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## THE CAMPAIGN IN WEST KENT

Successful Meeting Held by Mr. Fraser in South Buxton—Good Attendance.

Liberals Hold Gathering in Big Point—Gauthier Delivers Another Address.

A very successful Liberal-Conservative meeting was held last evening in Mr. Fraser's interests at South Buxton. The hall was crowded and the speakers were accorded an attentive and, at times, enthusiastic hearing.

A. E. Robinson, of Raleigh, presided, and in a brief and appropriate address introduced the speakers. John S. Fraser, the Liberal-Conservative candidate, was given a very hearty reception. He expressed his appreciation thereof and proceeding placed before the audience clearly and pointedly the principles upon which he appealed for their support. Mr. Fraser outlined his convictions upon the assessment of the railway and other corporations and assured the gathering that, if elected, he would introduce legislation to remove the injustice of the taxation to the farmers he believed to be in existence under the Ross enactments. The Liberal-Conservative candidate also briefly outlined the policy of Mr. Whitney, with which he expressed himself as in hearty accord.

Mr. Fraser's address was received with applause. Thomas Scullard dealt with the development of New Ontario from its inception. He had recently visited the Clergue works at the Soo and illustrated their development in a most interesting manner. He pointed out that the development of New Ontario received its initial impetus by the genius and foresight of the late Sir John A. Macdonald, who brought about the building of the C. P. R. All this was then vigorously opposed by Mr. Ross, who is on record as designating it a barren country.

J. M. Pike followed. He briefly took up the issues of the day, dwelling especially upon the educational system and the school book monopoly, and the West Elgin and other election scandals.

The meeting was concluded with hearty cheers for the King, Whitney and Fraser.

The Liberals held a meeting at Big Point last night in Mr. Fraser's Hall. The building was full. Geo. Stephens, M. P., spoke for 40 minutes. Then Mr. Gauthier, of Quebec, spoke for an hour. N. H. Stevens closed the evening.

## THE MARKETS.

There was a very poor market this morning. Offerings were very scarce and what was offered sold very rapidly. There were practically no vegetables offered and dairy produce was very scarce.

There are few changes in the prices. The following is the full price list:

**IN THE SHEDS.**  
Eggs, 11 to 12c. per doz.  
Butter, 18 to 20c. per lb.  
Chickens, each, 25c. to 45c.  
Honey per rack, 13c.  
**VEGETABLES.**  
Rhubarb, 2 bunches for 5c.  
Lettuce, per pound, 25c.  
Green onions, 2 bunches for 5c.  
Radishes, per bunch, 10c.  
Sage, a bunch, 5c.  
Apples, 40c. a peck.  
Cauliflower, 10c. head.  
Carrots, 15c. peck.  
Cabbage, 5c. to 15c. per head.  
Potatoes, per bag, \$1.00.  
Summer savory, 5c. bunch.  
Peppers, 10c. dozen.  
Tomato plants per box, 10c.  
Cabbage plants per box, 10c.

## L. E. & D. R. R. MEETING

Windsor, May 13.—The annual meeting of the Lake Erie & Detroit River Railway was held this morning in the offices of the company at Walkerville. Secretary Radford presented a satisfactory financial statement, and it was accepted without discussion. The officers elected were Messrs. F. H. Walker, President; E. C. Walker, Vice-President; E. Radford, Secretary; J. Harrington, Treasurer. These officers, with Dr. S. A. King of Windsor and W. Aikman of Detroit, comprise the Board of Directors. The question of extending the line from St. Thomas to Niagara Falls was discussed, but no action was taken.

Herb Ryan, of O'Brien Bros. factory, severely lacerated his finger while at work yesterday.

## McEACHERN KILLED

Atlanta, City, N. J., May 13.—Archibald McEachern, the Canadian cyclist, was killed this afternoon while racing behind a motor ridden by Boake and Thompson. The chain of McEachern's wheel broke, and he was hurled violently to the ground, sustaining injuries from which he died at the City Hospital an hour later.

McEachern had earned for himself a reputation as one of the world's fastest cyclists. He was well known here in Chatham, where he competed in the C. W. A. meet, and the following year returned and did his training on the "Peninsular track." At the present time he holds the Canadian record.

