Canadian twenty-two points.

An earthquake shock split the earth open at Little Chute, Wisconsin, for several hundred feet Thursday.

Britain's held heir to the throne and was christened Edward Albert Christian Georgian Andrew Patrick David.

Over two thousand people from Nebraska and other states have settled this summer in the district north of Calgary, N. W. T.

Montrealers are disappointed because parliament failed to make an appropriation for the proposed military school in that city.

Lord Randolph Churchill is at Bar Harbor in ill health. He is to cross the continent shortly on the invitation of Sir Wm. Van Horne.

Patrick Lynch, who was once elected M. P. for Madawaska and afterwards unseated, died very suddenly at Edmundston Tuesday.

Lawrence Vankoughnet, late Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs for Canada, died from heart failure Wednesday in India.

The elections in New South Wales have resulted in the defeat of the government, the return of 58 free traders, 39 protectionists and 28 labor candidates.

Geo. R. Vincent has been appointed clerk of the peace for St. John city and county, and Daniel Mullin and T. P. Kegan are gazetted referees in equity.

R. S. White, M. P., P. C. Cardwell, and editor of the Montreal Gazette, is to receive at once, the long since vacated position of collector of customs at Montreal.

The Memorandum gold mine boom promises to collapse and the charge is made that the mine was sold to secure a favorable result. Some of the stock was held in Fredericton.

G. C. Corey in under arrest at St. John for passing purpura money on H. A. H. bright, of Quebec county, and for forging the name of John W. Vanwart, of St. John, to a promissory note.

Hon. Mr. Foster, to assist in retaining his hold on Kings county, has had parliament vote a subsidy of \$64,000 to a railway projected from the I. C. R. between Norton and Sussex to Havelock.

At St. Theresa Quebec, the other day, Mr. and Mrs. Deslauriers celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding. He is eighty-nine and she is eighty, and of their eleven children, all were present except one.

Smith Meserau who has been laid up at the Exchange hotel Woodstock, since the railway collision in February last, in which he was injured, was moved on Monday in a special car, to his home at Fredericton Junction.

Hon. James Mitchell, provincial secretary, this week inspected the registry of deeds in Carleton and the well known singer, will remain in the maritime provinces until the hot season is over.

At Chatham, Tuesday, the Presbyterians held a garden party on the beautiful grounds of Hon. L. J. Tweedie, and the Surveyor General, who is a leading light in the congregation, was presented with a quilt and a pair of pillow shams by the ladies.

While Samuel Kelly, a farmer at Lunenburg, was milking his cows Wednesday evening, one of the other cows ran at the one he was milking and threw the man over, alighting with her forefeet upon his breast and the effects of which he died in a few hours.

Col. Tisdale and Major Hughes, Conservative M. P.s, made a lively attack on General Herbert in parliament Tuesday, but the General still holds the fort. It is stated that the General has referred his dispute with the latter of Militia to the head office for a decision.

A most horrible accident occurred in the mines at Hazelton P. A., Tuesday morning. Two hundred sticks of dynamite exploded among a crowd of men who were preparing to go to their daily work. All of the unfortunate were shattered and torn to fragments and twelve men were killed outright.

At Paterson, N. J., Monday, while crossing the street in front of her home, Mrs. Isabella Leazer, was knocked down and internally injured by a bicycle rider who was going at a rapid and reckless pace. She was picked up and taken to hospital, and died on Tuesday morning, bleeding at the mouth. These hemorrhages continued until Thursday, when she expired.

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Hampstead.

JULY 18.—Both as to the busy farmer and pleasure seekers this season has been all that could be desired. In the early part of springtime the weather favored seed time; reasonably dry and cool, the labor to be performed by man and beast was with comfort; the ground was in excellent condition to receive the seed, and continuously the weather has been all that could be desired for growth. The crops, with the exception of oats, are very promising. But in the case of oats the insect seems to be damaging them very much, in fact, most all fields of them look as if a blight had swept over the land. Some say that they are recovering considerably, but from present appearances the harvest will be much shortened. Hay is an abundant yield and of excellent quality, and with a few days of good weather the stock will be provided with an excellent supply of fodder for next winter, which means a large measure of success for another summer's output of butter and cheese. Fruit promises well, with some exceptions.

Mrs. Dickson, formerly of Jerusalem, but for some years living at the North End, St. John, succumbed to that dreaded disease, consumption. All that was earthly was committed to its mother earth last week. The Rev. Mr. Fressell conducted the services.

Mrs. Wilford Vanwart has taken her daughter Nellie to Boston, and has placed her under medical skill. For some time the sight of both eyes and her hearing has been affected. Much anxiety and fear has been felt lest she may be incurable.

The usual excursions and summer visitors have arrived. Hampstead and Wickham are highly favored with excursion boats. The May Queen on Tuesday and Friday, the Hampstead daily and the Olivette every Saturday evening gives us the air of Americanism or that we are living in the later times. Very many people find the steamer Hampstead, in making her daily bound trips to and from St. John, a great accommodation, and report says quite profitable to the promoter Capt. Mabey.

It was our pleasing experience to have had the opportunity of being among the guests of the assembly of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Whiten, of Inchby, to celebrate the tenth anniversary of their marriage. A goodly number of presents were received and a very enjoyable evening passed. It evidently was the wish of all that they would be spared to see many anniversaries. The aged father of the bride, Wm. Wallace, who has been nearly four score years, has been for more than two years, and still remains, quite feeble.

Mrs. Rich, of Boston, is visiting her home of her childhood, and in company with her niece, Miss Bertha Ward of Sussex, has gone to visit Mrs. A. L. Belyea, of Belyea's Cove, Wickham.

The Misses Slipp, of Upper Gagetown, returned home yesterday, after having received several of their large circle of relatives. Mr. Hamm has been making quite improvements to his newly purchased farm; his large orchards are giving promise of a large yield of apples this fall.

Miss Maud Jones returned home last week from the High where she has been since last August. Her many personal friends and admirers were much pleased to greet her again.

The people at Upper Greenwich are busy erecting a hall on Samuel Adams' farm. This will meet a long and much felt want.

Rev. C. B. Lewis has gone to attend the 6th district meeting of F. C. Baptists in Westmorland Co. Mrs. Lewis and children intend visiting her parents at McDonald's Point during his absence. They expected home to Hampstead next week.

The Rev. Thomas Connor occupied the pulpit of Hampstead or Little River church on Sunday last—in the morning at the church and evening in the hall at the Baptist church.

His grand daughters, the Misses Connor, of the west end, are visiting relatives at Golding Village, Wickham, and are expected in Hampstead this week.

Miss Julia Palmer, of Carleton, Me., has been visiting her large circle of relatives in Queens County for a few weeks.

Clifford Golding had what appeared to have been a narrow escape on Sunday last. Report says that the doctor had cautioned him not to go to his place, but he went in his system contrary to such advice, and he had a narrow escape. He went in to bathe and in a short time had a serious attack that nearly paralyzed him. Those that accompanied him there rendered what assistance possible. He was conveyed home and Dr. McDonald summoned. He has much revived and is able to be out.

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