

REFERENCE TO MR. FOWLER'S LAND DEALS BRINGS ANGRY RETORT FROM MEMBER FOR KINGS-ALBERT--LABOR BILL DISCUSSION

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—Today the commons toiled with the labor bill. Most of the proceedings were as dull as an ordinary day's. There was one incident, however, which was of some importance. It was the result of the insurance commission's probing, announced to the house that he had two hands full of mud for the ministry if any attempt was made to review his record. His challenge was not accepted today. What will be done when the insurance report is on the table of the house and a subject for discussion remains to be seen.

The bill to prevent strikes and lockouts was taken up in committee of the whole. Mr. Lennox and Mr. Lancaster asked that the bill should not be further proceeded with this session because the railway men were opposed to having the right to bring on an immediate strike taken away from them.

Armand Lavigne thought the clause forbidding a strike during an investigation by a conciliation committee was one of the best features of the bill.

Mr. Boyce of Algoma, Mr. MacDonald of Toronto and Mr. Gunn of Huron supported the request of the railroad men for delay.

Mr. Verville, the Labor member, said that all railway men were not opposed to the bill.

He thought the bill should provide that employers could not reduce wages during an investigation.

Ralph Smith, a Labor member from British Columbia, said the labor interests favored investigation. The bill did not take from railway men the right to strike, but merely declared there should be no strike or lockout while investigations were proceeding. The opposition had declared in favor of the principle of the bill, and now they apparently wanted to go back on that declaration.

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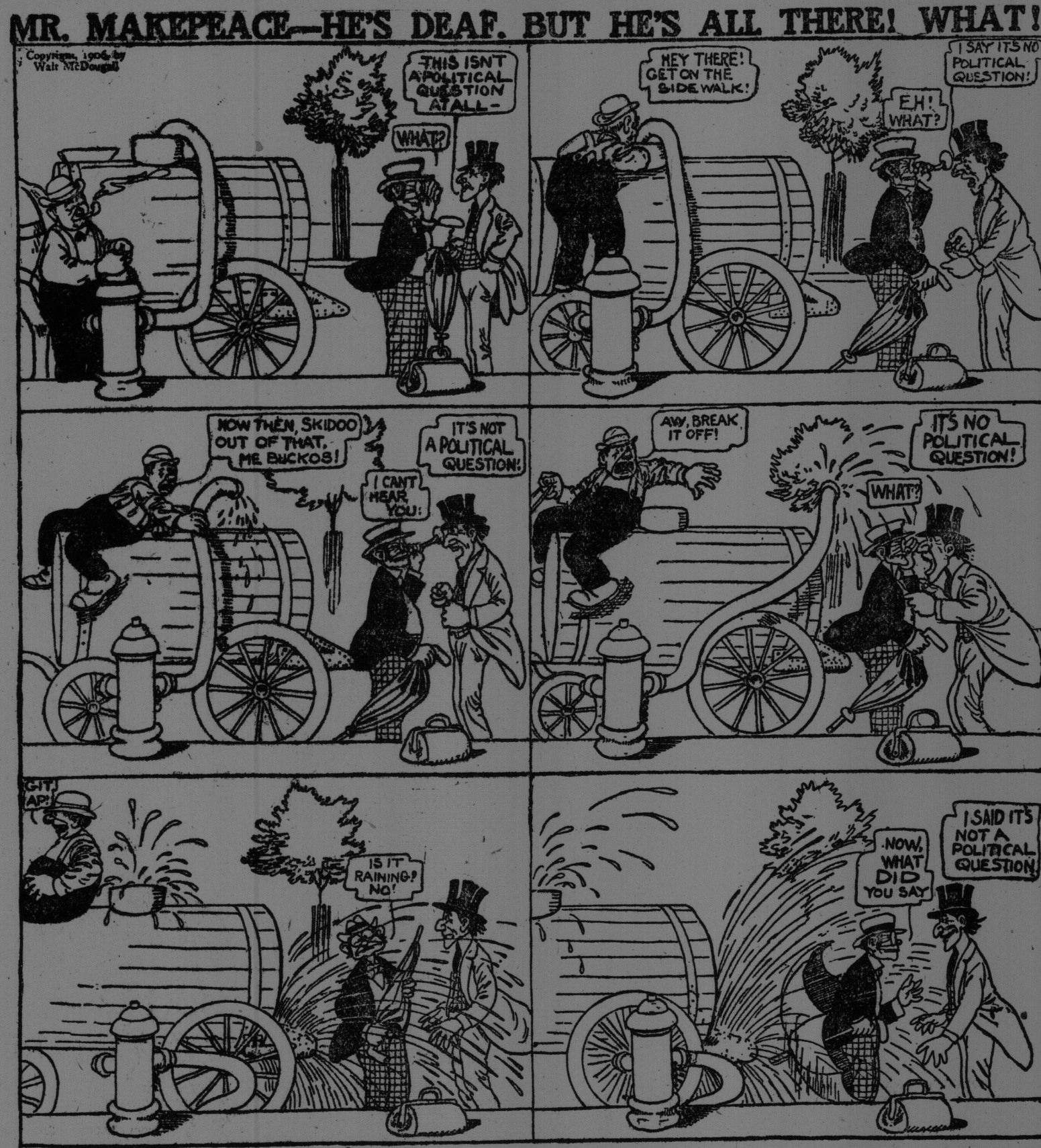
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CLAN MACKENZIE

