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FIELDING CASE NEARLY ENDED

Slim Results After Long Hunt for Evidence

Minister of Finance on Stand Contended He Never Authorized Illegal Spending of Money

(Special to the Sun.)

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 16.—The trial of the election petition against the return of Hon. Mr. Fielding was practically concluded at Liverpool today. The attorney general addressed the court on behalf of the respondent, and Mr. Ritchie will close the case tomorrow on behalf of the petitioner. Particulars furnished by the petitioner alleged two hundred and ninety-seven cases of illegal practices and after examination of thirty-five witnesses, the petitioners were forced to rely on only eight acts by the alleged agents which are claimed to be corrupt. In each of the eight cases the attorney general strenuously contended that there was no proof of corrupt practices and also no proof of agency. The petitioner failed utterly to establish any of the personal charges of corrupt acts against Mr. Fielding and Mr. Ritchie stated before the close of the case that he was forced to abandon them. This left the court to the consideration of whether the eight corrupt acts alleged by the petitioner were proven to have been corrupt, and if so, whether were they committed by an agent of Mr. Fielding.

The net result of the three days' trial is therefore that 297 corrupt acts were alleged to have been committed by Mr. Fielding's agents. About fifty witnesses were subpoenaed, thirty-five examined. Personal charges have been abandoned and only eight alleged corrupt acts remain to be considered by the court. All this after hunting for evidence for nearly two years.

Hon. W. S. Fielding deposed that he was in the riding a few days prior to the last election. He was then asked as to bills rendered after the election of 1900 and stated that some time after that election he was told that there were some unpaid bills, and he reluctantly agreed to pay them. At the same time he stated that he would pay no such bills in future. He did not know what the bills were, but paid the lump sum. He supposed they were for legitimate expenses. When Mr. Ritchie asked the witness the amount the court refused to allow the question on the ground that the answer could only relate to corrupt practices of the 1900 election.

Cross examined by the Attorney General, Mr. Fielding said that he never authorized any payments or assumed any expenses of the election of 1904. He never authorized directly or indirectly any expenditure for the 1904 election except as shown by the return of his election agent. He had several meetings in the county and always appealed to electors to give him their support for legitimate reasons and legitimate reasons only. This concluded the examination of witnesses.

SEVERE FORM OF ASTHMA.

"I first used Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine with my daughter, who suffered from a severe form of asthma. The least exposure to cold would lay her up and she would nearly suffocate for want of breath. I must say I found it to be a most satisfactory treatment and it has entirely cured her."—Mrs. A. A. Van Buskirk, Robinson Street, Moncton, N. B.

While playing football in Dawson's field Wednesday evening, William Wright, son of Bruce Wright, Manawagonish, had some severe handling in a scrimmage. One kick was inflicted just above the eye and a cut made several inches in length, which required a number of stitches.

SHOOTING AT SUSSEX

(Special to the Sun.)

SUSSEX, N. B., Aug. 16—Fine weather prevailed again today on the Sussex rifle range. As before, however, the wind blew in strong gusts from the northwest and severely tried the judgment and good humor of the riflemen, particularly of the new shots. The scores were accordingly below the average, though occasional flashes of superb shooting were seen, such as J. W. McFarlane's 35 at 200 yards and Maj. J. M. Kinnear's two 34's in the county match, and Pte. J. H. Daigle's 34 in the Ladies' cup. Quite unexpectedly to themselves the Sussex men made a clean sweep of the team matches by winning the county. The King's county team went back in the 200 yard range to last place, but by good shooting at 500 yards established a lead which they increased at 600 and landed winners with 653, 26 points more than Westmorland. St. John scored 637 and York 610. This is the first win for Kings in several years. Score for Ladies' cup:

