

The Weekly Times

Victoria, Friday, May 18, 1894.

THE GENERAL VIEW.

The Montreal Star, which is anxious to see a combination of protection and tariff reform effected, has pretty well lost faith in Mr. Foster's methods. In a recent issue it says: "Observers are almost compelled to believe that Mr. Foster has perceptibly lost faith, to whatever degree he held it, in the reality of the demand for tariff reform. When he came to parliament, fresh from interviews with the people, he proposed a tariff which showed plainly enough that he realized the demand of recognizing this feeling of the country. He wanted to cut down the tariff. He wanted, to some extent, to meet the wishes of the people—the every-day, tax-paying, ballot-marking people who do not send deputations to Ottawa. He did not succeed very well, but he did enough to prove the presence of the impulse. Now, if we are to judge by the amendments he is making, he has forgotten the existence of the people. Whether these changes be good, bad or indifferent, they are not of a kind that the populace is clamoring for. They are born of trade deputations; and they have the nursery pretty much to themselves. Yet the people are as surely in the country and as steadfastly set in their determination to have tariff reform as they were before Mr. Foster permitted the deputations and politicians to crowd about him and shut off his view. A list of amendments lowering a batch of duties, by way of change, would bring to the minister's ears a shout that would once more convince him that beyond the lobbies of parliament lies a populated country." The Star is in this but echoing in a mild way the general policy of the country.

ELECTION INTERLUDES.

As time goes on the evidence increases that the Davie government will get no supporters from the lower Mainland. In the district of New Westminster outside the cities the fight made on behalf of the government is merely nominal, and great difficulty has been found in obtaining candidates willing to be sacrificed. Mr. Hendry has declined to run in Richmond, though the World the other day proclaimed him as the probable candidate, with the usual flourish of trumpets. Premier Davie has for some unexplained reason forced Dr. Lefevre on the people of Dewdney as the government candidate, much to the disgust of the government's few supporters there. From private letters written by government sympathizers there it seems doubtful whether the doctor will save his deposit in a contest with Mr. Sword. The Chilliwack and Delta divisions are almost equally certain to return opposition members. In New Westminster and Vancouver cities there is not a shadow of a chance of government supporters being elected, though ex-Mayor Curtis in the one and Mayor Anderson in the other are trying to improve their positions by posing as "independent" supporters, the "straight" article being too obvious even to mention. There will be eight opposition members from the lower Mainland in the next house, and Yale, Kootenay, Lillooet and Cariboo will materially increase the number. The chances are that the island districts would do almost as well if the widespread dislike for Dayleism were given a good opportunity of expressing itself. Unfortunately there is danger of this being found wanting because outside of Victoria and Nanaimo there is not an attempt made to organize and consolidate the opposition vote. In more than one of the districts so far totally neglected in this way there would be found an opposition majority if the trouble were taken to organize and place candidates in the field.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Ontario elections have been fixed for June 26, so the province will have the pleasure of five weeks' exceptionally long campaigning. There is a great uncertainty as to the issue, most of the confidence appearing to remain on the side of the Patrons. But we trust that the Mowat government will score one more success, in spite of the unsettlement which has overtaken the political opinions of the Ontario people.

An Ottawa dispatch says: "An investigation is to be held into the accounts and expenses of Hon. Joseph Royal during his last year as lieutenant-governor of the Northwest Territories. His expenses outside of his salary in connection with the government house were in the neighborhood of \$17,000 for the year. Some of the bills are said to be of a rather extraordinary character. There is one account for school supplies which no one seems to know what it is really for. It is said to be for the education of his family during the year. An examination on oath will likely be asked into these accounts. Some of the principal officers of the interior department will be summoned to give evidence." An lieutenant-governor under investigation by the public accounts committee will not be an edifying spectacle.

Some queer people live in Toronto. Recently a lady of that city was bereaved of a pet dog, and the way in which she was allowed to mark her grief called forth the following vigorous protest from

the World: "The public is indignant at the action of the Mount Pleasant cemetery authorities in allowing the remains of a dog to be placed in one of the vaults. The public has no special interest and no right to interfere in this recent dog funeral up to the point of its entering the cemetery. The procuring of an undertaker, the casket, the shroud, the silk trimmings of the coffin, are all personal matters with which the public has no concern beyond the curiosity which naturally accompanies an event of this nature. But when the procession gets within the gates of a public cemetery the public have a right to pass judgment upon the proceedings. People who bought plots in Mount Pleasant never dreamt it was to be used as a place for the burial of dogs. The idea is repugnant to our finer feelings. Those who have relatives buried in the cemetery look upon it as little short of an insult. The episode is a sacrifice that ought not to be permitted."

