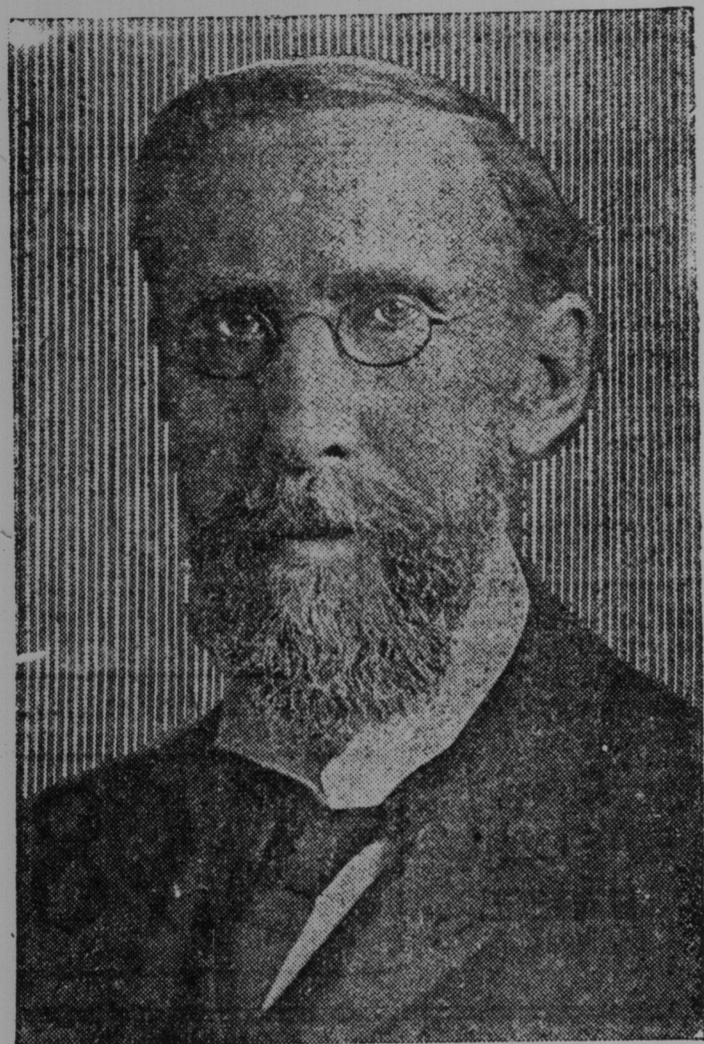


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Hon. Geo. E. Foster Accepts.

Made a Rousing Speech at the North Toronto Convention Thursday. When His Name Was the Only One Presented.



TORONTO, Oct. 6.—North Toronto Conservatives in convention tonight nominated Hon. Geo. E. Foster. No other names were presented. Hon. Mr. Foster accepted the nomination and made a rousing campaign speech, dealing

chiefly with corruption in provincial politics and the danger of the present alliance between the two governments. The liberal candidate will probably be Mayor Urquhart. The liberal convention meets tomorrow night.

PEACE CONGRESS.

Yesterday's Sessions Were Very Interesting No Matter What The Effect May Be.

BOSTON, Oct. 6.—The arrest and subsequent reduction of military and naval armaments throughout the world was called for today at the session of the international peace congress, when resolutions were adopted expressing the opinion that the first task which the world's new convention suggested by President Roosevelt should take up, was the gradual disarmament of the nations. The thanks of the congress were extended to President Roosevelt for his pledge to take the first steps toward a convocation of a new international peace convocation. The most pronounced oratorical moment which the congress yet has seen came when a Boston delegate, Charles F. Dole, proposed to amend the disarmament resolution by a declaration that the necessity existed for the United States to view with suspicion the powers of Europe and that, therefore, it was quite unnecessary for America to enforce the Monroe doctrine by building up such an immense navy. Several delegates warmly opposed the amendment, first, on the ground that such a resolve should properly come before a congress composed of representatives of all nations, and second on the ground that the congress had no right to criticize the American government for upholding a suitable naval force, a doctrine, by the enforcement of which, war had been excluded from the western hemisphere, and by means of an assistance upon the open door in the east and preventing war also in that section of the globe. The amendment was defeated by a large majority. Resolutions were unanimously passed congratulating the powers at the marked favorable development in signing of permanent and obligatory treaties. Baroness Von Suttner of Austria announced to the congress that a treaty of importance to both countries was about to be signed by Great Britain and Austria.

