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SUNSHINE IS NEEDED TO RIPEN BIG CROPS

Heavy Two-day Downpour Did Great Deal of Good Thru-out the Province, and Farmers Are Rejoicing—Fruit Growers Pray For Warm Weather To Ripen the Strawberries, Which Are Expected Here in Small Shipments This Week.

The rain of Saturday, Saturday night and Sunday was more or less widespread throughout the province, and as far as could be gathered last night, did a good deal of good, altho most of the farmers, and especially the fruit growers, seem to be praying for what is very rare just now, and that is sunshine. The temperature, last evening was up to 70 and at sundown the indications were for hot weather, but later on the clouds indicated more rain. The probabilities are generally fair with stationary or a little lower temperature.

The effect of the rain has been to stimulate all field crops, but there are quite a number of places where the land has never yet dried out and where the seed is not in. Fall wheat was greatly improved by the rain and also oats and barley. The hay crop is coming on at a great rate and promises to be abundant and of a superior quality, especially of clover. Alfalfa, wherever it got a start, has sprung up and some of it will be cut immediately. The moving of hay may start within ten or twelve days from now in some places. Pasture conditions are exceptionally good and the dairy farms where they have a stock of cows are all making big shipments, either in the way of milk or butter or to the cheese factory.

Want More Sunshine.

The gardeners and the fruit men are especially anxious for more sunshine. The first strawberries were reported on Saturday and in many of the fields there is every indication of a good yield. Large sized green berries were to be seen on many vines yesterday

and more will come along after this rain, and sunshine ought to ripen them abundantly.

Strawberries Coming.

Reports from the strawberry belt state that the heavy downfall has done great good to the crop. Statements from Oakville and Winona last night go to show that to-morrow morning, or even this afternoon, several shipments will reach the local market. But the really large shipments will not take place until the beginning of next week, and then the prices will drop considerably.

Oakville Berries Soon.

"We have had plenty of rain," said W. S. Davis of Oakville last night. "We now depend on warm weather this week. If the sun shines brightly the green berries will come around to the ripe stage very quickly."

A jam factory was opened in Oakville two weeks ago by Glasgow and Jacob, who will receive all their supply of various kinds of fruit from this district, instead of the growers shipping to Winipeg as in the past.

A Political Revolution and the Man of the Hour

Theodore Roosevelt will be the next president of the United States; the indications are that he will be nominated by a convention which was packed against him. But he is stronger than national conventions and national committees. He is the choice of the people for president. He is bigger than his party, or both parties!

There is a situation in the United States, political, social and economic; it must be dealt with promptly and heroic surgery may be needed. Everyone recognizes the situation, but the only man who says he can and will cure it, is Theodore Roosevelt. Many of the conditions incident to the situation have been pointed out and remedies therefor suggested by Senator La Follette and others in the various states. It was Roosevelt who first grasped and enunciated the great truth that the situation was one of national ailment, must be passed upon by a nation-wide primary and someone chosen with plenary powers to deal with it. Later on Mr. Taft and other public men came to realize and to speak of the serious conditions which menaced the republic, but they could only counsel patience and express the hope that, in some way and at some time, a remedy might be found under the constitution.

Mr. Roosevelt says that he can deal with the situation, and that he will deal with it, by measures in the public interest, within or without the constitution. He seems to be the first man in the United States to grasp the idea that the people are above the constitution and that they could exist as a nation under a new fundamental law, or without any constitution committed to writing. At any rate, he proposes to bring about the great reforms universally demanded, leaving the constitution to be adjusted to the changed conditions, so that it will speak with the language of the twentieth century, rather than the language of the eighteenth century.

Here is a sick man with only one doctor who offers to cure him. The other doctors rather doubt if he can be cured at all, and will not guarantee to even relieve him, unless relief is found in a certain pill box marked "Constitution." No wonder the sick man and his friends are inclined to try the surgeon who will cut out the root of his trouble and give him a new lease of life.

Mr. Roosevelt will not refer himself or his policies to the courts. He will assume responsibility, subject always to the recall of the people. Is it strange that a great nation, fairly strangled by a rigid constitution nearly 150 years old and tightened by judicial interference and tyranny, should hail with enthusiasm the man who proposes to cut her bonds and make her free?

New Ontario Cloudbursts Create Terror and Havoc Rafts Used in North Bay

Freight Train Hurlled Over 25 Foot Embankment by Violence of Elements—Thunder Most Terrific in History of North—Houses Surrounded by Water.