GAVE OPEN NIGHT

Last evening Clan Mackenzie gave an open night, and a great many people took advantage of the opportunity to be the guests of the clansmen. A lengthy musical programme, consisting principally of Scottish songs, was given.

After Chief Brown had been played to his seat by the piper the following programme began: Song, Alexander Macfarlane, by J. A. Murdoch; song, Jock o' Hazeldean, by Miss Weyman; song, Corn Rigs are Bonnie, by Mr. Robson; club swinging, by Miss Idols and Messrs. Heans and Idols; duet, Annie Laurie, by Mr. and Mrs. L. McKinnon; song, Laird o' Cockpen, by Misses Christie; selection on the bagpipes by Piper Cruikshank; Highland Fling, by Major Gordon; duet, The Crooked Bow, by Mr. and Mrs. L. McKinnon; solo, Besie, Maid of Dundee, by Mrs. Tutts; solo, Heather Gyle, by Thomas White. The accompaniments were played by Miss Knight.

After the conclusion of the programme a dance was given by the clan.

PYTHIAN CELEBRATION

A BRILLIANT EVENT

New Brunswick Lodge No. 1 and Union Lodge No. 2 of the Knights of Pythias, last night celebrated the thirty-second anniversary of the founding of the order in St. John. The celebration took the form of a concert and dance at the York Assembly Rooms. About four hundred guests were present, sister lodges being well represented.

The first part of the programme consisted of an introductory address by Past Chancellor A. L. Lodge, who occupied the position of chairman, together with the following numbers: Overture, Goddess of Night, Harrison's orchestra; vocal solo, DeWitt Cairns; mandolin solo, W. C. Bowden; vocal solo, Mrs. Otto Nass; reading, E. E. Medley; vocal solo, R. T. Worden; selections by a string orchestra composed of Messrs. Hoyt, Smith, Donald, Hoyt and Stone.

The second section of the entertainment consisted of dancing. Harrison's orchestra supplied music for twelve regular dances, and the merrymaking lasted well into the hours of the morning. During the evening a sumptuous supper was served by Caterer Scumell. The affair was most successful, and the guests departed with the highest opinion of the Pythians as hosts.

The remarks of Past Chancellor A. Dodge, present adjutant of the E. E. Rank, K. of P., were retrospective in their nature. Mr. Dodge traced the growth of the Pythian order since its inception, about forty-three years since. More particularly he dealt with the founding of the order in this city. New Brunswick Lodge No. 1, has the unique distinction of being the only Pythian lodge in the British Empire Union Lodge No. 2, is the next in seniority. Several charter members of No. 1 lodge were present at last night's gathering, among them being John Beamish, who was practically the founder of the Knights of Pythias in the Dominion of Canada.

ENTERTAINING LECTURE

BY MR. FAIRWEATHER

The fourth lecture in the popular course of lectures before the Natural History Society was given last evening by G. Ernest Fairweather. The subject was "Architecture as seen by the man in the street."

