

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1907.

FOR A PURE ELECTION IN CHARLOTTE COUNTY

A Fuller Report of the Proceedings at St. Stephen
In Reference To This Matter --- Mr. Murchie
Given a Great Reception.

From a fuller report of the opposition convention held in St. Stephen yesterday, the Times quotes the following paragraphs:

"Col. Chipman said that the delegation present assured well for the ticket to be placed in nomination, and he was satisfied that the delegates were fully alive to the needs of the hour. While Col. Chipman was speaking J. D. Hazen entered the hall and his appearance was the signal for prolonged and hearty applause. Col. Chipman said he was pleased to welcome Mr. Hazen, who had just returned from the future premier of New Brunswick, and he was sure that the delegates would give him the same hearty reception which the chairman accorded, the applause again burst forth."

"While credentials were being examined by the committee, Revs. O. S. Newnam, Geo. M. Young, and W. C. Goucher, representing the St. Croix Ministerial Association, were introduced by Col. Chipman, who asked that the convention hear what the reverend gentlemen had to say concerning a matter of interest to the people of the county and province with regard to the necessity for pure elections, the gentlemen having but a short time previously circulated a petition for the suppression of the use of money or other questionable methods to secure votes in all political contests. Rev. Geo. M. Young arose, and after a few words gave place to Rev. W. C. Goucher, president of the association, who addressed the convention as follows:

"Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the St. Croix Ministerial Association, held in the town of St. Stephen early in October last, after discussing the growing tendency to corrupt practices in election contests, and realizing the fact that the county of Charlotte could not plead guilty to this outrage to decency and morality, it was proposed that the leaders of the respective parties be approached with a view to securing their co-operation in framing a compact which would do away with corrupt influences in future elections."

"A committee of two was appointed with power to act in the matter. This committee drew up a resolution and sought the signatures of about thirty representatives from each party, believing that if these persons could be brought together to talk the matter over they could, if they would, frame an agreement that would be binding throughout the whole county. The committee found that the signatures asked for were cordially given and the hope expressed that the ends

aimed at would be realized. The resolution and signatures are as follows:—

"In view of an approaching election we, the undersigned persons, interested in the political parties of Charlotte county, agree to meet in a conference, at a convenient time and place, to see if an agreement can be reached whereby the corrupt use of money and liquor might be eliminated." Signed by Gilbert W. Ganong, W. C. H. Grimmer, F. E. Rose, P. F. McKenna, Geo. J. Clarke, J. E. Ganong, Henry E. Hill, Frank Todd, J. F. Dusen, A. A. Laffin, E. G. Vroom, N. Marks, J. D. Hazen, John D. Chipman, G. F. Hill, A. J. Teed, G. P. Ryder, J. W. Richardson, W. W. Inches, R. W. Grimmer, James N. Clarke, J. W. Scoville, C. J. Vanstone, L. Bradley, Hugh Love, Fred M. Murchie, J. T. Whitlock and S. McMurphy, St. Stephen; Frank C. Murchie, Will B. Laughlin, T. W. Butler, Martin Cronin, J. Whidden, Graham, Gerard Graham, and A. Mungall, Milltown; Geo. M. Byron, Campbellville; H. Vaughan Dewar, E. D. Harvey, C. C. Alexander, R. T. Wetmore, Henry I. Taylor, Charles Johnson, Frank G. Hibbard, James O'Brien, Edward McGatton and A. C. Gilmore, St. George; Thomas R. Wren, T. A. Hart, E. A. Cockburn, P. G. Haines, R. E. Armstrong, Thomas Turner O'Dell, F. H. Grimmer, J. Davidson Grimmer, St. Andrews.

"This resolution, together with the signatures attached we respectfully lay before this convention, and we suggest that you, in your convention assembled tonight, take the matter into your favorable consideration and, if it seem wise to you, appoint a committee composed of 25 or more persons that will have power to fully represent you, to meet a like number of government supporters appointed in a like manner at their nominating convention (to which convention a copy of this petition will be presented) and empower them to form a compact whereby the electorate of Charlotte county may express its will in the coming election unimpeded by the influence of money, liquor or other illegal acts."

