

ST. JOHN-ALBERT GOV'T CANDIDATES

Hon. J. B. M. Baxter and Dr. Murray MacLaren last evening were nominated as the government candidates in the constituency of St. John-Albert at the convention of the Conservative party in the Seamen's Institute. The nomination of Mr. Baxter was unanimous while balloting took place on the names of Dr. MacLaren and F. L. Potts. Speeches of acceptance were made by both candidates. After the chairman had declared the meeting opened to nominations R. W. Wigmore, in a short speech, nominated Hon. J. B. M. Baxter. He also moved this nomination be made unanimous. On the motion being put Hon. Mr. Baxter was declared unanimously elected a candidate.

The name of Dr. Murray MacLaren was then placed in nomination by James G. Harrison, seconded by Miles E. Agar. Dr. S. C. Murray, of Albert county, also seconded this nomination.

L. P. D. Tilley was nominated by G. M. Gagey, but Mr. Tilley, for business reasons, declined to have his name go before the convention.

W. H. Martin, of Albert county, said that his county ought to have a candidate. The suitable man to run was Lewis Smith, M. P. P., but they wanted to keep him in the local house. He said that Albert delegates were satisfied with Hon. Mr. Baxter and Dr. MacLaren as candidates.

J. P. Clayton nominated F. L. Potts, seconded by David Hipwell, J. K. Paisley, at this stage, said that he had not intended to nominate anyone, but since Mr. Potts had been named he would nominate Lewis Smith, M. P. P. Mr. Smith refused to have his name go before the convention.

While the ballots were being counted Mr. Baxter was called to the platform and notified of his nomination. He made a speech of acceptance, thanking the delegates. At the conclusion of Mr. Baxter's speech the result of the balloting was announced as follows: total vote cast, 622; for MacLaren, 291; for Potts, 89; spoiled ballot, 1.

P. L. Potts in moving that the nomination be made unanimous, said that he would be glad to support Dr. MacLaren. He said that he would not have permitted his name to go before the convention only he thought that a Unionist-Liberal might be nominated and he was in favor of a straight party fight.

RAILWAYS KILL ONE PASSENGER IN MILLION

Few Fatalities on Steam Lines in Canada in 1919.

One passenger was killed on Canadian steam railways during the year 1919 to every 1,432,000 carried; and there was one injured to every 128,772 carried. There was a slight increase in the casualties over the previous year, the number being thirty-five killed and 372 injured, as against thirty-two and 322 respectively. During the year 1919 there were 169 employees killed and 1,904 injured in train accidents; from other accidents, thirty-five employees, one passenger and five others were killed, whilst 4,408 employees, twenty passengers and twenty-seven others were injured.

The figures are from "Railway Statistics for the year ended December 31, 1919," just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics from sworn figures furnished by the several railway companies. On the various electric railways only four passengers were killed out of the 749,332,380 carried; 1,177 were injured. There were twenty-nine employees and fifty-eight other persons killed, and 891 employees and 1,050 other persons injured.

KARL WAS RELUCTANT.

Ex-Empress Persuaded Him to Make Attempt.

(Special Cable to the N. Y. Times and Montreal Gazette.)

Berne, Oct. 24.—From a trustworthy source I learn that ex-Empress Charles did not wish to leave Switzerland, but that ex-Empress Zita insisted on his doing so, and was aided in her efforts by a high church dignitary.

When the ex-empress reached the Dübendorf air station she was dressed as a laundress, and the ex-emperor is reported to have said to her: "Now you wear the breeches literally and metaphorically."

The ex-emperor's eight children are still at Hertenstein Castle, near Lucerne, and in a letter left by him for the Swiss government he asks it to look after them.

Switzerland has been Charles' Elba and now the Swiss newspapers are remarking that the only safe place for him is some St. Helena, although there is nothing Napoleonic about this "weak-willed neurotic pervert." The Swiss press and public alike are indignant at the government's having put faith in a Hapsburg's word of honor. The Gazette de Lausanne asks:

What have the Hapsburgs done throughout the centuries of their rule except to pile a Pileon of perjuries upon an Ossa of prevarications? They swore not to annex Bosnia and Herzegovina; they swore not to be crowned kings of Bohemia—indeed what didn't they swear?

Latterly Charles has had four so-called private detectives round Hertenstein Castle whom he paid himself, the reason being that he stated his life had been threatened. But the detectives were really to prevent newspapermen from approaching Hertenstein. The Swiss government had only one private detective at Hertenstein, who on the morning of Karl's departure, was shopping in Lucerne.

WED NOT LOVING, SHE SAYS.

Wife Asserts She Married Soldier to Save Him From Disgrace.

White Plains, N. Y., Oct. 28.—Mrs. Birdie Flaherty of Mt. Vernon has brought suit in the Supreme Court at White Plains to annul her marriage to John L. Flaherty, because, she alleged, she married him on the eve of his departure for overseas with the Army of Occupation to save him from prosecution by the government for making a false statement.

