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THOUSANDS AT OPENING BIG FREDERICTON FAIR

Exhibition is Formally Launched by Lieut. Gov. Wood and Others.

GOVERNMENT BOOTHS PROVE BENEFICIAL.

Number of Live Stock is Far in Advance of Previous Years—Many Excursions to Run to Capital This Week.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Sept. 15—The Fredericton 1913 exhibition is in full swing, the formal opening proceedings took place this evening, the big show being declared officially open by Lieut. Governor Wood.

Today has been a busy day at the fair grounds, everybody being engaged in putting on the finishing touches and getting things in readiness. There was about the usual attendance for the opening day, something in excess of 1,500 paid admissions, but there were over 3,000 people on the grounds during the evening, the opening day free list always being large.

The first big influx of visitors, however, occurred tonight and with fine weather promised for the week, it promises to be the biggest and most successful fair Fredericton has ever helde. Tomorrow judging will commence in the various departments and the first special excursion trains will come in from northern New Brunswick and Aroostook County, Maine. Wednesday will be St. John day with special excursion trains from the winterport city to bring the crowds.

The formal opening proceedings took place tonight in the Amusement Hall. Lieut. Governor Wood's arrival was marked by the playing of the National Anthem. His Honor was accompanied by Major A. C. B. Hamilton-Gray, A. D. C., and Private Secretary Cruikshank. The Gubernatorial party were met at the main entrance by President Campbell and members of the board of directors as well as the city council and civic officials, and accompanied to the Amusement Hall. There President Campbell acted as chairman and first introduced Lieut. Governor Wood who spoke at some length on the value of exhibitions, the progress of agriculture in New Brunswick and the general development of the rich resources of the province after which Hon. John Morrissy, Minister of Public Works, was introduced as the representative of the provincial government.

MEXICAN MINISTER RESIGNS FROM OFFICE

Mexico City, Sept. 15.—Dr. Aurelliano Urrutia, Mexican minister of the interior, has left the cabinet. His resignation was accepted at midnight by Provisional President Huerta. Dr. Urrutia is under charges preferred by Senator Manuel Calero, for arresting him in defiance of his immunity as senator.

Dr. Urrutia gave as the reason for his resignation of the ministry of the interior that the post required qualities which he did not possess. He is a surgeon, and had never before had experience in politics. His anti-foreign sentiments have not been hidden during his term of office, and it is said that the foreign diplomats here were opposed to his retention in the cabinet. Dr. Urrutia was the author of the so-called Huerta ultimatum to the United States which was promptly repudiated by Frederico Gambo, the foreign minister.

INFORMER IN JEROME CASE UNDER ARREST

John Andrews, Who Saw Thaw's Enemy Play Poker, In Jail.

SMUGGLED PAUPER ACROSS THE BORDER.

United States Government Assumes Joint Guardianship of Matteawan Fugitive— Habeas Corpus Hearing Today.

Colebrook, N. H., Sept. 15.—The judicial branch of the United States government asumed joint guardianship of Harry K. Thaw tonight. By virtue of a grant of habeas corpus issued at Concord on Saturday last United States Marshal E. P. Nute became one of the Mateawan fugitives custodians and tomorrow morning he will be taken to Littleton, N. H., and produced before Judge Edgar Aldrich in the United States district court.

The writ was obtained by Thaw's lawyers as a weapon against William Travers Jerome, in case Jerome should essay forcibly to get Thaw across the New York border. Before the Federal Court tomorrow they will seek to have the writ continued to safeguard their client should Governor Felker find against Thaw in the extradition hearing to be held at Concord, probably on Wednesday.

Jerome will object to the continuance of the writ and insist on an immediate hearing, even though there is a possibility that Tha wmay be released from custody. Jerome believes that Thaw's counsel would make no attempt to get their client out of the State under the circumstances, and that Thaw would be immediately arrested and brought before the governor as arranged.

Thaw spent an uneventful day. Only once did he leave his hotel, and that was to get shaved.

He heard with interest tonight that John Andrews, the Coaticook constable who arrested Jerome on the charge of gambling, on which he was exonerated, had run afoul of the United States immigration law. Tonight Andrews was held here in the custody of Charles Kelley, Colebrook's chief of police, pending the arrival of George Allen, an United States immigration inspector, stationed at Island Pond, Vermont.

Allen telephoned that he had a warrant for the arrest of Andrews, charging him with assisting a pauper woman to enter this country in violation of the immigration laws.

