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PUGSLEY AND PENDER LIBERAL CANDIDATES

Nominating Convention Chooses Men for City and County

Selection Ratified and Speeches Are Made by Minister of Public Works, Mr. Pender, Dr. McAlister of Kings and E. Lantulum—Dr. Pugsley Speaks on the Matter of Running Rights Over the Intercolonial.

The delegates at the Liberal convention in Berryman's hall Thursday selected James Pender and Hon. Wm. Pugsley as candidates for the city and the city and county of St. John. At a ratification meeting afterwards the choice was unanimously confirmed. Speeches were made by the candidates, E. H. McAlister, Dr. McAlister, Liberal candidate for Kings-Albert, and Edward Lantulum. An executive for the coming campaign, was nominated with power to add to their number. At the ratification meeting John Keeffe occupied the chair. There was a large attendance.

While the convention was in progress another part of the building Mr. McAlister delivered an address in the large hall, in which he ridiculed the claims of the Conservatives to be the party of purity and contrasted the progress made in St. John during eleven years of Liberal rule with the previous eighteen years under the Conservative government.

On arrival of delegates, the chairman, Dr. Pugsley, in a brief speech congratulated the party on their choice. On motion of Mr. Lantulum, seconded by Mr. McAlister, the meeting unanimously ratified the choice of candidates.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley. The chairman then introduced Dr. Pugsley, who was received with much applause. After expressing the conviction that such an enthusiastic and representative meeting would lead to the victory of the Liberal party, Dr. Pugsley referred to his having stood before them a year previously in federal politics, and spoke of the unanimous vote then given him. He was before them again, he said, after a year's trial. He accepted the nomination with the greatest pleasure and would do all in his power to ensure a victory. He went on to speak of Mr. Pender as a strong and popular candidate who, by his business abilities and industry and the universal respect in which he was held, would be a credit to his constituency.

MRS. HANDSOMEBODY TO PLAY MISS THOMSON FOR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Windsor Woman Defeated Miss Smith Decisively in Semi-Final, and Game Excites Great Interest.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Woodstock, N. B., Sept. 10.—This morning nearly thirty competitors entered the approaching and putting contest, which was won by Mrs. W. B. Belyea, of Woodstock. Mrs. Belyea's total was nine, her nearest competitors taking eleven, Mrs. Handsomebody, the Misses McLaren, Miss Thomson and Miss Henderson tying at that score.

The semi-finals in the championship afternoon resulted in an easy victory for Mrs. Handsomebody, the Windsor lady, who is making such splendid strides in the race for the premier honors. Her opponent Miss Helen Sydney-Smith, drew a bye. Miss Hare, St. John, and Miss Bullock, Halifax, played a one-sided battle, the St. John lady entering the final with Mrs. Ketchum tomorrow.

Tomorrow morning Mrs. Handsomebody will meet Miss Thomson for the championship. This promise to be a most exciting struggle, as the former is playing the game of her life.

STRONG EVIDENCE AGAINST ALLEGED P. E. I. BURGLARS

(Special to The Telegraph.) Charlottetown, Sept. 10.—The police court was crowded today to witness the trial of Joseph Sheppard, of Sydney, and Chas. McDonald, of Pictou, charged with breaking into Tracadie station and stealing a horse and goods amounting to over \$300 on Sept. 2 and 3.

CHARGE AGAINST FREDERICTON CHIEF OF POLICE AILED

Complainant Testifies to Paying Official \$5 Hush Money Which Later Denies.

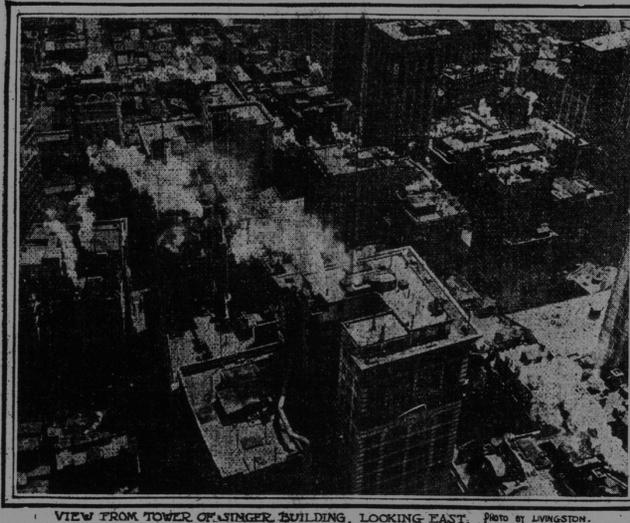
(Special to The Telegraph.) Fredericton, Sept. 10.—The investigation of the charge of accepting hush money, preferred by Norman Cameron against Chief of Police Winters, was begun by the police commission this evening by the police commission, Cameron, and J. D. Phinney, K.C., for Winters. The complainant was the first witness and told about Chief Winters being called to settle a quarrel between two women at a house in White Chapel, where he boarded. The chief discovered that he was on rather intimate terms with one of the women and told him that he would either have to marry her or put her out of the house. He offered the chief \$5 to let the matter drop, and he agreed to accept it. Chief Winters asked him several times for the money on subsequent occasions and on August 8 he borrowed it from John McJoy and paid it to him. Payment took place in the doorway leading to Winslow and Allen's office.

The evidence of Cameron was considerably shattered under cross examination. W. E. Seery was called and swore that he saw Winters and Cameron conversing together in Winslow & Allen's doorway. John McJoy swore that he loaned Cameron \$5.

Charles Chase and John Darlington testified to seeing Winters conversing with Cameron on Phoenix square and heard him say: "He had better get that for him."

Chief Winters being called to the stand gave an absolute denial to the story. He said he learned that Cameron was intimate with a woman named Thompson and he told him he would have to marry her. Cameron at first told him he was married to her in St. John three years ago but afterwards admitted he had told an untruth. He promised to marry the woman but failed to keep his word. On a subsequent occasion Cameron said a man named Hains wanted him to prefer charges against Winters but he did not intend doing so. At 11 o'clock the commissioners decided to postpone the enquiry till tomorrow evening.

NEW YORK SKYSCRAPERS AS SEEN FROM ABOVE



VIEW FROM TOWER OF SINGER BUILDING, LOOKING EAST. PHOTO BY LIVINGSTON.

SAYS GOOD TIMES HAVE RETURNED

President of C. N. R. Declares Bumper Crop Will Relieve Money Stringency—Plans Extension of Railway.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Regina, Sept. 10.—President William MacKenzie, of C. N. R., who is now at Regina, stated today that the new line west to Calgary, would be pushed as soon as practicable. It will start from Regina, but a branch line will be used for fifty miles, when the cut off to Calgary will take place.

The Regina-Brandon line will be opened inside of two weeks, and passenger service commenced at once. It is intended that trains shall run through from Winnipeg to Prince Albert over this new road.

Mr. MacKenzie said the Canadian Northern was not worrying about the Union station at Regina, having already secured rights in the present C. P. R. station.

After touring over the whole line, Mr. MacKenzie has come to the conclusion that the bumper crop this year will relieve the money stringency, and that good times have returned.

COAL-CARRYING ROADS WIN BIG VICTORY

United States Court Decides That Law Prohibiting the Transport of Anthracite by Companies Owning Mines is Illegal.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 10.—Declaring it to be drastic, harsh and unreasonable, and an invasion of the rights of the states, and therefore repugnant to the constitution of the United States, the United States Circuit Court for the eastern district of Pennsylvania, today dismissed the suits of the federal government to enforce the commodities clause of the Hepburn Railroad Act, against the anthracite coal-carrying railroads of this state. Judges George Gray and George M. Dallas, chief opinions dismissing the suits, and Judge Joseph Burlington dissented, but did not file an opinion. The commodities clause prohibits railroad companies from transporting in interstate commerce any article or commodity manufactured, mined or produced by them or under their authority. The case was argued in June, United States Attorney-General Bonaparte delivering the principal argument for the government.

C. N. R. ENGINEERS ASK CONCILIATION BOARD

(Special to The Telegraph.) Winnipeg, Sept. 10.—The engineers of the Canadian Northern railway have made application to the Dominion government for a board of arbitration to decide their differences with the company. The men are asking for an entirely new schedule of wages, revision of working hours and rearrangement of routes.

ENGLISH RECTORS FOR VACANT PARISHES

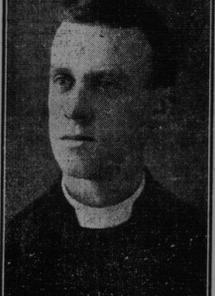
Bishop Richardson Announces That Six Will Take Up Work in New Brunswick—Makes Eloquent Reply to Address of Fredericton Anglicans.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Fredericton, N. B., Sept. 10.—Bishop and Mrs. Richardson, who lately returned from an extended trip to England, were tendered a public reception by the church people of Fredericton, in Church Hall this evening, and the gathering was a very large one, and the proceedings were most enjoyable.

Bishop Richardson was presented with an address of welcome and replied in an interesting speech in which he gave out much valuable information in regard to the work of the pan-Canadian and Lambeth conferences, which he attended. Among other things he said that arrangements had been made to bring out clergymen from England to take charge of vacant parishes in New Brunswick.

Rev. Dean Schofield presided and others on the platform included Rev. Canon Corrie, Rev. Canon Montgomery, Rev. A. B. Murray and Chancellor Allen, Churchwardens Golding and Brannen and several ladies.

The chairman in calling the gathering to order, spoke of the pleasure it gave the



His Lordship, Bishop Richardson

church people to have Bishop Richardson with them once more. He then called upon Sheriff Sterling who read the following address: Address to Bishop. To the Right Reverend John Andrew Richardson, D.D., Lord Bishop of Fredericton: Right Reverend Father in God,—We have gathered tonight, church people of Fredericton and the neighboring parishes, with representatives from other points of the diocese, in the first place, to bid you and Mrs. Richardson "Welcome home." We were glad to wish you God speed when going forth in April last, for change of occupation, new sources of inspiration and rest are essential for all leaders of men, and now we bid you a still warmer welcome back to be home and diocese.

CARLETON COUNTY BARNS BURNED; LOSS \$15000

(Special to The Telegraph.) Hartland, N. B., Sept. 10.—This afternoon George Simms, of South Knowlesville, lost his barns by fire. They contained fifty tons of hay and half of his grain crop. The loss is \$15,000, with some insurance.

DISASTROUS FOREST FIRES ALONG THE C. P. R.

Fort William and Port Arthur Saved by Heroic Work

Country for Miles Around is a Raging Furnace—Many Villages in Great Danger and Great Destruction Has Already Been Done.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Fort William, Ont., Sept. 10.—The worst fire in the history of the country is raging today in the forest about this city and Port Arthur and along the C. P. R. line to the east. The fires extend west, too, almost to the international boundary. Several villages are in danger along the Duluth extension. Hymers' village on the Canadian Northern is especially threatened and the people are becoming very anxious as from Hymers to the boundary line the whole country is ablaze and across the boundary from Pigeon River to Grand Marais. Two of the camps of Pigeon River Lumber Company, and thousands of feet of their timber have been destroyed. Four men sent out to take care of the camps were unable to block the flames and saved nothing but the horses. Money's camp on Pigeon River is also burned with the whole outfit. All day the fire fighting apparatus of Fort William and Port Arthur, has been working against the flames, which at one time were in between the two cities, and threatened several residences. It required a stiff fight to drive the fire back. At Square Bay the whole Indian village was threatened and fires even broke out in several backyards. Only the heroic struggle of the natives saved the village. Tonight the city is shrouded in smoke and ashes are raining down on it. The village of Thunder Cape is alight and the regatta on Silver Lake at the great day. The fire tug Dudley worked all the afternoon to save the docks and equipment of the Thunder Bay Contracting Company, and finally succeeded. The loss cannot be even approximately estimated. It will be many thousands of dollars, as large areas of timber have been over-run.

DECIDE TO PUSH TEMPERANCE POLICY

Presbyterian Board of Moral Reform Plans Aggressive Campaign.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Toronto, Sept. 10.—At a meeting of the Presbyterian General Assembly board of moral and social reform here today, it was decided to aggressively push the policy on temperance adopted by the General Assembly, which includes local veto, abolition of the bar, suppression of shops, but giving cities and towns power of retaining shops temporarily, providing the element of private gain is eliminated. Sympathy was expressed with just and worthy efforts of workmen towards improving the conditions of life and labor, and promising hearty co-operation in the prevention of child labor in the mines, shops and factories, and of the employment of adults for unduly long hours of more than six days a week, and under insanitary and hurtful conditions, such as are associated with the sweatshop. Arrangements were made to have ministers to do all in their power with employers and employes towards promoting the practice of the "Golden Rule" in industrial life, and gratification was expressed over the church and labor conference here and elsewhere, which the board urged should be still more widely instituted.

CAPE BRETON COAL MINES LAYING OFF MEN

Several Hundred Affected Owing to Dullness in Trade.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Sydney, N. S., Sept. 10.—The Dominion Coal Company will close the east slope pit at Reserve tomorrow. About 200 men will be affected. Three hundred more will be laid off at Dominion No. 2 pit, and sixty-five men at Dominion No. 6. The output of Dominion No. 1 mine will be reduced.

Slackness in the coal trade is said to be the cause of the reduction. It is feared that slack times will prevail in the coal trade. One of these is that a large quantity of American bituminous coal has come into the St. Lawrence market this summer, and the second is a lessened consumption owing to the dullness of trade.

CARLETON COUNTY RIFLE MATCH

(Special to The Telegraph.) Woodstock, N. B., Sept. 10.—The county rifle match began this morning; about forty riflemen are in attendance. The morning was devoted to the first stage of the Irvine Cup match at 200, 300 and 400 yards. The afternoon was taken up with extra series at 200 yards, the second stage of the Irvine Cup match, and the first stage of the B. F. Smith Cup match at 200 and 300 yards. In connection with the first stage of the Smith Cup match the team match was shot. Four teams competed, Mount Pleasant, Woodstock, Florenceville and Avondale. The result is not yet known but the chances are in favor of Mount Pleasant.

Despondent Man Suicides

Amherst, Mass., Sept. 10.—Henry H. Haskins, aged 33 years, a photographer, committed suicide today by taking poison. Despondency from lack of work is given as the cause. He leaves a widow.

C. P. R. BRINGS MORE MACHINISTS TO CANADA

Two Hundred and Fifty to Land and Others are Coming.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Montreal, Sept. 10.—The Canadian Pacific Railway is expecting 250 mechanics from Great Britain on the Empress of Ireland, which should reach Quebec early tomorrow morning. The party has been brought out to take the place of strikers. As soon as they reach Quebec they will be placed on board a special train and hustled to points where they are most needed. This will make 400 mechanics brought out from the old country so far by the C. P. R. under contract, and several hundred more are expected.

No further developments have taken place with regards to the efforts of the strike leader to prove that the mechanics are being brought out under false pretenses and not allowed to know there is a strike on until they reach Montreal. This is denied by officials of the C. P. R. who point out that the company would not be foolish enough to go to the expense of bringing men out to Canada without seeing that the proceedings were safe from the strictest interpretation of the immigration laws.

There was no further demonstration today by the strikers, who have evidently been impressed by the complete precautions taken by the police to head off any trouble.

RUSHING PRINTING OF VOTERS' LISTS

Ottawa Printing Bureau Working Overtime—Elections May Be on Thirty Days' Notice.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Ottawa, Sept. 10.—Although the formality of dissolution of Parliament has yet to be observed, indications multiply of the imminence of a general election. Not the least significant of this is the activity at the government printing bureau, where the lists is being driven overtime in setting up the voters lists. For all the provinces except Alberta, Saskatchewan, Prince Edward Island and the Yukon, the lists will have to be printed. No doubt the rush will compel the printing in many cases to be done in private offices. As to the time which must elapse between the announcement of dissolution and the day of voting it is explained, that in the case of a general election from thirty to forty days will suffice for the fulfillment of the legal requirements. The law demands that the proclamation shall be posted in every constituency at least eight days before nomination, then there is the lapse of seven days between nomination and polling, making fifteen days in all.

WRIGHT BREAKS AEROPLANE RECORDS

Circled Around Fort Meyer Grounds Fifty-Eight Times in Sixty-Five Minutes.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 10.—Orville Wright today broke the world's record for time and distance for a heavier than air flying machine which he established yesterday. In a flight requiring great skill on account of a ten-mile wind he circled around the drill grounds at Fort Meyer, fifty-eight times in sixty-five minutes and fifty-two seconds, exceeding by time of yesterday's record flight by minutes and thirty-seven seconds flight was witnessed by ne people.

FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

AMHERST.

Amherst, N. S., Sept. 9 (Special).—The death of Mrs. A. Leander Allen, wife of the well known contractor and builder, occurred here last night. The deceased was a daughter of the late Harding Carter, of Oxford Junction (N. S.). She is survived by a mother and one sister, Mrs. Hodgson, of London, also by her husband and three children. Mrs. Allen has been suffering from consumption for some years past spending considerable time at the sanitarium at Kentville, which appeared to help her, but recently she has been confined to her home, Spring street, until her death. The funeral will take place tomorrow.

A serious accident occurred at Amherst yesterday. Miss Annie Wells, Mrs. Hazen Chapman were endeavoring to cross the railway track in front of a factory. The engine struck the car and threw the latter violently to the ground. Mrs. Wells had two ribs broken and her shoulder dislocated by the fall and also sustained several lacerations to the face and body. Mrs. Chapman was severely bruised but no bones broken. If it had not been for the presence of mind of both engineers who applied the air brakes, both Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Wells would have been killed instantly.

RICHIBUCTO

Richibucto, Sept. 7.—After spending a few days with friends in town, Harry Dakeman, of Halifax, left on Saturday for Pennsylvania, to resume his studies at the university of that State. Miss Nellie, left this morning for Halifax. They were joined on the way by little Miss Olive, perthway, at Moncton. Miss Nellie, who has become almost totally deaf, is to enter the deaf and dumb institution. Mrs. Stacey will board in the city and Miss Olive will attend the day school. Richibucto Division, No. 42. Sons of the North Beach yesterday. An enjoyable time was spent, although some of the party got wet in the heavy shower during the afternoon. Miss Sadie O'Leary went to St. John last week.

Miss Lizzie Lannigan, of Rexton, has been visiting her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lannigan. Captain Thomas Haines, master of the schooner Conductor, had a very narrow escape from drowning some days ago. Coming up the straits off Cape George, the schooner encountered a heavy north-east gale and while endeavoring to take in one of the jibs, she was washed overboard by the heavy sea and but for the prompt action of the captain and crew she would have been assuredly have drowned. Even this she would not have saved him had not the captain himself been an unusually strong swimmer, for with all his son's promptitude and will in making the effort it took considerable time to get to his assistance. However, he was able to get on board the boat and both got back to the vessel in safety.

Richibucto, Sept. 8.—W. H. McLeod is in town making arrangements for the removal of his family to Fredericton. The fine new automobile purchased by R. O. Leary, during his recent visit to Boston, arrived here on Friday. Mrs. Gordon, of Northumberland county, and her four children, have been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Arthur O'Leary. Lawrence Atkinson, of McLeod Hills, was married on the 26th ult. to Miss Agnes Roma Coonan, daughter of Capt. George A. Coonan, Harvey, Albert county. Mrs. Atkinson has been recently her friends yesterday and today, at the residence of her parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. Atkinson, McLeod Mills. At a meeting of the county executive committee of W. E. Forbes, a local branch of the Fish, Forest and Game Protective Association was formed. The following are officers:—Honorary president, W. J. J. C. Lawrence; president, W. D. Carter; vice president, F. J. Robinson; secretary, Thos. Young; treasurer, W. E. Forbes; W. E. Forbes, W. E. Copp, S. A. E. O'Leary and W. E. St. John.

HARTLAND

Hartland, N. B., Sept. 8.—The continued fine weather is enabling the farmers to get their harvest in fine shape. This part of the county the grain is ripened far in advance of that elsewhere, and most of it is housed. Potato digging is not so brisk as it was last week, as the price has dropped. Rev. and Mrs. Allen Rideout return to Fredericton today, after a short visit with Mr. Rideout's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Rideout, Mrs. Charles Rideout, sister-in-law of the minister, and her son, Ralph, who has also been visiting here. Rev. A. M. MacNish, who has been visiting his old home at Victoria, returned to Grand Manan yesterday. His visit was cut short by the death of one of his parishioners. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lang, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Call, returned to Lower Windsor yesterday. Miss Agnes Shaw, a professional nurse, who has been visiting her parents, B. N. Shaw and wife, at Lower Windsor, returned to her work in Lewistown (N. B.) on Monday. Her mother is seriously ill of heart disease, and has been bed-ridden for two months. The summer season at Centreville is about over. The Commercial hotel, which has been under the management of G. O. Britton for a year, has changed hands again. Randolph Day is the new proprietor. J. W. Stevens and daughter, Sadie, of Centreville, were guests of Mrs. H. M. Stevens, at Somerville over Sunday. Miss Mable Beland returned last week from a visit to her home in Lunenburg. She was accompanied by Miss Lana Boyer, of Bristol. Mrs. S. M. Boyer was on last week for the first time in eight months, a great part of that time she being confined to her bed. Dr. W. H. Allen, an elderly resident of the town, is seriously ill. He is the father of Oleska (Ont.), is here

of New York, passed through the city today en route to Miramichi on a hunting expedition. Three young men, Oscar Carlson, Thomas Rycott and Henry Landry of McAdam, were before the police court this morning on complaint of Game Warden Deane, charged with hunting game in the close season. R. B. Hanson appeared for the prosecution and Cyrus F. Inghis for the defense. Albert Hurd and William Waverth was taken and the case was stood over until the afternoon when the accused returned to jail. Hanson and Waverth were heard a shot in the woods near McAdam and a few moments later saw the three defendants emerging from the woods carrying a Winchester rifle. He was shown the weapon in court and identified it. It is said that the defendants are cricketers and that they are members of the C. P. R. shops at McAdam game warden the information.

This afternoon the defendants went to the stand and admitted that they took a rifle into the woods but they claimed it for the purpose of shooting at marks and not for game. The sidesmen of the C. P. R. shops at McAdam game warden the information.

NEWCASTLE

Newcastle, N.B., Sept. 8.—The Supreme court opened this morning. Judge White presiding. There was one criminal case, the King versus James Kelly, charged with stealing a watch from William Cameron. The prisoner was found guilty. Deceased was a member of the Presbyterian church. She was fifty-one years old. Her father, Patrick McMahon, of Nelson, a husband, two sons and two daughters survive, also a half brother and four half sisters.

TORBROOK

Torbroke, N. S., Sept. 8.—The Annual meeting of the Liberal Association will convene at Bridgetown on the 15th inst., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the federal elections. S. W. W. Pickup, the present member, will probably be the choice of the convention. The Wheelock shaft at the Torbroke iron mine is abandoned, and is now filling up with water. Work continues at the Martin shaft which is now being worked. S. W. W. Pickup, 570 feet deep, and a contract has recently been signed to sink the shaft 100 feet deeper. The marriage took place on Thursday at Middleton, of Frank H. Bath, of Bridgetown, and Miss Bessie M. Dodge, daughter of Captain A. P. Dodge, of Middleton. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. McConnell.

That a tiny six weeks old baby, the child of a Helms umbrella vendor named Joseph Stekasky, 50 Pond street, was bitten by rats was reported about a week ago. The infant was found to have been severely bitten, and is quite ill as the result. Dr. Skinner, who was called to attend the child, said that it had been bitten on the top of the head, behind the ear. The infant was ill, he said, also, but he did not know whether or not it was a result of the rat bite. It was impossible to say at the present time what the result would be. He would not be able to tell for a short time whether it had been poisoned or not.

ST. JOHN MAN DIES AT CHATHAM.

Chatham, N. B., Sept. 8 (Special).—Labor Day passed off quietly here. Fr. Savoy's picnic at Bartibogue and harvest home at Black River attracted large crowds. Several small picnics were held. Con. Boyce, who has been in the Hotel Dieu Hospital for some weeks, died Sunday. He was 82 years of age and had longed to St. John. His son Thomas has been here for a fortnight during Mr. Boyce's illness and took the remains to St. John. D. E. Boyce leaves a family of four sons and three daughters.

WOODSTOCK

Woodstock, Sept. 9.—The dedication of the Primitive Baptist church of Wilmet, will take place on Sunday, Sept. 27. Rev. D. E. Boyce will preach the dedicatory sermon. Invitations are out for the wedding of Christy W. White, of Woodstock, and Miss Hannah Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Dickinson, of Rosedale. The ceremony will be performed at 5 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 23. Currie Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sullivan, of St. John, will be married to E. J. Joseph's College, Memramcook. Misses Eva Smith, of Summerfield, and Nellie Sullivan, of Woodstock, were the graduates of the Carleton County Hospital this year. The two young ladies graduated with high honors. The board of trustees heartily thanked the acting manager, Miss Sullivan, for her services and presented her with a cheque for extra services. Misses Sullivan and Smith have taken up the work of nursing in this hospital. Dr. J. E. Bradley and other Woodstockers, returned from the St. Stephen carnival today.

FREDERICTON

Fredericton, Sept. 8.—It is beginning to look as if the charges of taking large money from the pockets of the poor, against Chief of Police Winters, is likely to fail. The police commission met this evening but the charges failed to appear and it was given out that he had left the city. C. H. Allen, who appeared on behalf of Cameron, stated that Cameron had made the charges and signed them and had promised to appear and substantiate it before the commission. He had, however, failed to keep his word. Mr. Allen said that he did not know Cameron's present whereabouts and suggested that the commission should adjourn the enquiry for a few days to see if he could be found. He said that there were certain rumors about Cameron with his disappearance and it would be well, in the interest of all parties, if the commission would delay the matter for a few days. D. Phinney, who appeared for Winters, said his client was prepared to meet the charge and was in a position to prove that it had no foundation in fact. He thought, as the complainant had failed to appear, the proper course for the commission to pursue was to dismiss the charges but the complainant's counsel had hinted that other parties had to do with Cameron's non-attendance it might be well, in the public interest, to have an investigation. He was ready to abide by the decision of the commission. After a few minutes spent in deliberation Chairman Johnson announced the postponement of the enquiry until Thursday evening. The charge preferred by Cameron against Winters was that he had threatened him with arrest because of his living with a woman not his wife but had accepted \$5 to hush the matter up. Mr. Hinds, a well known tax-deducter of Portland, and Henry Wood, of Fredericton, are visiting friends in town. A baby boy arrived yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Richard. Edward H. Hannas has purchased the Dickenson house on Water street from W. D. Dickinson, of Woodstock. The Kent Northern Hotel is being improved and enlarged. The marriage took place a few days ago at St. Anne, of Miss Alice Maillet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Maillet, and Fred Hahoun, son of Frederick Hahoun, Rev. Fr. Lapointe, officiated. The happy couple left for their future home near Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curran are moving their furniture to Richibucto, and will occupy the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs.

REXTON

Rexton, N. B., Sept. 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Woods of Boiestown, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Ferguson, left yesterday on a trip to Toronto and Niagara Falls. Mrs. H. D. Duff left yesterday on a visit to St. John and Amherst. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Foster visited Buctouche, Monday. Douglas Mitchell, of Moncton, who has been visiting here, will home yesterday. Mrs. Fred Reid and Miss Jennie McGregor visited Buctouche, Monday. Mr. and Mrs. George A. Irving and child, have returned home from Dorchester. Robert Glenness and sister, Miss Belle Glenness, of Coal Branch, are visiting friends in town. A baby boy arrived yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Richard. Edward H. Hannas has purchased the Dickenson house on Water street from W. D. Dickinson, of Woodstock. The Kent Northern Hotel is being improved and enlarged. The marriage took place a few days ago at St. Anne, of Miss Alice Maillet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Maillet, and Fred Hahoun, son of Frederick Hahoun, Rev. Fr. Lapointe, officiated. The happy couple left for their future home near Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curran are moving their furniture to Richibucto, and will occupy the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs.

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NEWCASTLE

Newcastle, N.B., Sept. 8.—The Supreme court opened this morning. Judge White presiding. There was one criminal case, the King versus James Kelly, charged with stealing a watch from William Cameron. The prisoner was found guilty. Deceased was a member of the Presbyterian church. She was fifty-one years old. Her father, Patrick McMahon, of Nelson, a husband, two sons and two daughters survive, also a half brother and four half sisters.

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ST. JOHN MARKETS

Very little movement was apparent in the local markets last week. Cheese and corn had both advanced and are reported in change in quotations. The following were the principal wholesale prices on Thursday:

COUNTRY MARKET. Beef, western, 0.24 to 0.10 1/2; Beef, butchers, 0.08; Pork, country, 0.08; Pork, per lb, 0.08; Veal, per lb, 0.08; Lamb, carcasses, 0.12; New cabbage, per doz, 1.10; Beans, per bush, 1.00; Carrots, per bush, 0.50; Turnips, per bush, 0.50; Squash, per 100 lbs, 1.00; Eggs, henney, per doz, 0.25; Turkeys, per lb, 0.25; Tub butter, per lb, 0.25; Milk, per gal, 0.05; Dishes, per doz, 0.50; Apples, per bush, 0.50; Potatoes, per bush, 0.50; Peas, per bush, 0.50; Blueberries, per box, 0.10; Blackberries, per box, 0.10.

FRUITS, ETC. New walnuts, 0.11; Green walnuts, 0.11; Marbled walnuts, 0.11; California prunes, 0.07 1/2; Raisins, 0.15; Prunes, 0.15; Apples, new per bush, 0.50; Apples, old per bush, 0.50; Peas, per bush, 0.50; Corn, per bush, 0.50; Potatoes, per bush, 0.50; Plums, 0.15.

GROCERIES. Three Crown loose macaroni, 0.10; Macaroni, 0.10; Egg yolk, 0.11; Eggs, 0.11; Currants, cleaned, 0.10; Currants, uncleaned, 0.10; Rice, per lb, 0.20; Beans, per bush, 0.50; Beans, per bush, 0.50; Split peas, 0.50; Potatoes, 0.50; Liverpool, per sack, ex store, 0.70.

FLLOUR, ETC. Standard granulated, 4.50; Standard, 4.50; Aurora granulated, 4.50; Bright yellow, 4.50; No. 1 yellow, 4.50; Paris lump, 4.50; Cornmeal, roller, 4.50; Granulated cornmeal, 4.50; Standard oatmeal, 4.50; Manitoba high grade, 4.50; Ontario medium patent, 4.50; Ontario full patent, 4.50.

CANNED GOODS.

The following are the wholesale quotations per case: Salmon, cohoes, 5.00; Spring fish, 5.00; Pineapples, 4.00; Corned beef, 2.50; Canned tomatoes, 2.50; Peaches, 2.50; Pineapples sliced, 2.50; Pineapples graded, 2.50.

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Labor Day Picnic at Salisbury. Salisbury, N. B., Sept. 8.—The picnic held on the Beck grounds at this place on Labor Day, in aid of Albert county missions, was largely attended and was a most enjoyable affair. Some showers in the forenoon rather put a damper on the morning proceedings, but the weather in the afternoon and evening was all that could be desired, and the various sports were heartily entered into and thoroughly enjoyed. Rev. Father Lockary spent the day on the grounds and had a general supervision of affairs, and with his official staff of assistants, all the events passed off without a hitch.

SAW LAUNCH BLOW UP AND OCCUPANTS PERISH Toronto, Sept. 8.—Indiana at Port Francis reported seeing a gasoline launch blow up and sink near Jackfish Narrows yesterday afternoon, and that all hands perished. The launch of Mr. Inghis, with the owner and two fishermen, is missing from International Falls, and it is probably the boat referred to.

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SEEKING SHARE OF VAST WEALTH

St. John Claimants to Portion of \$300,000,000 Fortune in the States

THE MERCER MILLIONS

Descendants of General Hugh Mercer, Who Fought in Revolutionary War, and of Joseph Mercer, Are Pressing Claims—Some in This City; More Resident Near Norton.

St. John and New Brunswick claimants to a share in an estate stated to be worth the mild sum of \$300,000,000 are at work forwarding their claims. The estate is that of General Hugh Mercer, who fought in the revolutionary war on the side of the colonies.

There are several of the claimants living in the city but the majority are located in Mercer Settlement near Norton. Among those in the city are Mrs. A. F. Davies, of 55 Spring street, and Mrs. William Stephens, of 122 Waterloo street. Mrs. Davies was in Norton yesterday and gathered some information which will be forwarded to the lawyers working on the case.

General Mercer and Joseph Mercer were close relations in New York at the time the revolutionary war broke out. They espoused opposite sides in the quarrel and Joseph, who was also a military man, sided with the Loyalists and landed in this province, settling near Norton, where he died and where he is buried. General Mercer died about 100 years ago, possessed of large estates in New York and Pennsylvania. The land was leased for terms of ninety-nine years. It was when these leases began to expire that it was found there was no immediate possessor of the property.

The Vanderbilt family had some of these leases and the government wished to buy. It was found, however, that the Vanderbilts could not give a clear title. This was three or four years ago. The descendants of the family here were notified and pressed their claims unsuccessfully. Now the matter has been revived and they think they are better prepared this time to prove their titles. They have lawyers looking after their claims both in Boston and New York. In the Hub they are represented by Worcester & Ranney and in New York by Frank L. Stobbs.

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Montreal Agent of Marine Department Saw No Harm in This

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Mr. Merwin told the commission that although he had been agent for the first two firms and a partner in the third he kept absolutely no track of the business with the government, although it ran into the hundreds of thousands of dollars. He could give no details of the business, because he tore up his letters, threw away his check stubs, and kept no letter book. Details like that, he said, were of no use to him, as long as he knew how his bank account stood.

Mr. Merwin said he sent all letters and records to the head offices at New York. He received the money from the government, because the auditor general seemed to prefer to make out checks in his name, but the money was sent to New York, and all records kept there. With regard to the F. L. Brooks Company, which sold large quantities of light house machinery and supplies to the department, Mr. Merwin was even more vague. He said he had been a member of the firm but was only interested in it to the extent of \$2,500 which he had lent to Mr. Brooks, of New York, at 6 per cent, and knew nothing about the business, although registered as a partner, and had not seen the books. He, however, knew that, although Mr. Brooks sold large quantities of machinery and supplies to the department, he did not manufacture any of it himself.

Mr. Merwin said he had severed his connection with Brooks and destroyed all records of the business, including letters from Brooks, not thinking it worth while to keep them. At a previous enquiry he had been instructed by Mr. Brooks not to produce the firm's books, that gentleman declaring that he was not going to make his affairs public property for anybody.

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Montreal agent of the department of Marine and Fisheries, who testified that it was also his custom to mix up departmental matters with his own personal accounts at the bank, which latter included taking occasional flyers on the stock market.

Mr. Watson protested that this was a loose way of doing things, and the witness replied that it did not seem so to him, although if he had expected the present investigation he would have adopted more regular methods.

Mr. Boucher had also contracted the habit of not keeping books and throwing away his bank check stubs. He, however, said everything was all right, and had no hesitation in authorizing the bank to supply Judge Cassels with a copy of his bank account.

Mr. Merwin was also on the stand for a short time, and stated that he had as yet received no response to the telegraphic invitation to Mr. Brooks, of New York, to come here and testify as to the Brooks firm's dealings with the department. He will probably be called again later on and subjected to a very searching cross-examination.

At the afternoon sessions Captain Christie, of the Dominion liner Maxman, was called and gave general evidence as to the value of the Wilson buoys and the Dialaphone fog signals, as also did J. Stanley Cook, assistant secretary of the board of trade.

The rest of the evidence consisted mainly in repetitions from business men of the fact that they had cut prices in order to secure contracts from the department, and that there was no demand for replacement of any of the equipment.

There will be no session tomorrow, Judge Cassels having other engagements at Ottawa, but the investigation will be resumed on Friday.

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LITTLEJOHN EASY

Mike "Twin" Outclassed St. John Welterweight—Ramsay Defeats "Alfy" Corbin, and Eth McLeod Makes New Yorker Quit—Results of Other Sports.

St. Stephen, N. B., Sept. 8.—This was the second day of the carnival and the weather was all that could be desired.

This morning the motor boat races took place. In the three-horse power class Phillips was first; Jellison, second, and Johnston, third.

In the five-horse power class—S. Newman, first, silver cup; E. Mitchell, second. Seven-horse power race—S. Newman, first; Mitchell, second.

Free-for-all—Newman, first; Mitchell, second. Canoe race entries—Barker and Lawson, first; Washburn and Murchie, second.

The event of the day was the great horse contest at the park. There were in attendance more than 3,000 persons, the largest ever seen in the park.

The announcer of the contests was Colonel J. D. Chipman, starter, Chief Kent, of the fire department of Woodland, Maine; timers, C. J. Brown, Ellsworth; J. S. Pickering; Amherst, N. S.; S. C. Webber, Houlton; judges, Chief E. H. Bell, Amherst; Harry Rutter, Fredericton; Buckley, Augusta.

These races required contestants to run 200 yards to a hydrant, lay 100 yards of hose, break coupling and put on the nozzle. The first team of ten men was from Ellsworth, time 1 minute, 2 seconds; St. Stephen, 46 seconds; Orono, Maine, team, 57 1/2 seconds; Amherst (N.S.), team, 33 3/4 seconds; Calais team, 50 seconds; Small's team, from Ellsworth, Maine, 52 seconds; Houlton team, 52 1/2 seconds. The Bangor team missed connections at the hydrant and failed to make any record.

The St. Stephen Hose Company gained first prize of \$300; Calais Hose Company, second prize, \$125, and Amherst took third, \$75.

The hose-coupling contest, which required two each to run fifty yards and make coupling, displayed some quick work. There were seventeen contestants. Ellsworth did it in 11 4/5 seconds; St. Stephen, 11 2/5 seconds; Senator Hale, Ellsworth men, 11 2/5 seconds; Amherst, 12 3/5 seconds; Brewer, 13 seconds; Houlton, 12 1/5 seconds; St. Stephen No. 2, 11 2/5 seconds.

St. Stephen Nos. 1 and 2 and Senator Hale men, of Ellsworth, tied for first place, and in the run-off the Senator Hale men did it in 10 4/5 seconds, taking first prize of \$25; St. Stephen teams Nos. 1 and 2, second and third places, winning prizes of \$15 and \$10.

While these events were going on a baseball match on the park diamond, between the Brownies of Eastport, and Augusta fishermen's team, with Bruce McIntosh, of Milltown, N. B., umpire. The result was an easy victory for the Eastport team.

There are motor boat races tomorrow morning, to be held at 12 o'clock in the evening, and a boxing match in the rink in the evening.

STILL KEEPING UP SCOTT ACT CRUSADE IN MONCTON

Liquor Seller Fined and Seized Beer Poured in the Sewer—Fined \$25 for Fast Driving.

G. P. R. STRIKERS GETTING UNEASY

Fear That Their Places Will Be Permanently Filled Causes Mob Tactics.

A CLASH AVERTED

Strong Force of Police Held Several Hundred Former Employes of Montreal Shops at Bay While New Men Were Escorted to Their Homes

Montreal, Sept. 8.—A special London cable says: What was first thought to be another unemployed demonstration today in Trafalgar square, transpired to be merely a swarm of applicants for positions as mechanics and fitters on the Canadian Pacific railway, whose offices are situated contiguous thereto.

In consequence of the rush of men from the United States and points in Canada, only 150 were required here, but there have been thousands of applicants, which, considering they are skilled workmen, is looked on as remarkable.

Montreal, Sept. 8.—Efforts at rioting were again made by the Canadian Pacific striking mechanics this afternoon, and serious trouble was only prevented by the prompt action of the police. Long before the arrival of the afternoon work train, bringing back men from the Angus shops to the Place Viger Station, it was noticed that there was an unusual gathering of men on the park opposite, and by 5 o'clock several hundred strikers were gathered.

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The number of men the C. P. R. is getting from Great Britain, and the failure of Mr. Somerville's efforts to induce the minister of labor to interfere in the matter any more, have made the strikers very uneasy, and it is likely that some effort will be made ere long to end the trouble before their places are all taken by men from the old country.

Beware of Health Salts! Avoid strong cathartics when you need a physic take a test tube medicine like Dr. Hamilton's Peppermint Cure—that's how Dr. Hamilton's Peppermint Cure works. 25c per box.

GIRL INJURED IN I. C. R. SMASH-UP

Moncton, N. B., Sept. 9 (Special).—Considerable damage was done by a collision between No. 2 express and the hal-last train at Humphrey's Mills this morning.

Fifteen-year-old May McGee had a narrow escape. The express crashed into the van of the hal-last train piling that car into the dump against a telegraph pole. The car was badly smashed but all the occupants except the McGee girl had jumped before the collision took place. It was not until about ten minutes later the trainmen heard cries coming from the mass of wreckage and found the girl in the remains of the car. She was somewhat bruised but not seriously hurt. Passengers on the express were somewhat shaken up and both locomotives were very badly damaged.

NEW GREENHOUSE IN THE PUBLIC GARDENS

The Horticultural Society are now building a new greenhouse in the public gardens in Rockwood Park. The old one was becoming worn out and was in need of constant repairing, and it was decided to erect an entirely new structure, which will be somewhat more commodious than the old one.

It will be at the end of the nursery to the north of the present one, it will have a concrete wall under it and will measure 60 x 27 feet. Gardener Stephens hopes to have the boiler in by the 20th inst.

The public gardens are now looking very beautiful. The summer was not favorable for some kinds of blooms, notably sweet peas, but these are now doing well in the borders.

WORKING ON G. T. P. AT PLASTER ROCK

Johnson Bros., contractors, of Bradford, have completed the grade of the Grand Trunk Pacific from Winnipeg to Portage La Prairie, and begun work on heavy contract "subbed" from the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company.

This latter contract begins at Plaster Rock on the Tobique River, in New Brunswick, and runs east twenty-eight miles. The country here is rough or rolling, and heavily timbered, but there will be some good agricultural lands along this part of the line.

CORNS CURED PUTNAM'S PAINLESS CORN EXTRACTOR

THE CLOTHING SALE OF THE YEAR OPENED AT J. N. HARVEY'S STORES YESTERDAY. A GRAND FALL OPENING AND EIGHT-DAYS' SALE of Brand New Fall and Winter Clothing, Furnishings, Hats, Trunks, etc., began yesterday, 11th, and will continue all Exhibition week. We hold this sale now for two reasons, 1st, because we realize that there are thousands of Fall and Winter Suits and Overcoats to be sold within the next few weeks, and every garment we sell now will be the best possible advertising we can do and will bring many new customers to the Harvey stores, 2nd, because many out-of-town people will be coming to the Exhibition. They can buy their Fall and Winter Outfits at this big sale and save enough on it to pay their entire expenses. We want every visitor to town to call and get acquainted with St. John's leading Clothing, Tailoring and Furnishings stores. You will find plenty of competent and obliging salesmen to show you through and attend to your wants. Make these stores your headquarters during Exhibition Week. Spend a few minutes of this price list. It will save you many dollars.

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ALL-CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION

What is the use of expending \$101,000 to deepen the Erie canal to twelve feet if before it is finished Canada is finishing the Georgian Bay canal which will handle all the business?

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SYDNEY MINE FLOODED TO QUENCH FIRE

Colliery of Nova Scotia Coal Co. Will Be Out of Business Some Time.

Sydney, N. S., Sept. 10.—No. 1 colliery of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company today had a serious reminder of the big colliery fire of 1881 when half the mine was drowned out. About 2 o'clock today fire was discovered in extreme southern part of section 5, and a message was at once sent to the surface for aid.

Supt. John Johnson, Manager Greenwood, Inspector Nicholson and several officials were quickly on the scene and found the section filled with smoke, and it impossible to get within 100 yards of the fire where the fire originated. It is supposed the miners, after firing their shot of coal, as is their daily custom, left some burning, and after turning from lunch were unable to put out the fire and it got headway before calling for assistance.

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DEFENDING THE PORTS

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JOHN READ OF OXFORD KILLED IN DRIVING ACCIDENT

Ambrose, N. S., Sept. 8 (Special).—John H. Read, one of Oxford's most prominent citizens, met a very sudden death last evening. Mr. Read went to Oxford Driving Park yesterday afternoon to feed his trotting horse in front of the Dufferin Hotel. He came in collision with another team and was hurled violently to his home and medical aid summoned. He passed away about midnight without recovering consciousness. The deceased is survived by two sons and three daughters. Our best wishes go to the family. Mr. Read was a well-known and respected citizen of Oxford, where he was most highly respected.



Conservatives' Opinion of Geo. W. Fowler, M. P.

Commenting upon the Debate in the House of Commons, Tuesday, March 26, the Montreal Star, which is the leading Conservative Newspaper in Canada, said:— "If Mr. Fowler remains dumb as he did yesterday all through the debate, he should be kicked out of the House, and Parliament would be well rid of one of the most ignoble and thoroughly contemptible characters it has had the misfortune to contain. Mr. Fowler went into the gutter to get mud with which to frighten off members who followed up his by no means reassuring trail, and he has remained hidden there from choice."

