

THE WEATHER. Lower St. Lawrence Gulf and Maritime—Strong easterly winds, and gales with rain. Toronto, Sept. 18.—A disturbance apparently of some importance, is centered this evening off the north-east states and promises to bring stormy conditions in the Maritime Provinces. Fine warm weather has prevailed in Ontario, while in the west it has been comparatively cool with showers in Saskatchewan and Manitoba. Minimum and maximum temperatures: London—55, 80. Toronto—52, 76. Ottawa—52, 72. Montreal—50, 70. Quebec—50, 69. St. John—54, 62. Halifax—50, 62. Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Strong winds and showery.

CONSERVATIVE HEADQUARTERS. The Conservatives have opened their headquarters at Room 11, Ritchie's Building, second floor, 60 Princess street. Phone, Main 2334. Conservative Committee Rooms have been opened in the wards as follows: CITY. SYDNEY WARD. DUKES WARD. QUEENS WARD. KINGS WARD. No. 30 Charlotte St., Victoria Bowling Alley. WELLINGTON WARD—No. 10 Waterloo St. PRINCE WARD—No. 221 Union St., next Golden Ball Drug Store. NORTH END WARDS. VICTORIA WARD—Victoria Rink, City Road. DUFFERIN WARD—No. 553 Main St., next door to F. S. Thomas Hat Store. LORNE WARD. LANSLOWNE WARD. STANLEY WARD. St. Michael's Hall, formerly Temple of Honor, Main St. WEST END WARDS. GUY'S WARD—Prattico Boys' Hall, Guilford St. BROOKS WARD—Lockhart Building, St. John St.

AROUND THE CITY. W. J. BRYAN Opera House tonight. R. E. Y. C. members and description of boats at bookstalls. W. C. T. U. to meet. The St. John W. C. T. U. will meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Seaman's Mission. Favorable Report. Last night the report from Frank White's residence was that he is steadily improving and there was every hope for his recovery. Diggs Reported. Charles Diggs has been reported by F. C. R. Pollockman Smith for driving over the tracks at the Mill street crossing and refusing to stop when requested by the gateman. Senior Volley League. All the members of the business men's class of the Y. M. C. A. who are interested in the formation of a senior volleyball league, are requested to meet in the gymnasium at 5 p. m. Wednesday. Bible Society to Attend. The colporteurs and members of the New Brunswick Bible Society will attend the funeral of their late vice-president, William Peters, from his late residence, Waterloo street, this afternoon at 2:30. Slight Blaze. About 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon the fire department was called out by an alarm from Box 4 for a slight fire on a rear corner of Charles Knudsen's house on George street. The damage only amounted to a few dollars. Police Court. In the police court yesterday afternoon Frank Foster was charged with selling liquor other than in wholesale quantities. The defence claimed that the sale if made was a full bottle as required by the law and that it is 25 ounces. The case was adjourned until today in order to call a witness. Liquor Seized. Tales of the contemptible election tactics of the liberals are becoming more numerous every day. The latest one comes from Digby county where it is said that several hundred dollars worth of liquor to be used in the futile fight against Mr. Jameson, was seized by the authorities. Football Meeting. The attention of the sporting public is drawn to the meeting to be held this evening in the Y. M. C. A. in the interests of football. This branch of sport has never gained a foothold in this city, but it is to be hoped that during the coming season it will have the support of the citizens and that St. John will turn out a winning team. Bryan Tonight. Seldom have the people of St. John had the opportunity of listening to such a brilliant orator as William Jennings Bryan, the former leader of the Democratic party in the United States. Under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Bryan will deliver his lecture on "The Prince of Peace," this evening in the opera house. Considerable interest has been aroused in the lecture and many persons from across the border will avail themselves of the opportunity accorded them of listening to Mr. Bryan. W. J. BRYAN Opera House tonight.

OMENS PREDICT LIBERAL DEFEAT. Mes of March Approaching for Grit Party—Coincidences Between Circumstances of Present Election and 1878. Persons of a superstitious cast of mind, if they are Liberals will be greatly disheartened by some of the coincidences between the election of 1878 when they went down to defeat and that of 1911, so far as this constituency is concerned. First, the election of 1878 was held in September, and the Liberal headquarters for the campaign were on Canterbury street, in the same building as the present headquarters. It was from this platform in this building that the defeat of the party was announced on that eventful September night. There never was a more surprised political party in the world than the Liberals of St. John when they learned that Sir John A. Macdonald had defeated Alexander Macdonald. Another coincidence, lies in the fact that the Marquis of Lorne and Princess Louise as representatives of the Queen, came to Canada in November, 1878. In 1911 the only surviving son of Queen Victoria will take up his appointment as governor general of Canada. These coincidences will, no doubt, make superstitious Liberals feel a trifle creepy. To other Canadians the defeat of the government would signify the continuance of the prosperity the country has enjoyed since the adoption of the National Policy following the general election of 1878. There is much stronger evidence of an impending change in the government of Canada today than was in evidence 33 years ago.

