

MARRIAGE LAW HEARING ENDS

Judgment Will Be Delivered at Later Date THE QUEBEC SYSTEM

Marriage for Many Classes of People, Including Infidels, Not Provided for in Regulations of that Province.

Ottawa, May 31.—Argument in the reference by the Dominion government to the supreme court of questions with regard to its jurisdiction in enacting the Lancaster marriage bill, was concluded at one o'clock this afternoon after a hearing of four days and a half. Judgment will not likely be rendered for some time.

The right of the Dominion government to ask the questions submitted in these references and its right to insist on a reply, was presented to the court at the closing session by E. L. Newcombe, deputy minister of justice. He asked the court to answer all the questions and also if the question as to the jurisdiction is to be answered in the affirmative, that the court suggest or advise the government in the matter.

Mr. Lafleur, K. C., for the promoters of the bill, followed Mr. Newcombe and closed the argument.

At its conclusion the chief justice said that the court was extremely indebted to the leaders of the bar participating in the argument, and stated that the court greatly admired the courtesy which was manifested during the hearing.

Mr. Newcombe referred to Mr. Hellmuth's statement that he had no instructions from the government. He either was instructed or he was not, he said. "Mr. Mignault," he said, "had no instructions. This bill is predicated upon nothing, but the solemnization of marriage."

Mr. Newcombe continued: "It was maintained that it did not relate to solemnization, but the law of the land is an overriding power. There is really only one question, and that is the view of the judicial opinion, it seemed necessary to submit the question."

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IMMORALITY IS RAMPANT IN REGINA

Shocking Conditions of Vice and Debauchery in Western City—Moral Reform League Inactive.

Regina, Sask., May 31.—That immorality is not only among young men and young women and girls, but among married people, exists in Regina to an alarming degree, is the accusation of Magistrate Grant, who wants to know when the social and moral reform league is going to keep the city clean.

"I know for a fact," said the magistrate to a reporter, "that some men in this city are making a regular practice of changing their wives with one another. Immorality is rampant among the young girls of this city, particularly stenographers and clerks. Some of the apartment blocks are veritable hives of licentious debauchery and are used as a rendezvous by young couples for immoral practices. Any evening you may see these girls climbing the stairs of the apartment blocks to visit young men who have rooms or suites, and there they remain until all hours of the night."

"Only recently evidence was submitted during a trial before me to the effect that at a certain dance hall in the east end, respectable women are allowed to attend the dances free, while an entrance fee of fifty cents is levied against those women who are known to be leading immoral lives. That in itself is a pretty good indication of the condition of things which exist in this city today."

"It seems to me that the time has come when some kind of a check should be put on such practices. What is the Social and Moral Reform League doing in this city? Beyond knowing the name of the organization that is all the evidence we have of its existence. It seems to me that there is a large field for the organization to do some good work, yet apparently nothing is being done."

PROMINENT EXPERT ON ZOOLOGY DEAD

Cambridge, Mass., May 31.—The death of Dr. William Michael Woodworth, of Harvard University, and an authority on zoology of worldwide reputation, was announced today.

HARRIMAN IS HIMSELF IMPLICATED

Accused of Providing Darrow With Funds To Bribe Jury.

Former Socialist Mayorality Candidate in Los Angeles Gets a Surprise at Trial—Bert Franklin Examined.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 31.—Job Harriman, late candidate for Mayor of Los Angeles on the socialist ticket, today at the trial of Clarence S. Darrow for alleged jury bribing, heard himself accused of being the man who provided Darrow with the alleged bribe money. Later in the day he heard the same witness, Bert H. Franklin, testifying for the state quote Darrow as saying to him: "If you mention my name, I want you to mention what you know about Job Harriman."

Franklin's testimony on direct examination was of a dramatic nature in the extreme, the witness departing from his apparent willingness to tell all he knew to a seeming loquaciousness which he subsequently drew into his story of jury corruption.

Franklin related numerous conversations with Darrow in which the form's course was discussed. He did not fear conviction for the attempt to bribe Lockwood, he said, but Lockwood Davis had been conducting negotiations with the District Attorney with a view of getting the latter to accept a plea of guilty on the part of Franklin. In the event of such a plea, and the imposition of a fine of \$5,000 as anticipated, Darrow had told him, the witness said, that he would pay the fine and in addition give him \$2,000. "The \$3,000," said Franklin, "was for the protection of my family and I could not reveal my reputation in the community."