## MINGLE MIRTH AND SADNESS

While the People Celebrate the Queen Regent Weeps—An Impressive Occasion.

Scenes of Gaiety in the Spanish Capital and One of Sorrow in the Royal Palace.

Madrid, May 13.—The brilliant feature yesterday encouraged the crowds to pour out into the streets of the city and every thoroughfare was filled with merry-makers, who were apparently in the happiest humor. The appearance of the streets was in strong contrast to the scene at the same time being enacted within the palace. Here the festivity gave place to a drama. The Queen Regent of Spain was sorrowfully taking leave of her Ministers and practically relinquishing to the hands of her son the solemn charge which she has so fruitfully filled for the past sixteen and a-half years. It was a pathetic scene when the Ministers were ushered into the Queen Regent's Cabinet. She received them with the young King at her side. Premier Sagasta made an eloquent address of leave-taking, delivered in behalf of himself and his colleagues. The Queen Regent listened to Senor Sagasta with emotion. Finally, with tears running down her face, she responded and thanked the Premier for his words.

## HOME AGAIN

R. A. Harrington, who was the delegate of the Independent order of Foresters to their great convention at Los Angeles, returned home last evening.

"I had a splendid and fine trip," said Mr. Harrington this morning. "Our special car, with one of the officials of the road on it, gave us the privilege to stop at any point. We had a good convention, and returned by way of San Francisco and the Rockies. The country is fine and the journey a nice one, but tiresome. But taking things all round, Chatham is the place for me."

## THE LOCAL BUDGET

Miss Maggie Knight, who has been visiting friends in the city, returned last evening to Bothwell.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the residence of Mrs. Toll, Hyslop street, Thursday, May 15th, at 3 o'clock p. m. Everyone welcome.

Crown Attorney Bell will visit Wallaceburg to-morrow to prosecute a number of persons charged with making the lives of the Belgians uncomfortable. Since the arrival of these foreigners they are alleged to have been subjected to many annoyances which the Crown proposes shall be stopped.

John Barr, of Park Bros., narrowly escaped serious accident while at work yesterday. He was tightening the gear on a lathe machine when his sleeve caught in the gear, and had not James Park been passing at the time and seeing Barr's predicament, stopped the machine, serious results might have followed.

A very pretty wedding takes place to-day at the residence of the bride, 8th concession, Chatham Township, when Miss Flora Smith will be united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Frederick W. Parkyn, of the same township. Ernest Montgomery, of Quinn & Patterson, of this city, will be best man, and Miss Eva Moore, also of this city, will be bridesmaid. Rev. Mr. Nealy will perform the ceremony.

The barns and outbuildings of Eli Bellanger, of Dover, which were destroyed by fire, were insured in the Waterloo Fire Assurance Company for \$1,400, which partially covers the loss. The residence was not damaged seriously. It was with the furniture insured in the Gore Mutual Fire Assurance Company, of which company F. P. Weldon is the local agent. The fire, an account of which was given in last night's Planet, was started by a little child who was playing with matches around the barn.

## DREAD DEATH CAME CLOSE

Appalling Catastrophe to Party of Pleasure Seekers Narrowly Averted.

Pilot was Unsteady, and Nearly Furnished Father Thames With More Victims.

One of the most horrible accidents in marine history is not recorded to-day, just because Tom Bagnall, Dover, displayed rare presence of mind. It happened last evening that Mr. Tom Bagnall asked Calixte Bechard and family and some of the boarders at the Hotel Aberdeen to take a pleasure trip on Mr. Bagnall's electric vapor launch, the "Water Wag."

It was a merry party that boarded the launch, consisting as it did, of Calixte Bechard, his three daughters, Marie, Rosy and Hilda, Robert Hallman, Julius Peron, Samuel Moore and Tom Bagnall, the owner.

The tale of the almost sudden extermination of the pleasure party is best told in the words of Robert Hallman, the butcher. Mr. Hallman generally tells stories that are founded on facts only, and sometimes barely that. This time, however, Robert's story is backed by Calixte Bechard, Tom Bagnall and all the rest of the party except Sam Moore. Sam, it appears, is blamed for the threatened terrible calamity.

"The start was made safely and all went well till the launch reached the old Foote place, down the river. Up to this time Ernest Cloutier had been at the wheel. From this point perhaps Robt Hallman had best take up the tale.

