

HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

FEDERENKO PROTEST MEETING IN HAMILTON

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HAMILTON, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—At the mass meeting held in Association Hall this evening in connection with the Federenko Defence League, a resolution was passed protesting against Federenko being considered a fit subject for extradition. Mayor McLaren occupied the chair. J. G. O'Donoghue of Toronto said that Federenko was a political refugee, and as such could not be extradited.

Rev. H. W. Philpot said it was not customary for British countries to extradite men who had striven for the liberty of their fellow-countrymen, and he hoped that Canada would not make a beginning.

F. J. Flettman, who moved the resolution, which was seconded by Allen Studholme, M.L.A., said that the Russian was something like the way the corporations in the United States and Canada handled the workmen.

The mayor protested against such a collection being made. A collection will be taken up for Federenko's defence, should it be necessary after the appeal court of Manitoba has given its decision.

The Canadian Club was addressed last night at the Hotel Royal by U. J. Ledoux of the Boston Canadian Club. Mr. Ledoux, who is a native of Quebec, and who spoke upon international peace relations, has been deputed by Andrew Carnegie to make a report on the best means of applying his \$10,000,000 gift to the cause.

He suggested that the subject of peace be taught to the children of the world, and that they should be taught to mingle freely together, and that all that was necessary for defence purposes was international police. By this means he pointed out the nations of the world would have an annual \$175,000,000.

The jury which to-night investigated the cause of death of Harry Patience found that he was killed by the mother, who was temporarily insane. Dr. Glen Denning gave evidence and stated that Mrs. Patience called him in the morning of the murder, and said that she was afraid her child was suffering from some terrible disease. Other witnesses testified to the finding of the body and the razor which the mother used on the boy and upon herself.

Priemo Violini, the Italian who was found unconscious in his bedroom on

Monday night, is now recovering from his injuries.

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Sunday with the gas escaping, died this afternoon in St. Joseph's Hospital. Violini's father, who was also affected by the gas, is improving.

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PUBLIC NUISANCES.

Editor Toronto World: Section 72 of the Public Health Act, R.S.O. 1897, cap 248, prohibits under a penalty the establishment, without the consent of the municipality, of any offensive trade, including, amongst other things, the trade of blood boiling.

The manager of the Toronto Railway Company seems to have made it his trade or business, during the past few months, to oppose the wishes of the people in every possible way and generally to conduct such a service without reference to their feelings or interest as to cause their blood to boil. Therefore we submit that E. J. Fleming is carrying on an offensive trade and that he is doing so without the permission of the municipality, and as he is carrying on the trade of blood boiling within the municipality, he should be prosecuted against under the Public Health Act. We therefore suggest that Mayor Laidlaw should instruct the crown attorney to take action on the above stated facts. Lex Talionis.

LLOYD-GEORGE PREDICTS A CLEAR MAJORITY OF 63

As Results Stand, However, Nationalists Hold Whip Hand—Referendum for This Election Only.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The latest returns announced to-night give the government coalition 263 seats, and the Unionists 277.

The standing of the parties is now as follows: GOVERNMENT COALITION: 263. Labour 140. Nationalists 61. Independent Nationalists 9. Opposition: 277. Unionists 277.

Clearly in the new parliament, as in the last parliament, the Nationalists, by combining with the Unionists, could overthrow the government. The Liberal, a Labour and Nationalist are all equally desirous of abolishing the vote of the house of lords, and may be expected to work together to attain that object.

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FARMERS CRY FOR FREER TRADE

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of trying to develop it. They were not trying to increase the output of the country, but to restrict it for their own advantage. He would present the question not from a standpoint of the farmer, but from the standpoint of building up a great empire, as such, and their demands, they were not asking for any system which would tax the manufacturers for the benefit of the farmers, but they were asking that the system established for infant industries, and now become a system of legalized robbery, should be put a stop to.

Mr. Drury quoted from the report of the minister of labor on his investigation of the strike of the employees of the Dominion Textile Company, caused by a reduction of 10 per cent. in their wages. This company is a circular, stating that the cotton of this country did not receive sufficient protection, and it was possible for the manufacturers of England and the United States to under-cut them. With more protection their mills would be enabled to run full time and give better wages. The evidence, however, disclosed the fact that the amount paid for the stock of the Dominion Textile Company, was only 10 cents on the dollar of the nominal capital of the company, on which a dividend of 5 per cent, or 50 per cent, on the cost was paid.