Andrews said tonight that he was a liveryman, a native of New Hampshire, although he had lived in Coaticook for nearly twenty years, and knew nothing of the charge against him.

Jerome said tonight that he had heard on the day of his arrest at Coaticook that Andrews, his captor, was wanted in the United States for alleged violation of the immigration laws, but that he (Jerome) had had no part in the arrest today. Thaw, indignant characterized the whole affair as a piece of spite work.

U. S. OFFICIALS BELIEVE ALL AMERICAN RESIDENTS SAFE

State Department of Opinion that Celebration of Mexican Independence Today Will Pass Without Serious Disturbances—Secretary Bryan Tests Reports.

Washington, Sept. 15—State Department officials were resting secure tonight in the belief that tomorrow's celebration of the anniversary of Mexican independence, though it might be marked by interesting developments, would not jeopardize the safety of Americans in Mexico. They are confident that in the capital, where the federal authorities are in full control, there is no possibility of an anti-American demonstration that would involve risk of personal injury, while in the outlying states the officials are under the strictest injunction from General Huerta to extend full protection to Americans.

In the country dominated by the Constitutionalists, the various local leaders are treating Americans courteously, and, on the whole, the only element of danger is believed to lie with the irresponsible brigand bands that are particularly active in the southern section.

Secretary Bryan said late today he was confident of the safety of the little band of American refugees which has been slowly and painfully making its way from Torreon to Saltillo. However, he has sent the customary representations to American consuls to interest themselves in behalf of this party, and messages have also gone to American consuls at Chihuahua and Tepic inquiring as to the truth of the report that Morris P. Root, a nephew of Senator Root, had been shot at the latter place. In this case, Mr. Bryan is acting entirely upon newspaper reports, upon the affair.

A SPLENDID TRIBUTE TO A WORTHY MAN

Non-Political Dinner in Honor of Senator Thorne, Last Evening, was Most Impressive Function.

AFTER DINNER SPEECHES ALL IN OPTIMISTIC VEIN

Friends of Years, Political Colleagues and Opponents of Guest of Honor, Unanimous in Approving Action of Government in Appointing W. H. Thorne to Membership in Senate of Canada.

Seldom in its history has a citizen of St. John been tendered a demonstration more completely expressive of the esteem of his fellow men than was given to Senator W. H. Thorne last evening by prominent citizens on both sides of politics, when men representing the leading business and financial interests of the city gathered at the dinner at the Union Club to do him honor. The character of the gathering, containing as it did leaders in both political parties, showed that the appointment of Mr. Thorne to the Senate has been received with approbation by the business men of the community generally, and that those who have had the privilege of Mr. Thorne's acquaintance in the past feel that he will bring to his new duties in the Senate the integrity and devotion to duty which has characterized and made successful his business career.

The dinner organized by the committee, of which J. A. Belyea was chairman, was a successful and enjoyable affair in every way, and the post prandial proceedings, marked as they were by addresses by George McAvity, Judge McLeod, H. A. Powell, J. M. Robinson, J. B. M. Baxter, Dr. Thomas Walker, Mayor Frink and others were of unusual interest. All joined in paying tribute to the public career of Mr. Thorne, and the speech made by Mr. Thorne, in response to the many kind things said about him, illuminated one of the most interesting aspects of his character by showing that even amidst the eulogies of his politcal friends and foes his thoughts turned to the responsibilities imposed upon him by his appointment to the Senate and his desire to discharge those responsibilities in a manner that would reflect credit upon himself and honor upon his native city.

The occasion will be memorable, not only because of the unanimity of approval of Mr. Thorne's appointment to the Senate, but because of his brilliant picture of the possibilities of Canada, and his declaration of faith in the Maritime Provinces, and more particularly of his own city of St. John.

About seventy-five citizens representing nearly all sections of the business and professional life of the community were in atendance at the dinner, and after the menu, a credit certainly to the officials of the club, had been tested to the full, the chairman, George McAvity, proposed the toast to the King which was honored in a manner appropriate to the occasion.

Dr. Thomas Walker proposed the health of the Governor General, saying all who had come in contact with him had been struck by his splendid personality, and that while Canada had been fortunate in its governor generals, history would place His Royal Highness amongst the greatest who had occupied that post.

After this toast had been honored by singing "My Own Canadian Home," Dr. Walker proposed the health of Lieutenant Governor Wood, paying a tribute to his personal character and his work for the province.

Lt. Col. J. L. McAvity responded on behalf of the Lieuteuant Governor, saying that as military aide to His Honor he was not supposed to be a speaker, but was prepared to defend the position of the proposer of the toast.

