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COMMODORE STEWART
Discusses the Result of the Election in Northumberland County.

(Chatham World.)
Every son of Northumberland ought to be proud of the uprising on Saturday that burst the combination and proclaimed her independence. She had been ruled for thirteen years at the feet of a ring that ruled her. Her people had no voice in the selection of members of assembly. Mr. Tweedie selected them. There was a feeling of hopelessness in the air that paralyzed efforts to free the county from the grip of the clique that held it in bondage. But we labored on, a full ticket was at last got into the field, and though it was the eleventh hour, and the advantage all with the combine, we have elected three of our men. That is glory enough for one day. If the other counties had done equally well the province would have been freed from the grasp of a government that is mortgaging its future for the benefit of a few individuals. The legislature of today, Northumberland is no longer responsible for the continuance of this disgraceful system of governing by handing over the reins to a few individuals. Every man who holds an office, or aspires to an office, or looks for public employment from any kind, either provincial or federal, from highways to railways, is made to do the bidding of the clique in all the relations of life. Litigants have thrown up what they deemed good cases rather than attempt to get an unprejudiced jury and a fair trial in the courts of the country. We have been living under the despotism of a boss whose orders, whether in reference to their action on public issues or the personal relations of citizens with each other, are obeyed by men who hold offices, seek appointments, or look for employment either as lawyers or laborers.

But Northumberland has revolted. She has shown that she will be free. And let us hope that the province, encouraged by her example, will send back to obscurity the men who are living in riotous luxury now at the expense of the people they misgovern.

OATS FOR FINLAND.
The steamer Montauk has sailed from Portland for Finland with a cargo of oats. She takes in round numbers 200,000 bushels, which is the largest single cargo of oats ever taken out of that port. It has been loaded in three days, and it goes to Finland to make oatmeal for the starving Finlanders.

NORTHWEST LANDS.
A syndicate of Canadians and Americans have purchased about six thousand acres of land near Aylesbury, 25 miles north of Moose Jaw. The price paid was \$5 an acre. The syndicate propose to colonize the land.

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THE COAL STRIKE.

Summary of the Finding of the Commission.

Miners to Get More Wages--In General the Report is in Their Favor.

NEW YORK, March 4.—The Herald prints the following as a summary of the findings of the coal strike commission appointed by President Roosevelt, which, it is expected will be handed to the president this week.

There will be no doubt that a ten per cent advance in the pay for mining, to take effect from the time the miners returned to work last October.

The per diem employees will not have their wages increased, but will be recommended for the same pay for a day of nine hours.

The system of pay will be regulated. Wherever practicable, the operators will be required to pay by weight, instead of by the car, and elsewhere by the lineal yard. The miners will have check docking representatives at their own expense. This will practically amount to a second increase in wages.

There will be indirect recognition of the union, which will come when the findings are submitted by President Roosevelt to John Mitchell, as president of the Miners' Union.

The cause of the strike as found by the commission will not be comforting to the coal mining companies.

The boycott will be condemned, and the principal will be laid down that a miner has a right to work without molestation, even though he does not belong to the union.

The terms of the verdict are to hold good for three years and recommendations are to be made for settlements on wages and other questions at the end of that period. In local disputes the operators will be advised to treat with committees of the miners, and there may be a suggestion for local board of arbitration.

A BRIDE AND GROOM.

Are Now in Jail Charged With Burglary and Larceny.

OSWEGO, N. Y., March 6.—Alonso Clark and Elizabeth Austin were married six weeks ago. They are now in jail charged with burglary and larceny.

Mrs. Clark says that on the night of Feb. 5 her husband forced her by threats and fear of bodily harm to assist him in entering and robbing a store at Hastings Centre, near here. She says she dressed in male attire and waited outside the store while he broke a window in the rear and went in. He signalled and she followed him through the window. She says she pointed out the most valuable goods and held the bags and baskets while her husband filled them.

OYSTERS SCARCE.

And Dealers Can Hardly Supply the Local Demand.

For the past ten days St. John has been on the verge of an oyster famine but as yet there has been no actual scarcity. The dealers in oysters have been able to secure small quantities, barely sufficient to supply customers, but unless the weather improves even the few shipments now being received are liable to cease. The cause is a scarcity on the American market.

At this season native oysters are about done. November the dealers lay in enough stock to keep them until the first of March, which is as late as the oysters will remain in good condition. After this supply is used they are forced to depend on the American market until the season here opens.

