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90TH YEAR.

Premier Whitney and Adam Beck Together Pressed Power Button

And 7,000 People at Berlin Cheered as Niagara Current Lit Up Great Rink, Inaugurating the Government Service.

ADAM BECK THE HERO OF HISTORIC OCCASION

BERLIN, Oct. 11.—(Special.)—You should have heard that cheer. It was the greatest cheer that Ontario has heard for nearly a hundred years. There was no introduction. No lip-lip-burrahing. It was entirely spontaneous, and roared up out of the hearts of the thousands gathered with the diapason thunder of far-off Niagara Falls. There were echoes of the foaming rapids in it, and memories of the wild dash of the cataract, and it surged up strong and true with the honest bass of a hundred convicts. It died away you could imagine it quivering all along those far-borne cables, a hundred miles or more to Niagara, and creeping along among prosperous farms, past smiling villages, thru sturdy cities, over rights of way that thread Ontario from end to end. It was a glorious, rejoicing and triumphant shout, and it celebrated the consummation of the hydro-electric power distribution under the Whitney-Beck transmission scheme. That utterly spontaneous cheer burst forth from the six or seven thousand assembled in the big rink in Berlin after Sir James Whitney had gripped hold of Hon. Adam Beck's hand and pressed his colleague's finger down on the button which changed the darkness of the rink into a flood of blazing light from hundreds of crystal lamps. It was a kindly act, courteously conceived and graciously executed. Hon. Adam has been a faithful index finger for Sir James, and the premier gave it symbolic recognition.

A Picturesque Ceremony.

The ceremony was as simple as it was picturesque. Miss Rumbell, a charming young lady, arrayed in costly costume, with colors of the empire in a sash across her body, the word Ontario in living light upon her breast and a tress of shining maple leaves for her hair, was revealed when the lights responded to the touch of the premier and his good man. She had presented Sir James the electrical contrivance which switched on the power resting on a cushion which she carried. Then came those moments of supreme enthusiasm, at 5:03 by the clock, when the band played "O Canada."

There were special trains and almost every body who had anything to do with electricity in Ontario was present. All the cabinet ministers except Hon. J. S. Hendrie, who had an engagement with the hon. Mr. Mackenzie King, who was in Atlantic City, and Hon. Frank Cochrane, who was in Algonquin Park, were present. J. L. English was there and F. H. McGuigan. Hon. Galbraith came in with E. B. Merrill, the electric engineer. Home Smith and W. J. Gage represented youth and maturity in the Toronto Board of Trade. Mayor Geary and the board of control were all there and some riders to boot. Hon. Mackenzie King shook hands over the table with Sir James, while the big cheer was lingering. Mr. Speaker Crawford lent an impressive air to the occasion. There were lots of public speakers, men from Toronto. But London and Stratford and Galt and Guelph poured in their hundreds also. Ex-Ald. Allan came from Brantford to be able to tell the telephone city what it had missed, and Allan Studholme represented the somewhat delinquent Hamilton. Allan was not the only legislator there. W. S. Brewster came and C. R. McKewen and Dr. J. G. MacKay. Dr. Preston and Major Craig and H. Elber and lots of others from the government benches, but Dr. MacKay appeared to be the only representative of the attenuated opposition.

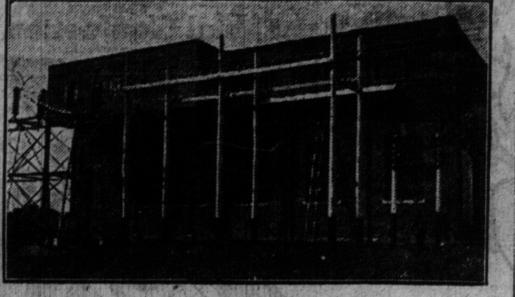
The Great Parade.

The crowds at the station were dense, and the procession was gorgeous with three military bands, Berlin, Galt and Preston, and a band of brass and which paraded up King-street with the guests of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Beck with Hon. A. J. Matheson were in the front of the procession, and the streets were festooned with electric lights, and made a brilliant show after dark, and a huge arch at the head of King-street showed "hydro power" in red with the motto "People's power—sunshine, warmth and comfort to the people of Ontario." "We are proud of our Waterloo boy—Adam Beck." These sentiments were repeated in German.

