

# EXPO. FIREWORKS ECLIPSE THOSE OF PREVIOUS YEARS

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Attendance at Big Fair  
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Fine Display of  
Poultry and Cattle

MONDAY'S ATTENDANCE

The paid admissions were 5,514 yesterday, as against 4,008 for the same day at the last exhibition. At the last fair, however, Monday was Labor Day. Attendance, therefore, yesterday was large.

St. John's great international exhibition began in earnest last night. The attendance during the morning was only fair, on account of the threatening weather, which cleared shortly before noon; during the afternoon the number of visitors began to increase rapidly and by seven o'clock in the evening a steady throng of people were passing through the entrance gates.

The attendance last evening was such as to bring joy to the hearts of the management. "Give us fine weather and the hearty support of the citizens of St. John and this show will be the greatest ever held here by long odds," is the optimistic cry of those in charge of the big fair. And it would seem that they are going to get both. Everything went with a swing yesterday afternoon and evening, and the greatest interest was taken in the exhibition.

The amusements were well patronized, the Pike got its share of the business and the live stock came in for minute inspection. The excursions, which began on the railroads today, will serve to give a side show act that will be a little more for the people that with fine weather until the end of the week a record attendance will be recorded.

Things looked rather serious for a time at the buildings last evening. In the annex where several of the larger firms have their exhibits, a person started in to give a side show act consisting of the telling of one's fortune by a Hindoo. The exhibitors claimed that this show was for the Pike and not at all for the main building. They even threatened if the man was not removed to tear down their exhibits and leave the building. A person old informed The Sun last evening that the man will be removed as soon as sufficient room can be had for him on the Pike.

The fireworks are without a doubt the best ever seen in St. John. Thousands of people crowded the space last night between the main buildings and the amusement halls to watch the magnificent display, which began at 8:30 o'clock and continued for half an hour. The effect was wonderful. The night being dark and clear a better picture was presented and there was no difficulty in seeing that the huge crowd was delighted with what they saw. A set of pieces including a Walking Elephant, a Train Collision and the Eruption of Mt. Vesuvius. Another beautiful demonstration was in the form of several revolving wheels, throwing off sheets of flame of various and beautiful colors.

Witnessed by thousands of admiring spectators the show in both the large and small amusement halls passed off most successfully. Two performances were given in each hall both afternoon and evening.

Of course the show in the main building was the more attractive. The performance opened with an overture by Harrison's orchestra, which was followed by an exhibition of Forelli's pony and dog circus. These animals completely rivaled the audience by their clever feats. The ponies are six in number and went through many acts seldom seen on the stage here.

The Imperial Japanese troupe were the next number in the programme and were truly marvellous. They performed many stunts new to this city. As contortionists and acrobats they are second to none.

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Then another member astounded his audience by juggling with his feet a hollow tub, with a very small Jap within. One of the cleverest in the troupe is a boy of about four years of age. Among the many contortionist acts which he performed was the one of walking across the stage on his hands, with his legs behind his neck. The troupe were gowned in handsome Japanese robes.

Admirers and lion tamed closed this excellent performance. This fearless woman made her jungle friends go through some difficult acts, to the great delight of the spectators. As in the case of the other features this act was well received and brought forth rounds of applause.

Mrs. Gen. Tom Thumb and her company of Lilliputians occupied the small amusement hall. Long before the time set to commence the performance large crowds had gathered anxious to see the little woman. She soon appeared and gave an interesting account of her travels, which was much enjoyed. The following programme was carried out:

Lilliputian Duo.  
Geo. Liable and Annie Nelson, in their Musical Comedietta, "Our Lodger."  
Countess Magri.  
(Mrs. Gen. Tom Thumb)  
In a short account of her very interesting career of travel.  
Captain Geo. Liable, Single Sketch.  
Miss Annie Nelson, Single Sketch.  
Countess Magri, in the Comedy Playlet, "Two Strings to Her Bow," or "Which Shall Win Her?"

All the Lilliputians were well received and when the company produced their comedy playlet, "Two Strings to Her Bow," there was great applause. There will be performances in both halls this afternoon and again this evening.