MEAN AND THE EMPIRE. Views Which the Peanut Colonel Discarded When He Decided to Espouse Cause of Reciprocity. Time was when Col. McLean yearned for a federated Empire, which President Taft has avowedly launched the idea of accepting and favors from the United States. Speaking on the Naval Bill in the House of Commons on February 17, 1910, he said: "I do hope, Mr. Speaker, that the day will come when we (the British Dominions) shall be united in one great power, forming a federation of great nations, a confederation for the purpose of consolidating power against foreign countries, and a moratorium in all international questions. The true policy for us is to be closely united, to be thoroughly organized and equipped, and to be able to use our whole strength to the greatest advantage for the common safety of Great Britain. Canadians desire to be free and safe. It must be an Empire to which we are attached by every tie." Through the Colonel's speech on that occasion runs the idea that Canada could best serve the cause of Empire by putting herself in a position to supply the Mother Country with foodstuffs in time of war. Speaking of Canada's relations to the United States he said "we had not received much consideration from Uncle Sam in the past, and could not expect much from him in the future if we got in a tight corner." He thought that if Canada accepted the protection of the Monroe Doctrine we should have to give up our independence. "We should go into the United States to bear a part of the enormous expenses they are under. Our provinces would not receive the subsidies they are receiving; our industries and manufactures would no longer flourish, and perhaps the world would take away from us all our raw products to manufacture them over there. But the gallant Colonel, who then thought the recognition of the Monroe doctrine would lead to the loss of our independence, now at the crack of the party whip advocates an even more entangling alliance, one that will enable the great economic forces of the United States to be brought to bear in Canada with the usual historic result, one that will certainly interfere with the development of the imperial trade relations, and the formation of the Federation of great nations, the strengthening of the tie that binds, and the fulfillment of the duty of putting ourselves into a position to supply the Mother Country with food in case of war.

LOCH LOMOND WILL SUPPORT DR. DANIEL. Over 100 electors of the Parish of Loch Lomond assembled last evening to listen to stirring addresses delivered by Messrs. J. O'Connell, W. F. Hatheway and R. G. Murray. Mr. O'Connell spoke from chiefly his own personal experience. He drew a vivid picture of the detrimental effect reciprocity would have on the New Brunswick market. The crowd loudly applauded each telling argument made by the speaker and showed the interest they are taking in this vital question. Eloquent addresses were also presented by Messrs. Hatheway and Murray and it was evident that they carried their hearers with them at all times during their discourses. Loch Lomond will support Dr. Daniel in the coming election because in this crisis he stands for the overthrow of this pact which spells disaster to the important New Brunswick market. R. K. V. C. Members and description of boats. N. C. sports and recreation at bookstores. The annual meeting of the Maritime Press Association will be held in Moncton, Oct. 10. An interesting programme is being prepared. W. J. BRYAN Opera House tonight.

FALSE STATEMENTS AS TO VACANT FARMS. Telegraph's Fake Yarn from J. H. Burley's Catalogue Fully Exposed—Not Ten per cent. Without Tenants. The Telegraph yesterday morning published in display type another fake argument in the support of their reciprocity campaign. This was a list of farming properties in New Brunswick which are offered for sale. It was indicated that these are vacant farms and that the owners are selling out because they cannot make comfortable livings for themselves. As a matter of fact not more than 10 per cent. of these farms—that is, not more than ten in the whole list—are vacant. The properties were taken from J. H. Burley's catalogue. Mr. Burley stated in "The Standard" yesterday, "not more than ten per cent. of those properties are vacant. The parties who have listed their farms with me have good private reasons for selling. In some cases there are no sons to work the farms and the old people are moving to towns or villages. In other cases these prospective sellers are securing some of every real estate man in every part of the world that numerous properties are always on the market, no matter what conditions may prevail." In the city of St. John which Mr. Pugsley's organs say is booming under the fatherly care of the minister of public works, there are more properties now on the market than were published in yesterday's list in the Telegraph. There are always properties on the market everywhere. Where next will the Telegraph dig up some fake story in its desperate efforts to stem the tide of coming defeat?

