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LEVEE WILL RESIGN CHAIR MOTION ALLOWED TO DROP

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Understanding That He Will Bow to Board's Will Heads Off Hot Discussion—Chairman's Position Legally Unassailable—R. T. Rogers' Letter Censured Judge.

A Daniel did not come to judgment, and last night's meeting of the board of education, in view of the potentialities, was full of surprises. The first surprise was that what might have happened failed to arrive—a storm. The second surprise was a letter from one R. T. Rogers containing some caustic remarks about Judge Winchester and his conduct of investigation. The third surprise lies with the future; it promises the resignation of L. S. Levee, as chairman of the board, and is given as the reason why the resolution to oust him, which had been prepared, was not presented.

On this point The World was informed by a member of the board that there was a decided feeling in favor of having the motion of censure introduced, but that the matter was held in abeyance owing to some understanding said to emanate from Mr. Levee, that he would vacate the chairmanship. If this is done, the difficulty which has arisen may be amicably settled, but meanwhile all eyes are on Mr. Levee.

Incidentally Trustee Noble took occasion to denounce the various creches or day-nursing homes in the city, and the board adopted the recommendation of the advisory industrial committee and appointed Chancellor MacKay of McMaster University, principal of the new technical high school at a salary of $5000 per year.

Legal Position Sound.

The first item of interest was naturally the opinion of Frank E. Hodgins, K.C., solicitor of the board, as to Mr. Levee's eligibility to continue as chairman. On that point his view was explicit. After reading paragraphs in Judge Winchester's finding, Mr. Hodgins quoted the various offences under the statute which would constitute disqualification. He then added: "I do not find anything in the finding of His Honor Judge Winchester, or in the evidence which is recited in his report, which brings the chairman of the board within any of the above disqualifications.

"Apart from the matter discussed above, I do not know of any way in which the office of chairman can be vacated at the instance of any trustee or ratepayer against the will of the ratepayers.

Flagellated the Judge.

A long letter from R. T. Rogers was then produced, in which the writer did not hesitate to express his opinion of the senior county judge. It started off by stating that Mr. Levee "protests to the justice of Judge Winchester's finding, and claims that Judge Winchester has shown ignorance in the manner in which he has conducted the investigation." In this respect Mr. Levee endorsed the opinion of "prominent" citizens of Judge Winchester in the capacity of hired investigator, who is "incapable, ignorant and utterly unsuited to be entrusted with such cases where the lives and destiny of so many solely depend upon his reports of these wretched affairs."

The letter then went into a long dissertation upon the Isolation Hospital enquiry, where the findings were in direct opposition to the evidence, it was claimed. It also charged that evidence was suppressed. "It also shows how ignorant he proved himself as regards figures."

Damning a Career.

"The same investigation," the letter continues, "is attempting to damn the future career of your chairman, a man not one of you can point the finger of scorn to as regards his public duties."

The board, Mr. Rogers contended, had a duty to perform to its chairman and to the public. The public was not in a position to judge of all the facts. "It had been mentioned to him that Judge Winchester himself had remarked that the evidence of some of those who testified against Mr. Levee suggested perjury. Some of the witnesses were not men of the first water."

"If Mr. Levee is suffering under the tongue of the slanderer, you should be the first to stand by him and the last to kick him while he is down."

This ended the Levee incident, altho the air was charged with suppressed excitement. Enquiring glances were shot about, and the spectators wondered what was about to happen. But everything seemed lovely for the reason already given, but The World is assured that unless Mr. Levee's resignation is forthcoming there will be "ructions" in the board yet.

Scored the Nursery.