THE DIVING HORSES.  
German Diving. "Horses were seen before the grand stand in the evening at 8:45 and again in the evening at 9 o'clock. This is perhaps the best act seen here in years. There are two horses, Queen and King. The former horse made the dive first before thousands of spectators. The King followed shortly afterwards, making a splendid dive. The horses dove from a stand thirty feet into the air into a large tank. This performance will be repeated every afternoon and evening during the remainder of the week.

Through something working wrong, the tank overflowed and soon a stream of water was flowing over the grounds. This ran down the pike and caused quite a pool to form along the horse track. Several of the visitors were compelled to wade through this in order to gain access to the amusement halls.

Yesterday afternoon the City Cornet Band rendered a concert in the stand in the building, and also rendered several selections before the grand stand. This band was again present in the evening. The Scotch bagpipers were also in attendance, both afternoon and evening, and were heard to great advantage by large crowds. The City Cornet Band will again play this afternoon and again Friday afternoon and evening.

At the Women's Council exhibit in the gallery of the main building there will be some special features of interest each day. This afternoon at 2 o'clock Miss Boyer and her young lady assistants will give a charming dish demonstration in the domestic science room. On Wednesday at the same hour Miss Bartlett, teacher of domestic science in the public school on Waterloo street, will give a demonstration, as a number of pupils of domestic science, as taught in the schools. On Thursday Miss Boyer and her young lady assistants will demonstrate high class cooking in the domestic science room. Friday afternoon there will be demonstrations of free kindergarten by a number of children. Every afternoon tea will be served in the tea room under the supervision of the Local Council of Women.

An interesting feature at the Women's Council booth is the tree trunk degeneration demonstration by St. Mary's pupils under the direction of Miss Morton and her assistants, Miss Miller and Miss Tarkin. The tree trunk was worked with the form being painted red, orange and yellow in a manner that called forth the warmest congratulations. The work of the little ones was wonderful to say the least.

THE CARRIAGE HALL.  
The carriage hall presents a splendid appearance. The exhibits are far ahead of anything ever attempted here in St. John. Every available space is taken up and some of the vehicles are of the most expensive kinds. The exhibitors are A. G. Edgecombe, Dominion Carriage Company, William Gray & Sons Co., Ltd., James Masson, E. A. Hoarey, E. B. Carriage Company, Clarke & Son, and McLaughlin Carriage Co.

The machinery hall was put in operation early in the day and many took advantage of seeing some of the finest pieces of machinery ever shown in Canada. The floor space is well occupied and this part of the exhibition is far ahead of anything seen at previous fairs in this city.

The agricultural hall is better than the last exhibition. Some of the finest crops ever raised in the Dominion are to be seen there, and the display of small products was highly complimented by those who examined them.

The entries in the stock exhibit were completed before noon and all the classes were well filled, especially those for sheep. So overtaxed were the accommodations for the woolly ones that between sixty and seventy of them were crowded out until additional quarters could be provided for them.

Horses also are in the race for honors in unexpected numbers. This difficulty has been coped with, however, by arranging that some of the local equines shall be kept in their home stables.

In the cattle pens are a fine selection of cattle ranging from the most lordly bull and proudest milk-producer to quaint little calves a few weeks old. Ayrshires are most largely shown, the total exhibit of this breed numbering 130. Of Shorthorn there are 40; of Devon 15, of French-Canadian cattle from Sir William Van Horne's farm 58, of Dutch Belted 14, of Guernsey 35, of Jersey 12, of dairy grades 20. There are 470 cattle on show in all and 150 horses.

Other exhibitors who are very prominent are McIntyre Bros. of Sussex, Ayrshire, Hampshire, Shropshire, Farm, St. Anne, Quebec, Ayrshire, H. C. Jewett, Fredericton; H. R. McLaughlin of Sussex and J. Fred Payne of Lincoln, a former St. John newspaper man. Excellent exhibits of horses are to be

seen in the stock yards from Dr. Walker, E. L. Jewett, Peter Clinch and H. R. McLaughlin, all local men. Judging at the stock yards was commenced yesterday afternoon. A very capable staff of judges has been secured by the management, including Dr. J. Standish of Walkerton, Ont., eight harness horses; W. J. Davidson of Ottawa, heavy horses and beef cattle; W. L. Stephens of Ontario, dairy cattle; G. H. Stephenson, Ontario, cat classes; Geo. Bain of the dairy department at Ottawa will judge dairy products; S. J. Moore of Ottawa will judge seed departments; F. L. Fuller of Truro will judge agricultural products; and John Guardhouse of Ontario will judge ewes and sheep.

