

PRINCIPAL GRANT

Was Asked to Become Minister of Education.

Sir Oliver Mowat Made Several Attempts to Have Him Enter the Cabinet.

The advance sheets of the biography of Principal Grant, by W. L. Grant and Frederick Hamilton, have been printed by Morang & Co., and a personal of them brings to light a number of hitherto unpublished facts in connection with university history in Ontario and with the larger questions of Canadian politics.

A DUTY TO THE COUNTRY.

In his first letter on the subject, Principal Grant expressed gratitude for the offer and revealed himself as arguing that it was the duty of a judge or a clergyman to enter public life if he had the gifts and if there was "need for" (as Mr. Mowat himself had done).

"In the first place I believe that the experiment of a non-political superintendent of education should be tried. I am aware that Dr. Ryerson suggested the change that was made, but I have not the same excited opinion on it as he did. I prefer to be free, to be a bystander, somewhat in Goldwin Smith's fashion.

HIS FINAL DECISION.

A personal interview with Mr. Mowat and a season of "bewilderment" intervened before he reached the final decision, which was communicated in the following terms: "I have never felt it so difficult to make up my mind on any subject as on that contained in your proposal. But I have at length thought it out and am compelled to conclude that it is my duty to refuse. I need not go fully into the reasons, as you would have credit for acting honestly in the matter. For a time I felt inclined to accept because my ambition could not suggest a more important position than the one you placed within my reach.

PARTY CONTENTS UNREASONABLE.

In his next letter Principal Grant says: "The fact that you are willing to meet me half way so far as my views on educational administration are concerned, imposes on me the duty of seriously considering the proposal you have made. I feel an almost unconquerable aversion to exchange my present position for political life. Party contentions in Canada seem to be unreasonably based neither on principles nor on measures, and I can see no reason why the work of administration should not be carried out by the best men irrespective of accidental party affiliations."

sonable, because based neither on principles nor on measures, and I can see no reason why the work of administration should not be carried out by the best men irrespective of accidental party affiliations. The trend of the whole letter would lead one to believe that he was going to accept the position. "Thinking aloud," as he says, he continues: "Could I say publicly to the constituency for which I would have to run, without inconvincing your government or endangering my own chances of election, something such as this: That my appointment as minister of education was a pledge on your part that the department was to be kept free from party influences; that I accepted the position for educational ends only; that I retained my views that it would be best administered by a non-political head; and if, after experience, it was found that there could be no doubt that it would be in the interests of education that changes should be made in that direction, I myself would propose them; also that I went into the government with the intention of devoting my whole time to educational questions; that I was not interested in and had not studied purely political questions, and, therefore, was not yet competent to discuss them; but that confidence in you, and as a matter of course felt myself bound on every question to consider the interests of Ontario."

The principal Grant was almost ripe for the step is shown by the fact that in the next paragraph he discusses the difficulty of leaving Queen's at the beginning of the session, and asks how soon he would need the in German war of 1870-71, and was severely wounded at the battle of Mars-la-Tour. In 1873, Herbert became an official of the department of foreign affairs, and was assistant to his father, then chancellor. He was attached to the German legations at Bern and at Vienna from 1874 to 1877. Later on the deceased became councillor of the German embassy in London, and subsequently occupied the same position at St. Petersburg.

A WESTMORLAND VETERAN.

Charles E. Knapp One of the Best Known Men in His County.

Charles E. Knapp, who died on Thursday in Halifax from the effects of an accident, was well known throughout the maritime provinces. He was one of the oldest barristers in New Brunswick, and served for many years as registrar of probate and clerk of the peace for Westmorland county. A man of strong opinions, he was in the habit of expressing them in vigorous language. A liberal all his life, he did not allow his party leaders to make his creed. He was a strong prohibitionist and did not hesitate to speak and write in favor of annexation. The St. John Globe, whose editor shared Mr. Knapp's views on annexation, published many of his political letters. To the Sun Mr. Knapp contributed several papers on matters of local history. His grandfather was a "smant in Delancy's Loyalist corps in 1782, and was wounded in the service of the King. A great-grandfather had also served in the war of the revolution, and the Knapp family has been in Westmorland since 1783.