Then the Toronto News, the leading Conservative Newspaper of Toronto, associates the representative of Kings-Albert with Foster and others in a land deal that was costly to the poor settler, in these words:— "Conservative speakers in the House who took the part of the settler, bought land from the railways at \$3.50 an acre. They turned it over to Foster, Wilson and McGillivray at \$4.50 an acre, and they in turn to the Union Trust at \$5.00 an acre. By the time the settler gets this land it will cost him from \$7 to \$10 an acre. Nothing was done by Pope, Fowler, Foster, McGillivray or Wilson to improve the property. The price was raised arbitrarily, and all got a handsome profit which they did not deserve and which eventually the settlers will pay. Officially as public men these "capitalists" wanted the West settled rapidly and depeopled land speculation as contrary to the interests of the country. Unofficially as private individuals they speculated themselves, and did not care what became of the settler. There is a deal of inconsistency here which the country would like to see explained."

Is this the Representative Kings-Albert Wants?

MERCER CLAIMANTS TO GO TO NEW YORK Matter of Great Fortune to Come Up in Court There Next Month

COUNT 300 HEIRS St. John Descendants of Joseph Mercer Tell of Recent Happenings in Connection With the Claim for Wealth—Part of the Property in Heart of New York.

The announcement made in the Telegraph on Wednesday that New Brunswick people are interested in the distribution of the Mercer millions has aroused interest, and there is curiosity as to the real standing of the claimants in St. John and elsewhere in the province. A reported Thursday saw Mrs. Margaret Stevens, of 122 Waterloo street, and Mrs. J. R. Davis, of Spring street, who are both heirs. They gave the information that a letter had been received from a firm of lawyers in New York asking them to forward certified proofs of their descent from Joseph Mercer, who came to this country with the Loyalists.

EXHIBITS FROM OUTSIDE PLACES ARE ARRIVING The Busy Days Before the Exhibition Opening—Cattle from Halifax Fair Coming.

The exhibits of live stock will commence to arrive at the exhibition grounds tomorrow, and the space devoted to this very interesting part of the big show will be rapidly filled. All entries are expected to be in place by 9 o'clock on Monday morning.

Several large herds of cattle that were a feature of the Halifax fair will be entered here and they will arrive by train either tomorrow night or on Sunday morning. The poultry exhibits will all be in place tomorrow night, and as more than 1,000 birds will be shown, the building where the feathered stock hold forth should be a place of great interest. Some of the agricultural exhibits have already arrived, and more are expected tomorrow, and all will be on show at an early hour on Monday.

LOCAL NEWS On Tuesday night friends gathered at the summer home of Allan Wetmore in Drury Cove in commemoration of the day of his birth, the thirteenth anniversary of his marriage and the fortieth anniversary of the wedding of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dearborn.

The fleet of tugs owned by D. F. Glazier & Sons, now being repaired, The Flushing has already been completed. The boats will all be painted alike, the hulls of bright red, the bulwarks white, the cabin red and green with white trimmings, and the stacks black.

The St. John County West, L. O. L., has elected Nelson Spinney, W. C. M.; T. Stout, D. C. M.; H. P. Allingham, chaplain; William Chessman, financial secretary; W. L. Canton, recording secretary; William Symest, treasurer; W. V. Turnbull, directors of ceremonies; E. Long, county lecturer; A. Galbraith, St. John's deputy lecturer.

BRITAIN'S GREATEST DREADNOUGHT LAUNCHED Portsmouth, Sept. 10.—The St. Vincent, the largest and heaviest battleship ever built for the British navy, was launched successfully here today.

The St. Vincent is the eighth vessel of the Dreadnought type to be launched in this country. The Admiralty has observed its usual reticence with regard to the details of the design and construction of the St. Vincent, but from certain figures that were given out, it is manifest that the experience gained from the construction of the Dreadnought has been utilized in this vessel.

LONG SERVICE MEDAL FOR COLONEL BAXTER Ottawa, Sept. 10.—Lieut. Col. J. B. M. Baxter, 3rd Regiment C. A., has been awarded the long service medal.

ORIGIN OF VEGETABLES Where Many of Those in Daily Usage Were First Grown. (Revue Scientifique.) The potato, which was already cultivated in America when the continent was discovered, is spontaneous in Chile. It was introduced to Europe in 1580 and 1585 by the Spaniards, and almost at the same time by the English, who brought it from Virginia, where it had appeared about 1550.

Proud of Your Boy? Then Dress Him Well Most any boy will answer to the influence of a new suit or overcoat. He will try to live up to it. The longer the garment is new the greater the influence. If Oak Hall's label identifies the suit or overcoat, rest assured it will give a good account of itself.

You can afford to put your boy in even better clothes than usual if you come to Oak Hall for them—that, too, without extravagance. And no wonder. If you take good fabrics, put them together firmly and well, with silk thread, stay and reinforce the garments wherever the wear and tear on them is the hardest, you're bound to get clothing that will make a boy work hard to wear it out. All the new fall styles are to hand.

Men, You Don't Get the Most for Your Money If You Don't Buy Oak Hall Clothes. It stands to reason that we must be able to do better for you than any other store, else why would we be doing by far more clothing business than any other store. And why shouldn't we be in a position to do more for you than anyone else, being the manufacturers we consequently have no middleman's profit to pay—something that every other store has to do?

Improvements in transportation, he said, were going on all over Canada. Their opponents said they were extravagant but the reason that they had more money to spend was the increased earning power and prosperity of the people under liberal rule.

Mr. Pender was then called on and expressed his thanks for the confidence that had been shown. He had not had any political aspirations, he said, or been active in politics for some years, but his friends had insisted on his coming forward. He had consented, and would win the fight if possible. After the eloquent address they had heard he would not trespass on their time.

HALIFAX FAIR ATTENDANCE 76,067 Halifax, Sept. 10.—The total attendance at the exhibition which closed today, was 76,067. Last year the figures were 88,346. The tight rope performer fell this afternoon but was not seriously hurt.

SAY CARLETON MAN MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED It is believed by his friends here that Whitney, a native of Carleton, is dead in the west as the result of a shooting affray which is reported to have taken place near Moosejaw. It is noted that he was found dead in a harvest field with a bullet wound in his head, and that other men were also shot in the fight.

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PERSONALS The marriage of Miss Gladys Parkins, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Fairbairn, 284 University street, to Charles Thomson, of St. John, will take place on Tuesday afternoon, September 29 at 5.30, in Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal.

BAR STEAM TRAWLERS FROM CANADA'S FISHERIES Ottawa, Sept. 10.—Fishing by means of steam trawlers within the bays and harbours or within the three-mile limit of Canada, has been prohibited by order in council. This means of fishing is largely used in the North Sea and a beginning has been made in Canada. It is so effective that the above order had to be made to prevent the extermination of serious diminution of the fish supplies.

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