John F. Frost of Hampton, the veteran superintendent of the stock department, is again in charge. Since 1880 he has held this position continuously, and the regularity with which he is asked to return to it says enough for his methods of accomplishment. Mr. Frost considers that the stock entries are decidedly the most numerous and the first ever got together since stock have been shown at the exhibition grounds, and he is quite right. A horse which is attracting a large share of attention is a magnificent Clydesdale from Mr. McLaughlin (Stoncroft) farm, St. Anne, P. Q.

THE POULTRY EXHIBIT.

The poultry exhibit will show above the average and attracted deep attention yesterday. Nearly every part of the province is represented in this show. The judging of the fowls and potted plants took place in the afternoon. The exhibits of W. & K. Pedersen and D. McIntosh were very creditable indeed. The former's exhibit was very neatly gotten up. In the middle there was a water fountain from which water was being sprinkled.

Following are the winners in the various classes:

CLASS 48.  
Plants and Flowers in Pots.  
Collection of 12 stove and greenhouse plants. In flower, distinct varieties—D. McIntosh, 1; W. & K. Pedersen, 2. Collection of 12 foliage plants, distinct varieties, ferns excluded—W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2.

Collection of ornamental leaved begonias, plants, distinct varieties—D. McIntosh, 1; W. & K. Pedersen, 2. Six Colours, distinct varieties, not less than six in pots—W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2.

Six geraniums, double, distinct varieties, in bloom—W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2. Six geraniums, single, distinct varieties, in bloom—D. McIntosh, 1; W. & K. Pedersen, 2.

Six geraniums, Ivy, distinct varieties, in bloom—D. McIntosh, 1. Six geraniums, distinct leaved geraniums—D. McIntosh, 1.

One climbing vine, in bloom—D. McIntosh, 1. Three geraniums, distinct varieties—W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2. Six begonias, tuberous, distinct colors, in bloom—D. McIntosh, 1; W. & K. Pedersen, 2.

Three begonias, shrubby, distinct varieties—W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2. One specimen begonia rex—D. McIntosh, 1; W. & K. Pedersen, 2.

One specimen begonia tuberous, in bloom—D. McIntosh, 1. One specimen pulvin-W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2. One specimen asparagus (Sprenger)—W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2.

One specimen cycas—W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2. One specimen plant, unnumbered—W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2. For the best display of plants—W. & K. Pedersen, 1; D. McIntosh, 2.

CLASS 49.  
Collection of Cut Flowers and Bouquets.  
Coronation, collection of—D. McIntosh, St. John, 1; W. & K. Pedersen, St. John, 2.

Coronation, six distinct varieties, one of each type of coronations must be less than nine inches in length—D. McIntosh, St. John, 1. Hollyhocks, collection of—No entries.

Hollyhocks, six spikes, distinct—W. & K. Pedersen, St. John, 1. Collection of summer flowering bulbs—W. & K. Pedersen, St. John, 1.

Perennial, six spikes, distinct—W. & K. Pedersen, St. John, 1. Collection of deciduous ornamental foliage shrubs—No entries.

For the largest, best and most carefully arranged collection of perennials—W. & K. Pedersen, St. John, 1. Largest, best and most carefully arranged collection of annuals—W. & K. Pedersen, St. John, 1.

Class 71. Including plants and flowers in pots, did not fill. In "class 71" the following prizes were awarded.

In a collection of sweet peas, 15 varieties, 25 blooms of each—Mrs. T. H. Bullock, Westfield Centre, 1st. Dinner and supper were served yesterday in the building by the ladies of St. John the Baptist parish. The meal room was handsomely decorated with flags and bunting, while the tables were bright with flowers. The waits served were the best possible and were supplied in a very efficient manner. All those who partook of the dinner and supper state that they will return again. The restaurant is in charge of Rev. W. J. Holland and C. J. Kane. The following ladies also assisted: Mrs. Thorne, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. F. J. McKinnon, Mrs. George Smith is supplying the pastry.

The exhibition management have announced that they have opened a lodging bureau at St. King street, which will be open for the remainder of the week.