When the report of the management committee was under consideration, Trustee Noble took a fall out of the East End Day Nursery, at the instance of which permission was sought to take up a collection in the schools one day in week preceding Easter holidays. Trustee Noble said it was wrong to encourage women to leave their infants in these places for 10 and 12 hours per day. He had made an investigation and found a number of babies huddled together in a room ill-suited for the purpose. In one institution the restriction was that the child must be three months old and not fed by the mother. The situation would be different if the home were maintained for poor women, who could not care for their children, but in a number of cases he found that the husband was at work and doing well, but owing to the scarcity of household help and the attraction of good wages, the mothers were content to leave their children in those homes and go out to work. The result was disastrous, because it increase the rate of infant mortality. "I found 18 babies packed into a single room, lying there all day sucking a bottle," he said. "Look at the sacrifice!"

Appointed the Chancellor.

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A [illegible]EN TREATY

BERLIN, May 18. — The Taeglische Rundschau believes that "the mountain has brought forth a mouse," and that the Anglo-French-American arbitration proposal will be a disappointment to peace idealists. No nation, the paper says, will submit questions of national honor and vital interests to a tribunal in which there are representatives of a hostile state.

The Berlin Post considers that the proposal is, in effect, equivalent to an alliance against a third power, and foresees its political identification first in Great Britain, and then more slowly in France and the United States.

LONDON PAPERS THINK GERMANY MIGHT JOIN IN

Disappointed at Limitations of Arbitration Treaty—Morning Post Outspoken.

LONDON, May 18.—The morning newspapers, while they criticize many points in which the draft of the Anglo-American arbitration falls short of what was expected, welcome it as a great and valuable step in advance, its very shortcomings having the advantage of recommending it, first to the American congress, which manifestly would not ratify an unrestricted treaty, and, second, to the other powers, there being, as some of the papers point out, no reason why Germany should not join in such a treaty as now proposed.

In any case, the arbitration movement, in the opinion of the papers, would greatly strengthen, should Germany join with the United States and Great Britain.

The Daily Telegraph suggests as an improvement that in cases of disagreement the joint commission should reassemble within an interval of three or six months to consider the disputed points.

The Morning Post, in an editorial, renews its anti-American attacks. It declares that the draft proves that the negotiations between Ambassador Bryce and the Washington government have completely broken down. It asserts that the American offer was a sham and that the British people have been duped, since President Taft's only motive in offering arbitration was to defeat the Chamberlain policy and induce Canada to accept reciprocity.

Australian Commendation.

MELBOURNE, May 18.—The Imperial Federation League has adopted a resolution welcoming President Taft's suggestion of a treaty of arbitration between Great Britain and the United States.

M. H. O.'S PLANS SCOUTED AT RIVERDALE MEETING

Business Men Last Night Decided Upon Organized Opposition to Consumption Hospital.

At the meeting of the Riverdale Business Men's Association last night, the report of Dr. Hastings on the Isolation Hospital question was a live topic. A. R. Clark presided.

Secretary H. W. Burke read a resolution drafted by the executive asking the removal of the Isolation Hospital to a spacious location outside the city, but protested against the present buildings being turned into a hospital for consumptives.

Dr. Addison suggested that the present General Hospital should be turned into a tuberculosis hospital and the isolation buildings into a general hospital for the Riverdale district.

Ald. Hilton vigorously opposed Dr. Addison's suggestion, declaring, amid applause, that the park district should be preserved as permanent holiday and picnic grounds.

Mr. Barker agreed with Ald. Hilton. The whole hospital matter was referred to the executive, with the addition of Dr. Addison and Dr. McKechie.

P. W. Ellis, chairman of the Toronto Hydro-Electric Commission, gave an address descriptive of the inception and progress of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power movement.

CANADIAN ARTILLERY

Going to England to Compete Against British Gunners.

OTTAWA, May 18.—The Canadian artillery team is going to England to compete against the Royal Artillery team in August. The field and heavy artillery will train at Petawawa and the team for the coast events at Halifax. The training will commence about the middle of July and the team will sail for England about the beginning of August, returning about the first of September. The team will consist of a commandant, seven officers and forty non-commissioned officers and men.

IT'S UP TO WILF

MISS BRITANNIA: Love and loyalty? O, yes, I dessay; but how come this 'ere long curly 'air on your shoulder?