WHAT SIR WILLIAM REALLY DID SAY. Sir William Van Horne Corrects Mr. Pugsley as to a Statement Made in 1895. St. Andrews, Sept. 16, 1911. To the Editor of the Standard: Sir—The Hon. Wm. Pugsley in his West End speech last night stated that I said to him in 1895 that the time would never come when a single bushel of western wheat would pass through the Port of St. John. This statement is as accurate as could be expected after the lapse of 15 years. Mr. Pugsley has only forgotten the last words of the sentence "by the Intercolonial Railway." Sincerely yours, W. C. VAN HORNE. PERSONAL. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gorbell, are in the city on their return from their wedding tour. They have been visiting Mrs. Gorbell's father, J. J. Wallace, of Vancouver, formerly U. S. General Freight Agent at Moncton. They are the guests here of Mrs. H. G. Marr, 143 Germain street, and will leave shortly for the railway town. James B. Gross, of New York, accompanied by Mrs. Gross, passed through the city today en route to their summer home at Hillsboro. E. C. Kuppey of the Bank of Montreal staff, Halifax, was in the city yesterday. Major Perley returned to the city yesterday on the C. P. R. Arthur Gregg, of the Bank of New Brunswick staff, West End, returned to the city yesterday from Boston, where he has been spending his vacation. Ralph Woodman and Herbert Outerbridge, who have been spending their vacation in Montreal, passed through the city yesterday en route for Sackville, where they are at present attending the University of Mount Allison. Miss Clara, daughter of Benjamin Mirey, will leave tonight by the C. P. R. for Regina to take charge of the Garrison Army Corps at that place. Miss Mirey was very popular in this city. Mrs. I. Chester Brown will receive Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, September 19th and 20th, at 256 Rockland Road. Class of Entries. Prizes to be presented at the coming dog show are now on exhibition in the window of Edgewood and Chalmers, King street and are attracting much attention. The prizes are many and valuable, and the best dog in every breed will have something to show for his winning. Entries close tonight so that all who have not yet entered their dogs should do so at once. The secretary will be at the registry office from 9:30 a. m. till 5:30 p. m., and a representative of the Kennel club will be at the office of W. H. Carnwall, 92 Germain street till 10 o'clock tonight to receive entries. When Was Your Chimney Cleaned? Do you remember when you tried to clean your chimney with that spruce tree? Or did you try it with bricks tied in a sack? Or were you imbecile enough to try and burn it out? The spruce tree may have brushed off some of the filth; the bricks may have knocked a small portion of soot from the interior; the burning out of the tree probably did not catch fire to your own or your neighbor's property, but may the next time you try it. Even with all your trouble the chimney was not cleaned. This is the season to clean your chimney with the only contrivance for this purpose on the market, and save 10 per cent. of your fuel bill. The Universal Chimney Cleaner Company, Limited, will provide you with a cleaner for \$6.00. Lasts a life-time. Election Returns First. Nickel Theatre will have special wire. Returns start at 5 o'clock. No upper intermission. Overflow crowds accommodated. The temporary room suite where returns will be made known as well. W. J. BRYAN Opera House tonight.

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DYKEMAN'S. ANOTHER CARLOAD OF CHINESE SEA GRASS CHAIRS. When Mr. Dykeman was in the West during the Summer, he was fortunate in securing a carload of these most attractive and serviceable chairs at less than half their usual price. The carload was brought to St. John and placed on sale and as soon as it was found that they were picked up in an astonishing quick way, we got busy and wired to find out if the balance of the lot could be secured at the same figures as the first lot. We closed the deal for the balance and on opening them up we find them a better lot than the first. They are all of the larger sizes, mostly armchairs, thoroughly well made and shapes that are attractive and make most comfortable lounging chairs, suitable for parlors, dens or any place where an odd chair can be used. We have made three prices for this lot, \$3.98, \$4.25, and \$4.50, regular prices run from \$5.50 to \$10.00. In this lot there are only fifteen Children's Chairs, ten of them armchairs and five rockers. The Armchairs will be sold for \$1.75 and the Rockers for \$2.25, the regular prices would be \$3.50 and \$4.00. F. A. DYKEMAN & CO., 59 CHARLOTTE ST.

The Chatham Vacuum Cleaner. This CLEANER has been well tested and found POWERFUL, SIMPLE, and EASY to OPERATE. Only \$20.00 Each. EMERSON & FISHER, Ltd., 25 Germain St.

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A Special Purchase of Wool Rugs. which will be offered at unusually low prices, suitable for driving, motoring, traveling and many other uses. Every rug is exceptionally good value. The quantity is limited therefore an early call will assure you a better choice. Every owner of a horse should be interested in these rugs. LOT ONE—Medium heavy Wool Rugs bound ends, brownish heather with colored stripes, particularly strong and durable for a knock-about-rug, price 98c. LOT TWO—Soft Scotch Wool, fringed ends, large size, reversible fancy plaids and fringed ends, suitable for driving, and all out door uses, price \$1.50. See Window Display in Men's Furnishing's Department. MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LTD.