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# MAINE ACCORDS FERNALD ABOUT 8,000 MAJORITY

Republicans Carry the State  
REDUCED MAJORITY  
Republicans Figured on Carrying the State by 15,000

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 14.—The Republicans carried Maine in the state election today by about 8,000 votes, that being the plurality of Fernald of Poland, the party candidate for governor, over Obadiah Gardner of Rockland, who headed the Democratic ticket.

At 11 p. m., with only less than eighty little towns and plantations to hear from, the vote stood: Fernald, 76,548; Gardner, 68,755. The remaining communities in 1904 gave a Republican plurality of about a thousand votes. Governor Cobb's plurality in 1906 was 8,664.

As the Republicans, after a particularly strenuous campaign, claimed the state by 15,000, the result of the contest was regarded by politicians as more favorable to the Democratic party as demonstrating that the people desired to be heard on the question of re-submission of the prohibitory law to a popular vote. This issue was the leading one in the campaign, although the Republicans discussed at times national questions.

The vote was the heaviest since 1888, running well up to 140,000. The gain, however, was mainly by the Democrats, who in 1904 carried 13,000 over that of 1904, while the Republican vote fell off about 2,500. Both parties, however, increased their vote over that of 1906.

Mr. Fernald expressed himself to congressional districts as about the usual thing, he said, "to increase the vote over that of two years ago, and will help us very much in November."

Mr. Gardner refused to comment on the election until he had received the full returns.

The Republicans carried all four congressional districts, by about the usual pluralities. Amos L. Allen being elected in the first and E. C. Burleigh in the third, while John P. Swasey was in the second, and Frank G. Guernsey in the fourth.

The two parties split even in the twenty cities. The Republicans, however, gained in the counties.

The legislature will probably be Republican by about the usual proportion.

The voting was particularly heavy in the twenty cities, where the Democrats carried through the popularity of Mr. Gardner among the farmers made great gains.

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 14.—Congressman Burleigh, when seen at his home here this evening by an Associated Press representative, said:

"Returning home to this hour indicate my election by rising 2,500 plurality. This is a gain of two years ago, but it is not very gratifying to me, and I am deeply indebted to the friends who have so loyally assisted in bringing it about."

ONLY WILL OPPOSE SIFTON  
BRANDON, Sept. 14.—It is stated on good authority that Hon. T. Mayne Daily, under pressure from friends in Winnipeg, has consented to run in Brandon for the commons against Hon. Clifford Sifton.

THE FLOATING ELEVATOR.  
At a conference with Hon. Wm. Pugsley, Mayor Bullock and Ald. McLeod, yesterday, Ald. Elkin reported on his trip to Montreal in search of floating grain elevators.

He reported that while several elevators were available as was disappointed on not being able to secure one. A special meeting of the general committee will be called immediately to deal with the report and decide on future action.

NEW MAIL ROOM.  
A new mail room is being erected at the Union depot for convenience in handling out-going mails. Hitherto the mails have been brought to the station and kept in the wagons until put on board the trains. When the trains were late this was frequently inconvenient. In future the mail will be stored in the shed and held there until put on board. The structure is being erected inside the railing at western end of the train shed.

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# HON. R. W. SCOTT RETIRES AT THE AGE OF 84 YEARS

NEVER FINER SEASON  
FOR CROP GATHERING  
Fair Weather Has Prevailed for Nearly Three Weeks

HARTLAND, N. B., Sept. 12.—There never has been a finer season for the gathering of crops. Fair weather has prevailed for nearly three weeks and the farmers, generally, have their grain crops all in the barns. Oats are proving to be of much greater yield and better quality than was anticipated a month or six weeks ago during the drought. Buckwheat is a bumper crop. Potato digging is in full swing and the tubers are turning out about sixty barrels to the acre, which is about three-quarters of a full crop. The price has been as high as \$1.05 per barrel, and at that figure twenty carloads were bought and shipped by Hartland dealers last week. This week, however, the price has fallen away from some extent and there are not so many coming to market. They are now putting them in the cellars to await winter shipment.

So great is the volume of business being done at Hartland station at the present time that the north-bound way freight train was held here for seven hours, yesterday, in order to do the shunting and the necessary setting of cars.