During the present season American fishermen have been hindered by ice forming on the oyster beds and dealers in the states can scarcely get enough to supply the local demand. As a result the shipments to this city have been reduced and the St. John dealers are able to secure only one and two barrels at a time.

ALLAN PRICE DEAD.

The death occurred at Springfield yesterday morning of Allan Price, father of B. S. Price of this city. The deceased who had been ill for some time was 33 years of age. He leaves a wife and four children. Dr. Price of German street, Mrs. A. W. Cosman of Springfield, Mrs. Fairweather of Hampton and Miss Helen, who resides at the home in Springfield.

The funeral will be held on Sunday morning. The services will be conducted by Rev. F. G. Francis.

SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived.
S. S. St. John City, Patterson, from London, via Halifax.
Coastwise: S. S. Westport, Power, from Westport; sch. James Barker, Ellis, from Quaco; sch. Abana, Black, from Quaco; sch. Helms, from Parrsboro; sch. Wood Bros., Golding, from Quaco; sch. Nellie E. Gray, Smith, from Quaco; sch. Mayfield, Merriam, from Parrsboro; sch. Reg. Stevens, from Quaco; sch. Silver Wave, McLean, from Parrsboro.

Sch. Annie Bliss, 25, Day, for Vineyard Haven.
Coastwise, Barge No. 3, McNamara, from Parrsboro; S. S. Westport, Power, for Westport; sch. E. Mayfield, Merriam, from Quaco; sch. Nellie E. Gray, Smith, from Quaco; sch. Helms, for Annapolis; sch. Annie Bliss, Tutts, for Alma, N. B.

Hon. J. L. Tweedie is in the city. Interviewed yesterday he said the legislature would probably meet March 28th. A meeting of the government will be held in Fredericton on Wednesday.

The death is reported of Mrs. Catherine Donoghue, widow of J. Donoghue, which occurred this morning in the Mater Misericordiae Home. Mrs. Donoghue was eighty-five years of age and formerly belonged to Milford.

The Furness boat St. John City, Captain Patterson, arrived at Halifax this morning and she is docked at the Pettigill wharf.

THE DOUKHOBORS.

Ex-Pilgrims Desire to Become Canadian Citizens Immediately.

Balance of Stock Fund to be Applied in Paying Entries—Verigin's Influence a Potent Factor in the Settlement—Several Difficulties Remain.

(Winnipeg Free Press.)
Peter Verigin, the Doukhobor leader, has left for the Saskatchewan colonies, near Rosthern.

See his arrival in the west, some three months ago, he has accomplished a great work. Almost altogether as the result of his efforts, the discontent and dissatisfaction that before his arrival were prevalent among a large section of the Doukhobors, have altogether disappeared.

Henceforth the Doukhobors will have no other aim but to settle in Canada and become Canadians. The erstwhile pilgrims will at once proceed to get out naturalization papers, and like the Icelanders, Germans, Galicians, Swedes and the other European nationalities of the dominion, will in a short time become merged in the Canadian people. They will at once enter for their homesteads and in other respects conform to the requirements of Canadian departmental regulations.

These things were finally decided on at a meeting of delegates from all the Yorkton and Swan River colonies, held on February 10th. Agents Crerar and Harley were present, representing the government. They explained fully the dominion regulations as to settlement of land, that they were designed solely with a view to the safety of the settlers and for the benefit of the settler, and without any intention of harshness or oppression, and were identical for all who desired land, whether British, Canadian or Doukhobor.

VERIGIN'S GREAT INFLUENCE.

The meeting was very lengthy, and every aspect of every question agitating the Doukhobors was thoroughly discussed. Throughout it was evident that Verigin was in absolute control of the gathering, his every suggestion and recommendation being immediately and cordially adopted. Verigin assumed no show of authority—in fact, he created the contrary impression, that of following where in reality he led. But his every suggestion showed so much more knowledge of the matters at issue than those who waited on his counsel, that by virtue of this they were in every case adopted.

The government agents informed the assembly that, in regard to the fund realized from the sale of the Doukhobor stock, a committee was to be appointed to deal with the matter. Of this committee Verigin was to be one. The others elected were Paul Planidan and Nicolai Zilroff and Simeon Rieben was appointed interpreter. This committee has spent four days in the city and has had numerous interviews with Commissioner of Immigration J. O. Smith. The all-important question discussed was the taking up of the homesteads. The committee stated that, owing to the disturbance created by the recent pilgrimages, there was as much money among the Doukhobors as there would otherwise have been. It was decided that the balance of the fund, after paying for all charges caused by the pilgrimages, should be applied to the entry fees of the Doukhobors to their homesteads. The remainder of this fund will be in the neighborhood of \$2,000, all of which will be devoted to this purpose.