At a later date a question was suggested by Davis, and the witness, in inventing a story of a Franklin-Darrow go-between in order to save the latter, but Franklin told them, he said, that Assistant District Attorney District Attorney Lunney was defeated through the machinations of Mr. Pugsley.

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MONCTON BOARD OF TRADE ELECTS ITS OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Programme for Entertainment of British Manufacturers Adopted at Annual Session—Liquor Dealer Convicted.

Moncton, May 31.—The Gaekin investigation was concluded today and Commissioner Adair of Sussex will later report the result. A number of other cases are to come up.

L. Comeau of St. John, was before the Magistrate today charged with sending liquor into a Scott act county. He was convicted and fined fifty dollars and twelve dollars costs.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade tonight officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—M. Lodge, president; H. C. Charters, vice-president; W. H. Friso, secretary; treasurer; J. A. Marven, H. J. Gordon, J. F. Edgett, C. H. Boudreau, F. R. Sumner, A. C. Chapman, W. G. Jones, G. H. Clark, members of the council; H. J. Gordon, W. G. Jones, A. C. Chapman, auditors. The membership of the Board was reported at 171. The programme for the entertainment of the British manufacturers on June 12th, which includes trips to the oil and gas wells and shale properties, a banquet and a natural gas demonstration was adopted.

RUSSIAN KILLED BY FALLING FROM RAILWAY HANDCAR

Kingsport, Ont., May 31.—A Russian named Ukrank was killed and another named Arfod badly injured while running a handcar on the C.P.R. Ukrank's hat blew off and he let go his hold on the handles. He fell off and the wheels of the car went over him. His skull was fractured. Arfod was also thrown off and he suffered injuries to the base of his skull.

MR. PUGSLEY AND MACHINE METHODS OPENLY DEFIED

AT MEETING LAST NIGHT WILL BUILD ROAD FROM END TO END

Vice-President MacDonald, of St. John and Quebec Railway Company Nails False Statements of Local Opposition—Valley Railway to Extend to Grand Falls, Distance of 210 Miles.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, May 31.—The false and misleading statements circulated in New Brunswick by opponents of the Flemming Government to the effect that the St. John Valley Railway would not be built to Grand Falls were effectively answered today by E. H. MacDonald, vice-president of the St. John and Quebec Railway Co. Interviewed by your correspondent Mr. MacDonald authorized the statement that his company have the charter for the railway from Grand Falls to St. John, a distance of 210 miles, and will build the road from end to end.

KINGS COUNTY IS THE BEST

Highways New Infinitely Better than Under Old Administration—Candidates Address Enthusiastic Meeting of Voters

Special to The Standard.

Head of Millstream, May 31.—Any hopes which the opposition force hereabouts may have entertained for victory in the coming election must disappear after the rousing meeting held here last evening by the supporters of the government. In spite of the heavy downpour of rain, the hall was packed to overflowing. The crowd came from distant points to hear the candidates for Kings, and to express by their presence their hearty endorsement of the Flemming administration.

The meeting was presided over by Isaac Gaunce who in opening the meeting delivered a brief address. He brought to the attention of the audience the benefits which had resulted from honest administration of the affairs of the province under Premier Flemming and his colleagues of the government. As regards Kings county, the comparative condition of the roads and highways at present and under the old administration give sufficient evidence of the benefits which have accrued since the former government was swept from office in 1905.

The first speaker of the evening was H. V. Dickson, who, in an able address dealt with the agricultural policy of the government. He pointed out the excellent work which is being done in the interests of the farmer by the government. Experts have been employed to go among the farmers and explain to them how they can obtain better results. The most approved methods have been brought right to the farmer, and he has been given the advantage of learning the most advanced systems of conducting his farm without having to undergo the expense of attending an agricultural college.

Geo. H. Jones and Hon. J. A. Murray, the other two candidates, addressed the meeting on the policy of the government, and were received with great enthusiasm. The whole meeting was marked by optimism. Reports from various sections are most encouraging and a complete victory for the government candidates is predicted.

OUTLOOK FOR FARMERS DARK

Heavy Rains With Small Chance of Abatement Make Prospects Bad in Quebec—Seeding Late.

Montreal, May 31.—Tremendously heavy rains throughout the province causing a backward season with little or no growth except grass in old meadows, is the report of agricultural conditions given by Prof. E. Barton, stationed at the experimental farm in connection with Macdonald College at St. Anne de Bellevue. The outlook is far from bright owing to cold, damp weather. Many farms are literally under water and great damage has been caused, while farmers who had not completed all their fall work, have suffered heavily owing to the impossibility of getting at the land.

Seeding will not be completed until the last of June, many farmers not having yet commenced, even the seeding of oats in many cases being very far from complete.

Live stock is reported as being generally in poor shape, owing to entering the stalls in poor condition on account of dry pastures last fall.

It is expected that the corn crop may solve some difficulties, it being suggested that many meadows showing no growth be ploughed under and sown to green corn.

The horticultural department reports that the setting out of crops is nine days late. The orchards in bloom have suffered from heavy rains which have interfered with pollination and shortness of crop is feared.

MOOSEJAW'S NEW PUBLICITY IDEA STRIKES A SNAG

Winnipeg, May 31.—It is reported here that tomorrow the enterprising publicity commissioner of Moosejaw, Sask., is sending out 50,000 postcards bearing the slogan: "To Hell with poverty; come to Moosejaw." Orders have been issued by the post master general's department at Ottawa to turn all these over to the dead letter department.

TAFT AND ROOSEVELT BOTH ACCUSED OF FATHERING RECIPROCITY MEASURE

Then the Republicans Seek to Implicate Champ Clark—President Favored Bill On Advice of Ex-President

Washington, May 31.—Responsibility for Canadian reciprocity was debated in the house today during consideration of the Military Academy appropriation bill. Representative Shackelford, of Missouri, (Democrat) asserted that the reciprocity bill, a repeal of which was placed on the house agenda last session, was the work of President Taft and a "former president." Representative Prince, of Illinois, (Republican) retorted that the democratic speaker of the house was a bed-fellow of President Taft on the reciprocity question.

Mr. Prince isolated the people would hold the democrats responsible. Representative Lloyd backed Mr. Shackelford in reiterating that President Taft "fathered the measure up on the advice of an ex-president."

Representative Beaumont of Minnesota presented a petition, signed by 11,000 "farmers who farm," asking for the repeal of the reciprocity bill, lest Canada at some time accept its terms.

Representative Good, of Iowa, suggested it be passed over to the democratic members to sign.

"Better send it to President Taft," suggested Representative Lobeck of Nebraska.

Representative Ogden of North Carolina, wanted to know if the petition was signed "before or after Col. Roosevelt changed his mind."

Mr. Beaumont said he was very proud Col. Roosevelt had changed his mind and only wished the democrats would do likewise.

MAN SUSPECTED OF HALIFAX MURDER

NATIVE OF BOSTON Police State He Is Herbert Grant—Offensive When the Crowd Stares—Makes No Statement.

Special to The Standard.

Halifax, May 31.—The man arrested on a charge of being the murderer of Thomas Donaldson, of the Bedford Road was brought from Windsor to Halifax tonight by Detective Hantz and as soon as he entered the police station Chief Rutland identified him as Hubert Grant, of Boston. Ten days ago he came to the police station saying he had lost his money and asking the chief to wire for funds to his brother, Newbury Building, Mass. Avenue, Boston. He gave the brother's name as Henry D. Grant.

The message was sent, but the brother refused to answer beyond telling the telegraph company that he would have nothing to do with him.

Grant allowed himself to be photographed this evening. As he was entering the police station he became annoyed at the crowd around the door seeking to get a glimpse of him and said, "What in hell are you looking at?"

The police say he has made no admission but has not asserted that he is innocent.

He will be arraigned tomorrow.

PARROTBORO BANK BRANCH CLOSED DOORS YESTERDAY

Fire of Incendiary Origin Destroys Barn and Contents in Early Morning—Insurance Amounts to \$500.

Special to The Standard.

Parrotdoro, May 31.—A barn belonging to Concellor Sully with all its contents consisting of ten tons of hay, some straw and other goods, was destroyed by fire about three o'clock this morning. The fire was undoubtedly of incendiary origin. The barn and contents were insured for five hundred dollars.