The couple were married on Aug. 21, 1919, at Manhattan, L. I. Mrs. Flaherty in her complaint says she never loved her husband and that she married him to save him from disgrace in army circles. She says that on Aug. 21, 1919, Flaherty came from Jacksonville and told her that he had been ordered overseas. Mrs. Flaherty says he told her that when he was inducted into the army he falsely swore that he was married and that unless they were married right away he might get twenty years in a government prison for perjury. She says he told her if she would go through with the ceremony they need never live together, and she finally agreed.



NEW BOXING CLUB TO RIVAL GARDEN

Jim Coffroth and Billy Gibson Said to be Backers—Buckley Matchmaker.

(New York Times)

New York soon will have another important boxing club, a rival organization of Madison Square Garden. Jim Buckley, veteran handler of boxers and promoter of bouts, will be matchmaker and one of the managers of the new organization. It is reported that Jim Coffroth, San Francisco boxing promoter, will have an interest in the club. Billy Gibson, manager of Benny Leonard, world's lightweight champion, is said to be the third manager of the tri-umvirate which plans to operate in opposition to Tex Rickard in the promotion of important ring bouts.

The opening show of the new club is slated for Nov. 28. The date, however, is subject to change, although at present Buckley is confident the club will be able to conduct its initial show on "the Monday following Thanksgiving Day," as he expressed it. A championship match has been arranged, in which it is understood, Benny Leonard, lightweight titleholder, will seek to wrest the world's welterweight championship from Jack Britton, Chicago veteran. Efforts to obtain positive information on this bout were unsuccessful. Buckley would admit that two champions will be seen in action on the opening card, but refused to divulge the identity of the titleholders under consideration. It was learned from a reliable source, however, that the Leonard-Britton bout is under consideration as the opening attraction.

It is possible, also, that Buckley will seek to arrange a match in which Johny Wilson of Boston will defend his middleweight title. Wilson is now in this city, and was in conference with Buckley yesterday afternoon to discuss prospects of a match. Buckley plans to confer further with Marty Kilela, Wilson's manager. In order to conduct a bout in which Wilson is a participant, however, it will be necessary for the State Athletic Commission to declare the champion eligible to compete in this State. After the first Wilson-Bryan Downey battle in Cleveland, which resulted in both claiming the title, the attitude of the local governing officials was reflected in their announcement that Wilson and Downey would be compelled to engage in a bout elsewhere, and to a satisfactory decision, before either would be permitted to box in this State. To date this edict has not been rescinded.

The exact location of the new club is shrouded in deep, dark mystery. Buckley guards his plan in this direction with greater care even than the miser does his gold. The veteran Irish manager admits that a person of Eddie Mead's generous measurements could walk to the club from Times Square without becoming tired. And Mead weighs in the neighborhood of 300 pounds. But that is as much information as Buckley will impart as to the location of his new club.

It is generally believed, however, that the new organization will operate either

in a discarded armory, which it is said the State is ready to sell, or in the curb burns located at Sixth and Seventh Avenues and Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth Streets. Buckley denied emphatically that either rumor had any foundation in fact, but nevertheless the report persisted.

Buckley said that the club when opened will be capable of a capacity of 20,000, exceeding the present seating capacity of Madison Square Garden by about 8,000. Work on repairing the site under consideration will begin shortly, just as soon as possession of the building passes to Buckley and his associates. Buckley said that he has a corps of 300 mechanics and laborers ready to begin the work.

SHIPWRECKED CREW LANDED IN ST. JOHN

The officers and crew of the schooner Imprimus, which foundered in latitude 33°28' north and longitude 68°19' west several weeks ago, were in the city on Tuesday and Wednesday. The sailors were brought here on the R.M.S.

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men were carefully looked after during their short stay here, and they left on the train on Wednesday night for their various homes.

BIG CROWD AT FAIR.

The Protestant orphanage fair had another big crowd last night and it is estimated that more than 1,200 persons attended. A popular new feature last night was a fortune telling booth and so flourishing was the business done by the fortune teller that it was hoped that another gypsy may be secured and two tents erected by this evening. The sale of vegetables also is to be one of the most prominent features for the remaining days of the fair. Last night the Martello Band provided an excellent musical programme and all of the regular attractions were well patronized. The door prize, a ton of coal, was won by Harry Archer, holder of ticket 10-378. Other prize winners were as follows: Bean toss, H. Archer; ladies' bean toss, Mrs. J. Gerry; devil-among-the-tailors, S. Ruby; air gun, Frederick Campbell.

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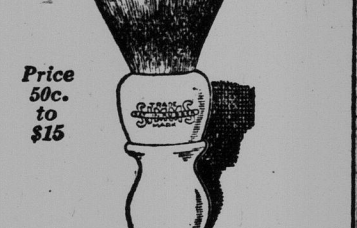
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