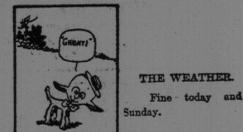




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ST. JOHN'S GREAT FAIR OPENS TONIGHT

GEORGE W. FOWLER ISSUES A CHALLENGE TO LIBERALS

Nominated for King's-Albert Yesterday He Challenges Any Member of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Party to Meet Him on Any Platform and Discusses Graft Charges.

At an open convention of the Liberal Conservatives of Kings and Albert counties held in Hillsboro, yesterday, afternoon, George W. Fowler, M.P., was unanimously chosen as the standard bearer of the party in the next federal election.

There were between four and five hundred delegates in attendance, the major portion being Kings county men. In the evening a mass meeting was held in the Hillsboro rink at which there were read and speeches were delivered by Mr. Fowler, Hon. J. K. Fleming, Fred M. Sprout, M.P.P., James Murray, M.P.P., and Geo. B. Jones, M.P.P.

Mr. Fowler in addressing the gathering dealt mainly with the slanders that had been circulated against him and threw out a challenge to any member of the Liberal party from Sir Wilfrid Laurier down to come out upon the public platform and discuss these matters before the people, man to man.

A committee was appointed to meet the members of the Liberal party and try and effect an arrangement for running a clean election without the use of liquor, money or bribes.

The afternoon convention was presided over by Lewis Smith, president of the Albert County Liberal-Conservative Association and the nomination of George W. Fowler as the candidate was moved by J. L. Peck of Hillsboro, and seconded by Geo. D. Prescott, M.P.P.

As there was no other name before the convention the choice was made unanimous and Mr. Fowler was seen for and carried to the convention by a large number of a half dozen of the electors.

There was great enthusiasm and the candidate expressed his gratification at the magnificent reception tendered him. He predicted victory for himself and for the conservative party in the coming election, saying that the people were tired of the rule of the grafting politicians who were now in power.

The convention was asked to adopt a resolution prepared at a district meeting of the United Baptist at Hillsboro, in which a clean, pure election was advocated. Mr. Fowler made a statement in accordance with the law and he proposed that the Liberal party should do the same whether they were elected or not.

A committee was then appointed to meet the members of the Liberal party with the view of coming to an agreement in the evening meeting Fred M. Sprout, M.P.P., was the first speaker. He referred to the stories being circulated in Albert county that Fowler had lost caste in Kings, and to a like state of affairs in Hillsboro, that Albert did not want any more of Fowler.

He thought the great gathering of delegates from both counties on this occasion had rendered him the unanimous nomination was a reflection on these charges. He predicted that Kings 50 and Albert could add to it as much as they wished. He paid a tribute to R. L. Jordan and denounced the present government as traitors and bootlickers.

Gen. P. Jones was the next speaker. He drew a word picture of the steamship Arctic going up Hudson Bay, with her valuable cargo piled high on the decks, the hills in the distance and the Eskimo maiden gazing pensively across the water while she was gazed in her seal-skin clothes and a Paris hat with ostrich plumes on her head, a cigar between her lips and a tomcat can filled with the "vintage of '78" in her hand.

Referring to the imports and exports of the country during the government's term in power, he claimed the imports exceeded the exports by \$255,000,000, which was not an evidence of prosperity. The meeting closed with the singing of the national anthem.

PREMIER HAZEN WILL RECLARE THE EXHIBITION OPEN TONIGHT

Buildings Have Been Transformed Into Gorgeous Store-houses of Interesting Novelties---The Pike Will be a Big Feature---Fine Weather Alone is Needed to Make the Big Fair the Most Successful Ever Held.

With a blaze of electric lights, the strains of music and the whirl of machinery, the biggest and undoubtedly the finest Fair held in Eastern Canada in many years will be opened tonight.

The doors will be thrown open at 6.30 o'clock this evening, but the official opening will not take place until 8 o'clock. Already large numbers of visitors have arrived in town and there is every indication that throngs will pass through the gates this evening.

