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NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The state court of appeals today decided adversely to Wm. R. Hearst in his effort to have a recount of the vote cast in the recent mayoralty contest. While Hearst says he will keep on in his fight the decision is a knockout blow. McCellan will serve again as mayor. Hearst's counsel, Sharrp, said after the announcement of the decision: "It is evident that we shall be put to some delay and shall be seriously impeded for the time being in opening the ballot boxes and proving by their contents that the frauds in the count shown on the opening of the first four boxes were general throughout the city. In other words we shall be compelled to resort to the more roundabout methods of opening boxes upon affidavits and of quo warranto proceedings."

"McCellan will thus have won his fight for delay. He cannot, however, successfully hide the facts forever. These ballot boxes can be opened on quo warranto proceedings and nothing can prevent the truth being ultimately known, except the physical destruction of the boxes and their contents."

THE PLIGHT OF A CARLETON MAN.

A merchant on the West Side, who had to lift a note, was quickly coming on to try and catch the boat. A crowd had blocked the turnstile. The merchant couldn't wait. He vaulted like a circus man. And cleared the outer gate.

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BOWLING.

LAST NIGHT'S GAME

The Electric and Invincibles played an exciting match game of candle pins at Richey's alleys last night, resulting in the defeat of the latter.

Electric.

Capt. Archibald. 242 93-3

J. Galbraith. 260 83-3

R. Henderson. 254 84-3

S. Sweeney. 234 78

J. Fitzgerald. 238 79-3

Invincibles.

Capt. Cowling. 228 76

R. McLean. 250 81-3

P. Appleby. 252 84

A. King. 231 77

A. Harding. 226 75-3

QUEBEC CONSERVATIVES

ARE REORGANIZING.

New Provincial Leader to Succeed Hon. E. J. Flynn—Loyalty Expressed to R. L. Borden.

MONTREAL, Que., Dec. 12.—The second and final day of the provincial conservative convention was as successful and encouraging as the first. The attendance was even larger, and the spirit of enthusiasm prevailed throughout. Provincial and federal platforms were adopted. The federal platform was a reiteration of the old and well understood principles of the party. Only one voice was heard during the convention in opposition to the leadership of Borden. It came from Moncton, ex-M. L. A., for Yamaoka, but he so fully realized that he was at fault with the sentiment of the convention, that at the evening session in the Monument National, he fully atoned by declaring that Laurier was far worse than Borden in his betrayal of the people of Quebec. The proposal to name a leader in federal politics for this province was voted down emphatically, and Monk came more to the front when he declared that there was no necessity for such a leader. They should all unite behind the man who was selected to lead for the dominion. It was further declared that not one word had been said in parliament by any recognized leader of the conservative party to which every member of the party in Quebec could not subscribe in the utterances of a small and unimportant section of the party in Ontario could be excepted. In regard to provincial affairs the selection of a leader was chosen from amongst the most important representatives of the party. This was done after Hon. E. J. Flynn had offered his resignation and it had been accepted.

The convention has been the means of materially improving the conservative outlook in this province. The feeling is now that with a good pull the province will in future be more equally represented than it is at present.

LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE

WANTS NEW SUNDAY LAWS

OTTAWA, Dec. 12.—Rev. Dr. Potts, president; Rev. J. E. Shearer, field secretary; and Rev. W. MacPherson, counsel of the Lord's Day Alliance, waited on the premier and minister of justice today in the premier's office and asked for a Sunday observance bill at the next session of parliament.

Dr. Potts introduced the delegation and explained the subject. He said that the alliance were advised by counsel that the supreme court and judicial committee held that the Dominion must legislate, which was contrary to the view held by the government when an application of this kind was made two years ago.

Mr. Wilfrid Laurier said it was an important matter and would have to be referred to the cabinet and he could not give a definite answer. He would invite them to an interview later on. As there was not likely to be an early session of parliament they would have time to fully consider the whole question.

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Following is a summary of the secretary's report for the past month: Applicants for employment. 154

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Asking advice. 33

Ladies waiting maids. 20

Of the applicants for work 27 were men, 23 women and 4 boys.