Interesting Messages.

J. A. Belyea, the secretary of the committee which organized the demonstration in honor of Senator Thorne, then read the following telegrams and letters:

From Hon. J. D. Hazen.

Ottawa, Sept. 11th, 1913.

J. A. Belyea,—

Regret very much indeed that I will be unable to be present at the banquet to Senator Thorne. I join with his many friends in hearty congratulations.

As I anticipated, his appointment has met with universal approval, and it is beyond question that he will render valuable service to St. John and New Brunswick at Ottawa.

J. D. HAZEN.

From Mr. Pugsley.

Montreal, ——, ——.

J. A. Belyea,—

I regret very much that urgent business engagements here and in Toronto will prevent my being present tomorrow evening to join in congratulations to Mr. Thorne on his appointment to the highly honorable and responsible position of member of the Canadian Senate. It is most fitting that his personal friends, of whom I am proud to count myself one, should irrespective of party, unite in thus bearing testimony to their affection, respect and admiration for one of Canada's foremost citizens.

WILLIAM PUGSLEY.

From the Lieutenant-Governor.

A letter of regret was also received from Hon. Josiah Wood, Lieutenant Governor of the province, in which he said:

"I have known Senator Thorne for many years and have found him upright, straightforward and honest in business matters, and possessed of honorable and gentlemanly instincts. In the city of St. John, where his life has been spent, his name has been connected with almosct every important movement for the advancement of the city's interests. While he has been active in elections, his conduct has been such that he has made very few, if any, enemies. He has been true to his friends, fair to his opponents, and his appointment to his present position will be recognized by all parties, as a fit recognition of his long and valuable services to the country."

JOSIAH WOOD.

Other Letters.

W. M. Jarvis, in a letter of regret, wrote: "I know of no appointment which has been better deserved, or which has given more general satisfaction to those of all shades of political opinion than that of Mr. Thorne to the Senate. St. John has in Senator Thorne a warm and loyal friend, who will exert his influence to promote the interests of his native city when he can fairly do so."

A characteristic letter of regret at his inability to be present, was also received from George C. Cutler.

The Toast of "The Guest."

George McAvity, the chairman, then arose, and said:

"I have not been accustomed to extending many congratulations to our friends on the other side, but, because of the event which we have met here tonight to celebrate, it affords me honest and sincere pleasure to congratulate the government of the day upon its action in calling to the Senate a man whom we all delight to honor—our distinguished guest of the evening—William Henry Thorne.

"Gentlemen, our guest on this occasion is a man of many distinctions. Let me mention one of which he may be proud. He has never been an office-seeker.

"It is within your knowledge and mine that on many occasions within the last (I hesitate to say how many years, lest you should think we are all growing old), our friend might have had many a position of honor and high reward within the gift of his party, but he steadily set aside these opportunities, making way for others, and preferring the enjoyment of private life, 'outside the limelight,' going his useful ways as one of the foremost private citizens of these Maritime Provinces.

"Yet we must not forget that he has given the community freely of his services. As president of the Board of Trade, and as a leader in other civic activities, he has rendered sterling services and contributed wise counsel on very numerous occasions when this city and this province were taking thought for the morrow. And it is not alone in these matters, or in commercial life, that our guest has been an honored and a distinguished figure. In our social world, and in the great Masonic Order, he has gracefully occupied for many years a leading position, because of those admirable qualities, because of that poise, that sound judgment, and that ripe good fellowship, which so commend him to all who have been happy enough to fall within the circle of his acquaintance.

"Now, there are Senators and Senators. If more of the gentlemen who sit in the Red Chamber were of the calibre of our friend here, we should hear less talk about 'reforming the Senate.' Nobody would desire to reform our newest Senator—we prefer him exactly as he is.

"Some men become great in the public eye merely because they are elevated to the Senate when their party is in power. That will not be so with our friend here. He will give to the Senate of Canada more than it will give to him. This is clearly a case of the office seeking the man, and not of the man seeking the office.

"And it is a pleasure tonight to see about this table men representing all of the leading interests of this community, men representing both sides of politics, but all unanimous upon this one point,—that the appointment of our friend to the Upper Chamber is the right thing well done.