It was ten minutes to four before Sir James entered and cheerfully while the band played "The Maple Leaf," "O Canada" was played at the station, and while marching up the street, once again when the power was turned on, and at the banquet in the evening. It was evidently the popular air.

Beck the Hero.

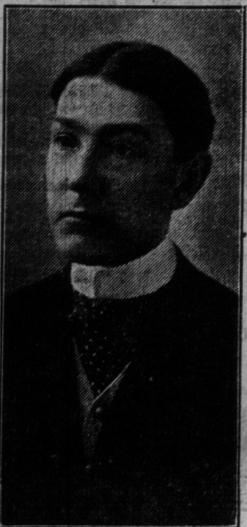
Hon. Adam Beck's speeches, both in the afternoon and evening, were among his happiest efforts, and his earnest interest in the power plan was evidently no whit abated. His reception amounted to an ovation. The first cheer was followed by the musical honors; then, and in the evening, "The Conquering Hero Comes" in extenso; then three lusty cheers again; after this more singing, and then still more cheers. Sir James left no doubt of his attitude towards the enemies of power in his first speech, and set a precedent by taking up two new points in provincial government policy as the sub-



TRANSFORMER STATION, BERLIN.

WHITNEY'S BOLD STAND FOR PROVINCIAL DIGNITY

Ontario Should Be Able, Thru an Agent General in London, to Directly Approach the Colonial Office of the British Government.



MAYOR HAHN of Berlin.

BISHOP OF JOLIETTE FLAYS FREEMASONRY

Says It Admits the Idea Neither of Religion Nor of God and He Will Prove It.

MONTREAL, Oct. 11.—(Special.)—His Lordship Mgr. Archambault of Joliette says he was not properly understood when he made some statements a few weeks ago on Freemasonry, and for this reason he will take occasion in the near future to refer again to that organization. His lordship returns again to the charge, because he learns with the greatest sorrow that there are Freemasons in his own diocese of Joliette, and he has documentary evidence to prove it.

His lordship will divide his address into three parts: (1) Teachings and doctrine of Freemasonry; (2) The real object of Freemasonry; (3) Mode of operating. Organization, public or occult. The means of action, open or hidden, of Freemasonry. Bishop Archambault will contend that Freemasonry neither admits the idea of religion nor of God, and his lordship says he is able to prove it. By documented means in the hands of the Bishop of Joliette, Masons deny the Trinity, the incarnation, the redemption and the fall of man. It is not necessary to believe in the sacraments of the church, neither in her dogmas. It is further stated that the object of Mgr. Archambault's lecture is to make it quite impossible for a French-Canadian to belong to any form of Freemasonry.

ADMITTED FORGERY

Obtained No Less Than \$5000 Within Four Years.

MONTREAL, Oct. 11.—(Special.)—Madame Lajeunesse, accused of forging the name of Hon. S. N. Parent to cheques for \$230 and \$300, admitted the forgery to-day and added that she had, with the aid of her husband and a man named Samuel Parent, fraudulently obtained no less a sum than \$5,000 within four years. Cheques had been forged for different amounts and cashed at different places. The gang got caught, however, when they got rid of a cheque for \$230 upon a Mrs. St. Jacques.

FIRST WHEAT OVER G. T. P.

FORT WILLIAM, Oct. 11.—(Special.)—The first trainload of wheat over the G.T.P. arrived here to-day, and is being unloaded at the G.T.P. elevator. There were 28 cars on the trip, which was without event.

BEARING FRUIT.



SIR JAMES: I believe it would pay to put in more of the same variety. Why should we be ashamed of it?

FRANCE FACES SERIOUS TIE-UP OF HER RAILROADS

Strikes Now Involve 80,000 Men—Military Engineers Taking Their Places.

PARIS, Oct. 11.—The French Government is again facing a serious strike situation. The employees of the Northern Railroad struck early to-day, and to-night the strike spread to the Western Railroad, which is owned by the State. Indications are that to-morrow will see a complete tie-up in northern and western France.

The officials of the Northern Railroad have issued a statement that the wages of the employees were increased 3,500,000 francs during the year 1909-10, and that the increased cost of operation and the increased burdens imposed by parliament made it impossible to meet the demands of the men.

REDUCED TO MANSLAUGHTER

Frank Jackson Gets One Year for Killing Jacob Enos.