SPEAKERS WHO WILL ACCOMPANY BORDEN

Andrew Broder, Dr. Roche and Arthur S. Meighen Chief Lieutenants of Trip.

OTTAWA, May 18.—The speakers who will accompany Mr. D. L. Borden, the opposition leader on his political tour of the west are: Andrew Broder of Dundas, the chief agricultural expert of the Conservative party; Dr. Roche of Marquette, the leading Manitoba Conservative in the house; and Arthur S. Meighen of Portage la Prairie, a youngster who has already distinguished himself as a parliamentarian of a high order. It is probable that the party will be joined by one of the leading Quebec Conservative orators.

Besides those mentioned, Mr. Borden will be assisted in Manitoba by W. H. Sharpe, W. D. Staples, Glen Campbell, G. H. Bradbury, Dr. Schaffner and Alex. Haggart.

C. A. Magrath of Medicine Hat, one of the strongest men in the house, was to have been one of the parliamentary representatives at the coronation, but he has cancelled his passage, and will accompany Mr. Borden thru Alberta and Saskatchewan.

R. S. Lake of Qu'Appelle will be one of the speakers in Saskatchewan. M. S. McCarthy of Calgary, and John Herron of Alberta will speak at some of the Alberta meetings.

The party are in great spirits over the forthcoming campaign. They have received the most encouraging reports, and the fact that the officials of the Grain Growers' Association, who have been in the capital arranging campaign work for the government, have issued a call to many of their people to give Mr. Borden a hot time in the west, has only stimulated their keenness.

HEAD-ON COLLISION

One Killed and Another Believed ao Be Under Wreck.

MONTREAL, May 18.—A head-on collision took place at 11.30 to-night, between a fast freight to Ottawa and an upward bound freight, just as the former was leaving the Mile End yards.

Robert Crawford, engineer on the train from Ottawa, has been taken to the Royal Victoria Hospital badly scalded. Two members of the train crews are missing and are thought to be under the wreck.

One of the missing men has been located and taken to the Royal Victoria Hospital from the Mile End station. He is Arthur Hughes of Ottawa, fireman on the train bound to that city. He is suffering from a slight concussion of the brain, severe bruises, and an injury to his hip. A man named Miller, a brakeman on the same train, is the only man now unaccounted for.

The fast freight for Ottawa was overdue and was speeding to make up time when the accident occurred.

The collision took place at a curve on the line which prevented the engineer from seeing the approach of the incoming train, which was inward bound from Quebec.

OTTAWA, May 18.—Robt. Crawford, Canadian Pacific Railway engineer, in the wreck at Montreal, was in a freight wreck at Pembroke two years ago last March. Engineer Roe was killed in the wreck, but Crawford, who was his fireman at the time, saved his life by jumping before the collision. He resides at 68 Anderson-avenue, and is married.

The King's Plate and The World's "Hunch."

There's a race to-morrow for the King's Plate — a struggle between thorobreds raised in Canada. It's a horse race, and nothing is so uncertain as a horse race—except an election. Everyone, nevertheless, is greatly interested in the struggle, and each is trying to guess—if not to reason out—the result.

The knowing ones, including the owners (still less the public), have only a part of the facts to guide them.

They know that St. Bass, the Giddings colt, has made the best showing in the morning trials: he can go the distance, and has gone it, at a faster clip than any of his rivals; they know that the Hendrie colt, Powderman, has also gone the distance in good style, but not as fast as St. Bass.

First question: Was St. Bass' try-out at his best, and was Powderman held back a bit?

Our guess is that both these are true: that St. Bass did nearly his best, and that Powderman can go a notch or two better if asked to.

That makes them pretty nearly even with the slightest balance in favor of St. Bass.

But these were trials, and a trial is as far away from a race as a play with foils is from a duel with sharp swords in a life-for-life struggle.

In a morning try-out, horses are two or three at most, and all in friendly hands. They're stable-mates and stable jocks. In a race they're all out one to beat the other, and there's a crowd, and there's blood in every eye. And here's where the other great factor in a race—that of heart—comes in. There's a ruck of a start; there's at last a sudden break and off, and then immediately a fight to keep in front or to pocket someone, or to lie in a good place, amid shouting and knocking, and, worst of all, what may be the great factor in a race, the pelt of mud and dust in the eyes of the horses and do not lead. Have you any conception of what this is? It may take away a horse's heart in five seconds and he may turn into a dog, or he may be put out so badly that it takes thirty seconds of the race to get him straightened out. But it's so incessant, so inclement, and so discouraging that it's well to be out of it if you can. It may shrivel up the morning glory. And it can do another thing: a horse that gets a taste of it may thru fright rush to the front and become so afraid of getting back into it that he keeps ahead and wins the race in sheer fright of getting another drubbing in the ruck. It's the rain that makes the mud and the sun that makes the dust, and the weather that often makes the race.

But the game horse is he who under average conditions gets in a place, or, failing to get into a place, takes whatever is coming, and, when he gets into the finishing stretch, can answer the call of his rider, and can challenge the one ahead and overtake him, or who, if challenged, can let out a bit and thereby keep the lead. He can make the answer.

So many are these uncertainties that, in a race of fresh horses, the first one in is not always the best: but when they have met a half-dozen times under various conditions, the race-horse of class comes to the front, and tho he may only beat his rival by a length or the split of a second, he is as far ahead of the rest in what makes a racehorse as a cowboy is of the tenderfoot in cattle driving.

And behind the uncertainty that exists as between the horses that do well in trials, there is the other one of the dark horse, the lucky horse, and the horse that could be bettered or worsened by a thousand chances unforeseen.

The King's Plate is a green horse's race over a long distance and under varying conditions, and, therefore, our guess is that it will be a little uncertain. There is, therefore, nothing left for us but the "hunch," and the "hunch" that comes to us is that the two best horses in their main names (Powderman and Bass) begin with labials or lip-letters, and are, therefore, even in that respect; but, in as much as the first letters of their owners' names are G and H, these horses ought to finish in the race by the honors of the alphabet. So our divination is Bass and Giddings to Powderman and Hendrie. But don't you be a fool and take another fool's tip, and the weatherman is no respecter of "hunches."

PASSED $10,000 MARK.

STRATFORD, May 18.—This afternoon the $10,000 mark was passed in the Y. M. C. A. campaign fund to raise $13,000 to lift mortgage an drenovate the building. The campaign is slated to close Friday night. It is believed that at least $15,000 will be raised, and in that event the Y.W.C.A. will be given the surplus.

HAS C.P.R. ACQUIRED LESLIE NURSERIES?

Property of 45 Acres Said to Have Been Secured for Railway Uses.

For some time aldermen and citizens in No. 1 ward have been trying to organize a movement for the purchase of what was formerly the Leslie Nurseries for a public park. The land is situated on the south side of Queen-street, extending to Eastern-avenue and practically to Ashbridge's Bay; but, according to one ma nacting in this movement, there is no likelihood of the property being secured, as he had learned that this block and some adjoining land to the extent of 45 acres, has been purchased by an agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway for railway purposes. The owner of the land is Mr. W. G. Gooderham, president of Gooderham & Worts, whose father acquired it a good many years ago. What was the price paid no one seems to know, altho it is one of the big deals of the year.

It was hard to get any confirmation of the report. The World asked a prominent member of the board of trade. He said: "I am not surprised of the C. P. R. have bought the old Leslie nurseries. They are planning for development in the east as well as in the west and north, and they intend to have their share in the improvements in Ashbridge's Bay. They will have shops down on Eastern-avenue. They need a yard for bridge work and construction. They evidently intend to reach this new purchase, if they have made it, over the municipal railway line down the east side of the Don improvement and on to Ashbridge's Bay."

The old Leslie nurseries property is entered on the assessment books at the city hall as 24 acres, and a portion in East Queen-street east of Carlaw-avenue, owned by W. G. Gooderham, assessed at $37,380.

CONTROL OF CABLE RATES

LONDON, May 18. — In the course of a statement in the house of commons to-day concerning the post-office appropriations, Postmaster-General Samuel announced that he had arranged to obtain some control over cablegram rates from now on by the insertion of a clause in the licenses of cablegram companies, giving the government power to protest against excessive rates, and, in cases of dispute, to refer the matter to an impartial tribunal. The cable companies had agreed, the postmaster-general said, to reduce by 50 per cent. their rates on telegrams, written in plain language, which are liable to a delay not exceeding 24 hours.

Another International Conference on Morocco

Such is the Talk in Madrid—Germany Using Her Influence—France Denies Necessity For Reopening Question.

MADRID, May 18.—Statesmen here are talking of the necessity of another international conference to settle the Moroccan affair, which is becoming more disturbing and more confused each week. Diplomatic observers believe that Germany is using her influence to add to the international feeling regarding French action in Morocco.

The Spanish ministers are not satisfied, it is understood, with what it seems the result is likely to secure.

Not Necessary, Says France.

PARIS, May 18.—It was denied at the French foreign office to-day that any thought existed there of the necessity arising for another Algeciras conference. The French plans in Morocco, it was stated, include nothing outside of the Algeciras engagement. Consequently, all the suggestions concerning another international conference to consider the Moroccan situation were untimely and untrue.

Within Sixty Miles of Fez.

TANGIER, Morocco, May 18.—Wireless telegraph messages received here to-day from the French column en route to Fez for the purpose of relieving the besieged capital, indicate that Col. Brulard, in command of the troops, bivouacked last night within about 60 miles of Fez.

Additional French forces form an intermittent chain behind Col. Brulard and within easy reach of El Knitra. Of the three principal French commands, Col. Brulard has the advance position, Major Simon heads a force holding an intermediate post, while Col. Gouraud is keeping up communication with the French base.

Gen. Moinier, commander-in-chief of the French forces in Morocco, has joined the expedition and is personally directing the advance. It is understood that he alone knows the wishes of the French cabinet ministers as to what shall be done when the column reaches Fez. The actual date of its arrival at the southern capital is uncertain, since its progress is precautionary and also slow because of the summer heat. Immense trains of animals are accompanying the troops, the column including 2000 camels and several thousand mules, largely brought from Algeria.

Moorish horsemen are always in sight observing the French movements and slight skirmishes occur now and then between the tribesmen and the distant patrols.

FIRE IN SALEM, MASS., DOES $300,000 DAMAGE

Four Large Buildings in Leather Manufacturing District Burned —Spontaneous Combustion.

SALEM, Mass., May 18.—A fire which swept over the leather manufacturing district, in the vicinity of Goodhue and Bridge-streets, this evening destroyed four large buildings and badly damaged several others, at a loss of over $300,000.

The L. M. Tigh leather factory and oil storehouse, the Marrs Leather Embossing Co. plant and the Cass and Daley leather storehouse were burned, while factories of the American Hide and Leather Co. and of Gass and Daley were damaged by smoke and water.

The fire is thought to have started from spontaneous combustion in the buffing room of the Tigh factory. A general alarm was sounded and help was summoned also from Lynn, Marblehead, Beverly and Peabody.

As the fire was fed by great masses of oil and leather waste, clouds of smoke discernible for miles rose in the air. Occasionally the smoke would sweep down upon the firemen and drive them from their work.

The principal losses, which are well covered by insurance, were divided as follows: L. M. Tigh, factory and storehouse, $50,000; Marrs Leather Embossing Co., $30,000; Cass and Daley Co., $175,000.

TEN VESSELS ASHORE.

SYDNEY, N.S.W., May 18.—Reports have reached here of a hurricane which has swept over the New Hebrides. Ten vessels are ashore and eight persons are reported killed.

BRITISH TRADE WOULD SUFFER BY PACT

Sharp Criticism in House of Lords of Supineness of Government in Failing to Safeguard Interests of United Kingdom — Haldane Talks Free Trade.

LONDON, May 18.—The government was sharply criticized by the Earl of Selborne in the house of lords this evening for what he termed "their extraordinary supineness" in failing to safeguard the interests of the United Kingdom in the American-Canadian reciprocity agreement. The Earl referred to President Taft's "very remarkable speech," and declared that when Mr. Taft said the annexation talk was bosh all accepted the president's word; nevertheless the agreement formed a precedent capable of very large extensions. It was the first time in the history of the empire that one part had obtained better terms from a foreign country, than had the United Kingdom, and the step between receiving and giving better terms was a short one. If the Dominion got accustomed to receiving better terms, the earl continued, they might come to think that it was natural to give foreign countries better terms than they gave the United Kingdom or the other dominions of the empire.

Position of Extraordinary Difficulty.

Ratification of the agreement, the earl said in conclusion, would place this country in a position of extraordinary difficulty.

Baron Lucas, parliamentary under secretary to the war office, replying on behalf of the government, declared that the Earl of Selborne greatly overestimated the damage to the trade of the United Kingdom and the difficulties that might arise as a result of the reciprocity agreement. Canada was perfectly within her statutory rights, and the government could not interfere. The United Kingdom, the baron said, could never offer Canada the same advantages as could the United States. Canada and the United States were complementary to one another in a degree to which Canada and Great Britain never could be. If Canada and the United States wanted a reciprocity agreement this country could not prevent it. Great Britain must give Canada a fair field for promoting her own prosperity in whatever way she thought best, and it was on these lines, Baron Lucas concluded, that the government was watching the reciprocity negotiations now going on.

An Incurable Free Trader.

War secrttary Haldane, who recently was elevated to the peerage, said that it was the policy of the government to give the people of Canada every facility to do the best they could do for themselves. The government held that it was not to the disadvantage of the United Kingdom that Canada should develop trade relations with the United States.

"We hold," continued the secretary, "that Canada, with a great trade of this kind, cannot fail to be a more prosperous Canada, affording a better market for our goods and able to do more trade with ourselves. Therefore, from every point of view we look upon the step she is taking as probably a very good step in our interest, as well as in the interests of Canada. It is not for us to intermeddle in her policy. We do not think it a good thing to attempt to guide or influence the policy of our great dominions in matters of trade. We are free traders, and we intend to remain free traders."

$50,000 DEAL AT MIMICO

Thirty-seven Acres on Lake Shore Sold by Sir Henry Pellatt.

To purchase 37 acres on the Lake Shore-rd., just west of Mimico, at about $20,000 a year ago, and to dispose of it at $50,000, is the neat little deal in real estate, which Sir Henry Pellatt has just completed.

The land, known as the old McKenna property, was sold by Robins, Limited, acting for Sir Henry, to Frank McMahon. The land will be cut into lots and improved.

The Quebec Bank building, on the northwest corner of King and Toronto streets, has been sold to Sir Henry Pellatt. The frontage is 24 feet on King-street, by 104 on Toronto-street. The price is said to have been about $4000 a foot.

This site is one of the prominent corners of Toronto. The owner of the lot about 1830 was Robert Johnston, a carpenter, who held the property from King-street to the lane on the north, which runs south of the present deputy receiver-general's office.

DISMISSED THE APPEAL.

MONTREAL, May 18.—(Special.)—A cable to-day from London states that the privy council has dismissed the appeal of the Drummond Mines and the Montreal Trust Co., maintaining the petition of Wm. Marshall and the Greyshiding Development Co. Marshall is therefore definitely confirmed in the ownership of the Sterling Mines.

Sudden Death.

WYOMING, May 18.—Andrew Butler, aged 74, an old resident of this village, died suddenly from heart failure at his home in the Butler block, Broadway-st., where he resided with his daughter.

Panamas for Five Dollars.

This is the big time to purchase your new panama, and the Dineen Company is going to meet you with the largest assortment of Panamas ever in their house. There is a splendid line of fine South American weaves in Panamas just arrived at five dollars. Call and look them over.