Preparations for the big Exhibition have entailed an immense amount of work, but a tour of the buildings today shows splendid results. The number of exhibitors this year is greatly in excess of the last Exhibition, in fact, is larger than for some time, there being almost as many again. It is especially noticeable, however, that the individual exhibits are much larger and consequently make a finer display.

The number of cattle shown is more than three times as large as previous shows, the number of horses alone being nearly double. The poultry show also is much in excess of the last fair, the variety being much larger.

The sound of multitudes of hammers was evidenced last night, but it is expected that by opening time everything will be in shape. The decorations are very fine, bunting and hundreds of little streamers of various colors are hung from the big arched ceilings to the balconies in the wing and the main building, the whole lending a magnificent effect.

Then the individual decorations of the booths show that they are vying with one another more than ever before in their endeavor to excel in this regard, and the result is very beautiful indeed. Good judgment has been shown in the allotting of space so that the largest and most interesting exhibits are not clustered in any one part of the building but instead are well distributed about the buildings.

The restaurant too is in a position, before to handle the big crowds that are expected and visitors are assured of being well looked after in this regard. The usual provision is made for preventing a crush by the customary signs instructing visitors to keep to the right.

To the right of the main entrance is an information bureau well equipped for the "I want to know" people. The bureau has a public telephone. From the rear exit to the exhibition grounds one passes through the midway where there is a bewildering supply of amusements lined on both sides which includes the mysterious "maze." From the midway the visitor passes to the large and excellent display of vehicles of all descriptions and of the best workmanship.

Then in the Agricultural Hall at the other end of the grounds is a large and fine assortment of vegetables and garden stuff. This branch also is far in advance of former years and these with various agricultural and farm implements are most interesting.

In this building is also the Amusement Hall. To the rear of the Agricultural Hall is the cattle and poultry. The lighting effects will be on an elaborate scale. At the entrance the arrangements are in splendid taste, the effect being brilliant.

There are many rows of incandescents across the building and around the big dome. Directly over the door is in small incandescents the word "welcome" with a scroll at either side. Over the approach to the stairs is a large circle surrounding a pole, from the circle is strung colored lights the ends being caught to smaller poles on either side from which fly gaily colored streamers. The effect is most imposing.

The Exhibition will be opened by Premier Hazen, other speakers being Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture of Canada, Hon. William Pugsley, Minister of Public Works, Hon. D. V. Landry, Commissioner of Agriculture for the province; Dr. Daniel M. P. and Mayor Bullock, and Vice-President Estroff and will be met at the main entrance by the members of the executive.

The Holland farmer brought his family over as cabin passengers, having during his twenty years of married life amassed something besides a record-breaking farm. He will go as far west as Belle, Iowa, where he will either take up farming or enter some other business. Of the three children, nine are girls and the rest boys. Their names and ages follow: Peter, nineteen; Emma, eighteen; Gertrude, seventeen; Gertrude, fourteen; Maria, twelve; Ula, eleven; Willem, ten; Gysbert, nine; Maatje, six; Johanna, four; Gysbert, three; Cornelis, two, and Lambert, three months.

DELEGATES HAD STREUOUS TIME ON THE RETURN TRIP

Those Who Attended the Liberal Conservative Convention at Hillsboro Yesterday had the Added Excitement of a Railway Derailment On the Way Home.

The delegates from Kings county, who were attending the Liberal-Conservative convention of Kings and Albert at Hillsboro yesterday, had a rather strenuous time getting home. Immediately after the meeting at about 10.30 o'clock last night a special train left Hillsboro for Salsbury connected with the I. C. R. accommodation, which reaches Salsbury at 24.12 and arrives in St. John at 4.20 a.m. There were over 300 delegates on the train, and it was arranged that two of the four cars carrying them should be transferred to the I. C. R. train, on which there was only one first class car. The Hillsboro train arrived in Salsbury shortly before midnight, and the cars were being shunted onto a siding so as to be ready, when the engine ran into an open switch and both engine and tender left the rails. As it was impossible to move the train the crowd piled out to wait the arrival of the I. C. R. train from Moncton. When this train arrived there was a grand rush for seats in the one car, and it was finally filled to overflowing. The crew of the I. C. R. engine, however, on hearing the state of affairs, went to the assistance of the I. C. R. main line and finally pulled it on the rails again. The two extra cars were then shunted over to the I. C. R. main line and finally on a delay of more than two hours, St. John was reached at 7.30 in the morning and the upriver delegates who came in left for their homes via the river steamers.