CHATHAM, Oct. 11.—The charge of murder preferred against Frank Jackson for the killing of Jacob Enos was reduced to manslaughter at the fall assizes here to-day. Jackson pleaded guilty to this charge as read on the advice of his counsel, O. L. Lewis, K. C. The case, therefore, never went to the jury, and his honor Justice Middleton sentenced Jackson to one year in the common jail. The judge said he would have moved to discharge Jackson on the evidence taken by the magistrate, had it not been for the circumstance that he was carrying a loaded revolver previous to the killing.

Serious Forest Fire in Colorado.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—Another serious forest fire has broken out on the public domain, according to advices reaching the forest services to-night, and is sweeping Big Chief Mountain in Colorado. Fanned by a high wind, the flames are said to be advancing rapidly. Officials of the forest service are not certain as to the number of settlers within or adjacent to the fire zone, but have telegraphed for particulars.

Will Soon Be Housed.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Oct. 11.—Treasurer McKenzie of the Campbellton relief fund, states that they hope to have all the people housed very soon. Some are still living in tents, but building operations are being rushed.

Now Captain Peary.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—By orders issued at the navy department to-day, Commander Robert E. Peary, discoverer of the north pole, will be advanced to the rank of captain.

A RETROSPECT.

Oct. 12, 1492: Columbus landed in the Bahamas.

1860: Peikin was taken by the allied British and French armies.

PROPRIETOR LEFT TOWN CLIENTS ARE ANXIOUS

C. D. Sheldon, Who Ran an Investment Bureau, Did Big Business While It Lasted.

MONTREAL, Oct. 11.—(Special.)—The talk of the town to-day is the temporary absence of C. D. Sheldon, who for the past two years has been carrying on a private investment bureau, having accumulated no less than three thousand clients from all over Canada, paying as high as twenty per cent. in some cases on his investors.

Some days ago the local evening papers began warning the public against Sheldon's methods, asserting that there could be but one end, and that would be general disaster. A part of the public became scared, and it is said that a million dollars has been withdrawn during the past three weeks, but hundreds remain on his books.

CHOLERA IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Oct. 11.—The first case of Asiatic cholera has appeared in England. A man who lived in one of the Rowton houses, a series of "poor man's hotels," died in a public hospital Friday. The directors of the hospital ascertained that it was a virulent case, and have taken all measures to prevent the spread of the disease.

A SETTLED QUESTION.

It has passed beyond the point of argument. The business man, the dressy man, and the man who cares only for the best article for the least money, all admit that for quality and style the English-made hat is at least the equal if not the superior of all other makes. The hat that has done so much for the English manufacturer is the "Heath." This hat is so greatly in demand the world over that competitive firms need advertise their styles as similar to the "Heath." The sole Canadian agency for the Henry Heath Co. is held by the Dineen Co. Mr. Dineen stocks them in large quantities and at the present time has an excellent display of Silks, Alpines, Derbys and Fedoras, of all the latest styles. If you call for a fur catalogue, if not, write for one.

WAS THE MISSING MAN REALLY SANDBAGGED?

Disappeared on the Eve of His Marriage—May Be Merely Case of Forgotten Identity.

GUELPH, Oct. 11.—(Special.)—That George Edgar Clarke, who disappeared on the eve of his marriage to a Guelph young lady, and who was found yesterday at Bradford, was sandbagged and robbed of \$100, is the opinion of his mother, Mrs. W. R. Clarke, 127 Perth-street.

When seen by The Mercury this morning, Mrs. Clarke said that her son had not recovered his senses fully as yet, and so far as the time which elapsed between his leaving the hotel and his recovery at Bradford is concerned, his memory is a blank. There are no superficial wounds, that could be found in medical examination, and it may be merely a case of forgotten identity.

GIRL'S SYSTEMATIC THEIVING

Said to Have Robbed Employers of About One Thousand Dollars.

Marked coins tendered to her by operatives of the Pinkerton Detective Agency betrayed Nellie Wesley, aged 20, of 15 Grange-avenue, into the hands of the police yesterday. She has been employed by the Butterick Publishing Company for three years in the retail branch at 145 Yonge-street, as sales-lady of patterns, and it is estimated that since before last Christmas she has pilfered in the neighborhood of \$1000, by holding out and appropriating a portion of the daily receipts.