All summer long times have been booming along the valley of the Upper St. John, and the cry of "hard times" is heard only from those who by nature are affected that way. In every village an unusual amount of building is going on. The crops are abundant and the prospect excellent for good prices.

The water in the river is "as low as it can get and not jump" as one person expressed it today. Notwithstanding, Conductor Scott of the St. John River Driving Company has a crew at work making fairly good headway with the "clean-up" drive. All summer a crew has been at work breaking a jam of about a million feet hung up in the "Coffee Mill" in the Grand Falls gorge, and, now, that being accomplished, the last run of the drive is being made.

This is Conductor Scott's first season and he has, from visible indications, made some money.

In spite of the low price of the drive, the price of shipping by rail has begun. An average of twenty cars are in their yards every day, in the various stages of loading. They ship a good deal of wood to Woodstock.

This evening a reception is being held for Mr. and Mrs. Bertram G. Rideau, who returned today from their wedding trip.

At Avordale there is a reception for the home-coming of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony G. Baker, who, also, returned from their home honeymoon trip to Prince Edward Island. Mr. and Mrs. Baker will take up their residence in Hartland, at present boarding in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Gray.

The work on the diversion of the C. P. R. between here and Woodstock is progressing slowly. The new track is built to avoid the very heavy grades between the two towns. About seven miles of entirely new right-of-way is being worked, and for the most part the cuttings have been very expensive. The dining room at Newburgh will be re-finished in about four weeks hence. The work began last November.

PRATTLE POINT, Sept. 11.—Passed, str Sallasia, Purdy, from Savannah for London and Hamburg.

TORONTO, Sept. 13.—In an effort to secure the entry of Fred Schaeffer, the Halifax sprinter, who defeated Bobby Kerr at Halifax for the Canadian championship, Hans Holmboe of Halifax, the Canadian mile champion, and A. C. Wood, of the Gordon Harriers, Montreal, the Canadian half-mile champion, and Fred Frydson, secretary of the Canadian League championship games, to be held here Saturday, Sept. 26, at Varsity field, wrote to Montreal and Halifax today. If Kerr ever books up with Schaeffer again that is dug for a good trouncing. The chances are that Schaeffer will not come, but the core are likely to come to see Holmboe and Wood, who are game to defend their titles. Holmboe, if he comes, will have an especially hard row to hoe, for Chuck Skene, of the Irish, who has been in such a desperate battle at Halifax is itching for another crack at him, and Arnold Knox, the Central punter, has a notion that he can trim either one. His phenomenal success lately makes him a dangerous opponent for any miler. There, too, there is Jack-Tait, Wood, and Fred Meadows, who are likely to start. The C. A. A. U. championships, the championship meet of the Y. M. C. A., the League, all events are open, however, to C. A. A. U. and League athletes. The events:

100 yards, 220, 440, 330, one mile run, and five-mile run, three-mile walk, 12 yards high hurdle, one-mile relay, each man to run a quarter mile; 12-pound shot put, high jump, broad jump, pole vault, discus, 15-pound hammer, two and a half mile steeplechase. All information and entry blanks secured from James Brydon, 415 Yonge street, Toronto.

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Mr. Scott, the retiring Secretary of State, is a veteran of the McKenna cabinet who has been a colleague of Sir Wilfrid's since 1896. He is eighty-four years of age and is best known throughout Canada as the author of the local option law, which he carried through parliament many years ago, which is commonly known as the Scott Act. Mr. Scott has been a member of the senate since the early seventies and still retains his seat in the cabinet group. He was mayor of Ottawa in 1882 and was one of those who worked for the selection of Bytown, as it was then called, for the capital of Canada. Since then Mr. Scott has been a resident of this city, and in withdrawing from the high position he has so long held respect of all classes.

Although Mr. Murphy has never held a seat in parliament he has for many years been a prominent worker in the Liberal cause, and has several times been mentioned for the party nomination.

Murphy's Appointment  
Mr. Murphy's appointment to the cabinet was urged by an important deputation of English speaking Catholics from Toronto, Peterboro, Kingston and elsewhere, which visited Ottawa for the purpose last winter.

Mr. Murphy is a native of this city. He received his preliminary education in the separate schools and colleges in the city and afterwards graduated with the degree of B. A. from Ottawa University, where in his final year he won the medal presented by Pope Leo XIII. for the best thesis in philosophy.

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