



The Evening Times



THE WEATHER. Moderate to fresh westerly winds, fine and warmer, Friday, general winds, fine and warm.

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REV. SAMUEL HOWARD IS CHOSEN AS PRESIDENT

He Succeeds Rev. James Crisp as President of the N. B. and P. E. I. Methodist Conference--Session Opened Today.

Moncton, June 18 (Special).—Election of officers and an address from Rev. Dr. Carman, of Toronto, general superintendent of Methodist work in Canada, were the principal features of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Methodist Conference which opened formally this morning in the Central Methodist Church. Eighty-two clergymen and thirty lay delegates responded to the roll call. Conference opened at nine o'clock with a half hour's devotional exercises, the chair being taken by Rev. James Crisp, president of the conference.

MR. FOSTER COMPLAINS OF CAMPAIGN LITERATURE

He Says the Government Had Circulated Untrue Statements About Him--Mr. Jackson Makes a Similar Charge Against Conservatives.

Ottawa, June 18 (Special).—Upon the opening of the house this morning Mr. Foster drew attention to the unfair character of the campaign literature being sent out in the government interest. He reminded the house that when the insurance commission's report was under discussion he proposed that the real use to which it would be put by the government was for campaign purposes and especially for attacking him.

NETHERWOOD CLOSING EXERCISES HELD TODAY

Rothsay School for Girls Closed for Summer This Afternoon--List of Winners of Prizes and Certificates.

Rothsay, June 18.—Netherwood, the Rothsay school for girls, closed today. The first part of the programme was held in the Rothsay church school house. Rev. Mr. Daniel acting as chairman. The programme consisted of songs by the school under the direction of Mr. Ford of St. John, and piano solos by Miss Daphne Crosby and Miss Rachel Walker of St. John. A number of prizes were given as well as certificates to those pupils who had successfully passed all examinations and had obtained an average of over seventy-five per cent.

ARRESTED IN COURT ROOM

Sensational Turn in Divorce Suit of Canadian Woman in Rochester, N. Y.

Rochester, N. Y., June 18.—(Special).—At the conclusion of the divorce trial of Floeste M. C. Sheehan, of Brighton, Ont., against her husband, Archibald, now a resident of this city, Justice Sawyer ordered that the complainant be given an absolute divorce and directed that Mr. Robert Allard of Brighton be appointed a guardian of the person of the minor child of the marriage.

FAIRBANKS PROBABLE VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

Roosevelt Stamped Talk has Apparently Subsided in the Republican Convention--Delegates Sizzled in Warm Weather Today.

Chicago, June 18.—Whether the Republican national convention will finish its work and reach the point of final adjournment this afternoon or evening, or whether it will extend over tomorrow, as seems probable, or even longer, was the subject of much speculation today. Two hours of time were gained by beginning with over the two preceding days by fixing the hour of convening at 10 a. m. instead of noon and an agreement was reached yesterday to the effect that the army of nominating speeches planned for should be curtailed materially, so that only two speeches would be made by each nominee.

MURDERED HIM WHILE HE SLEPT

Little Falls, N. Y. Woman Murders Her Husband and Then Drinks Poison.

Little Falls, N. Y., June 18.—Martin Finn, a farmer, was instantly killed by his wife Elizabeth, as he lay asleep in his home in Salisbury, N. Y., early today. Mrs. Finn walked to the home of her mother, a mile distant, where she drank Paris green and chloroform. She probably will die.

BOOM IN DOG LICENSES

More Than 1,250 Had Been Taken out up to Noon Today.

The number of dog licenses issued this year, up to the present time has broken all previous records. At noon today more than 1,250 documents legalizing the ownership of canine pets had been issued by Clarence Ward from his office in the City Building.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

Local Government Met This Morning and Transacted Routine Business.

Fredricton, N. B., June 18.—(Special).—The Government met this morning, but only routine business was transacted. This afternoon a temperance delegation from this city will be heard in regard to the appointment of a commission to take control of the police force under the authority of legislation enacted last session.

WHOLESALE GROCERS MEETING AT QUEBEC

Dominion Wholesale Grocers Guild Opened Its Session There Yesterday.

Quebec, June 18.—Forty-five delegates from Halifax to Vancouver are attending the annual meeting of the Dominion Wholesale Grocers Guild, President Beckett, of Hamilton, presiding.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Thomas Chuman was from the General Public Hospital at 2:30 this afternoon. Service was conducted by Rev. J. E. Hand and interment was in the Methodist Burying Ground.

MURDERER ARRESTED

New York, June 18.—John Blankenship, who shot and killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. Christina Meininger, at her home here yesterday and seriously wounded his wife at the same time, was arrested in Brooklyn last night.

DOHERTY HAD QUARRELLED WITH VICTIM

Sensational Evidence Given Yesterday in the Doherty Murder Trial--He Had Previously Fought With McMillan.