Farm Population Decreasing. The farm population of Eastern Canada was decreasing, and even in Ontario, because the rural population was decreasing. The farmer stood to lose nothing by free trade. He estimated that the present tariff cost every farmer in the province \$200 a year, for which they got no return. It would mean a good deal to the farmer to be able to send their wheat across the border into the States. The farmers of Ontario want to send their butter and cheese and milk into the New England states, and the men from the Maritime Provinces would tell them what an enormous benefit it would be if they could send their fish to the American market. With regard to reciprocity free trade

Great interest had been manifested in the attitude which the grain growers would assume towards the C.M.A., which had invited them to visit as guests of the association, the Cities of Toronto, Hamilton and Montreal. The farmers refused on account of "pressure of business." R. W. Winnipeg, of the C.M.A. said to-night that they had desired to show the farmers some hospitality, after the kindly way in which the manufacturers had been treated by the farmers in the west last summer.

Railway Act Oppresses. Besides the resolutions there are a number of memorials which will also be presented to the premier. In respect to suggested amendments, particular reference is made to the following parts of the Railway Act, which are considered oppressive and detrimental to the farmers' interests. 1.—The liability of the railways to react to fences and cattle guards. 2.—For stock injuries on the lines. 3.—The adjustment of freight rates and amendments to sections of the act which have reference thereto.

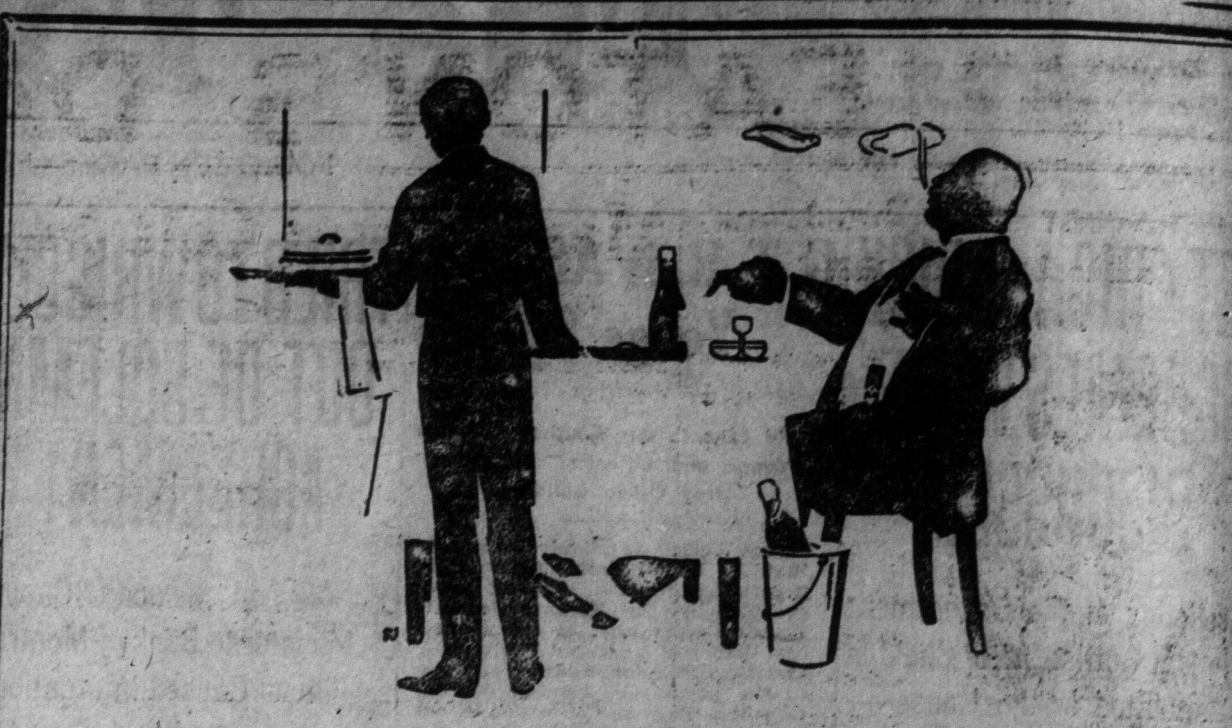
The memorial says that not only the stock killing question, but the freight rates affect the farmer more deeply than any other class of people. The complaint of the killing of stock on the railways is that the law is laid down in the Railway Act, is very vague, a chance of which takes advantage in hundreds of cases. The act is not sufficiently complete in itself to enforce the building of suitable fences and guards.