"Samuel," said the burly butcher, "had been watching with much interest the work of Cloutier at the wheel. Suddenly he made his way over to the wheel and began steering. He based his claim to the position on the fact that he had often steered boats on the River Thames, in England, and, during his life time he had always steered clear of the police. Of course with such recommendations as these," continued the most dealer, "there was no refusing Mr. Moore the position of pilot.

After the crew had been duly cautioned not to talk to the man at the wheel, Sam took the post of honor. He tried to turn the boat around for the return trip and nearly ran up in Backus' orchard. I yelled at him that the strawberries were not ripe yet and so he altered the yacht's course. Soon we met the Euna towing the Koffage down the river. Then Sam tried hard to run down the Koffage and it was only the presence of mind of Tom Bagnall that averted disaster. The girls screamed, the crew looked scared and Sam alone was calm. A hair's breath alone stood between the occupants of the yacht and the icy water. I began to think of the disaster to that millionaire's yacht last year off Cleveland, so I threw the only life preserver over Calixte Bechard as he had only one arm. After the party were safe on land again, Sam Moore explained that in his occupation of fireman, he had absorbed so much electricity while cleaning lamps that he was like a magnet and had affected the compass. The party blamed the trouble on the fact that Mr. Moore used to steer steam boats and this was gasoline, and I asked Sam if he was any good steering schooners across a bar.

"Never mind," responded Sam. "I'll go down again and show you how it was done."

"No, you won't go in my boat," said Mr. Bagnall, "unless you sit down and keep away from the wheel."

"Jack McLeod and William Wilson were to have gone in the party too. But they backed out on learning who the pilot was. They said they couldn't swim."

"I told our pilot," concluded Robert, "that John Maynard had been drowned, while saving his crew, but he was greater because he had saved crew and himself."

Calixte Bechard was congratulating himself this morning that he wasn't at the bottom of the river.

## BOERS CAPTURED

London, May 13.—The weekly report of Lord Kitchener, received to-day, shows that nineteen Boers were killed, that six were wounded, that 802 were made prisoners, that nine surrendered, and that 600 rifles, 187 wagons, 40 horses and 4,300 head of cattle fell into the hands of the British.

Gen. Ian Hamilton's columns have arrived at the Western Railroad, after sweeping the Liebenburg district of South-western Transvaal. These troops brought in 357 prisoners, and practically all the wagons and stock of the Boer commandos in that district. This makes a reduction in General Delarey's forces of 800 men since he defeated Major Paris at Roviraine's Fontein, March 8, and captured General Methuen.

## GRAIN DUTIES IN BRITAIN

Commons Rejects Harcourt's Amendment Which Declined to Accept Them.

Laurier's Mission to England has Nothing to do With the Matter Says Mr. Balfour.

London, May 13.—The House of Commons to-day, by a vote of 396 to 188, rejected the amendment offered by Sir William Vernon Harcourt (Liberal) at the second reading of the Finance Bill in the House of Commons yesterday that this House declines to impose duties on grain, flour and other food of the people.

In the course of a speech supporting the amendment made by Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader in the House, referred to the speech of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian Premier, in the Canadian Parliament the previous night, and demanded to know whether the policy Sir Wilfrid Laurier had shadowed in the interests of Canada was to be the policy of the British Government. Sir Henry also demanded to know if the free ports of England were to be shut by preferential duties.

Replying to the Liberal leader, Mr. A. J. Balfour, the Government leader in the House, said that the mission of the Canadian Premier to England had absolutely nothing to do, directly or indirectly, with the grain tax, which was imposed for purely fiscal reasons.

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## FINE MEDAL

E. J. MacIntyre has Presented a Trophy for Competition in Gun Club's Tournament.

E. J. MacIntyre, the enterprising Maple City Jeweller, is the first to contribute to the trophy list for the Maple City Gun Club tournament.

This morning Mr. MacIntyre formally presented a handsome medal for competition in the June contest. In so doing Mr. MacIntyre took occasion to express his hearty appreciation of the efforts of the club to put on a first class tournament in Chatham, and expressed his opinion that the enterprise would meet with hearty encouragement and support from the citizens.

The MacIntyre medal has been presented subject to the approval of the executive committee of the club, which will also decide the event for which it shall become the trophy.