The Colonist has joined hands with the World in heaping vulgar abuse on Mr. Cotton. The member for Vancouver has reason to feel flattered by such attentions from the "reptile press."

NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, May 15.—It is intimated that Mr. Bate, sr., is to be the candidate for South Nanaimo in the government interest, while Mr. Boyce will receive the nomination for the opposition. It is known that the "Five Acres" blocks and Chase river have cast almost a solid vote for Boyce, and as those two districts control the majority vote it may be safely expected that Boyce will receive the nomination, which practically means a seat in the legislature. The opposition are well organized and the committees work hard to place their candidates at the head of the poll. Samuel Greer is expected to attend the first public meeting held in Thomas Keith's interests for the purpose of exploding some charges which he thinks will help to defeat the election of Keith. The government party think this is a strong card and expect to surprise the electors.

A scheme has been proposed to the respective members of the Miners' Union and the Reform Club to purchase the plant of the defunct Telegram. The proposition is to form a joint stock company, shares in which are to be held exclusively by the workmen, and of course it is to be run in their interest. It is stated that the plant can be bought for the price of the first mortgage, as those who were interested in it care very little what becomes of it. Some of the compositors have expressed their willingness to take stock, and these few are doing what they can to promote another paper for Nanaimo.

The horse race team ever out practicing last evening for the contest against all comers which is to take place on the Queen's birthday. It is expected that teams from Vancouver and Westminster will be present.

All connections have been made that will admit of the street being lit by the electric lights to-night. The N. Y. Co. have generously permitted the wire to be attached to their plant so as to save the citizens from inconvenience. It is understood that Golden Lodge, C. O. O. F. and Loyal Star lodge intend to go over to the I. O. O. F. If the transfer is made several other lodges in the district may follow suit.

J. Hodgson, one of the broken bosses in No. 1 shaft, had his arm broken on Sunday by falling over a log.

The annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. was held on Sunday evening when the officers for the ensuing year were elected. A vote of thanks was tendered to the officers for the past year, and also to Mr. Robins for a magnificent donation of \$300. The receipts for the year were \$1781 and expenditure \$1618.44, leaving a balance of \$162.56.

Major Mutter, the independent candidate in the Cowichan-Alberni district, returned last evening from a very satisfactory visit to Alberni. The major was well received by the electors, who are inclined to be in his favor. He is more confident than an out-and-out government man.

Word has been received from Union by Robert Bell, of this city, of a serious accident to Harry Dunn, who, it will be remembered, is the Australian weight wrestler, who was here some months ago. From the particulars to hand it appears that Dunn was working in one of the Union mines, and was literally buried alive by a fall of rock. When extricated he was still living, but his injuries were not likely to prove fatal. He was badly crushed and four ribs were broken. He was taken to the hospital where he is now being cared for, and is doing well. Jim Dunn, Harry's brother, is with him.

W. Hewatson, manager of the Alberni paper and saw mills, was in town last evening. As previously stated in these columns, the paper mill is now in operation. Mr. Hewatson stated that the paper and pulp machinery is of the most approved description for working up the refuse from the saw mill, and also any other paper-making material, consisting of rag and rope cutting machinery, wood boring, chipping, crushing and pulping machines, two large globular boilers, two roller gangs with granite runners, five rag beaters, four driver paper-making machines with five cylinders, large reel paper cutting machine, bag making, and printing machinery, capable of turning out 10,000 perfect paper bags an hour. There is also an engineer and blacksmith shop, fitted with large lathe, saw bench, etc., and a massive steam boiler for boiling and drying.

During the early part of last week Alld. Ralph Craig's condition was greatly improved. He was able to get up and out occasionally, and it was thought he was on a fair road to complete recovery. Unfortunately, a large rock fell upon him at the end of the week, and Mr. Craig was again prostrated. His condition became critical, and last night, or rather, early this morning, Drs. Praeger, McKee and McLeod were called in to perform another operation. We are pleased to report that the operation was successfully performed and that Mr. Craig is doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances.

