

WORKERS MEMORIALIZED

Telegraph's So-Called Convert Always Dyed-in-the-Wool Grit of Pugsley Stripe.

Appointment of Organizer McEwen Not Favorably Received by Rank and File.

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 2.—No small amount of amusement has been caused by the despatch sent from here to the St. John Telegraph publicizing the droegers' organ and followed by an editorial in which the principal topic is the fact that "William Jaffrey, of St. Mary's, a life-long Conservative had attended the meeting of Liberals at Windsor Hall and declared himself a Liberal."

As a matter of fact this man Jaffrey has never been looked upon as anything but a Liberal, not perhaps a Liberal of the old line, but one of the supporters of the criminally reckless administration of William Pugsley and C. W. Robinson.

In fact at the last provincial general election, this same Jaffrey spent his time engaged in hauling to the polls electors who would vote against the present Government and openly canvassed voters to cast their ballots against the McLeod, Pinder, Robinson and Young ticket.

This same Jaffrey during the past summer made assertions to the effect that his official position in connection with the roads of St. Mary's would be used to injure the Hazon Government and the present highway act. In that connection Jaffrey refused to do needed work on the roads of St. Mary's village when funds for the work were available and the people of the village gave open and public demonstrations against the obnoxious official, who had to be displaced.

Jaffrey has always been regarded as a Liberal of the Pugsley-Robinson stripe, and is a man without influence in the community in which he lives.

Unfavorably received by the appointment of George McEwen as organizer for the Liberals in York county has been unfavorably received by the rank and file of the party.

McEwen was Nelson W. Brown's chief adviser and campaign manager when that candidate of the Liberals was snuffed under in York county by a record majority for Oswald Crockett, M. P., in the general election of 1908. McEwen has been given the job while waiting for a vacancy to happen in the custom house staff here, for which he has long been angling.

The recently published story that Ald. W. S. Hooper has declined to act as secretary of the Liberal executive in York county is correct in every detail. Ald. Hooper acknowledged that the story was correct before it was ever published and in commenting on his reasons for quitting the job he said, "I never got anything out of it."

The reading public can draw their own conclusions from Mr. Hooper's expression. The situation in the Liberal party in York county is hopeless, and no better evidence could be secured than the fact that the names of such men as E. Hanson and R. W. McLellan appear among those of the central committee for this county.

They have already called two meetings of the Liberal party and in each instance the respectable element of the party has declined to attend.

No party of this province was ever in such a state of demoralization as the Liberals in York county.

TWO ROBBERIES IN VANCOUVER

Masked Men Rifle Bakery At Point of Revolver—Chinese Cook Detects Dan McDowell In House Theft.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 2.—Nine o'clock Saturday evening, when the streets were crowded with New Year's Eve throngs, two masked men pulled off a daring robbery at the Crown Bakery, 733 Keefer street, owned by Wilson and Sugden. In spite of the knowledge that at any moment, someone might enter the store to disturb them at their game, they walked into the place heavily masked and, while one stood guard at the door, the other covered the proprietors and clerks, and went through the cash register, carrying off \$125 in bills and silver.

Sting Lee, an observant Chinese cook, working for Mrs. J. Y. Griffin, 1520 Harwood street, and formerly a well known resident of Winnipeg, was the cause of the arrest in Seattle early Sunday of Dan McDowell and his wife, the former of whom is charged with robbery of Mrs. Griffin's residence Saturday night, and is suspected of more than one other job of the same kind pulled off in this city lately.

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HURRYING RECIPROCITY FOR POLITICAL REASONS



UNCLE SAM—"If you get me reciprocity with Canada, you will be famous in American history."

MONTREAL MAN SUICIDE IN UTAH

Frozen Body Of Allan MacGregor Found In Pit Near Salt Lake City—Left Young Wife In Australia.

Salt Lake, Utah, Jan. 2.—A frozen body found yesterday in a gravel pit north of the city, proved today to be that of Allan MacGregor, an advertising manager and piano salesman. From letters he left, it is inferred that he poisoned himself and then retired to the pit to die.