THIRTEEN CHILDREN BUT WANTS MORE STRONG FEATURES OF THE SEASON'S STYLES

Hollander, However is Forced to Move to New York, to Give His Family Room.

New York, Sept. 12.—President Roosevelt would have been "de-lighted" had he been on the Holland-America line pier when the steamship Rotterdam docked and welcomed Myrher William H. Brandebert, his laughing wife and thirteen happy, robust children.

Myrher Brandebert, who is only thirty-eight, left his native town of Noordhambert, Holland, he said, to come to America, where he would have room to raise a really big family and where there would be an opportunity for his children to grow up and expand. The thirteen, he asserted, was only a beginning.

"I will go as far west as Belle, Iowa, where he will either take up farming or enter some other business. Of the three children, nine are girls and the rest boys. Their names and ages follow: Peter, nineteen; Emma, eighteen; Gertrude, seventeen; Gertrude, fourteen; Maria, twelve; Ula, eleven; Willem, ten; Gysbert, nine; Maatje, six; Johanna, four; Gysbert, three; Cornelis, two, and Lambert, three months.

All of the children have hazel hair and large blue eyes. Peter, Emma, and Gertrude looked at the crowds about them in bewilderment.

THEY REFUSE TO PAY FOR QUEBEC RATIONS

London Caterer Threatens to Sue the Officers of the Seventh Regt. for the Price of Extra Food.

London, Ont. Sept. 12.—There is a lively talk in the city about the catering done by Max Finch for the Seventh Regiment on its visit to Quebec. Finch's catering was not entirely satisfactory to the men and many complaints were made. Since the return, all efforts to settle the bill have proved futile. Finch's bill is about \$21,200. The officers agree to settle for \$1,000 and say they will fight the case in anticipation of the kick of the delicate men of the city battalions if forced to live on government rations only in the Quebec camp, most of the city battalions hired a caterer to cook extra. In spite of this an awful kick was put up by many of the men because of the variety more than the quality of the food that caused the trouble. The rural battalions do not mind the rations.

SAVED FURNITURE WHILE BABES BURN

Five Children Burned to Death in Upper Room While Neighbors Carried Out Household Goods.

Winnipeg, Sept. 12.—A despatch from St. Paul says:—The five children of Mr. and Mrs. G. Burdette, living on a farm near English, outside the city limits, were suffocated in a fire that attacked the home at a late hour last night. The parents were away on a visit at the time and the neighbors, under the impression that the children were also absent, devoted their attention to rescuing the furniture. While the neighbors were busy hauling the furniture out the parents returned, and not until then did the neighbors know that the children were inside.

Father and mother rushed through the smoke, battling their way to the rooms of their children. They rushed with the children out of the house, only to find that life in the five bodies was extinct. The ages of the children ranged from five to thirteen years.

The baseball game at the Shamrock grounds has been called off and the football contest substituted.

AIRSHIP BUILT BY TORONTO MAN

Carrying 50 Pounds of Sand. It Travelled for 50 Yards at a Height of 40 Feet.

Toronto, Sept. 12.—A flight was made by an aeroplane near Oakville on Monday. Carrying fifty pounds of sand, the airship travelled for fifty yards at a distance of about forty feet from the ground. The inventor is an electrical engineer in Toronto and a friend of Count Zeppelin, the famous German aviator.

BEGINS NEW LIFE AT EIGHTY

Civil War Veteran Makes Brave Fight for Existence.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 12.—F. Henry Schlenz, a veteran of the Civil War, 80 years old, appeared in the local land office to make his final proof on government land located in San Diego county. Although he is an old man, he is a four-score year mark, they are bravely beginning life anew in the Far West. Five years' residence in the United States has earned him the right to a 160-acre tract of land in the Union army enables Schlenz to make his final proof at the expiration of the first year.