"And now let me say a personal word. One of the few things I have always held against our distinguished guest is this: That for almost as long as I can recollect, he has been suspected of Conservative leaning. You see, I put it to you mildly. And for almost as long, I, perhaps, have been almost suspected of leaning toward the other side. And yet, while at

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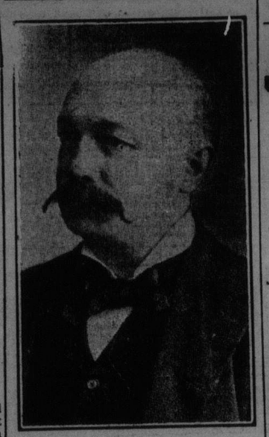

SENATOR W. H. THORNE.

BIG INCREASE IN SETTLERS FROM STATES

Owing to Severe Drought in Iowa, Kansas and Oklohoma and Glowing Reports from Canadian West.

Winnipeg, Sept. 15.—Owing to the severe drought which is being experienced in the States of Iowa, Kansas and Oklahoma, the immigration from the United States has gone up eighty per cent. during the past four weeks, says J. Bruce Walker, immigration commissioner. He points out that the reports show that the drought has been so serious in the above mentioned states as to bring about the ruination of from sixty to seventy per cent. of the crops. The result has been that there has been an enormous increase, about eighty per cent, both in correspondence and the number of land seekers from these states.

Of course, he says, this increase has also been, to a certain extent, due to the rumors of the enormous crop now being garnered in western Canada.

Mr. Walker explains that this increase is all the more surprising when it is remembered that up to six weeks ago the emigration from the United States showed a falling off of over 10 per cent.

FRENCH ARMY MANOEUVRES

Method of Handling Motor Traction Heavy Artillery in Action Cause of Much Comment by Observers.

Montauban, France, Sept. 15.—The French gunners method of handling, in action, heavy artillery drawn by motor traction, was the chief point of interest today for foreign observers of the grand manoeuvres of the French army.

The wheels of the motors are broad with their outside tires composed of jointed steel, and it has been found that the guns can be taken by this means across freshly ploughed fields and over ditches and minor obstructions.

When the heavy ordinance came into action today the motor tires were uncoupled and spread out behind the cannon, forming rails on which the pieces recoiled after firing without sinking into the soil.

Over 100,000 men and a large fleet of aeroplanes are operating in two armies opposed to each other over a wide range of country stretching from Montauban to Agen on the north and from Auch to Toulouse on the south. The northern, or blue army, is commanded by General Paul Pau and the southern, or red arm, by General Nicolas Chomer.

DR. D. CROSBY GREENE IS DEAD AT TOKIO.

Tokio, Sept. 15.—Dr. Daniel Crosby Greene died here today at the age of 70. He was the senior missionary in Japan of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, and was decorated by the Emperor with the Third Class of the Order of the Rising Sun, the highest order conferred on civilians resident in Japan.

LIBERAL MEMBERS READY TO QUIT; LAURIER FORBIDS

Three Occupants of Opposition Seats Anxious to Retire From Public Life.

SIR WILFRID AFRAID TO HAVE RIDINGS OPENED.

D. A. Gordon, A. H. Clarke and J. G. Turriff are Eager to Get Out but Desperate State of Party Prevents It.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Sept. 15.—There are three Liberal members of the House of Commons who would like to retire immediately from public life, but Liberal leaders refuse to permit their resignations. D. A. Gordon, East Kent; A. H. Clarke, South Essex; and J. G. Turriff, Assiniboia, would all welcome the opportunity to retire but for different reasons. Mr. Gordon has been present but a few days during the present parliament. He is sick of politics and would have retired, but when the first whisper of this arose Hon. McKenzie King was on the spot eager to be his successor. The East Kent Liberals would not have the rejected of North Waterloo, and to force him on the constituency would mean the loss of one of the few Ontario seats left to the Liberals. To prevent a Conservative representing East Kent in the present parliament Mr. Gordon has been forced to remain in public life against his wishes

A. H. Clarke, South Essex, has removed to Calgary. He rarely puts in an appearance in parliament; would resign now if permitted, but in any event won't again be a candidate. He is the only Liberal who could carry South Essex. Although the Liberal majorities in East Kent and South Essex were large the frantic efforts of the Liberals against making a test of public opinion in these former safe Liberal constituencies indicate the hopeless position that party occupies.

J. G. Turriff's reason for wishing to retire is of a different nature. Mr. Turriff has never liked the atmosphere around the opposition benches. Public life for him means government life, and two years has been sufficient for him when the control of affairs is in the hands of his opponents. He now lives in Regina and is assured of a lucrative position from his friends in the Scott government. Such a position appeals more to Mr. Turriff than the glory of following his aged leader in his dark days. Party ties and discipline prevent Mr. Turriff realizing his desire to leave his gloomy Ottawa surroundings for the remunerative position in Regina which is at his disposal for services rendered the local government.