Some Towns Still Threatened.

WARROAD, Minn., Oct. 11.—The wind increased to-day, but blowing over the lake and driving the fire back off the burned area. There is no danger here, but Roosevelt is in a rather dangerous position. Zipple, on the Lake of the Woods, was in hard straits, and many families are distressed and almost exhausted, was brought in from a distance of six miles. The man was burned and was almost naked. He was unable to talk. He had been lying in the mud of a creek since Friday. He was placed in a hospital at Rainy River, and may recover.

An Estimate of the Victims.

BEAUFORTE, Minn., Oct. 11.—(Special.)—No one doubts that the number of victims of recent forest fires will be at least 125, and the secretary of the relief committee stated last night that the number of known dead was 70. Among the victims were the Roblin family, consisting of 10, father, mother and eight children. The bodies, which were found huddled together, were fearfully burned. Dead in each other must have followed almost instantly after the cyclone of flames overwhelmed the victims.

2500 Square Miles Burned.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—Forester Graves to-day received this telegram from Supervisor Marshall of the forest service at Cass Lake, concerning the forest fire situation in Minnesota: "Reports to-day give one thousand burned and missing. The area burned is estimated to be 2500 square miles. Fires still burning. Situation in this forest well in hand."

DESTITUTE, BUT NOT BEGGARS SAYS MAYOR

Declares That Relief to Fire Sufferers Should Take Form of Loans—Winnipeg Sends Relief—The Danger is Not All Over Yet, Several Towns Being Still Threatened.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 11.—(Special.)—With the promised liberal supply of tents for temporary shelter, by the Minnesota militia department, the immediate needs of fire refugees here are satisfied. There is an ample supply of provisions on hand, which, with the relief supplies en route, will feed all existing and prospective refugees for three or four weeks.

"We are not in need of provisions," said J. U. Williams, mayor of Beausette and chairman of the general relief committee. We need tents, and they have been promised by the state militia. The people of the Northwest of Canada have been generous and seem anxious to help us; further, cash donations amount to nearly \$3000 and more are promised.

"My idea is that the philanthropic organization send money to settlers and citizens, and give them a start. Loans would, of course, be secured only by the honor and integrity of the men to whom loans were made. There would be some loss and it would be years before other loans could be paid back.

"Let the people who want to help us place us on our feet, and we will help ourselves. Lend us enough money to build a shack to shelter us from storms which will be upon us soon, and we will pay our way, and after a time money can be passed on to other unfortunate people, donated to some charitable institution, or returned to the donors, pro rata, according to individual contributions.

Mayor Williams was proprietor of a drug store which carried \$12,000 stock. He informed your correspondent that to-day he is just worth the suit of clothes he is wearing. He appreciated fully the extent of the disaster which befell him, and his city, but he is working constantly to relieve his people, many of whom are more unfortunate than himself.

The known dead in this vicinity are 26. The list includes Mr. and Mrs. Goffin and three children; Julius and Mrs. Broutin and seven children; Mr. and Mrs. Reulien and eight children; Hans Jorgensen, Detroit, Minn., and wife; a little daughter of Kate Jassner, servant of Hon. Albert Beggs in Spooner school yard; Mathieu Bern, wife and five children; Alex. Watz, nephew of Judge Watts of Crookston, and Mark Varman.

Relief Measures.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 11.—(Special.)—Organization of relief measures for the assistance of fire sufferers on both sides of the boundary in the Rainy River district is being completed here under supervision of the municipal authorities. The first consignments which went out were arranged by individuals, but it is likely that from now on city officials will have charge of the work. Relief Officer Frank Kerr left to-night for the scene and took with him a large amount of food, clothing and necessary articles, which are to be distributed wherever needed. This is a measure of temporary assistance, and when the requirements of the situation are considered, complete arrangements will be made. His efforts are being seconded by associated charities, and citizens are co-operating freely. The Canadian Northern Railway in this district has relief goods free of charge and is also facilitating prompt despatch of supplies.

The T. Eaton Co. to-day sent a carload of provisions and clothing to the fire sufferers. The Ogilvie Milling Co. is sending a carload of flour.

Secretary Bell of the Rat Portage Lumber Co., has no doubt that the damage to their mills like that of Rainy River, but says if the loss is as complete as reported, it will amount to \$400,000.

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