Englishman's River, May 15.—McMillan's large frame house is nearly completed.

Dr. Loughton and Will Cheney have bagged a bear or two in the neighborhood of Cameron Lake this week.

The church has been started upon and will be going to be pushed ahead as quickly as possible.

A large picnic is to be held on the 22nd

instant at Death's Flats in connection with the temperance fraternity.

Nanaimo, May 17.—It has not been ascertained whether the promoters of the electric regatta, intended for the week of the construction or not. While the citizens are very anxious to see Wellington connected with Nanaimo by the means proposed, they are rather slow to assist the enterprise in the way required.

It is stated the temperance party intend to take some action to compel the police to strictly enforce the Sunday observance law.

The insurance companies have settled all claims resulting from the recent fire with the exception of that of D. O. McKee, in whose premises the fire is said to have originated.

News received by letter from Comox states that Harry Dunn, the Australian wrestler, had a narrow escape from death. While working in the Union mine he was buried by a fall of rock, and at first it was thought he was killed, but on being extricated it was found that although he had four ribs broken and was otherwise crushed, he was not fatally injured.

Ald. Craig had to undergo another operation yesterday, which was successfully performed by Drs. Praeger, McKee and McLeod, and the worthy chairman in a safe way to recovery.

R. Aulay, Union member, has resigned to W. Mathewson for the benefit of his creditors.

The vocal concert and dance given in St. Paul's institute last night was a success.

Ald. Cocking's fire limit by-law has again been shelved, and it is not likely to be brought forward again in a hurry.

Contrary to expectation, the fire light did not start the street last night, but Mr. Stickles thinks it will work to the contrary.

CANADIAN NEWS.

The News of Eastern Canada in Short Paragraphs.

According to the new city directory the population of Winnipeg is now 35,500. One hundred Idaho families will drive from that state to Alberta during the summer.

A young English farmer named Trip-let, of Wapella district, was killed from a kick of a horse.

Mr. P. McGowan, accountant of the Manitoba Railway, was accidentally killed in Winnipeg.

Prof. Goldwin Smith has returned to Toronto from his prolonged stay in England and is again at the "Grange."

Hon. J. Laurier addressed a gathering of 3,000 people at Pembroke, and delivered a lengthy speech on the political questions of the day.

It is reported that William Hendrie, of Hamilton, defendant in the suit of Bank of Hamilton v. Hendrie, will enter judgment against the bank for \$20,000 damages for endeavoring to make him liable for his brother's account. He considers it blackmail.

James O'Brien, of Cobden, in seeking refuge from a stormy forenoon, was invited to visit Antwerp and play before King Leopold of Belgium, who has expressed a desire to see him.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Matters of Interest Going Forward in the Sporting World.

CRICKET.

AT WORK POINT.

The Victoria College cricket team are to-day the guests of the officers of the Royal Marine Artillery at Work Point. The match commenced at noon.

YACHTING.

A FRENCH COMPETITOR.

Paris, May 17.—Baron Oppenheim has ordered to be built in France a yacht to cost half a million francs to compete with the Vigilant and others.

AQUATIC.

CELEBRATION VISITORS.

C. A. Godson, who returned a few days ago from the mainland, says that Vancouver will send three yachts and two steam launches down for the yacht races and other aquatic sports here during celebration week. Great interest is being taken in yachting at Vancouver, and in all probability a club will be organized there this year. The Vancouver four will bring their shell with them, and will very likely win an easy victory in the regatta on that account.

THE TURF.

Manchester, May 17.—At the race for the Breeders' Foal stakes, 1,000 sovereigns, it was won by Portmarnock, Unor, second, Bedheart third.

BROOKLYN HANDICAP.

Washington, May 12.—Republican senators will hold a caucus at Sherman's house on Monday night, when it is believed that a programme for the minority's action on the tariff bill will be arranged.

A GREAT MATCH.

Chicago, May 17.—The largest shooting tournament ever held in the west opened this afternoon at Gardfield park. Four thousand live birds will be used, and all the sportsmen from the Atlantic to the Pacific are here to participate. The city council has voted the freedom of the city to the visiting sportsmen, and Mayor John P. Hopkins is chairman of the municipal reception committee. The principal events will be a meeting of ten New York cranks, captained by Justus von Lengerke, and ten Illinois men with Captain A. M. Hoffman, of this city, at their head.