The Parrotdoro agency of the Bank of Nova Scotia, which was opened ten years ago, was officially closed today and the business of the agency has been transferred to the Royal Bank of Canada. The closing of the Nova Scotia agency leaves only two banks in town, the Royal and the Bank of Commerce.

PLUTANO, CAPTURED SOME YEARS AGO AND EXHIBITED BY P. T. BARNUM—NO LARGER THAN A CHILD.

Boston, Mass., May 31.—Plutano, the last of the famous pair of "Wild men of Borneo," died at the home of Mrs. Warner, of Waltham, today. Plutano is believed to have been about 22 years old and with his brother, Wano, who died in 1905, had travelled all over the world.

Plutano and Wano were among the most famous freaks exhibited by the late P. T. Barnum. The pair were brought on a ship to this country in the early 50's and were said to have been captured on the island of Borneo. Plutano and Wano were not larger than the average ten year old boy, but were possessed of prodigious strength and each could lift with ease, two heavy men, a feat that was a regular part of their exhibition.

The wild men were never able to speak English.

RECORDS OF CANDIDATES SHOW THEIR WEAKNESS

BEST MEN REFUSED

First Choice of Opposition Declined to Take Chances—Copp Tries to Sustain Ebbing Spirits of Followers.

Special to The Standard.

Woodstock, May 31.—Everything went badly with the opposition convention today. The heavy rain all day was discouraging and when a rainy attended convention met at Hartland in the afternoon, there were no candidates in view. Andrew McCain, of East Florenceville, positively refused to go on the ticket.

Dr. Curtis, of Hartland, whom it was thought would be pleased to have the convention in that village, instead of Woodstock, was approached, but answered that he was not anxious to enter politics. If at any time he intended to do so, he would pick his own time and this election was the least opportune for a victory. Hon. W. P. Jones, Henry McCain, A. R. Foster, Harry Carroll, C. F. Gallagher and Major W. C. Gidd had refused to have anything to do with it some days ago.

Finally to keep Premier Flemming in the county, a straw ticket was put in the field, consisting of Geo. W. Upham and C. L. Smith, of Woodstock, and Frank B. Shaw, of Victoria. It is believed these gentlemen will not be able to save their deposits.

When their government was in power with all that money in this county, these men contested elections here. Mr. Upham was defeated on March 2, 1906 by 130 votes. He won on Dec. 1, 1907 over W. J. Owens by 88 votes, the latter conducting a pure election without money or run.

C. L. Smith was elected in 1899 by 60 votes and retired shortly afterwards to become postmaster at Woodstock. J. B. Shaw was defeated in 1903 by 125 votes and again defeated in 1903 by 62 votes.

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WARM WELCOME FOR PREMIER

Bathurst Will Accord Mr. Flemming Rousing Reception Next Wednesday—Natural Resources Being Developed.

Special to The Standard.

Bathurst, N. B., May 31.—On the application of the principal rate-payers of Bathurst and Bathurst Village that a vote be taken on incorporation, a ballot was taken here today, resulting in a vote of 3 to 1 in favor of the measure. This was the preliminary step taken in connection with the establishment of pulp and paper mills in this town.

The assurance given in the manifest of Premier Flemming as to the encouragement of the natural resources of the province gave great impetus to this movement and a syndicate of Canadian and American capitalists who own the Bathurst Lumber Company and Adams Burns Company and have secured control of the Grand Falls water power, purpose running the mills, including pulp and paper with hydro-electric power.

As this means the development of an immense business on the North Shore it will undoubtedly prove a great factor in the election of the candidates favorable to the Flemming government. The Premier is expected here on Wednesday June 6th. Excursion trains have been arranged for from all points in the lower end of the county and the Premier can be assured of a warm welcome on this, his first visit since he has become the leader of the government.

EIGHT HOUR CLAUSE TO BE INCLUDED IN ALL CONTRACTS, NOW

When United States is Party to Agreement, Proviso Requiring Short Day Must be Inserted.

Washington, D. C., May 31.—The Senate today passed the eight hour house eight hour bill requiring that every contract made in which the United States is a party shall contain a proviso that no mechanic or laborer shall be permitted to work more than eight hours in any one day.