2,000 HOMESTEADS.

will be required in order that each adult Doukhobor may have his own farm. The Saskatchewan Doukhobors who were unaffected by the pilgrimages, have, as is generally known, all taken up their land and otherwise conformed to departmental regulations.

Verigin desires to assure the people of Canada—and in this he is corroborated by Zilroff, the real leader of the pilgrimages—that the spirit wrestlers had no malicious or injurious intent in that movement. They honestly believed they were right in going out to preach. Verigin assured Mr. Smith that he felt deeply the kindness and sympathy extended to the pilgrims by everyone on their line of march, and by the government since their return to their homes, and he assured the commissioner that the Doukhobors would in future show the confidence of Canadians. They are now all willing to admit that the pilgrimages was a mistake—at least in this sense, that it was not necessary for so many to have gone. They now admit that, for the purpose of preaching, a dozen would have been as efficient as the 800 who started.

Commissioner Smith and the officials of the department are, naturally, pleased with the turn affairs have taken. This is the first committee having power to act for the Doukhobors that has approached the government for two years. There are still matters to be adjusted, but the main question was that of land entry. This is now settled. The Doukhobors will locate on the land. They will each put up \$10 entry fee. They will have a stake and interest in the country. They have given up all idea of moving out of Canada. Then another difficulty, the fund realized from the sale of the Doukhobor stock, has been disposed of, to the mutual satisfaction of the government and the Doukhobors. The questions of schools and vital statistics registration have yet to be dealt with, but there is not the slightest doubt but that these things will, in due course, be settled as satisfactorily as the land question has been. Two factors have entered into this settlement—the moderation and firmness of the department, and the personality of Verigin. It is fortunate that with the crisis came the man who could control it, for had it not been for the limitations of the Doukhobors had in Verigin, the present satisfactory conditions would have been long in coming.

You can almost see the cracks in the average man's voice when he attempts to smile.

A STRANGE STORY.

Told by Mrs. Georgia Stanley of Denver.

Who Was Found Dead Beside the Body of a Veteran of the Civil War.

DENVER, Colo., March 6.—Considerable speculation is expressed here as to the antecedents of Mrs. Georgia Stanley, who died yesterday from asphyxiation in inhaling the fumes of coal gas in a hotel where she was found by neighbors in an unconscious state lying on a bed beside the dead body of Major Marshall Hurd, an aged veteran of the civil war. Mrs. Stanley not long ago told a friend that her father, Lord Allan, formerly governor of a province in India, was the founder of the Allan line of Atlantic steamers. In a note book found among her effects appears the following:

"Brother George's fortune was estimated at \$35,000,000, but at writing I suppose it is \$400,000,000. To think how rich Brother George is and how poor I am!"

Nothing definite is known of the brother except that it is believed he lived at one time in Spain or the Barbadoes. Some time ago, when Mrs. Stanley's poverty stricken condition was brought to the attention of the dean, R. Martin Hart, of St. John's cathedral, he communicated with Sir James Grant of Toronto, who Mrs. Stanley claimed was her half brother. A reply was received to the effect that Sir James was not Mrs. Stanley's half brother. No arrangements have as yet been made for Mrs. Stanley's burial.

Major Hurd, who was an engineer in the army of the Cumberland, will be buried under the auspices of the G. A. R.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

Votes Down Lord Carrington's Motion Regarding Military Organization.

LONDON, March 6.—In the house of lords yesterday a motion presented by Earl Carrington to reconsider the government's plan of military organization was defeated by a vote of 53 to 15. The debate brought out severe criticism of the government's conduct of the Boer war by Earl Carrington.

Earl Hardwicke, under secretary for war, replied. Foreign minister Lansdowne said that the government did not intend to make any change in the existing system. The Prince of Wales, Earl Roberts and Lord Methuen listened to the debate from the gallery.

OVER PRODUCTION.

May Lead to Ruinous Price War in Glass Industry.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Mar. 6.—The Public Ledger today says: Never in the history of the window glass industry in this country it is said, have the manufacturers and jobbers been confronted with such a serious situation as at present. If the plans of a number of the leading producers to close down their factories temporarily are unsuccessful, it is concluded here that the most ruinous price war ever inaugurated will be a certainty. It has been estimated by those in a position to know that there are now in the hands of manufacturers about 2,000,000 boxes of glass, or half of which is in the warehouses of the American Window Glass Company.