MacGregor came from Montreal, Canada, but had lived in many parts of the world. His later life was unclouded by a separation from his young wife in Australia. A sealed letter was found addressed to Horace Davis, advertising manager of the Montreal Standard. Davis is to receive all his property for a purpose, MacGregor said, that Davis would know.

FRENCH CANADIAN OFFICER IN COMMAND

Col. Roy, First Of French Extraction To Command Militia Of Quebec—Receives Official Notice.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—The first French Canadian who has had the distinction of acting as commanding officer to the militia forces in Quebec was appointed today. Col. Roy is the chosen officer and he has received official notification of the appointment.

In his round of the various armories today on the annual New Year's visit, Col. Roy was enthusiastically received by the officers and men of the English speaking regiments.

MARGARET ANGLIN APPEARS IN PLAY

Talented Canadian Actress Cordially Received In First Performance Of "Green Stockings."

New Britain, Conn., Jan. 2.—Margaret Anglin, the actress, who has but recently recovered from a severe illness, made her appearance here tonight in Green Stockings, a comedy by A. E. W. Mason and George Fleming, which was given its premiere.

Miss Anglin showed no signs of her illness, and was cordially received.

Haste Displayed by Government in Conclusion of Negotiations Attributed to Effect on Quebec

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—As a result of the announcement here, after the conference between Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. Mr. Fielding and Hon. Mr. Paterson, regarding the attitude the Canadian representative should adopt at Washington on Saturday that is the despatch of the Canadian government's terms for reciprocity negotiations to as early a termination as possible, the line is now sharply drawn between those who desire reciprocity and those who do not.

The Canadian government hopes that Mr. Fielding will be able to announce the conclusion of the negotiations when he makes his budget speech late in February or early in March, and it is proposed that the Washington negotiations should proceed without a break until a basis of agreement has been arrived at.

This haste has aroused much comment here. It is stated that there is unquestionably little if any desire in Canada for conclusion of arrangement with United States and in any event it is felt on all sides that it would be strangely out of place for Canada to embark upon negotiations with the United States prior to the assembly of the new congress, that the right course clearly is to wait until the disposition of the body towards tariff questions is made evident.

Under the circumstances it is odd to see Canada making haste to begin negotiations.

It has been conjectured that there are political reasons for this course. The recent course of events in Quebec has led the government to depend for its strength rather its existence upon Quebec, to seek to pacify the anti-imperial spirit shown there by every means. Development of the proposed navy by necessary administrative measures is being held back and it now looks as if the object of the government is to go to the next Imperial Conference prepared to refuse every proposal which will make for Imperial unity or solidarity, to refuse not on the merits of a proposal but for the sake of refusal.

It is apprehended by the government that some of the governments of the other dominions will move for an extension of the system of preferences.

If Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues could refuse to consider any such proposal on the ground that Canada is immersed in reciprocity negotiations it would upset the proposal and enable the premier to pass a bill of Imperialist schemes. It is difficult otherwise to account for the present move on the eve of the disappearance of the old American congress, and the very few months remaining before summoning of the new Imperial conference.

Lodge For Reciprocity. Boston, Mass., Jan. 2.—Believing that reciprocity should be sustained, Henry M. Whitney, who five years ago, nearly carried the state for lieutenant-governor on the democratic ticket, and two years later was his party's standard bearer for the governorship, both in 1898 and 1900, has received from the Massachusetts State Senate a resolution in support of United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge.

Mr. Whitney in his statement says in part: "The recent action of President Taft I look upon as more favorable to the cause of Canadian reciprocity than anything that has been done in forty years. We should render him all possible support in his laudable efforts. I am convinced that Senator Lodge is conscious of the advantage to Massachusetts of freer trade with Canada, through reciprocity, and that he now knows the sentiment of the Commonwealth towards this policy and will do all that he can in its support. Because I want this cause to succeed, I want Mr. Lodge in the senate to present Continued on Page 2.

C.N.R. TO BUILD HUDSON BAY R.R.

Storm Of Protest From Farmers Of The West Expected To Follow Proposed Arrangement.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Sir William Mackenzie and Sir Donald Mann had a conference with Hon. G. P. Graham, minister of railways today, and as a result Mr. Graham will submit to parliament. It is understood, a proposal that the Canadian Northern Railway undertake the construction of the Hudson Bay Railway.