The match will be for ten thousand sand dollars a side, and will be a battle of the giants. The tournament will last for three days. Besides the live bird shooting, every style of inanimate target shooting or clay pigeons is on the programme.

THE KING.

STILL GOING UP.

London, May 12.—James J. Corbett, in addition to his engagement in the Police Bazaar, has been invited to visit Antwerp and play before King Leopold of Belgium, who has expressed a desire to see him.

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THE OAK.

DOWN IN TEXAS.

Austin, Tex., May 15.—The town is crowded with patrons of aquatic sports attracted here by the opening to-day of the international regatta, which continues till Friday evening. The regatta has a gate of \$32,000 and nearly all the great professional oarsmen of the world are on deck. One thousand dollars is the first prize for the single scull race, and John Teemer, Edward Duran, Henry Peterson and Charles Stephenson will make a dash for it. George Hosmer will meet John Teemer in doubles, and Plaisted will also row double with Stephenson, the Australian. There will be scull races for amateurs. Since the last regatta the river has been dammed by a granite wall 1200 feet long and 60 feet wide, which so backs up the water as to form the largest artificial lake in the world. There are no currents and the water is protected from the wind by the mountains.

THE CHAMPIONS.

Austin, Tex., May 16.—A large crowd witnessed the events on the opening day of the great international regatta. Gaundaur and Peterson were the favorites in the betting for the professional races. The programme opened with a mile and a half race on the clear course between junior shells. The entries were as follows: Gaundaur, Austin; Austin, 11; Burkhardt, Galveston; G. Malcolm, St. Louis; Ben Johnson, Austin; Geo. Maspero, New Orleans; C. Hesseman, Austin. The race was warmly contested, but Gaundaur won. Malcolm was second, and Hesseman third. Time, 22.15.

3-4. The second race was the professional single triangle, three mile heats. The following were starters: J. G. Gaundaur, Orilla, Ont.; E. Duran, Toronto; Ed. Rogers, Stratford; J. Rice, Toronto; and Harry Parker, St. Louis. The men were given a splendid start and kept well together for the first mile.

when Gaundaur and Duran pulled away and gave an exhibition of magnificent rowing to the spectators. Gaundaur won by a scant length. Duran was second and Rogers third. Time 21.18.

The third race was the second professional, a triangle at three miles, trial heats. Henry Peterson, San Francisco; John Teemer, St. Louis; George Hosmer, Boston; and Fred Plaisted, Winnipeg, were the starters. Peterson began his long, quick stroke at the start, and never faltering for an instant ran away from his companions. He won by a quarter of a mile. Teemer was second and Hosmer third. Time 22.58.

CANADIANS ABOARD.

A London cable says: Messrs. John Ryan and Joseph Wright, the Toronto oarsmen, who are training at Kingston on the Thames for the Henley regatta, have been disqualified from competing in the race for the Winifred sculls, which is open to native scullers only. Ryan, who weighs 100 pounds in rowing trim, says that the course is a heavy one. He pulls eight miles in the morning and four in the evening. Wright, who weighs 201 pounds, pulls five miles each morning in an ordinary working boat. His new boat, weighing 28 pounds, will be finished on the 16th.

GOLF.

A COMPLIMENTARY NOTICE.

A typographical error often leads to very funny results. The Tacoma Athlete says:

The game of "wolf" has been started in Victoria with much enthusiasm. The links are located on the Pemberton property, close to the Oak Bay hotel. The spot is admirably selected and well fitted for the game. The ladies are members of the club and are very keen about the sport. Sir Richard Musgrave, president of the club, has offered prizes to be competed for this year.

POLITICAL NEWS.

An Unhappy Family in Dewdney—About Nanaimo Candidates.

The Dewdney riding government convention to select a candidate to oppose Mr. C. B. Sword was held at Mission City on Monday afternoon. The proceedings were anything but unanimous, and after the whole thing was over, many of the delegates began to wonder where Dr. Lefevre got the "pull."

Col. Scott, of Port Moody, was elected chairman, and Mr. R. D. Irvine of Coquitlam, secretary. Reports reported that there were two sets of delegates from Whonnock, and desired the convention to say which should be seated.

After some discussion, the two who were elected at the meeting held at Port Haney were seated.

Mr. Webster then arose to a point of order, as to whether Mr. Cade could vote the two proxies held by him, as he was a delegate from Mission. The meeting upheld this point of order.

