

PREMIER PROMISES CANADA FREER TRADE

Declares Bright and Cobden are His Models—Speaks Words of Encouragement and Inspiration to New Settlers

(Special to the Times.) Moose Jaw, Sask., Aug. 6.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier spent another busy day here yesterday. In the morning, he again viewed the ripening grain...

Over 4,000 people crowded the large tank in the afternoon, where a public meeting was held. Wm. Grayson presided and over the entrance to the building was written "Greeting."

Mr. Macdonald, discussing the tariff, read the Ottawa Journal's declaration that the Conservative party stood by protection and would fight it out on that line.

CONTRACT WORK VS. DAY LABOR

ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE IS BELOW OTHER TENDERS

City Council Decides Excavating of Yates Street Will Be Done by Civic Staff

It was decided at Friday night's meeting of the streets committee of the city council that the work of excavating Yates street, between Douglas and Blanchard, should be done by day labor under the direction of the city engineer.

Mr. Stedham had been allowed \$127 per yard on the Wharf street pavement, and even at the latter figure had barely made ends meet.

Ald. Fullerton moved that the letter be accepted and filed.

Ald. Bannerman, chairman of the committee, explained that the council had asked himself and Mr. Northcott, the assessor, to examine the tenders for the work and do what was best in the interests of the city.

ments and other manufactured goods, from which the farmers had a just grievance, and the maintenance of the British preference.

Mr. Macdonald's reference to relief from taxation on agricultural implements was greeted with prolonged cheers by his models.

Herbert Snell, president of the Liberal Association, read an address of welcome. Having expressed his appreciation of the Premier's interest in the growth of the west and took occasion to greet the new settlers in the district.

"We want you to aid us in making our country a great nation within the empire," was his appeal.

Mr. Pardee followed with a short, vigorous address.

Then came Hon. George P. Graham, who closed the meeting with a discussion of the transportation problem.

Mr. Smith, the engineer, explained that his estimate was based on the cost of the work would not exceed the exact amount specified in his estimate.

Ald. Bannerman explained that the engineer's estimate of the cost of the work was \$6,923 and the next lowest figure that of Mr. Stedham, \$8,824.

Ald. Fullerton was prepared to accept the estimate of the city engineer without question.

Ald. Sargison said there was no want of confidence in the engineer.

Ald. Fullerton believed that there was no man in the city who could get better work from a gang of men than those of the city engineer.

Ald. McKewen expressed surprise that if Mr. Stedham's contract had been so badly executed it had been taken over by the city.

It was finally decided to allow the engineer to do the work and the recommendation of the chairman of the committee and Mr. Northcott to this end was adopted.



MR. SOCKEYE HAS ARRIVED

IS ENGINEER'S HEAD TO FALL

QUESTION BEING ASKED IN CITY HALL CIRCLES

Mayor Morley Conveys Intimation to Angus Smith—Letter Only in Office Short Time

(From Saturday's Daily.)

A report is current in city hall circles that the city engineer, Angus Smith, who assumed his position on April 5th last may shortly vacate that position.

The Times this morning ascertained the following facts respecting this situation: Some few days ago Mayor Morley asked the city solicitor to look into the matter of the validity of the appointment of Mr. Smith to the position of city engineer.

At the conclusion of last evening's meeting of the streets committee of the city council, Mayor Morley asked the city engineer, Angus Smith, to give him a list of the work done by him during the past few days.



CITY ENGINEER SMITH.

The aldermen present to remain, as he wished to communicate something to them privately. The reporters and the assistant city clerk were asked to retire and did so.

The Morning Leader says there appears no sort of doubt now what it is Canadian farmers want, the murder is out. These Canadians are the rank-and-file Cobdenites.

It has been ascertained that the mayor told Mr. Smith that the various civic works in progress were in worse shape than ever before, and that his worship suggested that it might be desirable for the engineer to consider the expediency of surrendering his position, accepting from the city a year's salary as remuneration.

CONCESSION BY KING ALFONSO

NO INTERFERENCE WITH CATHOLIC WORSHIP

General Weyler Has Large Forces in Readiness to Quickly Suppress Any Disorder

(Times Leased Wire.)

Madrid, Aug. 6.—The effect of King Alfonso's consultations with his English relatives is shown here-to-day in the first concessions that the government has extended to the clericals since the controversy between the clericals and the Vatican began.

The ministry has promised that no interference with Catholic worship to-morrow will be attempted. Other concessions are promised provided no demonstration be made against the monarchy.

Fear is expressed here by leading supporters of the cabinet and King that the anti-clericals will join in an uprising if the government recedes from its plan of curtailing the power of the church.

Taking Precautions. San Sebastian, Aug. 6.—Unwilling to rely upon the promise of the clericals that no demonstration against the government will take place here to-morrow, General Weyler ordered the first royal reserves in the Biscayan district to be ready for emergency duty at San Sebastian.

Reinforcements ordered into active service yesterday arrived here to-day. The commanding officer is detailing his troops in the principal towns of the Basque provinces with orders sternly to repress any incipient riots.

Thousands of visitors are in San Sebastian, despite the mayor's edict that all persons from the country side shall leave the city or run the risk of arrest should disorders occur to-morrow.

Investigation Stopped. (Special to the Times.) Montreal, Aug. 6.—The Millette charges against Emancipation lodge were followed up to-day and attracted a large crowd.

RAILWAY FIREMEN SEEK HIGHER WAGES

Men on Eastern Division of Canadian Pacific Are Negotiating With Company

Montreal, Aug. 6.—The firemen of the eastern division of the Canadian Pacific railway are now negotiating with the company for a higher scale of wages. It is stated that negotiations are, as they always have been, of a friendly nature and that until the new scale of wages has been agreed upon no statement of negotiations will be given out.