FIRE IN SEATTLE.

Still Raging and Threatening the Whole Water Front.

SEATTLE, Wn., March 6.—Fire which broke out in Murchison's saw mill at Fair Haven today threatens the destruction of a large part of the waterfront and business buildings of the city. A strong southeast gale is fanning the flames, and several canneries are in imminent danger. Several Great Northern freight cars were burned near the depot and the depot is now in danger. The loss, unless the wind shall change, may reach \$500,000. Several hundred men will be thrown out of employment.

AN AMERICAN CONSUL.

Who is Charged With Failure to do His Duty.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Complaint has been made to the state department of the conduct of U. S. Consul William Maxwell Greene, at Hamilton, Bermuda, relative to the casting away of the Madiant. It is alleged that the consul showed absolute indifference toward the shipwrecked passengers and took no part in their rescue. The local papers in Bermuda commented on this matter and these papers have been sent to the state department, which instituted a prompt investigation of the consul's conduct. Mr. Greene was appointed to his post from Rhode Island in 1898.

GOES TO OTTAWA.

Harry E. Hall, who has been for more than twelve years in the service of the Bank of New Brunswick, will shortly leave that institution to take a position on the staff of the Bank of Ottawa.

Mr. Hall leaves for Ottawa early next week, and while his many friends regret his leaving St. John they are glad to hear of his advancement and wish him every success in the new field.

BRIEFS BY WIRE.

PARIS, March 6.—The chamber of deputies has adopted the budget by 371 votes to 57.

CLEVELAND, March 6.—The freight embargo which the Erie Railroad had issued against receiving freight from connecting lines has been raised.

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THE HUMBERTS.

An Effort to Implicate the French Ambassador at Madrid.

PARIS, March 6.—M. Leydet, the magistrate who has charge of the investigation into the Humbert affair is continuing daily his interrogation of the arrested members of the Humbert family but without eliciting any new facts of importance. The physicians have decided that Mlle. Maria Daurignac is hysterical and not responsible for her actions. Magistrate Leydet has therefore concluded to release her provisionally.

The Matin this morning states that Mrs. Therese Humbert during her interrogatory yesterday asserted that she and other members of her family frequently met the French ambassador, Paternotre, while in Madrid. The ambassador knew them well, as he had often been at parties given at their home about the year 1880. The Matin has interviewed M. Paternotre, who emphatically denies ever having seen the Humberts in Madrid, that he knew of any of the family in Paris, or that he ever attended parties at their home.

ANOTHER HOTEL FIRE.

Great Damage Done and Many Thrilling Escapes.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., March 6.—Fire today destroyed the Otis House, one of the large hotels in this city, and completely gutted the numerous stores in the block. The fire started at 8.30 in the cellar and running up the elevator shaft soon enveloped the entire structure in flames. The hotel was crowded with guests and many narrow escapes were reported. Peter W. Van Brunt, of this city, was confined to his bed on the fourth floor, sick, and was let down by ropes. Dr. E. S. Sargent of this city, also a guest, was removed from the fourth floor by the firemen from his room, which was soon after a mass of flames. All the guests were rescued by fire escapes and ladders, all interior means of escape being cut off.

The loss is estimated at \$200,000 and is two-thirds covered by insurance.

THE DEATH ROLL.

PARIS, March 6.—Prof. Gaston, Paris member of the French Academy and professor of the College of France, died today. He was born in 1823.

PHILADELPHIA, March 6.—Joel K. Bailey, one of the best known men in the notion trade of the country, is dead. Mr. Bailey was in his 77th year and was a pioneer in the wholesale notion business. He retired a few years ago having amassed a fortune of several million dollars.

MORRISON, N. J., March 6.—Josiah Muir, the inventor of the paper car wheels, now in use on the railroads, is dead at the age of 91 years. He was formerly a large manufacturer of paper and pasteboard.

FISHKILL LANDING, N. Y., March 6.—John McFarlane, senior member of the firm of McFarlane and Hignall, proprietors of the Fishkill Landing Boiler Works, died last night from heart disease.

VALENCIA ORANGES.

MOORE, J. P. Estabrook & Son have arriving tomorrow by mail boat Nubian one hundred cases Val. oranges and are now taking orders for the same.