Mr. Fairweather in a most entertaining way and with the assistance of a great variety of lantern slides explained and illustrated the Egyptian, Grecian, Roman and modern architecture. The pictures thrown on the screen were beautiful and greatly admired by all present, and well they might be, for they carried the lecturer's hearers from the pyramids of Egypt to the modern skyscrapers in the republic to the south. Mr. Fairweather's lecture was certainly highly educational, as he spared no pains to explain all the different forms of pillars, arches, rooms, domes and such like, and it was made more intensely so by his tracing the connection between the architecture and moneyed condition of the people at the times the different styles were in vogue. Not only were many of the outside world's celebrated cathedrals and other famous buildings shown, but quite a number of Canadian buildings, such as the Bank of Montreal, post office and C. P. R. station, Montreal, and the City Hall, Toronto, as well as W. Frank Hatheway's residence, and at the close a hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Fairweather.

WIFE OF DEAD MAN

PLACED UNDER ARREST

HAMILTON, Feb. 19.—The long expected arrest in Canfield re the poisoning mystery was made late this afternoon. Police Chief Farrel placed under arrest Mrs. Henry Perkins, wife of the dead man. Perkins died Christmas morning and rumors of foul play began to be circulated, with the result that the body was exhumed January 3 and an autopsy made. Strychnine poison was found in the stomach and an inquest was held. Provincial Detective Greer has been investigating ever since. Mrs. Perkins appeared before Magistrate Cline. She did not plead and a preliminary hearing was adjourned until Wednesday, Feb. 27.

CITY AMUSEMENTS.

Harkins is Coming

The W. S. Harkins Company are booked for a grand engagement at the Opera House, opening Tuesday evening, Feb. 26th, and giving a change of bill nightly for the remainder of the week. Manager Harkins promises his patrons some of the best plays ever seen in St. John, among which will be Mrs. Dane's Defense, Shall We Forgive Her? Second in Command, A Great Wrong, The Black Flag, and others. Seats can be had in advance at the Opera House box office.

Jere Doing Well

Jere McAllister and his talented company of stock players are doing a good business at the Opera House this week, which goes to show that popular plays well acted, at popular prices, are what the theatre-goers of today want, and Jere is surely giving a lot to show for a little money. At yesterday's matinee the theatre was filled and the big crowd enjoyed "Dens and Palaces."

Miss Daw, Wm. Hawatt, James Grandberry and Jere all had good parts and did good work. Jere as the Rubie was a laugh every time he showed his face. His parodies were received with rounds of applause, while Franklin and Hattie, Finard and White, and Madame Flower repeated their big hits of Monday night. But the play that so far has pleased the most was "The Voice of Nature," a romantic melodrama in four acts. This play was written for Thomas E. Shee and was played by him last season in all the big cities at high prices.

Keith's

Good clean and refined vaudeville of the type being presented at Keith's theatre, is bound to draw its own reward in self advertisement and bumper houses. To carefully study the local tastes, and provide each week a well balanced, up-to-date and high class show, requires good judgment and an unlimited supply of vaudeville talent, both of which requirements are obviously brought into requisition by the Keith management. This week's programme is no exception to the rule, and in the words of a patron "it's a mighty good show."

Our success has been the result of hard work, careful planning, good advertising, and unmitigated volubility—Chas. A. Stevens & Co., Chicago.

MAY BE NEXT PRESIDENT

OF TORONTO UNIVERSITY

TORONTO, Feb. 19.—The governors of Toronto University have, it is understood, decided to extend to Professor M. E. Sadler, professor of history and administration at Victoria University, Manchester, England, an urgent invitation to visit Canada in the spring and confer with them on the question of his acceptance of the presidency of the university.

CAATHAM MERCHANT

ARRESTED IN MONTREAL

ON SERIOUS CHARGE

MONTREAL, Feb. 19.—Charged with having secreted his property with intention of defrauding his creditors, C. Rich, a merchant of Chatham, N. B., was yesterday arrested on a capias issued at the request of the Montreal Waterproof Clothing Company. The bailiff took him into custody at noon as he was boarding the Intercolonial train to return to Chatham. Rich passed the afternoon in the sheriff's office endeavoring to get someone to act as surety for him, but as bondsmen were not forthcoming at 4 o'clock, he was sent to jail. The prisoner is a dry goods merchant of Chatham, N. B. About three weeks ago he assigned with liabilities amounting to \$10,000. It is said that his assets barely exceed \$600. On Monday he came to Montreal with the intention of endeavoring to arrive at some compromise with his creditors here, but he failed to satisfy them, with the result that he found himself within the clutch of the Quebec capias law. At a meeting of his creditors he admitted having sold several thousand dollars worth of goods, but he could not satisfactorily account for more than \$1,000.

ELECTED IN DIGBY

DIGBY, N. S., Feb. 19.—Joseph William Comeau was elected to the local legislature today by acclamation, to succeed Senator Comeau.