ANOTHER DELEGATION.

LONDON, Sept. 16.—A mission appointed by the supreme patriarch of the Armenian church to visit the representatives of the great powers and appeal to them to compel the Sultan of Turkey to establish and preserve order and tranquility in Armenia will sail for New York tomorrow to present to President Roosevelt a letter from the supreme patriarch of the Armenian church in behalf of the Armenians.

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HORRORS OF WAR.

Officer From Port Arthur Tells Blood-Curdling Story.

Japanese Bombarding the Russians at Mukden and Endeavoring to Cut Off Kuropatkin.

St. Petersburg continues without official confirmation of the report that the Japanese are advancing north of Mukden, and the statement is therefore not credited at the Russian capital. General Saknaroff reports that there was no fighting in the vicinity of Mukden Friday or Saturday, but notes the arrival of reinforcements for the Japanese along the whole line of the Japanese front. The interval of quiet has accorded General Kuropatkin opportunity to strengthen his defenses, and he has received large reinforcements since his retreat to Mukden. There are indications of a revival of the struggle for the possession of Port Arthur.

HALIFAX HAS ANOTHER FIRE.

Pickford and Black, Forhan's, and Black Brothers Scorched to the Extent of \$75,000.

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 19.—This city was visited with another water front fire this morning, and a loss of \$75,000 has already been incurred after an hour's conflagration. The buildings destroyed are the eastern end of the warehouses of Pickford & Black, steamship agents, Black Brothers, hardware, and Forhan's sail loft. At one o'clock the wharf watchman saw smoke and sent in an alarm, but half an hour before that the soldiers on the ordnance wharf adjoining, smelled smoke. The buildings were of wood and the firemen hope to be able to confine the conflagration to that portion. A quantity of dynamite was stored in Black Brothers', but it was removed at 2 o'clock. The military fire department was called out and came to the rescue. The services of tugboats were also brought into requisition as fireboats.

HOW TO KEEP WELL.

The best efforts of the great physicians are now expending in finding how to keep people well and prevent serious diseases. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food was prepared with this object in view. It is not only a cure for diseases of the nerves, but also a restorative to be used when vitality runs low and the weakened condition of the system invites attack by fevers or contagious diseases.

MR. MCNICOL COMING.

MONTREAL, Sept. 15.—General Manager David McNicol stars on Sunday on an inspection tour of the eastern section of the Canadian Pacific railway.

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City Lodges Attended Divine Service.

The Oddfellows of the four lodges, Golden Rule, Sloan, Peerless and Pioneer, about 200 strong, formed up at their hall on Union street Sunday afternoon, under the direction of P. G. Joseph H. Mosher, District Deputy, to attend divine service at the Main street Baptist church at 3.30. The procession was headed by the Carleton Cornet Band. The order of the procession is as follows: Band; Canton La Tour, under Capt. W. Segee Golden Rule, marshal, Harry McLeod; Sloan, marshal, G. T. Bissett; Peerless, marshal, J. R. Smith; Pioneer, marshal, W. Campbell.

Over Two Hundred Turned Out and Listened to a Strong Exhortation From Rev. A. T. Dykeman.

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SUSSEX.

SUSSEX, Sept. 15.—James Ashton, the well known painter of this place, died today from the effects of drinking heavily for some time, and purchased a bottle of wood alcohol, which when found beside him, was half empty. The deceased was 43 years old. Lovers of music in Sussex will do well to remember the date of the Jesse McLachlan concert to be held Sept. 28th, under the auspices of the fire department. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Dryden left on Thursday for a trip to St. Louis. They will go via Montreal, Toronto, Detroit, etc. Beverly McCready, one time with B. J. Sharp, druggist here, leaves shortly to take a course in pharmacy at Harvard. A meeting of the Salvage Corps and Fire Police was held in the office of A. Morrison for the purpose of organization. Mayor McKay was elected president; L. L. Sillip, secretary. Officers also were elected.

CASTORIA.

BUSY ON THE WAY.