(Signed)
W. C. GOUCHER,
G. M. YOUNG,
R. S. CRISP,
L. B. GIBSON,
O. S. NEWNAM,
Committee."

"Col. Chipman said he felt sure that the

meeting as a whole was in favor of having elections carried on without resorting to the corrupt practices condemned by the association and all who were interested in having political contests cleanly conducted, and felt sure that the voters desired to give free expression of political preference. The motion was unanimously adopted by the convention."

"Mayor Teed said that it gave him great pleasure to hear the resolutions presented, and stated that he was almost ashamed of the conditions as disclosed by the press with reference to the corrupt practices during elections. He moved that the committee be asked for by the resolution be appointed and urged that the convention pledge itself to do all in its power to carry out the pledge."

"On motion of W. C. H. Grimmer, the chair appointed a committee of three to select a list of 25 names required to represent the opposition convention, which was done, (as stated in yesterday's Times) The convention then proceeded to nominate candidates for the legislature."

"Frank C. Murchie whose name was presented by Dr. Deacon, arose and addressed the convention. He felt that great honor had been done him in bringing his name before the convention, but said that while he thought it possible that Milltown could be represented he did not wish to precipitate a contest, as he felt that the lower part of the county was entitled to two representatives. He would do all in his power to elect Dr. Taylor, whose name had been presented. At some future day he might himself come before the convention and ask for its support. Mr. Murchie's statement was made in a manly and straightforward manner, and the delegates felt that here was a man whom they could support at some future time, and who would be a credit to the county."

"By urging all to put their shoulders to the wheel and help roll up a rousing majority for the ticket placed in nomination. He was given round after round of applause as he sat down, after formally withdrawing his name, with the consent of the mover and seconder."

"Col. Chipman said that he felt that all would be glad at some future time to come forward and give Mr. Murchie their support, the soundness of approval which greeted the statement showing conclusively that the delegates were with him to a man. As the withdrawal of Mr. Murchie obviated the necessity for balloting the nominations made were ratified by a standing vote."

"Messrs Grimmer, Clarke, and Hart accepted their nominations in a few words, in which they thanked the delegates for the honor conferred upon them and the expression of confidence in them as manifested by the nominations and pledged their best endeavors in behalf of Charlotte county. Captain Johnson of St. George spoke for Dr. Taylor, who was unavoidably absent and paid a high tribute to the ability and worth of the nominee from the grand old town. Then followed the remarks of G. W. Ganong, M. P."

"Haru-Ko, the wife of the Mikado, is not only a woman of great intelligence and erudition, but a poetess of talent; she will certainly take her place in the literary history of her country. Every Japanese child knows her poetry by heart and on all the important events of the reign she has written verses."

READING CAMP ASSOCIATION

The Social Settlement Idea Carried On In Canada Doing Splendid Work.

(R. J. Hutcheon in Toronto News.)

Every student of social welfare movements is familiar with such names as Toynbee Hall, London, founded by the brilliant young student and philanthropist Arnold Toynbee, and Hull House, Chicago, the scene at the present time of the splendid work of Jane Addams. The "settlement movement" aimed at inducing better living conditions and helping the poor of great cities and help them not only by advice and instruction, but also by daily example on the spot.

Probably it is not sufficiently known that a somewhat similar movement has been carried on in Canada for the last seven years, only in our case the scene is not the slums of cities, but the mining, lumbering and railroad construction camps along our industrial frontier.

The creator of this interesting movement in Canada is Alfred Fitzpatrick, a graduate of Queen's University, Kingston. He began active life as a minister of the Presbyterian church and while doing service in a lumbering district, reached the conclusion that the ordinary methods of church work were unsuitable to mining and lumbering conditions. Sermons, prayer-meetings, pastoral visitations and other regular clerical activities presuppose a settled community, a little world controlled by social customs and sentiments, a home life where men, women, and children are in constant interactions with each other. But in such conditions prevailed in a lumber or construction camp. There the community is ever on the move; sentiment is in a fluid and chaotic condition; customs hardly exist, men are deprived of the refining influences of women and children; the shack, where men herd rather than live, takes the place of the home.