NORTH BAY, June 16.—(Can. Press.)—The worst electrical storm in the history of Northern Ontario visited this section early Sunday morning, beginning about 2 o'clock and continuing, accompanied by cloudbursts, intermittently until five. Very little sleep was possible to anyone, as crashing thunder shook the houses like cards, one peal succeeding another so quickly as to suggest a bombardment of giant forces. The house of John Brennan was struck by lightning, which passed down the chimney and showered the occupants with plaster from the ceilings. Streets and cellars were flooded, and many gardens ruined. Mrs. Brousseau and her son, living in a small house on Harvey-street, were flooded out and were rescued by neighbors thru the windows at 5 o'clock in the morning. Haag's circus train passing north to Porcupine was caught in the storm and roars of frightened animals gave employees an anxious time.

The streets of North Bay in the west end presented a unique appearance with houses surrounded by water and people using hastily improvised rafts to navigate. Many people were thoroughly frightened and thought the end of the world had come, and no one could be found this morning to say that they had ever experienced anything similar before. In the country sections many barns were destroyed and much damage done to crops.

Fifteen miles from North Bay on the Timiskaming & Northern Ontario, a freight train was hurled down a 25-foot embankment by a cloudburst, the engine and nine cars being piled up in a promiscuous mass of wreckage, more dangerous to trappers by flying logs with which some of the cars were loaded. Engineer Newman was badly injured, having a broken shoulder, cut face and other injuries. He is now in North Bay hospital. Brakeman Fill and Fireman Sirons received minor injuries.

SHOULD PROTECT LEVEL CROSSING

E. W. Prent Complains of Danger in Letter to Board of Control and Railway Commission.

Complaining against the dangers of the Bay-street crossing and recommending that a footbridge be erected until the viaduct is built, E. W. Prent, 811 Huron-street, has written to the Dominion Railway Commission and the board of control asking that something be done to safeguard the public. The crossing, he claims, is poorly lighted at night, and added to this the rails are two or three inches above the level of the street, which makes it easy to trip. "The shunting and switching," he says, is going on almost continually in spite of the fact that more than 1000 people use the crossing every day. Mr. Prent calls attention to the fact that there was almost another bad accident there on Saturday night, injuries or deaths, he claims, are almost inevitable unless something is done to eliminate the danger.

STERLING BANK OPENS BRANCH ON YONGE-STREET.

The Sterling Bank of Canada will establish a branch in the premises until recently occupied by the Bank of Montreal in the Kent property, south-east corner of Yonge and Carlton-streets. The office will be open for business this morning.

TAFT GETS 235 AND COLONEL BUT 19

Dying Hours of Steam-Roller's Work Enlivened by Bitter Opposition to Texas Decisions, Col. Lyon Proving Doughty Warrior—Convention Starts To-morrow.

CHICAGO, June 16.—(Can. Press.)—Its closing hours attended by exhibitions of tense partisan and personal feeling among its members, the Republican national committee concluded to-night the hearing of the contests involving 254 seats in the national convention which is to assemble Tuesday. The sum of its work is: Roosevelt 19, Taft 235.

President Taft to-day received 62 delegates, Col. Roosevelt 5. All of Washington's 14 went to the president, against the protests of Senator Poinsett that the "country would judge the cause." Out of Texas he secured 26 of the contested 39, over the prostrate form of Col. Cecil A. Lyon, who declared "you may depose me now, but I will be back four years from now when many of you will not."

In Virginia, where the issue was drawn between negro voters and the regular state organization, the president received the entire contested delegation of 39. In the district of Columbia he won 2, Committeeman Sidney Biseby going to defeat with the Roosevelt delegation.

Want Clean-up in Texas.

The finish of the hearing of the contests was marked by incidents more strongly indicative of the division between the Taft and Roosevelt forces than any in the preceding days. Col. Lyon fought each of the Texas contest cases personally and was defeated in all but two of them.

In the end Col. Lyon was called upon to fight a resolution for an investigation and reorganization of the whole structure of the Republican party in Texas. Presented by Thomas L. Devine of Colorado, it proposed a sub-committee of three from the national committee to attempt a change in the Republican organization of the state that would destroy the system of county representation described by the Taft attorneys as a survival of the "rotten borough" methods of England. Committeeman Lyon declared he would fight such a proposal to the end.

"I have heard much recently of the '100 days' and the 'return from Elba,'" he said. "I give you fair warning that if you persist in the way you are going there will be a repetition of another historic incident, the commune."

The Washington cases, almost the last to engage the committee's attention before the conclusion of its ten days' work, were decided by a threatened personal combat between Francis J. Henry and Committeeman Kennedy of North Dakota, which was prevented only by the interference of their associates.

3-CENT FARE PAYS SURPLUS

CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 15.—Earnings under 3-cent fares for May by the Cleveland Railroad Company were the highest in its history. The report submitted to the directors on Saturday showed an actual surplus of \$32,000. The book surplus was \$34,000. A small deficit had been expected.

The highest previous earnings of the lines in a single month were an actual surplus of \$14,000, made in March. The book surplus that month was only \$23,000. In April there was an actual deficit of \$23,000, and a book deficit of \$28,000.