It is expected that this will provoke a storm of disapproval from the west, whose farmers desire construction, ownership and operation by the Government.

FATAL ENDING TO POLITICAL ARGUMENT

Son Of One Of Participants In Heated Discussion Alleged To Have Used Bottle On Opponent's Head.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—A political discussion between Zephirin Primeau, a farmer of St. Martin and Cyril Vail, on Saturday night, ended fatally. Vail's son Arthur took his father's part and it is alleged struck Primeau on the head with a bottle and fractured his skull.

The disturbance took place outside the Vinet Hotel, St. Martin. Primeau was taken home in an unconscious condition and died without recovering.

Three witnesses were heard at the inquest today but no sufficient evidence to detain young Vail in custody. Further developments are anticipated when the adjourned inquest takes place next Tuesday.

REV. CANON BROCK DIES AT KENTVILLE

Native Of England And Former College President Had Long And Active Career—Retired Eight Years Ago.

Halifax, Jan. 2.—The death occurred at Kentville yesterday, of Rev. Canon Isaac Brock, who succumbed to a sudden attack of la grippe. Dr. Brock was born in England in 1828. He graduated from Oxford. In 1868 Dr. Brock came to Canada as principal of Huron Theological college, London, and later he was assistant rector of St. Peter's church, Sherbrooke. In 1883 he moved to Nova Scotia and was made president of Kings college, Windsor, which position he filled until he came to Kentville as rector of St. James' church. Eight years ago he retired from active duties.

CIVIL SERVICE RATING. Ottawa, Jan. 2.—The secretary of state will at the present session of parliament introduce a bill placing all employees of the printing bureau in the outside service on the same footing as letter carriers.

CELEBRATION OF NEW YEAR'S DAY

CANADIANS IN HONOR LIST

Chief Justice Townshend, Of Nova Scotia, Messrs. Mackenzie, Mann, And Thomas Tait Among Knights.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—A Canadian Associated Press cable from London, says in the list of New Year's honors issued today several Canadians are included. Hon. A. B. Aylesworth is made a knight commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. The following knights bachelor are named: Chief Justice Townshend of Nova Scotia bench; Wm. Mackenzie and Donald D. Mann, president and vice-president respectively of the Canadian Northern Railway; George C. Gibbons, K. C., of London, Ont., and Thomas Tait, formerly chairman of the railway commission, of Victoria, N. S. W.

Lord Balfour of Burleigh, who visited Canada recently as chairman of the royal commission, having in view better trade relations between Canada and the West Indies, is made K. C. M. G. Lord Balfour, who took part in the North Atlantic fisheries case before The Hague tribunal secures a similar honor.

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Weather Did Not Dampen Enjoyment of Holiday Crowds—Sunday School Rallies.

In spite of the dismal weather, St. John was in festive mood yesterday, and royally observed all the ceremonies associated with the public welcome to the New Year. All the institutions kept open house, the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Sunday schools held grand rallies, and many of the fraternal and other organizations receptions and concerts in honor of the day.

Uniformed firemen and members of the Salvage Corps drove through the streets, tooting horns and singing cheery songs on their way to pay their New Year calls at the different stations. The Y. M. C. A., the Oddfellows, Elks, and other associations held public receptions, the Master Painters were at home to their friends, and His Worship the Mayor had a busy day conveying civic greetings to many institutions.

As the weather was not favorable to outdoor sports, the Opera House was crowded at both performances, and the moving picture shows were well patronized.

Only one accident occurred to mar the pleasure of the day, a young boy named Keefe being shot—though not fatally—by a companion while playing with a rifle in the North end.

Firemen's Visits. With the firemen the day was most pleasantly spent. In each station there was a committee of firemen and Salvage Corps members who looked after the guests. About two o'clock in the afternoon there was a buckboard in front of each station and these were loaded with gifts of all capacity with members of the companies, and despite the wet weather there was a call at every one of them.