TO TRAIN FARM LABOR

The agricultural high school at Montague, established through the efforts of the commission on industrial education, will test the practicability of extending the public school system of manual instruction to the farming communities. No business in the state finds it more difficult to secure desirable labor to train than does the farmer. No trade suffers such a draft of its younger generation to other lines of occupation. The supposed attractions of urban life are responsible, in a large degree, for these conditions. But the lack of productivity of farm work plays a large part. If the agricultural school, made available for pupils within the ordinary years of public school attendance, can add to the value in productive capacity of farm labor, it will do much to solve the problem of the agricultural towns.

REPORT THAT MEN ARE STILL NEEDED IN THE WEST

According to This Despatch There is Yet a Large Demand for Laborers in Western Canada.

Apparently the demand for laborers in the Canadian West is not yet satisfied despite the fact that many Maritime Province harvesters were unable to find employment. Under the date of Sept. 9 the following despatch from Winnipeg and Ottawa was received: "The cry for men in the harvest fields is again becoming a loud one and the surrounding districts are wanted. When the House of Commons is controlled by the House of Lords, no doubt the House of Commons will be the opportunity of women to elect their own political representatives to discuss and nature legislative measures that might pertain to them, while the nation would view the undoubted advantage of the sympathetic and intelligent views of woman on social, educational and moral questions, without the greater sex being compromised by an attempt to enter man's sphere of action—an invasion which, if accomplished, would be disastrous."

CAT MOTHERS CHICKS

Hen Finds Her Caring for Them Along With Several Kittens.

Winnipeg, Conn., Sept. 12.—At Echo Farm, in Ashford, Southern Berkshire Hills, a vessel was seen to enter the coop which housed a hen and her six pullets. The animal was chased away before he accomplished any harm. The next night the hen led her family to the second story of the barn, where the family cat was nursing several kittens. When the hen started with part of her family for the barn the next evening she found the door closed, but three of her chicks had preceded her. She found that the cat had taken care of the three chicks in company with her own kittens.

SMASHED UP PLATES OF HIS SERMONS

"Billy" Sunday, the Evangelist Took Strenuous Means to Prevent Firm from Publishing His Sermons.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—"Billy" Sunday, a former professional baseball player, but now an evangelist, resented the publication of a book of his sermons by a publishing company of Hammond, Indiana, yesterday by dashing into the stereotyping rooms of the publishing house and destroying the plates with a big mallet. At the conclusion of his performance he broke down and wept.

Sunday was incensed because 1,000 copies of the book had been issued by the company without his permission. It had been his intention to gather his sermons and have them published himself.

CREATE A HOUSE FOR THE LADIES

Gallant British Major Would Solve the Woman Suffrage Problem by Creating Third Chamber for Fair Politicians

London, Sept. 10.—Amusement was caused last week by a suggestion made by Major-Gen. Brough (retired) with a view to solving the woman suffrage problem. The gallant General wrote to the papers as follows: "Our legislative constitution consists of two assemblies, the House of Lords and the House of Commons. Why not create a third assembly, the House of Ladies? As the House of Commons is controlled by the House of Lords, no doubt the House of Commons will be the opportunity of women to elect their own political representatives to discuss and nature legislative measures that might pertain to them, while the nation would view the undoubted advantage of the sympathetic and intelligent views of woman on social, educational and moral questions, without the greater sex being compromised by an attempt to enter man's sphere of action—an invasion which, if accomplished, would be disastrous."

BOY IS A HUMAN STORAGE BATTERY

Galveston, Sept. 11.—E. G. Atlay, a seven-year-old boy of Russian parentage, born in America and living in Houston, has been discovered to be a human storage battery of electricity. The widowed mother fears the boy is possessed. He is red-headed, freckle-faced, blue-eyed. A court of medical experts, electricians and physicians has made remarkable tests with the boy.

LATE PERSONALS

Misses Hilda Hawker, Brenan; Jean Maxwell, of St. John; Miss Bigney, of Atleboro, Mass., and Miss Edgcombe, of Fredericton, have returned to Mt. Allison Ladies' College.