Three Liberals wishing to retire; all occupying what were once considered safe seats, and the Liberal leader determined that no opening be permitted to allow the people to indicate their desire is the situation that exists in the Liberal camp.

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RAILWAY OFFICIAL SOON TO BE MARRIED.

Moncton, Sept. 15.—H. B. Fleming, assistant superintendent of the Transcontinental Railway, who is to be married Wednesday, was tonight presented by I. C. R. employees with a solid mahogany set as evidence of esteem in which he is held. Mr. Fleming was formerly assistant district superintendent of the I. C. R. at Moncton and he is one of the most popular officials in the service.

DECIDE ON FRONTIER.

Constantinople, Sept. 15.—It is officially announced that an agreement on the principal points of the frontier question was reached at the sitting of the Turkish and Bulgarian peace delegates today.

JUMPS FROM STEEL ARCH INTO FALLS

John Hawkins of Erie, Pa., Commits Suicide at Niagara.

FELL TWO HUNDRED FEET INTO RAPIDS.

Horrified Women Saw Him Climb to Bridge Top But Watchman Arrived Too Late to Stop Him.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Sept. 15.—A man believed by the police to be John Hawkins, 68 years old, of Erie, Pa., committed suicide by jumping into the Niagara River from the lower steel arch bridge this afternoon. The bridge spans the river just above the start of the whirlpool rapids and is 200 feet above the surface of the water.

Hawkins crossed the bridge to the Canadian side about 3.30 o'clock this afternoon, and shortly after five o'clock started for the American shore. A few moments later two women standing on the Canadian cliff saw a man climb upon the four-foot railing on the north side of the bridge. They notified the bridge ticket takers.

The man sat astride of the rail for several minutes, looking down at the turbulent waters. No one was within 100 yards of him. When the officials from the Canadian end of the bridge ran toward him he leaned over for the leap. In another moment he lurched forward and his body shot downward, turning over in the descent and striking the water headforemost. He came to the surface once before the foam of the whirlpool rapids closed over him.

Hawkins was pulled from the bridge railing on Saturday night, but convinced his captors that he was not bent on suicide.

ATLANTIC STEAMSHIP WAR IS NOW BITTER

Ottawa, Sept. 15.—The Atlantic steamship war is dealt with in a report of the Trade and Commerce Department today. In all probability the result of the quarrel that has broken out between the North German Lloyd and the Hamburg-American lines, with regard to the division of the North Atlantic emigrant passenger traffic, will be to provide this fall additional facilities for the transportation of Canadian product to German ports via Boston and Baltimore at low rates.

Recently the former company announced its decision to put on a tri-weekly line of steamers between Bremen and Boston and New Orleans, thus invading the territory hitherto reserved by a mutual understanding to the rivel Hamburg company. To this the board of the Hamburg-American line has replied, announcing its determination to ru na service to Baltimore in opposition to the North German Lloyd's service to that port.

PRIEST CHARGED WITH MURDER NOW BELIEVED TO BE INSANE

Cable from Germany Announces Hans. Schmidt Had Been Suspended by Bishop—Police Arrest Physician Suspected of Complicity.

New York, Sept. 15.—Hans Schmidt, the priest who confessed he slew Anna A. Aumuller with a butcher knife "as a sacrifice to be consummated in blood," is in the observation ward of the Tombs prison tonight under the watchful eye of Dr. McGuire, the prison physician. Warden Fallon, of the Tombs, declares the man is insane—one of the most dangerous men ever confined in the prison, and in this view he was upheld by Deputy Commissioner of Corrections Wright.

From far off Mainz, Germany, there came today to Manager Jos. F. Mooney vicar general of the archdiocese of New York, a cablegram from the secretary of the bishop, which said that Schmidt had been declared insane there and suspended by the bishop.

"Schmidt born at Aschaffenburg. Priest of diocese of Mainz. Ran away from Mainz because of attempted frauds; arrested by police, declared insane by court and discharged. Suspended by bishop for acts and for presenting falsified document regarding studies he pretended to have made. Then left diocese."

Insanity Will Be Defense.

In his cell today Schmidt told and retold the story of his crime and how, after the woman was dead, he cut up the body with knife and sank it, portion by portion, in the Hudson River from the stern of a ferryboat. "The Lord told me to do it," or "St. Elizabeth, my patron, demanded the

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