At No. 2 Salvage Corps and Fire Police, an orchestra provided a good programme of selections for the afternoon and evening. This is a new organization, known as the Horder-Wallace orchestra, and it will be heard more of in the future. It is composed of a number of the leading musicians of the city, and judging from their performance yesterday, will be a most popular one.

Presbyterian Rally. The New Year's rally of the Presbyterians and Congregational Sabbath schools of St. John and Fairville, held in St. David's church, yesterday morning was well attended and proceedings were of an impressive character. Eight Presbyterian and one Congregational Sabbath school were represented at the gathering. The ministers occupied seats on the platform with the superintendents of the Sabbath schools ranged in front. A large choir composed of Sunday school pupils from each church, and the regular St. David's church choir took part in the service of song. Miss E. Cochrane presided at the organ, and Prof. Goodie, Miss P. Livingston and W. B. Search assisted with violins. The church was decorated for the occasion. Rev. Gordon Dickie acted as chairman.

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MURPHY SENDS EXPERTS TO COPY UNCLE SAM

Officials Of Printing Department Given Trip To Washington To Acquire Pointers On Conducting Business.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Superintendent Boardman, Chief Foreman Draper, Supt. of Bindery Allen, and Ledger Expert McCarthy, of the Government Printing Bureau, left tonight for a three weeks' tour of the big American cities to inspect all the larger printing establishments.

The object of Hon. Chas. Murphy, who has despatched the officials on the trip, is to secure pointers to put in effect the improvements recommended by the commission which recently investigated and reported upon conditions at the bureau.

The party goes direct from Ottawa to Washington where the United States Government Printing Bureau will be inspected.

On learning that Firm had left London, General Simon, the Haitian president, issued a circular addressed to the commanders of the army and to public officials branding the general as a traitor to his duties and to his friends and ordering that he be prevented from landing on Haitian soil.

NEW YEAR'S LEVEE. Ottawa, Jan. 2.—The annual New Year's levee was held at the office of the Governor General, Parliament Hill, and hundreds of citizens attended as well as members of the government, judges, military, etc. The Governor General also called on the G.G.F.G. at the officers' mess, where the usual receptions were held.

PROSECUTION FAIL IN SOME POINTS

Charge Against "Countess" D'Auby Withdrawn While Fraud In Selling Antiope Picture Was Not Proven.

Tours, France, Jan. 2.—The public prosecutor in summing up his argument today at the trial of "Countess" D'Auby de Gatiery, who is charged by the Duchess of Choiseul-Praslin, formerly Mrs. Charles Hamilton Paine of Boston, with swindling her out of \$200,000 through the sale of spurious pictures, admitted that the charge in connection with the picture "Antiope" which the Paines bought for \$15,000 had not been proven, but he insisted that the accusations in connection with the Count and the Mignard had been well established.

He asked for the conviction, therefore, of D'Auby de Gatiery, whom he considered a "high flying" idler and adventurer who lived luxuriously by throwing powder into the eyes of his victims.

The prosecutor also laid stress on attempted fraud in connection with a pretended contract between D'Auby and Mr. Paine, and read threatening letters alleged to have been written by D'Auby to Mrs. Paine after the rupture. He abandoned the case, however, against "Countess" D'Auby. The case went over until tomorrow.

NO PRIVATE ENTREE AT N.S. GOVERNOR'S LEVEE

Halifax, Jan. 2.—Governor MacGregor held his first New Year's levee today and though there was a down-pour of rain the attendance of callers was unusually large.

The private entree which prevailed for many years at Government House and which was abolished by Governor Fraser, was not re-established by Governor MacGregor. It was not seriously believed that he would re-establish it. Alcoholic liquors were banished from the levee.

CUSTOMS REVENUE BIG IN NEWFOUNDLAND

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 2.—Despite one of the poorest seasons in the fisheries, one of this colony's chief assets, the customs revenue for the half year just ended shows an excess of \$90,000 over the same period last year.

The gain is due to the development of the pulpwood, railway and mining industries.

ONTARIO MAYORS. Toronto, Jan. 2.—Ontario mayors elected today include: Belleville, H. Ackerman; Kingston, C. J. Graham; St. Catharines, J. M. McBride; Toronto, G. R. Geary; Ottawa, Mayor Howell re-elected by 50 majority.