May earnings indicate that the 3-cent fare is assured for the rest of the year. The interest fund now stands at \$440,000.

TRAIN WRECK IN SWEDEN KILLS TWENTY.

LINKÖPING, Sweden, June 16.—Eighteen persons were killed and six injured in a collision which occurred last night between a mail train proceeding to Stockholm and a freight train at Malmalast Station. Among the victims was a daughter of the late Auguste Strindberg, the novelist. The first sleeping car of the express was completely wrecked and two others were badly damaged.

Two of the injured died to-night, bringing the total up to twenty.

WOMAN WAS DEAD R. F. THOMAS HUSBAND DRUNK DIED, AGED 80

Mrs. Florence Hardy's Body Found in Filthy Premises on Teraulay Street Saturday Night.

In bed in a filthy room at 48 1-2 Teraulay-street, with her husband and another man stretched on the floor in a drunken stupor, Mrs. Florence Hardy was found dead at a late hour on Saturday evening. The police, who found the body, first heard of the woman's death when an unknown man called up No. 1 station and stated that the woman was lying dead at the house and that her husband was drunk. Two officers were at once despatched to the scene, and the body was removed to the morgue. The officers state that the house inside was in a terrible condition from accumulated dirt and rubbish, and that the occupants were drunk. The woman's death is attributed to heart failure, and an inquest will likely be held.

More Than \$20,000 Pledged For Support of Missions

One Member of Christian and Missionary Alliance Put Diamond Pin on Plate—Two Pledges for \$5,000 Each—Word of Missionaries' Death.

The largest sum that has been raised in a single day since their first convention held here was contributed yesterday by the Christian and Missionary Alliance, at the concluding day of their annual convention, held at the Toronto Bible Training School. Following a people at the afternoon and evening sessions, the sum of \$29,100 was pledged to be devoted to the support of missionaries in the foreign field.

The addresses of the speakers had such an appeal on the audience that when the collector for the missionary work was taken up one of the members placed with it a diamond pin, which he had been wearing, with the request that it be sold and the proceeds devoted toward the carrying on of the foreign missions.

MISS TILLEY PASSED AWAY

Daughter of Late Sir Leonard Tilley Was Well Known on Account of Charitable Work.

The death of an old and respected resident of the city occurred at St. John's Hospital yesterday afternoon when Miss Julia Tilley, daughter of the late Sir Leonard Tilley, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, and finance minister under Sir John A. Macdonald, passed away after a short illness from heart trouble. Miss Tilley had been a resident of Toronto for the past 25 years, coming here shortly after her father's death in 1887. She was 69 years of age, and resided at 54 Boswell-avenue.

HARD FIGHT FOR NEGRO DELEGATES

Sixty-six Men Who Hold Balance of Power Urged to Desert the President.

CHICAGO, June 16.—(Special to New York Sun.)—The fight to force the Taft negro delegates from the south—the black sixty-six who claim to hold the balance of power in the convention—to break their pledges and vote for Roosevelt, is getting hotter every hour. Roosevelt is being proscribed as the race creed by some of the ablest negroes in the country and the enthusiasm has reached a pitch of almost religious fervor.

Last night at the Pekin, the negro theatre, on South State-st., more than 1000 negroes, among them some of the delegates, roared and shouted their approval as the Rev. R. C. Ransom, the colored preacher from New York, and a power among his people, told them that the delegates were freed from their pledges since President Taft

REMARKABLE GROWTH OF CARPENTERS' UNION

Reports Presented at Hamilton Conference on Saturday Showed Increases of From 30 to 100 Per Cent.—Wm. Laurot Goes to Washington.

HAMILTON, June 16.—(Special.)—The Ontario Conference of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, was in session in Labor Hall, here, all day Saturday. The most delegates present was the appointment of a delegate at large to attend the general convention of International Carpenters and Joiners, which is to be held in Washington, D.C. The representative nominated was Wm. Laurot of Niagara Falls, the president of the Ontario Conference. The alternative delegate appointed was C. H. Wood. It was also decided to hold the next semi-annual convention in London on the Saturday before Thanksgiving.

Two amendments to the constitution were proposed, one being to establish a superannuation fund in connection with the convention, and the other being to give any local power to charge

CELLULOID NOVELTIES, PHOTOGRAPHIC AND KODAK SUPPLIES ARE CHIEFLY AFFECTED—HELPS COMPETITION.

OTTAWA, June 16.—(Special.)—The tariff reductions on certain materials used in Canadian manufactures as announced on Saturday by the government, are based entirely upon statistical information secured by the officials of the customs board, following representations made by a number of manufacturing companies. In fact the manufacturers have on different occasions during the past few years asked that these duties be removed. The reductions announced by the governments are not, however, of such a sweeping nature as a hasty glance of the list would at first indicate.

Every article can be used solely as manufacturing material and chiefly in