MR. FITZPATRICK'S PLAN.
To meet such conditions Mr. Fitzpatrick worked out a plan for bringing these nomadic communities into closer touch with educated men and the refining influence of books and decent surroundings. He first appealed to the employers of these gangs of men and to a few private friends and secured enough means to set up a few

small or camps where the men might read and write. But he soon discovered that many men were unable to read or write and the bold idea of inviting students of the universities to spend their summers in the camps as teachers suggested itself to him. After he had demonstrated the value of his proposition by actual experiment the Ontario government came to his aid with a yearly grant of \$1,000 and with this grant supplemented by the free gifts of many friends, Mr. Fitzpatrick has been able thus far to do work in more than 50 camps, and last summer had in his employ 19 students as teachers.

PEOPLE AWAKENING.
By his brave and humanitarian enterprise Mr. Fitzpatrick has awakened many people to the needs of a very necessary and a very much neglected class of men. We have about 250,000 men engaged every year in Canada in mining, lumbering and construction work. They are doing their work in extremely abnormal conditions. They are for the most part uneducated men, the had some of the usual advantages in their youth. The province derives a large part of its yearly revenue from the wealth which they are used to exploit, and is doing next to nothing to give them the benefits of its civilized life. Mr. Fitzpatrick has shown us the cost in human terms of this part of our industry, and has demonstrated the possibility of preventing much of the present waste.

BIG COPPER MINES MAY BE CLOSED

Amalgamated Company Directors Take Action Construed To Have That Meaning.

(N. Y. World.)

The directors of the Amalgamated Copper Company at a meeting held yesterday at their offices, No. 42 Broadway, took action which amounts to the closing down of the Anaconda, the Parrott, the Butte & Boston and the Washoe mines until the copper situation improves. This will mean the shutting down also of the Washoe smelter. The directors themselves went no further than to pass a resolution to continue the output of copper as nearly as possible on a parity with the present basis of consumption. Furthermore they authorized the operating officers to either close or curtail in operation such mines or smelters as they should deem best in their judgment.

This gives the president and his assistants full authority to close such mines and smelters as they desire, and in the copper trade it is generally understood that those mines which are operated at the lowest percentage of profit will be shut down. These are the ones referred to above.

It is a well known fact that the Boston & Montana Mine can be more economically operated than any other Amalgamated property. The ore from this mine are all smelted at the Great Falls Smelter, and therefore this smelter will be continued in operation.

The decision of the Amalgamated Copper Company's directors can throw thousands of men out of employment in Butte and throughout Montana. At the time of the labor troubles in Butte last spring the mine-owners were forced to grant the miners an advance wages, which was deemed reasonable on the high prices of copper then ruling, but the men entered into a formal agreement in the case of a drop in the price of the metal they would accept a corresponding reduction in wages. Accordingly, about three months ago, with copper around 13 cents, and the situation generally in an unsatisfactory condition, wages were reduced to a basis of \$3.50 a day.

Many hundreds of miners also have been laid off as a result of the curtailment in production, and large numbers of them have gone to other mining camps.

As a result of yesterday's action the great majority of those who have remained at work may be thrown out, as only sufficient men will be retained at the mines that are closed down to preserve the property from unnecessary depreciation during the period of idleness.

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CHEESE RECIPES.

As many of the informal social gatherings end at the "Chafing Dish," it keeps the housekeeper on the alert for new ideas, and new variations of the time-honored concoction known as the "Welsh Rarebit," are always acceptable. The following recipes are most of them easily prepared on

a chafing dish, and will be found very appetizing for informal refreshments:

Toasted Cheese Sandwiches.—Use either brown or white bread, butter lightly and make a filling of grated cheese, then toast the sandwiches on both sides and serve hot.

Cheese and Tomato Rarebit.—One tablespoonful of butter, 1½ pound of cheese, the yolks of two eggs, 1½ cup of tomato sauce, 1-4 teaspoon salt, 1-4 teaspoon so-

da, 1-4 teaspoon paprika. Prepare as ordinarily for Welsh Rarebit.

Cheese Crip.—Dissolve a piece of butter the size of a walnut in chafing dish, with three cups of rich cheese dry enough to be grated. When melted add a pinch of salt and two tablespoonfuls of tomato catsup. Serve on warmed plates piled high with very hot and crisp Saratoga chips. Toasted thin crackers make a nice accompaniment to this dish.