Discrimination Against. It is pointed out that railway tolls, both passenger and freight, are excessive. There are certain provisions of the act which enable the companies to bring these burdens to bear on certain localities with more than doubly greater weight. Density of traffic has been a factor in framing their tariffs, and also there is no limit in the act which permits such regulation of the tariffs, yet it is done and discrimination is carried on. Also, although it is illegal for railways to give concessions to particular persons or companies, yet this can be done by giving concessions to localities where these particular persons or companies have the chief interest in the business. The evils of this system become intensified in localities where they are least able to bear. The memorial states that instances can be given where discrimination exists to the extent of from one hundred to eight hundred per cent.

What is Wanted. It is also declared that at the time has come when the practice of watering stock must cease. Under this practice heavy tariffs are raised to a level which will give a profit on fictitious capital.

Resolution ends by requesting:—That the principal of fixing the tariffs in accordance with the competition of other roads or the density of traffic or volume of business be discontinued. 2.—That a true physical situation be taken of all railways owned

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WINNIPEG CIVIC ELECTION

Dr. W. S. Inglis Speaks of the Recent Campaign.

"Dr. Shearer will be a very unpopular visitor to Winnipeg from this out." So said Dr. William S. Inglis, chief coroner for the Province of Manitoba, last night when asked at the King Edward as to the re-election of Mayor Sanford Evans in the face of the moral reformer's criticism of Winnipeg's administration. Dr. Inglis was chairman of one of the Evans' committees.

"There was nothing political about this campaign," he declared. "Mr. Knox, president of the Liberal Association, was a member of Mr. Evans' committee, and also many prominent members of the Liberal Executive Association. The election, conducted on these lines, demonstrated beyond a shadow of a doubt that Winnipeg will not stand for any interference from the Moral and Social Reform League in conducting their civic affairs. All the citizens of Winnipeg resent very strongly the imputation which has been cast upon the city."

Winnipeg has become practically a city of apartment blocks. The demimonde scattered themselves thru these blocks and Mayor Evans had courage enough to attempt a policy of passive segregation. The investigation showed that the police department of the city, and that Dr. Shearer's statements to the Toronto papers were based entirely upon unreliable hearsay evidence.

The incident in Winnipeg is now a closed one and the elections show clearly that honorable men, placed in charge of public affairs, are thoroughly endorsed in using their judgment in conducting the public business."

McMaster Debaters Win.

McMaster University again carried off the honors of debate against Knox College last night, and as a result the preferential tariff as advocated by the Unionist party of the British Parliament is in the best interest of the empire. McMaster had the affirmative, represented by T. Weir, B.A., and were C. E. McIntosh, M.A., and H. Lyons, B.A. The judges were: Hon. Justice, Sir John A. Macdonald, Hon. J. C. McCreary, and Dean Pakenham, John F. McKay, of The Globe.

Boaters' Club for Commemoration.

The Boaters' Club, an organization recently established, held a large dance night, which was attended by over 200 members and their lady friends. W. J. Commemoration, aldermanic candidate in the fourth ward, happened and his candidature was heartily endorsed.

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TRADES COUNCIL

Will Hereafter Try to Begin Their Sessions Early.

The Trades and Labor Council decided last night that their meetings will hereafter start by 8.15 p.m. or not at all.

A copy of an act restricting the hours of labor on Dominion Government public works to eight hours a day is to be sent to all members of parliament and senators.

A San Francisco circular described the ill-treatment of labor men in California and the neglect of the famous labor men who may have been imprisoned, and a contribution will be sent to the relief fund. The Federenko defence fund also asks for a contribution.

The "Big Review" still continues to draw packed houses at the Star this week.

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