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SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST

THREE DARING YOUTHS

OF GLACE BAY, N. S.

GLACE BAY, Feb. 19.—At three o'clock yesterday afternoon three boys John Angus McDonald, Alex. McDonald and Stewart Campbell, held up John Steele, a clerk in Francis Dixon's Fish Market, Union street, and robbed him of change amounting to \$2. The boys are from 12 to 15 years and Steele is about 15. The older McDonald boy, John Angus had a revolver and fired a shot at Steele with the idea probably of scaring him. Two of the boys held Steele while the other rifled him. After leaving the store Campbell returned and gave back twenty cents, which he said was all he had got of it. Steele told Dixon of the hold-up when the latter came back to the store about 6 o'clock. Dixon had warrants issued for the arrest of the three boys. So far they have not been arrested.

NEW CANDY INDUSTRY

FOR NORTH SYDNEY

NORTH SYDNEY, Feb. 19.—This town is to have a new industry in the shape of a candy factory, of which Boston capitalists are the promoters. One of them was here last week looking up a site and it is the intention to begin operations at once. Besides the cash put in by the promoters, a large amount of stock will be offered to capitalists. It is planned to manufacture all kinds of high class confectionery and retail stores will be established at Sydney, Glace Bay, Sydney Mines and North Sydney. A \$4,000 soda fountain and \$1,000 electric piano will form a part of the furnishings of the store here, besides being up to date in all respects.

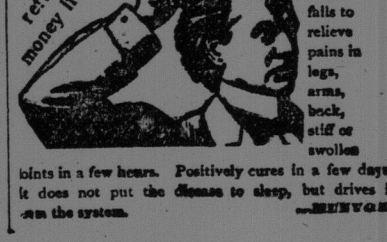
ST. GEORGE PEOPLE ANGRY

OVER WRETCHED TRAIN SERVICE

ST. GEORGE, N. B., Feb. 19.—The merchants and citizens of St. George are highly indignant over the state of affairs existing at present in connection with the train, Saturday night's mail from St. Stephen is the last news we have heard from the outside world. The train that left St. John on Monday has not reached here and the people are very anxious for the mails.

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Price 25c. Many cure Rheumatism with this medicine.



CHAMBERLAIN BROKEN

PHYSICALLY BUT IS

STRONG MENTALLY

LONDON, Feb. 19.—An interesting authoritative statement concerning the health of Joseph Chamberlain was published today. Although it does not confirm the worst rumors, it shows that Mr. Chamberlain is completely broken physically, although he is mentally alert. He passed most of his time indoors at Highbury, his Birmingham residence, but when the weather is fine he drives in a carriage in the grounds of his estate, or on unfrequented roads in the vicinity. He seeks to avoid public gaze. He never stays outside the house more than 45 minutes at a time. He sometimes spends considerable time in his orchard house as the temperature of these buildings suits him, or he will be wheeled in an invalid chair about the grounds. He occasionally takes a short walk supported by his stout stick and the arm of his devoted wife, but the invalid chair always is at hand.

QUITE A SEVERE

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK

FELT AT ST. GEORGE

ST. GEORGE, Feb. 19.—Quite a severe earthquake was felt here at 5.30 o'clock this afternoon. It lasted two minutes and was plainly felt by many of the residents of the town getting a bad scare. No damage was done, however. About twenty minutes later a second shock was felt, but it was less severe. The trembling was felt at places five miles away from St. George, although there was nothing at St. Stephen.

EARLY OPENING OF

P. E. I. LEGISLATURE

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Feb. 19.—The provincial legislature opened today, one of the earliest dates in its history. The governor's speech referred to the interprovincial conference at Ottawa resulting in the payment to P. E. Island of a largely increased subsidy, thus making possible improvement in the public service without a resort to increased taxation or rendering the province being liable to a deficit. The establishment by the Dominion government of an experimental farm on land furnished by the provincial government, affiliation of Prince George's College with McGill, the building of a new provincial jail and a poor house; conference between the federal and provincial governments to fisheries; mentioned as being under negotiations. Kennedy, Conservative, elected as successor to Hon. George Simpson, after recent by-election, took his seat, increasing the opposition to nine in a house of thirty.

CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

QUEBEC, Feb. 19.—Two young children of I. Savard, of Yvelotier, Que., were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their father's residence and stove this morning.

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