The other night a Joplin woman heard a strange noise that seemed to come from the sidewalk behind the kitchen of her home. Raising a look which she saw her husband and asked: "What's that?" "I'm comin', dear," he replied in husky tones, "schoon 'z I kin get up zig stairs!" He was trying to climb the woodpile.

Complete List

- Following is the complete list of industrial exhibits of the exhibition building... C. Robinson, dust... J. S. Armstrong... Isaac Erb & Son... John C. Wild, wire... S. J. Ritchey, market... G. A. Prince, piano... J. Fred Nixon, saw... Dock street... John B. Manson, Charlotte street... The McClary Mfg. Co., Vassie & Co., dry... Henderson & Hunt, W. H. Bell, organs... chines, 79 Germain st... J. Alfred Clark, Prince Wm. street... The St. John Railway, North End Woodwo... portable houses, &c... Crothers, Henderson... riages... Knodell & Isaacs, n... ers, 10 Church... J. J. McGuffigan, tea... Wm. Webber, je... street... H. B. Belyea, dulc... F. C. McLean, not... goods, 555 Main street... W. A. Carr, (sing... Germain street... F. E. Williams Co., Thos. J. Phillips, Gable, Melton street... St. Claire McKie, 110 Adelaide street... Mrs. Thos. Gillen, Purdy, cattle... J. A. Armstrong (Sh... C. D. Ellis & Co. (M... S. Kerr & Son, busi... ton street... Wm. Whitebone, Gable street... Wm. McIntyre, we... 23 Water street... F. H. Tippett Co., Mill street... Campbell & Co... ples... Keenan & Batches... H. Horton & Son, The Page Wire Fe... Wm. Kiley, heat r... street... International Corro... Petrie Mfg. Co., cre... Proxy, Chemical Fe... Dealers, 100 Main... John E. Sterling, harn... Jas. E. Wilson, st... Ella Olliva, McGou... &c., 198 Waterloo stre... Fleming & Emery, 12 City Road... Tilley & Fairwate... Prince Wm. street... J. Clarke & Son, ca... The Page Wire Fe... H. L. Spencer, sewi... Alfred Isaac, cigars... C. Flood & Son, pla... Dunlap, Cook & Co... H. L. McGowan, fo... EXHIBITS OUTSIDE... A. Bowder, cultivat... B... The Cowan Co., La... Vates, etc., Toronto... Canadian Dairy Su... separators, Montreal... Clydesdale Stock... food, poultry, etc... Frank L. Cooper, e... icton, N. S... S. S. Martell, optica... N. B. Wire Fence... Hewson Woolen Mil... N. S... The Manson Campbe... try incubator, with... Chatham, Ont... Raymond Mfg. Co., Guelph, Ont... Swington Bros, Oxf... ators, Durham, Ont... The Bredder Mfg. C... Jewelry, 101 Bank str... Halifax, N. S... Zion, Sunbury Co., N... Geo. N. Howland, r... of rheumatism, St. M... Havelock Mineral Sp... Lever Bros., Ltd., as... Amherst Decorative... Ltd., Amherst, N. S... W. E. Messervy, Halifax, N. S... Harry B. Weldon, che... King Co... International Bookers... to, Ont., breakfast fo... meat... Canadian Automate... weighing and lifting... herst, N. S... E. M. Thompson, ep... ronto, Ont... Sussex Mfg. Co., L... implements, Sussex, N... Malta Vita Food Co... P. O. box 133, Toronto... G. R. Whittle, wash... ing machines, Westf... J. Ebbington & Son... Angus D. McLellan, P. E. I... Chas. Irvine, drawing... Howart T. Douglas, N. B... Geo. McAlpine, fruit... town... Cornhill Corner Che... Bowser & Bartell, co... Brook street, Boston... Jas. P. Belyea, fruit... F. D. Horne, bead w... wags, Que... E. H. Gould, plants... Thos. L. Bernard, but... P. E. I... Edna J. Hestris, minge... cent Olinville, Co... F. H. Hughes, butter... pettion, Petticoat, N... Petticoat Cheese &... tea... Westcott & Co., Ont... and furs, Windsor, Ont... Jas. Manson, carriage

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