Seth Jones, Sussex R. A. and S. W. Smith, M. P. R. A. tie....61
P. Archibald, bomb 3 R. C. A....60
B. Stewart, M. R. A....60
Capt. R. H. Arnold, 8th Hus....59
F. A. Duston, St. Stephen....59
Sgt. D. R. Chandler, 74th Regt....58
Lieut. L. A. Langstroth, 62nd Fus....58
J. C. Sampson, St. A. R. C....58
Capt. S. B. Anderson, 74th Rgt....58
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H. H. Hagerman, F. C. R. A....57
Sgt. Maj. Lamb, 62nd Fus....57
Pte. J. H. Daigle, 74th Rgt....56
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Sgt. D. L. Campbell, 74th Rgt....55
W. Balmain, Woodstock R. C....55
Capt. H. Perley, 62nd Fus....55
A. R. Jardine, M. R. A....55
Capt. W. E. Forbes, 73rd Rgt....55
S. J. Burlock, M. P. R. A....55
A. B. Maggs, Sussex R. A....55
J. W. McFarlane, F. C. R. A....55
Capt. E. A. Smith, R. L....54
Mag. G. S. Kinnear, 8th Hus....54
R. T. Mack, F. C. R. A....54
A. S. McFarlane, F. C. R. A....54
Maj. J. H. McRobble, 8th Hus....54
Sgt. W. W. Dole, 74th Rgt....53
N. J. Morrison, St. J. R. C....53
Capt. J. Manning, R. O....53

Six 53's counted out.

The tie in above match will be shot off tomorrow afternoon, also the tie between Captain Arnold and T. T. Price in the Provincial.

The Fowler match at 800 and 900 yards and the Pugsley at 900 tomorrow will conclude this year's meeting. The presentation of prizes takes place tomorrow at 3.30 and will be made a public function this year.

SWEET MARIE MAKES NEW WORLD'S RECORD

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Aug. 16.—Besides winning the free for all trot in the Grand Circuit meeting here today Sweet Marie established a world's record for trotting mares, going the second heat of the race in 2.04 1-2. The previous record was 2.04 3-4, held by Lou Dillon and Sweet Marie. The mare also broke the track trotting record 2.06, made last Monday by Angiola. It is the fastest mile trotted on any track this year.

The time by quarters was 31 1-4; 1.02; 1.33 3-4; 2.04 1-2.

There was $20,000 in the box on the 2.12 trot, and Advancer, favorite, cost the talent a lot of money. Mack Mack, the winner, was second choice, but Morone made him fight for every inch of the ground.

BERLIN, Aug. 16.—The International Chess tournament at Nuremburg which began July 23, came to a close today. Frank J. Marshall, American, won the first prize with 12 1-2 wins, having lost not a single game. Second place was taken by O. Duras, with 11 wins.

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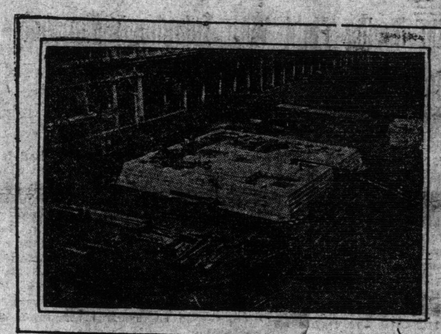
Progress of the Reconstruction of the New Campanile of St. Mark's, Venice



The New Five Steps Which are to Support the Campanile

The Statue of the Madonna Restored - After having been reduced to sixteen hundred and three fragments

The Old Five Steps of the Campanile.

From the Graphic.

Parts of the Balustrade of the Loggetta Showing the Damage Done to it.

In their work of restoring the campanile of St. Mark's in Venice, the artists and engineers chosen for the delicate task are adhering very closely to the original design of the historic structure, which fell in ruins on July 14, 1902, after having stood since A. D. 888. In external features there will be no departure, but in its interior construction all possible advantage is being taken of modern experience in architecture.

DESERTED WIFE ON WEDDING DAY

Mrs. Emma Grindon is Now Suing For Divorce

Former Prince Edward Island Man Drowned in Merrimac River—Father Demers a Native of Quebec

BOSTON, Aug. 16.—Alleging that she was deserted by her husband in St. John on her wedding day, Mrs. Ethel Emma Grindon of Cambridge has entered a suit for divorce in the Middlesex superior court at East Cambridge against Leopold James Kelso Grindon of McDougall Settlement, parish of Shediac, Westmorland Co., N.B. Mrs. Grindon sets forth in her bill that she and her husband were married at St. John on Jan. 28th, 1909, but that on the same day she was "utterly deserted." She alleges that Grindon "grossly, wantonly and cruelly refuses and neglects suitable maintenance." The petitoner requests the court to grant her custody of her young son, Howard A. Grindon. The case will be heard at the term of court which opens the first Monday in September.

Rev. Cleophas Demers, rector of St. Martin's Roman Catholic Church in Somersworth, N. H., for the past 25 years, died Aug. 12. Father Demers was born in Levis, Que., in 1847. He received his preliminary education at Levis College and fitted for the priesthood at Quebec Seminary and at Saint Joseph's College, Memramcook, N. B. He was ordained at St. John in 1872 and was assigned to the diocese of Portland to work among the French speaking people. For many years Father Demers was a missionary in Northern Aroostook, adjacent to Madawaska Co., N. B.

Benjamin Gallant, formerly of Prince Edward Island, was drowned while bathing in the Merrimac River at Lawrence on Sunday. He was employed on the Holt farm at North Andover and had been in this country seven or eight years. He was 23 years of age. Gallant's father lives in Bath, Me., and a sister and brother reside in Prince Edward Island. The body was recovered.

Miss Charlotte MacLeod, assistant matron of the Waltham hospital, has resigned to take charge of the new home of the Boston instructive district nursing association. Miss MacLeod is a Canadian and was formerly superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses in Canada.

WHITNEY SLATED FOR GOVENOR

Democratic Party Formulating Plans to Have Him Nominated—Has Good Record

(Special to the Sun.)

BOSTON, Aug. 16.—A well defined movement is in progress within the Democratic party to make Henry M. Whitney candidate for governor of Massachusetts at the November election. Last year Mr. Whitney was a candidate for lieutenant governor on a Canadian reciprocity platform, and made a splendid showing at the polls, although he failed of election. District Attorney John B. Moran is angling for the Democratic nomination of governor, but the leaders of the party are endeavoring to switch off the Moran movement and give Whitney the right of way. It is very probable that Mr. Whitney will receive the nomination.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—At the conclusion of a meeting of the executive committee of the Union Pacific railroad in this city today a statement was given out to the effect that no announcement would be made today regarding action on the question of declaring dividends.

FOREST FIRES RAGING ON NORTHERN LINE OF I.C.R.

All Over the Country a Great Pall of Smoke is Drifting—As Yet No Damage Has Been Done to the Railroad Tracks or Private Houses—Moncton Man Has a Narrow Escape From Death.

(Special to the Sun.)

MONCTON, N. B., Aug. 16.—Terrific forest fires are reported to be raging in the great forests which extend from Gloucester Junction to Harcourt, on the northern line of the I. C. R. division. The fires extend all through these forests in a line, at intervals, and all over the country a great pall of smoke is drifting. The conflagrations are very bad, and in places are very close to the I. C. R. tracks, although no damages to railway property have yet been reported. At Rogersville the fire is about three miles behind the village, and in many places passengers on I. C. R. trains can distinctly see the flames leaping among the trees. No residences are yet reported to have been destroyed, and no casualties are known of.

If negotiations now under way are successfully completed, an all-Moncton team will take a week's trip to Cape Breton and play the teams of each of the four places which constitute the league of that place. The Victorias will play two games in St. John next week on Friday and Saturday.

Probably not while he lives will Patrick LeBlanc have such a narrow escape from a fearful death as he experienced this afternoon, when he fell from the Boston express as that train started to leave the Moncton station, and clutching the handrail was dragged some distance, while one of his feet, slipping in onto the rail, was quite badly cut. LeBlanc, who formerly lived in this city, was en route from Bangor, Me., to which he recently removed, to his home in Memramcook. He had been drinking, and his drunkenness, and the lurching of the train combined to make him lose his foot-hold. He was quite severely bruised.

A. P. Tait of this city has received word of the death in the west of Miss Alda Keiver, formerly of this city, and daughter of the late I. C. R. Conductor A. H. Keiver. Deceased had been in delicate health for a long time, and with her mother had removed to the west to take advantage of the climatic change.

The I. C. R.'s annual picnic for its employes is to be conducted under new rules this year. In other years it was customary for the head of the family to pay twenty-five cents for tickets for the members of his household, and the principle of charges has been corrected with the aim of correcting the existing abuses. In future each adult will have to pay twenty cents for return ticket, each child between 10 and 13 years ten cents, and all children under ten years of age go free. The railway picnics will be run by a committee, who will be charged $1.50 per mile for each mile between here and Pt. du Chene, or $30 for the train. The total revenue will go to the railway, but from the total the railway will first deduct the train charges for itself, the expenses, and any surplus that may then exist will be paid into the I. C. R. Employes Relief and Benefit Association.

HUNDREDS OF BULLETS SENT INTO BODY OF BRUTAL NEGRO

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 16.—Within the shadow of the home of his victim, Miss Jennie Brooks, after having been identified by her, and after Governor D. O. Heyward, who today went to the scene of the trouble, had addressed the mob in vain, "Bob" Davis, the negro who, on Monday, murderously attacked Miss Brooks with intent to commit an assault, and who afterwards outraged a negro girl fourteen years old, was lynched at Greenwood about 7.30 o'clock this evening.

Governor Heyward reached the scene shortly after the negro had been captured. A platform was erected in a fence corner on the premises of the victim's father, from which platform Governor Heyward addressed the mob in an effort to prevent the lynching. The governor begged the mob not to lynch Davis, but in vain. At the conclusion of his speech the governor was vociferously cheered. The mob then removed the prisoner from the view of the governor and within a short distance of the home of his victim the negro was riddled with bullets. It is impossible to estimate the crowd, as citizens from several counties had gathered at the scene and for two days had been in pursuit of the negro, but it is certain that hundreds of bullets were sent through his body. The militia in that section of the state is now encamped at Chickamauga, and there were no nearby troops to be called upon. The Gogernor's Guards and the Richmond Volunteers of this city have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness in the event that their services would be needed.

The assault by Davis on Miss Brooks was made last Tuesday in her father's store, where she was temporarily in charge. After making some purchases the negro grasped a meat knife, shouting, "You are what I want," and sprang toward the girl. Miss Brooks attempted to defend herself with an iron bar, but the negro slashed her across the throat. Afterward he went three miles to another farm and outraged a fourteen-year-old negress. A posse of a thousand men started in pursuit of the negro soon after the outrage at the Brooks' store, and finally captured him this afternoon near Ninety-Six, a town nine miles from Greenwood.

INQUEST HELD LAST EVENING

Jury Hears Sad Story of Fredericton Poisoning

Funeral of Messrs. Edgecombe and Tibbitts, the Victims will be Held This Afternoon

Special to the Sun.)

FREDERICTON, N. B., Aug. 16.—At the County Court house this evening, Coroner Dr. W. J. Weaver conducted the inquest on the recent deaths of Albert W. Edgecombe and L. A. W. Tibbitts. There was a large attendance, and sadness prevailed throughout the whole proceedings. Doctors Crosskett and Atherton, D. E. Crowe and C. F. Chestnut were the witnesses examined, and their evidence was simply a repetition of the facts of the case as published. Mr. Crowe said that Mr. Tibbitts called into the store about 9.45 and Mr. Edgecomb about half an hour later. They both sat down in the back part of the store, and Mr. Crowe, on hearing Mr. Tibbitts coughting made inquiry, to which Mr. Edgecombe replied, "What is this you have here in the crock?"

Mr. Crowe went back and said, "Why that is poison, deadly poison. Mr. Edgecombe replied, "Why, we drank from it, thinking it was ice water." Mr. Crowe then summoned assistance, and the rest of the sad story has already been published.

The jury, after hearing the evidence, brought in a verdict to the effect that Mr. Edgecombe and Mr. Tibbitts met their death from drinking cyanide of potassium in mistake for ice water; that the deaths were purely accidental and that no blame attaches to any one.

The funeral of the late Mr. Tibbitts will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock and that of Mr. Edgecombe at 4 o'clock. Interment will be in the Rural cemetery.

FREDERICTON BOY WILL BE MANAGER

FREDERICTON, Aug. 16.—It is understood that the Bank of New Brunswick today came to an arrangement with H. H. Pitts, who is at present in the city, for the renting of the building on York street formerly occupied by the Bank of Nova Scotia and that the new bank will open before the last of the month. Charles H. Lee, son of the late Canon Lee of Fredericton, will be the manager of the new branch in Fredericton. Mr. Lee is in the city today and returns to St. John in the morning and will remove here probably next week.

The Bank of Montreal will in all probability carry on their business in the future at the stand now occupied by the People's Bank. Of the Montreal Bank, J. W. Spurden, at present manager of the People's, will be manager, and it is understood Mr. Ritchey, the present manager, will remove to some other city. Mr. Lee, the new manager of the Bank of New Brunswick is an old Fredericton boy. He was born at the old rectory on George street and spent the first twenty years of his life in this city. He will be warmly welcomed back to his old home.

MORE ABOUT THE POTATO

Prominent Agriculturist Writes Interesting Letter

Communication Shows That Recorder Skinner's Statements in the Sun and Star Ware Widely Read

To the Editor of the Sun:

Sir—In a copy of the Sun of August 4th, 1906, there appeared a reprint of something from the pen of Recorder Skinner on potatoes and the wheat plant. It was alleged by him that the Department of Agriculture should take up the work of seed improvement and thus prevent the degeneration and possible extinction of these important crops. We are very glad to note the interest that Recorder Skinner is taking in this question, and now that he has opened it up, a few lines from one who is in the agricultural department, and part of whose work it is to encourage the farmers of Ontario to improve their crops may not be amiss. The seed branch of the Department of Agriculture is also ably represented by F. W. Broderick, Truro, in the Maritime Provinces.

From observation, from experiment, as well as practice, we are forced to differ from some of the views held by Mr. Skinner.

It is true that the potato balls are the medium for originating new varieties, and that many potato growers let their varieties run out; but is it not due largely to the fact that so many growers sell or eat all the large ones and plant the small ones? The contention of the seed branch is that having once got a good variety, growers should stay by it as soon as it is acclimatized, and improve it by selection and using a breeding plot.

Let the potato grower in starting out to improve his variety, note the strongest and best growing hills by putting down a little stake by them. We will say he selects 50 hills in this way. When they are ready to dig, let him dig the 50 hills first and from them select 20 hills which he considers the best in the lot. Let him keep in small bags the product of each hill by itself, and the following season plant eight of the best potatoes saved from each hill, in a row, one potato in a hill. Then from this plot select 20 hills again of the best for a breeding plot the following year, and keep all the seed on the breeding plot for planting except, of course, the small ones, which should be fed. In this way we can hope to keep up the standard of any variety and should improve it some from year to year.

It has been found as a result of experimenting that the largest and best yields of potatoes were obtained from cutting large potatoes to one or two eyes, and planting one piece in a hill. The most economic production, however, has been the result of planting medium potatoes cut to two eyes. Each eye corresponds to a seed and too many plants in a hill act like weeds.

There are enemies to the potato plant which Recorder Skinner refers, and which, as he says, accomplish great injury to weak plants. They also do much damage to good strong plants; but we now have agents in Paris green and Bordeaux mixture, which, when applied properly, effectively counteract their ravages. In the Maritime Provinces, where potatoes are such a valuable and successful crop, there should be a great many to adopt this system of improving their seed and soon the whole district would reap the benefit. Three years is too long to wait to get improvement through growing and planting.

In the wheat plant, too, selection counts. In fact, the same laws which apply to the improvement of stock apply to the improvement in crops, with perhaps one exception, and that is self-fertilizing in some of the cereals which it is impossible to avoid from the nature of the flower. In the corn plant, vigor of growth and productiveness have both been noticed in the cross-bred corn of the same variety.

In a breeding plot of 40 rods from another variety, by detasseling alternate rows, one-half the corn becomes cross-bred. In wheat it is entirely different. As a rule each flower is pollenized from its own blossom, or in other words, self-fertilized. Nature has made a wise provision in plants that self-fertilize, in that it does not cause deterioration in the plant. So we must look for some other reason why wheat "runs out," as the farmer puts it.

Our "Branch" says to the wheat producer: Make the best fanning mill selection you can and sow only large, plump seed. Give your soil good, clean cultivation, and if necessary, feed it with such plant food as the crop requires. It says more, however: If you wish to improve your variety by making it yield better as well as retain its desirable characteristics, select enough of the best heads you can find true to type to sow at least a quarter acre plot the following year. The next year select from the one-quarter acre breeding plot enough for the succeeding year's breeding plot, etc. Keep the grain from the one-quarter acre breeding plot to sow each year for the main field crop. In following out this system there would be no need to exchange seed, change soils, or even originate varieties.

T. G. RAYNOR,
Representative of Seed Branch for Ontario.

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 15.—Schr. Basil M. Geldert, from Newfoundland for this port, with a cargo of whalebone, is ashore on Sable Island and likely to be a total loss.