Summerside, P. E. I., June 18 (Special).—A sensation was produced at the Doherty trial yesterday when Stella McDonald testified that on one occasion when Louis McMillan the adopted brother of the victim, started to go home with her from church Doherty stepped in and forbade him. A fight then ensued between the two men. This evidence is considered important by the prosecution towards further establishing the motive of jealousy.

THE PATRONAGE SYSTEM LOST \$200,000 IN LAST TWO YEARS

Col. Gourdeau, Deputy Minister of Marine Pays His Respects to Commissioner Fyfe in Marine Department Enquiry.

Ottawa, June 18.—(Special).—In the Marine enquiry this morning A. W. Owen, accountant of the department, was under examination. While deposing that he knew no officials he cited cases where he doubted the certificates of fair prices issued by agents Gregory at Quebec, Parsons at Halifax, and Harding at St. John's.

HOME FOR HIS VACANT

S. H. Prince, B.A., president of the Atlantic City of the University of Toronto, passed through the city today en route to his home in Kingston. Mr. Prince says that the maritime students attending the university have, for the most part, made splendid progress at last year's session.

MAN DROWNED AT HARTLAND

Hartland, N. B., June 18.—(Special).—Bert Sparrow of Newburg was drowned this morning while at sea on the new C. P. E. track. He and a horse and cart went over the embankment into the river and it was impossible to rescue either Sparrow or his horse until they were found floating about two months ago Mr. Sparrow lost a nose at the same place by having it thrown over the same embankment.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, June 18 (Special).—The strongest feature in stock trading today was Richelieu which opened at 75 1/2 and advanced sharply to 77 1/2. (Can Par) was also strong at 100 3/4. Montreal at 187 3/4, and 800 at 41 were easier.

THE ASSOCIATED RACES

London, June 18.—The race for the gold cup was run at Ascot today. W. R. Wynnham's The White Night was first. L. De Rothschild's Radium got second place and W. M. G. Singer's Torpint was third. Six horses started.

THE BANK OF GERMANY

Berlin, June 18.—The rate of discount of the Imperial Bank of Germany was reduced today from 4 1/2 to 4 per cent. This, it is believed, will further stimulate gold imports.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

CRITICAL SITUATION. There is a difference of opinion between the school board and the civic treasury board. So far as the Times new reporter is concerned this morning the board favored the dignity of the treasury board by using powers which belonged to the treasury board, and the latter told the former in parliamentary language to go to and class itself. Our esteemed local citizen, Mr. James Jones, has suggested that the matter be referred to the arbitration committee of the board of trade, which is now apparently friendly to the city council, and might be willing to instruct its committee to act as peacemaker.

ALMOST A PANIC

There was great excitement on King street about noon today. Some mischief person circulated the rumor that the watering cart was coming. People rushed out into the clouds of dust and collided with each other and almost created a panic. After a time it was learned that the story was a hoax, and the excitement subsided. The dust went on blowing about as usual.

A LONG CAREER IS ENDED BY DEATH OF J. S. BOIES DEVEBER

Well Known Citizen Passed Away at Noon Today--He was County Treasurer for Twenty Years.

The death occurred about twelve o'clock today of J. S. Boies DeVeber, county treasurer, at his home, 137 Leinster street, after a lingering illness. News of Mr. DeVeber's death came as a great shock to his many friends in this city, for though he had been ill for some months his condition was not generally thought to be serious. Yesterday he appeared to be growing weaker and his son, Boies DeVeber, of New Glasgow, was sent for and arrived here this morning.

Mr. DeVeber was well along in years, being in his seventy-ninth year, and his death resulted from a general breaking up of the system. Although not very active of late, he was at one time very prominent in the business and political life of the city. He was a son of the late L. H. DeVeber and was connected with the well-known firm of L. H. DeVeber & Sons, general merchants and shipping agents, with offices in Prince William street. Shortly after confederation Mr. DeVeber represented this city in the federal parliament and in 1885 and 1886 was mayor of the city. It was shortly afterwards that he was appointed county treasurer, the duties of which office he has since discharged. He is survived by his wife, four daughters and one son. The daughters are: Mrs. W. G. Lawson, of Montreal; Miss Tricie DeVeber, of Waltham, Mass.; Mrs. Andrew Jack, Paddock street and Mrs. G. H. Lee, 137 Leinster street. The son, Boies DeVeber, is manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce branch, at New Glasgow. The late Mrs. R. P. Starr was a sister and her recent death is thought to have been one of the causes of his own rapid decline. The late Canon DeVeber was a brother. In his younger days Mr. DeVeber was very active in promoting sporting events and this took a deep interest in the performances of the world-famed Paris crew and kindred events. He was one of the organizers of the old No. 5 Volunteer fire company. To the members of the bereaved family the sympathy of a large circle of friends will be extended for all who knew Mr. DeVeber have none but the kindest remembrances of him.