Before the adjournment a letter was read from Andrew Carnegie, dated Scotland, in which Mr. Carnegie suggested the inauguration of a unique plan for reaching universal peace. Its nucleus was a union of the great powers which would be granted a right to enforce as an organization peaceful settlements of all questions in dispute. General Nelson A. Miles was the principal speaker tonight at the congress meeting held in Park street church to consider the question of reduction of armaments and the menace of great armies and navies. Congressman Samuel W. McCall presided, and several prominent men voiced their opinions.

Another meeting was devoted to a discussion of the responsibilities of educators in creating right ideals of international life. Professor Francis G. Peabody of Hartford University was chairman. The speakers included Baroness Von Suttner and Dr. Yandé Kin of China.

SUSSEX WEDDING.

SUSSEX, N. B., Oct. 6.—A very quiet wedding took place last evening at the residence of Wm. Carleton, when his daughter, Viola Sarah, was united in marriage to Burpee Mills of the Sussex Mercantile store. There were no invited guests, only the relatives being present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. B. Gough. Mr. and Mrs. Mills will reside in the Fowler block on Main street.

WILL BE GOOD.

New Extravaganza Is Looked Forward to With Pleasure.

The Neptune Rowing Club have about completed the preliminary arrangements for the spectacular opera, Prince Roman, which they expect to put on the 24th. Mrs. Walter W. White has kindly consented to take the chair for the ladies' committee, and will be assisted by the following ladies as chairpersons of the various classes: Spanish dance (eight lady and eight gentleman waltzers)—Mrs. Geo. West Jones, Mrs. E. T. Sturdee and Mrs. W. B. Slattery. Red Hussars (sixteen ladies for grand marches)—Mrs. Geo. F. Smith, Mrs. Percy W. Thomson and Mrs. L. W. Barker. Senoritas (eight lady singers)—Mrs. F. E. Hanington, Mrs. G. Fred Fisher and Mrs. J. Lee Day. Cindy's sixteen lady singers—Mrs. Walter W. White, Mrs. Mhas, Macaulauchen and Mrs. J. V. Daniel. Gaiety girls (twelve lady singers and dancers)—Mrs. Geo. McAvity, Mrs. Alfred Porter, Mrs. E. I. Simmonds and Mrs. Simon. A chorus of children—Mrs. A. B. Holly, Mrs. J. E. Moore, Mrs. C. H. Miller and Mrs. Holly Wheeler. The gentlemen's classes will meet on Saturday evening for the arrangement of the chorus. The first rehearsal of the ladies' classes will be held at the Church of England Institute rooms, German street, on Friday evening at 8 o'clock, and the children's chorus will meet at the same place on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. With such an efficient ladies' committee and the assistance of the young people of St. John the success of the opera is well assured. Capt. Edly of Parada fame will be in the city on Monday next to direct the production. The extravaganza is being presented in Halifax, and has everywhere established an excellent record as a first-class musical and dramatic entertainment.

IMPORTANT MEETING.

Executive of New Brunswick S. S. Association Met in German Street Baptist Church.

The executive of the Provincial Sunday School Association held a monthly meeting last evening in German street Baptist church. T. S. Simms presided, and there were present E. Maude Stillwell, secretary; Revs. J. B. Gough, field secretary; G. M. Campbell, C. W. Hamilton, Dr. Potheringham, Dr. Gates, and Messrs. A. H. Chipman, treasurer, A. E. Law and L. Currie. The report of the executive committee was received and passed. The secretary reported on work done, and the work was found to be in a most satisfactory condition. Mr. Chipman reported for the finance committee, which showed St. John county is doing good work and expects to increase its pledge of \$150 by at least fifty dollars. The treasurer hopes other counties may contribute in proportion. Much interest is being manifested in the approaching provincial convention. It is hoped all schools in the province which have not already done so will appoint delegates to attend at Woodstock on date Oct. 11-12.

A PLEASANT RECEPTION.

New Physical Instructor Formally Welcomed Last Night.

A Number of Lectures Will Be Given During the Winter on Educational Subjects.

A pleasant reception was held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening for W. E. Todghan, the new physical instructor from Toronto. A large number of young men were present and all seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves. Frank White, president of the Y. M. C. A., called the men to order and made a few remarks. He regretted very much that on account of the lights being out of order in the gymnasium what was to be an important part of the entertainment had to be dispensed with. He extended a cordial welcome to all present, and said he had hoped to be able at the next meeting of this sort to announce the time of the opening of a new Y. M. C. A. building, but owing to a number of drawbacks the work had not yet been begun. A solo was then rendered by Eric Titus.

The president next introduced Mr. Todghan, the new physical instructor. Mr. Todghan said he had always heard of the people of St. John as being very hospitable, and during the short time he had been here he was satisfied that the report was justified. He spoke of the gymnasium for the coming winter, and strongly urged the men to attend the classes that would be given through the winter. He said the physical department was one of the most important branches of the Y. M. C. A. work. There will be a class started in the gymnasium for boys this winter, which will be held two nights in the week. He hoped the boys would take advantage of this, and thought they would find it time well spent.

Mr. Boyne was next called on to make a few remarks regarding the social work of the Y. M. C. A. He extended a hearty welcome to those assembled and gave a strong invitation to the men to come and join them in their work this winter. He said they proposed holding monthly socials during the winter, the first one to take place the latter part of the month. A number of at homes would be given, to which the young men would be allowed to bring their lady friends—mother, aunt, mother-in-law, sister, or somebody else's. The first one would be given later on to raise funds to help pay the running expenses of the association. He closed by extending a strong invitation to the young men to come up and spend their evenings in the Y. M. C. A. The committee hoped in another year to have a new building in which to carry on the work, and to have a membership double what it is at present. C. W. Coates was next called on to give a violin solo.

The president said a very important branch of the Y. M. C. A. work was the educational department. In the new building five or six rooms would be set aside for this work. Mr. Dykeman, as chairman of this department, was next called on. He said the educational department was of vital importance in an institution such as this, since there were many of the young men who had no education who had very meagre chances of getting an education. He said the actual cash value of a day's schooling to a young man was ten dollars. He proved the statement by comparing the average earnings of the educated man with those of the uneducated man. He strongly impressed upon the young men the importance of attending to their education in connection with this department. He said many of the best public speakers of the day have begun their number of lectures upon educational subjects and have helped the young men to help the work along by giving their attendance.

Eric Titus was again called on for a solo, which he rendered in a highly pleasing manner. The last speaker was the general secretary, E. B. Wilson. He said the highest ideal of a Y. M. C. A. secretary was to do as little work as possible. He thought the work should be done by the young people themselves, and he gave some examples of creditable work being done by some young people of this association. He invited the men to come in and make themselves at home in the building at all times. He then announced that the young ladies were waiting with the ice cream, and said if any person went away without eating two quarts it would be his own fault, as there was plenty of it.

The refreshments were served by the ladies and everybody enjoyed this part of the programme immensely.

NO AGREEMENT REACHED.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Oct. 6.—The secretaries of the five labor unions and a committee of the signers of the wage reduction agreement were in conference for three hours this afternoon, but at the end of that time it was announced that no agreement had been reached in the cotton mill labor situation and that a settlement of the wage question was as far off as ever. Neither side would make the slightest concession and the arguments employed were exactly the same as were used eleven weeks ago.

Secretary Tanney, of the Carders' Union, said after the meeting: "The whole matter will be referred to the executive committee of the Textile Union, but I do not think it necessary to call a special meeting of that body or any of the affiliated unions. In so far as the conference held today is concerned, we are no nearer a settlement than we were when the strike commenced."

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CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION TO BE HELD THURSDAY.

Executive Decided Last Night to Allow R. L. Borden Club to Elect Delegates to Convention.

A largely attended meeting of the executive of the liberal conservative party was held at the rooms of the Conservative Club, King square, last evening, the president, J. D. Hazen, in the chair. W. C. Dunham having resigned the chairmanship of Dufferin ward, in consequence of his having ceased to reside in that division, was unanimously elected an additional member of the executive as a mark of appreciation of his services. Thursday next, 12th inst., was fixed

as the date of the convention for the selection of candidates. It was decided to give the R. L. Borden Club, which is being formed, three delegates to the convention upon the enrolment of fifty members, and five delegates when that membership is exceeded. The club will also be represented on the executive by its president and first vice-president. Arrangements were made for places of meeting for the ward committees throughout the city, and these will be announced later.

MRS. THOMSON ARRIVES HOME.

Attended National Council of Women in Winnipeg.

Was a Guest at State Dinner in Honor of Lord and Lady Minto—

Next Meeting to Be Held in Charlottetown.

Mrs. Robert Thomson and Mrs. R. A. Skinner, who have been attending the annual session of the National Council of Women, held at Winnipeg, returned home yesterday by the C. P. R. Mrs. Thomson, who was unanimously re-elected president of the council, was seen at her residence last evening by a representative of the Sun, who received some very interesting information concerning the recently completed congress.