The chairman then requested all to leave the hall who were not duly elected delegates, except the press. The hall having been cleared, the chairman requested all delegates to sign a pledge that they would support the choice of the meeting. Some signed, but others refused.

The chairman then declared the meeting open for nominations, and the following gentlemen were put in nomination: Captain Thompson, Thomas Cunningham, R. B. Kelly and Dr. Lefevre.

The nominees were allowed five minutes each to address the convention. Captain Thompson spoke first. He thought it was time the district had a representative who resided in the riding. He did not think any gentleman who did not reside in the district could know its wants. They all knew him and if they would elect him he knew that the government would do what he wanted done.

For nine years he and stood by the government and he hoped the convention would see their way clear to make him their standard-bearer for the party.

Dr. Lefevre followed. Captain Thompson had said that he (the doctor) had no interests in the district. He had large interests and would increase them in a short time. He was very largely interested all over the country. Some said he was a railway boomer. He was and would continue to be so as long as they did good for British Columbia. He had seen the government on several matters and they had given him their word that they would carry out the following work if he was elected: Trunk road from Port Moody to Harrison, including a bridge over the Pitt River, also a bridge over the Nicomen slough. If elected he would have these works under way in twelve months.

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from their seats, one forcibly declaring: "Be-d—d if we do!"

The doctor entered at this point and was received with painful silence. The doctor said he had carried the day and of applause.

Mr. J. B. Cade was then called upon to speak, with the idea that he would be able to bring back into the fold those who were standing in the centre of the dead certainty, as they would vote for C. P. R. hanger-on.

All attempts to make the nomination unanimous failed, and the meeting broke up without the customary motion for adjournment.—News-Advertiser.

Nanaimo, May 16.—Major Mutter reports that his electioneering tour to Alberni promises to give satisfactory results. The stand he has taken as an independent has met with the general approval of the electors, as they expect themselves that they are tired of the present combination. The major is looked upon here as a savior, and his election will therefore be an acquisition to the party.

The Northfield branch of the Nanaimo Reform club have organized their forces to advance, and from their showing it is certain that Mr. J. Bryden will be defeated. A meeting will probably be held at Wellington some evening next week when the candidate will address the electors. Some of the strong men of the government party have gone over to the other side, and it is said that the spread among them so that R. B. Kelly's chance is assured.

The delegates from the South district will meet at the cooperative hall on Saturday, when the result of the ballot will be made known.

Some of the farmers in Cedar River are dissatisfied because Dr. Walcott has not been nominated for the South district. They seem to forget that the matter rests entirely with them. The doctor is known to be a government man, and it would be a very simple act to request him to stand for the election. There are those, however, who take a more active part in politics, very anxious that the doctor should take a back seat, as they are afraid it would simply mean a walk over for the opposition candidate. It seems very ungrateful of this government party, after Dr. Walcott has spent the last four years in canvassing for votes, to be thrown over for another aspirant.

AMERICAN NEWS NOTES.

Daily Chronicle of the Events of the Great Republic.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 17.—The cruiser Columbia left League Island navy yard to-day for a final deep sea trial trip.

Washington, May 17.—Opinion in application for a writ of certiorari in the case of the United States v. Rausser & Bradley on Friday. Sentence on the Coker leaders will be deferred until then.

The navy department is advised that the Behring Sea fleet sailed out into the Pacific this morning. The fleet consists of the battleship Oregon, the cruiser Albatross, the torpedo boat Albatross, and the gunboat Albatross.

New York, May 12.—Taxidermists and surgeons spent most of the night removing the skin and cutting up the carcass of the elephant, Tipp, killed yesterday. The real cause of the demand among the applicants is the University of Chicago.

THE MARKETS.

A Short Summary Covering Articles Produced by the Farmer.

Meats are generally higher for the reason that at every distance from the city there is but little live stock, and the butchers have to go to a considerable distance for their supply and have to pay a higher price. Receipts from the Sound of beef and mutton are very heavy at the present time. The refinery and importers have advanced the price of sugar, the former to 6 cents per pound. There was a corresponding advance in retail prices, but nearly every grocer makes his own price on sugar. The strawberries received from California did not fare very well, the price being too high for general sale for many weeks. Some of the dealers had to sacrifice their holdings at a great loss. The California vegetables are doing better. Retail prices are as follows: