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A WHIRLWIND FINISH TO SCOTT ACT CAMPAIGN

Two Thousand People at Temperance Party Meeting in Fredericton Last Night, While Only 150 Heard the Advocates of License System.

Fredericton, April 30.—(Special).—If popular demonstrations on the eve of an election are an indication of results the Scott Act will be sustained in Fredericton today by a good majority. Two meetings were held in the city last night. That at the Opera House, addressed by advocates of repeal, was attended by less than 150 persons. The mass meeting of friends of the Scott Act, held in the rink, was attended by at least 2,000 people, whose enthusiasm was unmistakable. Each party had a band, and every effort was made to arouse the interest of the people.

At the rink meeting a message was given from Bishop Richardson, stating that if he were in the city his influence would be exerted against a return to the license system. A telegram from Canon Lynch, Toronto, was read, showing that the license advocate who came down from Ontario had no authority to speak for anybody but himself, and Mr. Gibson, who had campaigned in Ontario for many years, declared that he had never heard of this Mr. Sumnerhays, of Ontario, until he came to Fredericton.

A. M. Bohling discussed the actual conditions as they exist in St. John under license, claiming that all the evils which could possibly exist under the Scott Act, while there was the additional temptation of the open bars scattered over the city. Rev. Dr. McLeod, who spoke the closing word, had spent nearly an hour at the rival meeting, and with great force he refuted the arguments to which he had been listened. This is the fifth Scott Act campaign in Fredericton at which Dr. McLeod has said the last word, and he has lost none of his old time vigor. His closing appeal created a deep impression. The Rev. T. W. Street, president, and declared himself utterly opposed to re-

OLD SWEETHEART MAY CREATE A SCENE

Prince Wilhelm's Attachment for Pretty Swedish Actress May be Cause of Embarrassment to Him Now.

Stockholm, April 29.—As the day draws near for Prince Wilhelm's marriage to the Grand Duchess Marie Pavlovna—the date is set for May 2—against the wishes of both Sweden and Russia are keeping a close watch on Rosa Grunberg, the actress whose devoted admirer the Prince has been for years. It is an open secret here that the pretty young actress is desperately in love with her royal protector, and she has been declared so inconceivable over his approaching marriage that it is feared she may be tempted to commit any overt act.

There seems some doubt as to the direction in which Rosa's disappointment and love may lead her—whether she will make a "visit of reprobation" to St. Petersburg or create a scene of violence here—the watchfulness of the police.

Prince Wilhelm has quite a reputation as a man of the world. He is occasionally devoted to the theatre, is Scandinavian's champion tennis player and captain of the Stockholm Rugby Football Club.

The royal engagement has not been by any means cloudless. Owing to a bitter rivalry between the Grand Duke Paul and the Grand Duchess Sergius, with whom Marie resides, there was a possibility that the wedding might be definitely postponed. The latest news from St. Petersburg is that Grand Duke Paul has solved the troublesome situation by accepting an imperial commission to make a military examination of the Crimea.

Complaint is made that the several fires that have occurred in the Sutfordland building, Union street, have weakened the walls and it is stated the building is considerably tilted and appears unsafe. Director of Public Safety Wisely has been asked to have an examination made.

Miss Florence C. Estabrooke has completed her third year at McGill taking first rank honors in classics and prizes in French and Latin.

Modern American Wizard Says That He Will Revolutionize the Gold Crop in 18 Months.

Chicago, April 30.—The Record-Herald today says: Eighteen months hence Rudolph W. Hunter says he will be manufacturing twenty-four carat gold at the rate of \$100,000,000 annually. Transmutation of silver and baser metals into gold is his secret, and he declares he can produce the finer metal in quantity, to defy the government experts as to its origin and in quantity to keep the Philadelphia mint busy the year round.

LEGISLATURE OPENING THIS AFTERNOON WAS A BRILLIANT FUNCTION

Lieut. Governor in His Speech From the Throne Outlines Much Important Legislation to be Introduced—A New Road Act, an Independent and Continuous Audit and an Investigation Into the Central Railway.

Fredericton, April 30.—(Special).—The opening of the legislature this afternoon was the most brilliant function of the kind that has been witnessed in recent years and great public interest was manifested. The galleries were crowded to their utmost capacity and several hundred ladies and gentlemen occupied seats on the floor of the house by invitation.

His Honor the Lieut. Governor on arriving at Parliament building was received by a guard of honor from the 7th regiment and a detachment from the Woodstock field battery fired a salute of fifteen guns.

His Honor was attended by private secretary Barker, Lieut. Col. McKenzie, A. D. C., Col. McLellan, Lieut. Col. Bridges, A. D. C., General Drury, Col. White, Col. Wadsworth, Col. McLean, Col. Ogilvie, Col. Frost, Col. Chisham, and Major Frost. His Honor departed with the formality of entering the assembly chamber, and then retiring to await the election of a speaker.

Before his arrival Clerk Rainford communicated his honors change in the mode of proceeding to the house and the election of a speaker was at once proceeded with. Donald Morrison of Northumberland was proposed by Premier Hazen, seconded by Hon. Mr. Fleming, and was unanimously elected. On being escorted to the chair he heartily thanked the members for the honor conferred upon him.

The Lieut. Governor then entered accompanied by his staff and read the speech from the throne formally opening the session. The members were sworn in in the assembly chamber at noon today by Chief Justice Barber.

The following is the list of guests to the state dinner at the Queen Hotel this evening: The Lieut. Governor, Premier Hazen, Judge Gregory, Hon. Mr. Morrisey, Hon. Mr. Maxwell, Rev. Mr. McConnell, Chancellor Jones, Dr. Inch, F. M. Spry, P. P. Mayor Christian, Sheriff Stern, Hon. Mr. Fleming, General Drury, Lieutenant Colonel Ogilvie, Lt. Col. Chisham, Lt. Col. McLellan, The Chief Justice, Judge White, Hainington and Landry, Col. G. R. White, Hon. Mr. McLeod, Hon. Mr. Speaker, Dr. Milnerney, M. P. P. Hon. Mr. Grimmer, Hon. Mr. Landry, Hon. W. H. Tuck, Lieutenant Colonel McLean, Dr. McNally, W. A. Lord, Lieut. Col. Bridges, Major Gordon, S. Barker, Hon. C. W. Robinson, Captain Guthrie, Lieut. Col. Chisham, H. B.

MONCTON BOY IS MISSING Friends of Fifteen Year Old John Stevens Are Anxious About Him.

Moncton, N. B., April 30.—(Special).—Missing since yesterday morning, no trace can be found of fifteen-year-old John Stevens, son of John Stevens, who was last seen by a couple of companions near the I. C. R. new shops on the outskirts of the city. His friends praised this morning appealed to the police to find their child, but not a single clue can be found of him from the time he was left by two companions yesterday morning.

As the lad was in delicate health, and it is very likely he was exposed all night, the friends are very anxious.

Young Stevens, in company with Marshall Belliveau and Arthur Armstrong, the two companions being truants from school. They jumped on a passing shunting locomotive, and were seen to leave the I. C. R. new shops in the morning, and that was the last they were seen of him. There is a reservoir nearby, and a search was made in that vicinity, but no trace was found of the missing lad. A lady residing on the Mountain road saw a boy crying go past her place last night answering Stevens' description.

Captain Alfred Taylor, who was seriously injured by falling down stairs on Good Friday at the home of John Allan here, died this morning as a result of his injury. Taylor was going to the bath room, but mistook the cellar floor, and stepping in, fell downstairs, striking heavily on his head. He had never fully recovered consciousness since the accident, and was last Saturday removed to his home in Taylor village. He was eighty years old, and prominent in the locality.

LIQUOR DEALERS MAY APPEAL TO LAW

Is Much Dissatisfaction Among Liquor Men Over the Reduction in Number of Licenses.

The action of the liquor license commissioners in refusing the applications of eleven dealers who have been in business in the past has created considerable comment especially among the men in the liquor trade. It is stated that at least one of the applicants who has been refused a license and seems to be dissatisfied with the decision in his case, intends to take legal advice in the matter with a view to ascertain what grounds the board based their decision.

The liquor dealers look upon it as a great hardship if they are not given the usual three months' extension, as in case this is not granted these dealers will be unable to dispose of their stock or even according to the strict letter of the law, to keep on hand the stocks they have at the present time.

Any dealer who tomorrow does not possess a license will be violating the law if he sells or offers for sale any of his stock. The decision of the attorney-general in this regard is being eagerly awaited.

FUNERALS The funeral of James H. Armstrong took place this afternoon from his late residence Lancaster street, Westend. Rev. Gordon Dickie read the funeral service. Interment at Cedar Hill. The members of Carlton Union Lodge of Freemasons attended with regalia.

The funeral of John Sumner Floyd took place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence Cliff Street. Rev. David Hutchison and Rev. J. C. B. Appel officiating. Interment in Cedar Hill. The pall was borne by particular friends of the family.

The funeral of Mrs. Matilda Warren who died at Roxbury, Miss., was held from the Chamberlain Undertaking rooms this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. Samuel Howard read the funeral service. Interment in the Methodist burying grounds.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Quinn took place this afternoon to the Cathedral where Rev. Father Holland officiated. Interment at the new Catholic cemetery.

A very pretty wedding took place on Monday at the rectory of the West Side Presbyterian Church when Orville Gagne of the C. P. R. office staff and Miss Ethel Carwell, daughter of James Carwell of West side were united in marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Gagne will leave for Montreal to-night.

A Norwegian inventor has patented a fabric which applied to a suit as lining will support the wearer in water.

JAPANESE CRUISER SUNK BY EXPLOSION; MANY DEAD

A Terrible Tragedy on the Matsushima Early This Morning—Magazine Exploded and Many Cadets Were Killed—Oyama's Son a Victim.

Tokio, April 30.—Admiral Yoshimatsu, commander of the training squadron reports that an explosion occurred on the magazine of the Cruiser Matsushima at 4:08 o'clock this morning while anchoring at Makanga, a harbor on the Pescadore Islands. The Matsushima immediately sank until only the bridge was visible. Efforts at rescue by boats from the cruisers Hashadate and the Itakushima continued until 9 am saving the lives of 141 men, including some officers. The majority of the officers were not saved. At the time of the admiral's report the cadets aboard numbered 88 out of a complement of 300. It is feared that all are dead. The sons of Baron Chinda, Vice Minister of the Foreign Office and of Prince Oyama, Field Marshal, are among them. Captains Yoshikimi and Yasbiko are also thought to be lost.

The cause of the explosion is unknown. The Pescadore Islands, the scene of the catastrophe, are a low island group between Formosa and China. They belong to China until 1895, when they were ceded to Japan.

The Matsushima is a protected cruiser. She was built in 1890. Her displacement is 4,237 tons, length 235 feet. She has two decks and twelve gun positions. Her armament consisted of 1,124 cant gun, 26 quick-firing guns and six other guns. She had four torpedo tubes. Her complement is given in books of record as 350 men. If the cruiser had 300 on board at the time of the accident 150 were lost.

The Matsushima took part in the Russo-Japanese war. She was instrumental in November, 1904, in sending Russian torpedo boats that were attempting to escape from Port Arthur to the bottom. Accidents in the Japanese navy have been rare. There was an explosion of powder on board the battleship Kashima last September, in which twenty-seven men were killed. In September, 1905, the battleship Mikasa, which was Admiral Togo's flagship, was partially destroyed. No men lost their lives in that accident.

TERRIBLY MANGLED BETWEEN I. C. R. CARS Ralph Lacaine Victim of an Accident at Amherst This Morning.

Amherst, April 30.—(Special).—While passing over the I. C. R. track to his work at Rhodes, Curry and Co's, at 7 o'clock this morning, Ralph Lacaine stepped between two sections of the shunter before he could cross the track. The two sections came together knocking him down and four cars passed over his thigh crushing them in a terrible manner. He was once removed to Highland View Hospital and one leg amputated below the thigh, the other may possibly have to be, providing he lives which at present looks very doubtful. He was one of three brothers who came here from Windsor, N. S., and has been employed here since a young man, of exceptional fine character and highly thought of by his employers and fellow workers. He is about 21 years of age.

Lacaine died shortly after noon. Several Persons Killed and a Number Injured in Political Disturbances Yesterday.

Fort de France, Island of Martinique, April 30.—Several persons were killed and a number wounded in a political disturbance here yesterday afternoon. One of the killed was the Mayor of Fort de France.

TWO SUFFRAGETTES WERE ILL TREATED BY HARLEM ROUGHS New York, April 30.—The World today says: Mrs. Norman Wells, the English suffragette, accompanied to the police about the treatment she and friend received in Harlem a night or two ago when they attempted to address a street crowd. Mrs. Wells demands police protection for her next Harlem meeting, set for the coming Monday night.

"The way we were treated in Harlem is a disgrace to the city," said Mrs. Wells. "A dozen times while I was moving about in the crowd, I was tripped up or jammed between Mrs. Harriet Stanton Black, who was with me, was also knocked down and kicked. I appealed to several men to protect, but the only answer was 'get on.' I have addressed meetings in some of the worst parts of London, but I have never had such an experience. We don't mind how much fun is made of us, but it is a disgrace to American manhood when a woman is permitted to be knocked down and kicked in a public street."

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

OLD TIMER'S GROUCH. A gentleman by the name of Mr. Old Timer has written to the Globe taking exception to some remarks made by the people. Jamesey, when seen this morning by the Times new reporter, stated that he remembered Mr. Old Timer very well, as the doll boy at Mr. Mills's school years ago. He was so dull that when the teacher wanted to get an idea into his head he had to send for a surgeon. Jamesey would be glad to meet the old gentleman, who he thinks must still be living, although his letter to the Globe is not in the nature of positive evidence.

CAUSE FOR LAMENTATION Mr. Hiram Hornsbank missed the train for Fredericton this morning and has been grieving all day about it. He had planned on going to the capital—not to witness the Scott Act campaign—but to see the members of the legislature in their trappings of the legislature circus parade. "I hear they got more in a dozen clowns," said Hiram regretfully. "I wouldn't miss it for anything."

ANOTHER ASPIRANT. Saddleback, April 30.—(Special).—A deputa-tion of one prominent citizen will leave at once for Ottawa to secure the \$30,000 grant from the Ontario Exhibition. Saddleback has never had an exhibition, but had a camp-meeting once, and the old shanty where the people were fed is still standing. It needs some repairs.

SUBURBAN JOYS. The suburbanite is happy. There is just enough mud on the roads out Westfield

A MAYOR RESIGNS WHEN SALOONS GO OUT

Mayor of Mattoon, Ill., Won't Administer Civic Affairs if Saloon Reversion is Cut Off.

Chicago, Ill., April 30.—A despatch to the Tribune from Mattoon, Illinois, says: In accordance with his statement made four weeks before the local option election, which was held on April 7, that he would resign if Mattoon voted out its 19 saloons Mayor Louis L. Lehman tendered his resignation at the meeting of the city council last night, and it was accepted. In his statement Mayor Lehman took the stand that without the 19,000 dollars derived from saloon licenses the financial condition of the city would be so impaired that it would be impossible to carry out various public improvements and inasmuch as he had been elected by an overwhelming majority a year ago on a platform the chief improvement he believed he could not carry out the wishes of the people.

TWO FAST ONES MEET TO-NIGHT Abe Attell and "Brooklyn Tommy" Sullivan to Mix It At San Francisco.

San Francisco, April 30.—Abe Attell and "Brooklyn Tommy" Sullivan were in the ring for the third time tonight. They fought a draw in September in Alton, which for years ago Sullivan is credited with having knocked out Attell at St. Louis.

The Attell-Sullivan fight as originally set was at 124 pounds at 4 o'clock. The weight Sullivan later found he could not make and to do justice to himself he made this known and through an agreement with Attell the weight was changed to 126 pounds at five o'clock. The weighing in will be at five o'clock. Sullivan will be two and possibly more pounds under weight so he has nothing over which to worry.

There was no change in betting last night Attell still holding a 2 to 1 favorite with some money offered at even that Attell will knock out Sullivan inside of fifteen rounds. The preliminary will be between Fred Landers and Johnny Frazer two California lightweights and is scheduled to go fifteen rounds.

AN ELECTRIC GENERATOR BURSTS; THREE INJURED Niagara Falls, N. Y., April 30.—(Special).—While making 450 revolutions a minute under a high speed test, the new 10,000-horse-power electric generator recently installed by the Niagara Falls Hydraulic Power Company, burst, injuring three men and entirely destroying the generator which cost \$300,000. Earlier in the day while arrangements were being made for the test the current from this ill-fated generator killed a man named Courtney.

MISS MABEL AND EVELYN PETERS have returned to their summer home near Lingley, after spending the winter in Cocoa Florida. They came via Washington, Philadelphia and Boston and arrived on Monday. Miss Mabel Peters was in the city this morning making inquiry concerning the fate of the Women's Council's appeal to the city council to take over the supervised playground work this year. A delegation of ladies will probably be heard by the treasury board this evening.

WILL SPEAK TO-NIGHT Edward Smith, whose address in the Congressional Church last evening aroused great interest, will speak in the Every Day Club, this evening. He has been engaged in work for the good of men in London, has been in Australia, and has wide experience. In addition to his address there will be a musical program. This will take the place of the usual Thursday evening debate.

OUT OF POLITICS FOR GOOD. Toronto, April 30.—(Special).—The retirement from politics of Leighton G. McCarthy, Liberal M. P. for North Simcoe, is announced. The statement that he would not again seek nomination was made last night by Mr. McCarthy from Barrie, where he was on a visit to his father.

MOUNT AETNA IN ERUPTION. Messina, April 30.—Mount Aetna is now in active eruption. At night the contrast between the flames from its cone and the snow-capped mountains is most picturesque.

DROUGHT BROKEN IN CUBA. Havana, April 30.—The long drought which has seriously affected the crops is broken. The rains are now becoming general throughout the island.