Employment was found for. 23

Relief was furnished for. 5

Referred elsewhere. 15

Cases investigated. 27

In response to inquiries records were given or reports made concerning 37 persons.

Seven persons who sought relief from others were referred to the board, but only two of these came. These were Phyllis and Monk. They were given or reports made concerning 37 persons.

Among the cases reported is that of a woman and her daughter, who have been soliciting help under the name of Reynolds and McLean, giving sometimes an address on St. Patrick street and sometimes one on Brunswick street. Three or four members of this family are appealing to the unwary for help. The public is warned against them, as against all who go from house to house. It is an easy matter to call Mrs. Hall by telephone. Recommended for employment. 12

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Charlottetown Guardian: Riflemen will be interested in learning that the National Rifle Association has made an alteration in the direction of targets according to information just received here. The council of the N. R. A. has decided that the N. R. A. ordinary third class target shall be the present government third class target with the addition of a five-inch visible central to count as bulls eye; the remainder of the twelve-inch bulls eye to form the inner maple twenty-four inches in diameter; outer remainder of target. The third class is the target used at two hundred yards and the present bulls eye is seven inches in diameter black. On the new target there will be a twelve-inch black bull and central which will count five. This means a five-inch bulls eye instead of a seven-inch bulls eye or twelve inches to aim at instead of seven.

BOWLING.

LAST NIGHT'S GAME

The Electric and Invincibles played an exciting match game of candle pins at Richey's alleys last night, resulting in the defeat of the latter.

Electric.

Capt. Archibald. 242 93-3

J. Galbraith. 260 83-3

R. Henderson. 254 84-3

S. Sweeney. 234 78

J. Fitzgerald. 238 79-3

Invincibles.

Capt. Cowling. 228 76

R. McLean. 250 81-3

P. Appleby. 252 84

A. King. 231 77

A. Harding. 226 75-3

THE RING

MIKE SHALLOW IN HALIFAX.

Mike Shallow, the St. John's, Nfld., pugilist, is making the round trip to New York on the steamer Roseland, and his many Halifax friends were delighted to meet him today, looking so well.

Shallow, since his last visit here, has been in England, where he met with much success, and he had intended to retire from the game on his return, but the people of St. John's wished to see him spar, and he had met Munroe. He is through with fighting, he simply went in it to make some money, and he has no further desire to enter the ring. He will likely conduct a physical culture in St. John's this winter. He is very fond of his native place, and says that in all his travels he has seen no place he likes better than St. John's—Recorder.

"BET ON ME," SAYS OLD MAN OF RING.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—With the date of the Fitzsimmons-O'Brien fight only ten days off, the rival fighters are already said to be in condition for the battle. For the last four weeks the fighters have been working hard, following out their schedule, which has kept them busy from early morning until sunset. Although there is considerable interest in the match, the sports are somewhat uncertain as to Fitzsimmons. Always more or less mysterious, the Cornishman has got many of the wise ones guessing as to his real form. While many admit that he will give O'Brien a hard fight, they are uncertain as to just what the "Old Man" can stand when it comes to a gruelling contest in which it will be necessary for him to go the limit.

Those who have seen Fitzsimmons at his training quarters have been very much impressed with the abating he has made in bouts with his boxing partners. But whether he can do as good in a real battle is the question, and it is troubling those who would like to place a little wager on the result of the battle. One thing is certain, that is, Fitzsimmons is a conscientious worker. He never shirks any part of his schedule, but goes about his work with willingness and determination which can only bring about good results.

In a talk with a few of his friends Fitzsimmons denied emphatically that his hands had gone back on him. He said that his "muffs" were stronger now than when he fought Gardner, and that he would prove the assertion when he met O'Brien. "They can say that I am the old guy," said Fitzsimmons, "but they have been calling me the same name for a long time. Notwithstanding this claim, I have disposed of all of my opponents with the exception of one."

"That was Jeffries, and I must admit that he carries too much weight and bulk for any man to beat. The fact that I