There were about fifty delegates present, coming from as far east as Charlottetown and as far west as Vancouver, and the congress was one of the most successful and interesting meetings in the history of the council. Mrs. Thomson and Mrs. Willoughby Cummings, who were delegates to the international council at Berlin, gave an interesting account of the proceedings of that body.

"One of the most important features of the meeting at Winnipeg," said Mrs. Thomson, "was the announcement by Mrs. Edwards, the vice-president for the N. W. T., that she had completed her digest of the laws of Canada affecting the interests of women and children, including marriage and property laws. The manuscript is now ready for the publisher and will be printed immediately. It is expected that the book will have a wide circulation and be of much value to the women of the country."

"Some years ago," said Mrs. Thomson, "the council established a depot of the 'arts and handicrafts' for the sale of goods made in the homes of the people of the country. This had been a great success, and while now in charge of a committee independent of the council was accomplishing much to the advantage of the people concerned. Homespuns woven in the cottages of the French habitants, embroideries from Doukhobors and lace made by the Galicians are placed on sale, and in this manner the people get accustomed to buying the products of Canadian hands. The money advanced the Doukhobors to buy materials had been repaid a year and a half before it was due."

With one exception the sessions of the council were held in Manitoba College. The people of Winnipeg were very hospitable, Sir Daniel McMillan having given a reception for the visiting delegates, who were also guests at a number of afternoon teas.

Mrs. Thomson was the guest at the lieutenant-governor's state dinner given in honor of Lord and Lady Minto, during their visit to Winnipeg. On their return trip meetings of the executive were held at Brandon, Rat Portage, Port Arthur and Fort William. While in Brandon, Mrs. Thomson visited the Indian schools, and was much impressed with the progress the sons and daughters of the red men were making. They excel in writing.

Mrs. Thomson spoke in the highest terms of the hospitality of the Winnipeg people, and said that she enjoyed the trip very much. Winnipeg was making great strides.

The next meeting of the National Council will be held at Charlottetown, P. E. I.

PURCHASED BY SIR THOMAS.

ST. ANDREWS, N. B., Oct. 6.—The Algonquin Hotel and lands connected therewith were sold by auction this a. m. at the county court house and was knocked down to F. F. Grimmer, the highest bidder, at four thousand dollars. Mr. N. Cockburn bid three thousand for the Imperial Trust Co. The sale was made by decree of the court for fifty thousand dollars, the expenses added making sixty-four thousand. Mr. Grimmer was acting for Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R. W. B. Morris, auctioneer.

SIR A. HARMSWORTH AND NEWFOUNDLAND PRESS.

He Says the Papers are full of Libellous Statements.

NORTH SYDNEY, Oct. 4.—Amongst the passengers by the Bruce this morning was Sir Alfred Harmsworth, proprietor of the London Daily Mail, who has been in Newfoundland looking over a number of timber properties for pulp making for paper. Speaking to your correspondent Sir Alfred said that he made no purchase and was not at present negotiating for any property in Newfoundland. He intends now to visit a number of suitable properties in different parts of Canada. He expressed great surprise that the large American papers are not also looking after similar properties, now that the price of paper has increased to such an extent and is likely to increase still further. He cannot see how a large proportion of American and Canadian papers can possibly be on a paying basis. When told of the number of dailies and weeklies in Cape Breton, he exclaimed, "How in the world do they all manage to live." But the Newfoundland papers and their political effusions astonished him most. They are simply full of the most libellous statements," he exclaimed, "and I wonder they are not fighting duels daily."

ELECTION WAS LEGAL.

HALIFAX, Oct. 6.—The executive of the diocesan synod of Nova Scotia, which has been considering the legality of the election of Bishop Worrell of Kingston, Ont., and which had determined to refer the matter to the supreme court for decision, has now decided that the election is legal, and all proceedings will be stopped. An affidavit has been made by a member of the synod stating that he was present at the election and did not vote, thus giving the necessary two-thirds of the delegates present at the time.

EXCITING CONTESTS.

The boys of Aroostook are getting run this fall out of potato digging contests. Tip in Caribou a boy with the suggestive name of Works started in and picked up 66 barrels of potatoes in just five hours. Herbert Hyder then set in to beat this, picking up 71 barrels. Sieve August then tried his skill for five hours, making a record of 99 barrels. This is remarkably fast "picking" and will probably be the record, although young Hyder says he will yet pick up 100 barrels in the half day.—Exchange.

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