Miss Ada Granville, graduate nurse, has returned to her home in New Haven, Conn.

Twenty deaths were reported at the office of the board of health this week as follows:—Heart disease, four; cholera infantum, two; syncope, phthisis, mania, apoplexy, paratyphoid, dengue, diarrhoea, malnutrition, semile decaying, gastro-enteritis, enterocolitis, arterio sclerosis, cancer of intestines and diffuse septicaemia, one each.

A fellow is known to get into serious trouble if he attends too many weddings—as the bridegroom.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

Two Carleton Men Arrested on a Charge of Illiciting a Horse.

Fredricton, N. B., Sept. 12 (Special).—Two young men named Rose and Moore, hailing from St. John West, were arrested here last evening charged with illiciting a horse belonging to Gunter Bros' livery stable. They hired the rig to go to a well known resort on the Woodstock road and drove the horse so hard that one of its legs was broken. Policeman Foss, on being notified, drove to Kingsclere and took the men in charge. It is feared the horse will have to be shot, as it is suffering from the effects of the injury.

TRAFFIC HELD UP BY BURNED BRIDGE

Schreiber, Ont., Sept. 12 (Special).—Four westbound passenger trains are tied up here awaiting the reconstruction of the bridge, which was burned six miles west of this station. Nearly one thousand passengers are on board of the trains and there is no way of ascertaining exactly when they will continue their journey.

EXHIBITION POLICE SWORN IN TODAY

The following were selected by Chief Clark and sworn in this morning out of almost seventy applicants, who thronged the guard room at the Central police station, as special policemen on the exhibition grounds during the fair:—Fred Belyea, Alexander Chisholm, Beth McLeod, Charles Long, Daniel Littlejohn, Clarence Kenney, Alex. Long, Frank Corberry, Robert Carlin, John Sullivan, Edward McNeilly, Charles Perkins, Edward Wheaton, John McLeod, Thomas Bain, Alexander Byrne, Wallace Anderson, James Buckley, William A. Smith, Leo Morris.

The following, nine in number, were sworn in as special police to patrol the city during exhibition, going duty to night and tomorrow. William Evans will do duty in the poultry shed. Samuel Day, Robert Garnett, John E. Chisholm, Patrick Brennan, Muing Yerxa, Arthur Stackhouse, James Adams, Norton Olive.

Seely-Whelpley

A very pretty wedding took place at St. Paul's Church, Greenwich, on the evening of Thursday Sept. 10th, when Maude E. daughter of Mr. Thomas Whelpley, was joined in marriage by Rev. Max Shewen, B.A., rector of the parish, to Mr. Lewis A. Seely, also of Greenwich. The church was prettily decorated with flowers by the young ladies of the church guild of which the bride had been a member. The bride was dressed in a blue travelling suit and was given away by her father. After the ceremony the party drove to the home of the bride's father, where a reception was held for the immediate relatives.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

COMING TO THE FAIR.

Mr. Hiram Binks, who has been reported in the Times new reporter this morning that six couples from the Settlement would spend their honeymoon at the exhibition. The settlement would spend their honeymoon at the exhibition. The settlement would spend their honeymoon at the exhibition.

The football match between the Algonquin and Carleton will take place on the Shamrock grounds this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The newly wedded pair would be distinguished from others who were merely engaged by the fact that they would not walk hand in hand down the green avenues of the Pike and along the broad corridors of the main buildings.

After they got hitched up, said Hiram, "they're bashful, an' don't want to let on they've been to the parson. Just before they got married they don't care who 'em holdin' hands. Curus, ant it?" Hiram took a run through the fair grounds this morning, and his curiosity was so much excited by the suggestions of mystery that he put on a new necktie and went down again to spend the afternoon and pick out a good place to hear

the band. When asked if in place of the agricultural exhibits were in any, Hiram absent responded that he had not visited that part of the show.

Mr. Peter Binks is preparing a monograph on the prize ring in which he will give a list of the names of prize-fighters whose noble deeds and lofty ideals have illuminated the pages of history and made the world better because they lived in it. It is a work requiring some research.