FOREST FIRES ARE SPREADING

SERIOUS LOSSES IN MONTANA AND IDAHO

Over 2,000 Men Fighting Flames Within Radius of 100 Miles From Spokane

(Times Leased Wire.)

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 6.—More than 2,000 men are fighting forest fires to-day, all of which are doing damage within a radius of 100 miles from Spokane.

Fires in the vicinity of Murray, Idaho, have swept all of the timber from an area four miles in width and ten miles in length, together with buildings, fences and appliances belonging to mining companies.

The upper buildings and old boarding house of the Farragon Mining Company have been destroyed by the same fire, which passed over the ridge that divides Bear Creek canyon from Pagosa gulch.

The fire is now burning within eight miles of Murray.

A fire at Kookkia, about 75 miles from the Montana-Idaho line, is doing great damage. Last night the fire could be seen for miles, and the surrounding country was as light as day.

The forest fire on Pine creek, near Warden, Idaho, has gained momentum for the last three days and now has a front of about 10 miles, extending from the west and south forks to a point east of the Nabobs.

Almost numberless smaller fires are reported throughout Montana and Idaho.

U. S. POSTAL DEFICIT. Washington, D. C., Aug. 6.—In consequence of the policy of retrenchment pursued by the postoffice department, the auditors report for the year ending June 30th shows a reduction in the deficit of over \$10,000,000.

Melbourne, Aug. 6.—Grave allegations involving government officials have been made in connection with the operation of a syndicate which assisted in the Victorian government's land purchases in Colona irrigation district.

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SIR WILFRID LAURIER IN RAILWAY WRECK

Special Train Collides With Freight—Premier and Members of His Party Escape With Few Minor Bruises.

(Special to the Times.)

Moosejaw, Aug. 6.—The Laurier special carrying the prime minister and his associates was wrecked between Belle Plains and Pense last night by colliding with freight No. 71.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his party escaped injury, save for a few minor bruises not worth mentioning.

The engineers all had sufficient time to jump before the impact, and the only man requiring medical attention is Conductor Ed. Cook, who has several broken ribs, besides other bruises.

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The car containing newspaper reporters was at the rear of the special baggage car. No injury whatever is reported from this party more than trifling bruises, from having been thrown about among the typewriters and furniture.

The stationer cars containing the Laurier party report nothing more serious than a severe jolt.

As soon as the wreck occurred Sir Wilfrid went forward personally to inquire as to injuries and damage.

The wreck train from Moosejaw carried the special General Superintendent Soule, who personally looked after the train. The cars were run back to Moosejaw, where the ambulance awaited Conductor Cook and took him home.

General Weyler has large forces in readiness to quickly suppress any disorder.

Canadian Pacific Making Additions to Yards at Calgary—New Wings for Station.

Calgary, Aug. 6.—The Canadian Pacific railway is making extensive additions and improvements in yardage facilities in Calgary.

An eighteen stall round house is being erected for freight and switching engines in the freight yard.

The improvements also include a mechanical coal-handling plant, making the yardage facilities at Calgary the most complete west of Winnipeg.

New Masonic Lodge. New Westminster, Aug. 4.—Lewis Lodge No. 37, A. F. & M. M., which was formed on May 24th, 1909, but which has up to the present been running under a special dispensation, having never been duly constituted, will be officially instituted and its officers installed on Monday evening of the coming week.

Apache Lynched in Paris. Hanged by Mob After He Had Shot Man in Street.

Paris, Aug. 6.—The authorities will to-day apprehend the members of a mob which lynched an Apache last night, striding him up to a tree.

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PREMIER'S SETT

Sir Wilfrid Urges Life of New

(Special to the Times.)

Moose Jaw, Sask., Aug. 4.—travelling, punctuated by where the Premier speaks formally from the rear of people of the west are getting the personality and conviction of Laurier.

Expressing his appreciation of civic entertainment at West the mayor is president of a native association, and, by coincidence, every member of the association is a member of the Laurier club.

The Premier availed himself of the opportunity to congratulate upon the fact of the district just made the character of a political faith. It was for the community the matters were not conducted in a high standard of munificence. It was obtained where party oblation and citizens secure the services of the able conductors of their city.

Speaking particularly of states settlers, Hon. G. P. Graham drew a series of happy pictures of the character of the British and American in one respect," he said, "the of Canada is better than Old Country. It may system of applying men is still faulty, but what the constitution of the Old people can be born into it. A man may be born into it, Lords although he may be for the position. In the some of the men who carry of the House of Lords, the way in and had never before. That was no spectacle. I am a good but I do not believe in made legislators be taken into a House of Lords, cheering.)

To the United States a low grade Sir Wilfrid at home and in civic, provincial affairs. "Identify with one of the present, adding with a smile: "If that you should become the wrong party than of all."

He was impressed with opportunities confronting Canadians. "You're in the all patriot, but you're in the nations between the land, and the land of your a can do much to weld the

Take Steps to Preserve Spanish Author Massing Reinforcements Sent to San Sebastian—Clashes with Unionists

(Times Leased Wire.)

San Sebastian, Spain, being a great demon of the revolutionists Sunday, the government reinforcements to San incoming troops are so content, and a revolt agitated by news from province officials that troops and revolutionists red. The fact that closely censured lead the conflicts are more the dispatches later, been employing a contingent of the adoption of service to the French dispatches may be for

It is believed here that the troops are financing tion planned for Sunday by employing auto and wagons to bring sons from the count San Sebastian.

The military government proclamation forbidding but those of regular lags in the churches outsiders from entering latter precaution was reports that Biscayan ing their parishioners to enter San Sebastian.

The reports indicate in Biscayana, Cupe to have seized trains