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PRIZE RING SERMONS.

The ministers who find texts in the newspapers will find one in today's account of the interesting meeting of two young gentlemen in San Francisco last evening. Possibly there are two texts. One sermon might deal with the moral aspect of prize fighting and the spectacle of a great crowd of men betting and shouting while two pugilists brutally pummelled each other.

THIS IS THE LIMIT.

The Times yesterday told its readers of the insult offered in this city by an American official to the mayor of St. Pierre and some other gentlemen who were en route from St. Pierre, Miquelon, to France. They were held over for part of the day, and were invited to pay a poll tax of two dollars.

This sort of thing has about reached the limit. The United States government not long since recalled an official from Yarmouth who was even stopping American citizens on their way home, and treating them in the most high-handed manner.

With regard to the gentlemen from St. Pierre, one of them spoke perfect English, and they were willing to put up a forfeit of a large sum rather than be detained and lose their steamer.

The time has come for the authorities here to take a hand. This is Canadian territory. No official of any other country has authority to molest a passenger at the St. John depot. The people of this city and of all Canada desire to be neighborly, but if the Americans want to be unneighborly it will have to be on their own side of the border.

THE SCOTCHMEN.

Scotchmen and sons of Scotchmen, assembled around the festive board at the Royal Hotel this evening, will recall the courage, the devotion, the sufferings and the achievements of the men of their race in the centuries past, and will gather inspiration from the lessons taught by their forebears.

Canada owes much to men of Scottish blood, and the hearty good will of men of every nationality is extended to St. Andrew's Society, since all appreciate its work and what it represents. In Montreal last Sunday the Rev. John Mackay, preaching to the St. Andrew's Society of that city, reminded his hearers of the rugged faith and courage of their forefathers, and added these pregnant observations:

"To us in this great new land of Canada, to whom the very word politics has become almost a synonym for trickery and corruption, the example of our fathers, and the words of the inspired psalmist, are as trumpet calls to duty and patriotism. Whatever stain rests on the fair name of this great new land rests on you and me. Whatever impurity and injustice mars her civic life discredits us."

The history of Scotland is an illustration of lofty patriotic fervor, and the example has not been lost in the history of the new world. The Scot in Canada is thrifty, even to the point of accepting an office when it offers, but he may be counted on to uphold law and order, and to stand for what is best in citizenship and national life.

AMBITION OF HALIFAX.

The Halifax Chronicle anticipates a great boom for Halifax in connection with the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. Whatever is true with regard to Halifax, in that connection, so far as the adaptability of the port, is even more true with regard to St. John. Whatever is done to place Halifax in a position to handle traffic should be done in the case of St. John, which has a shorter railway haul and has already developed an important winter business. The business men of St. John should take note of what the Chronicle says to the business men of Halifax. It says:

Halifax has a long start in the race. It is already a great commercial centre. It has been specially blessed by nature with an unrivalled harbour and a most favorable situation. It has all the moral and political backing at present that any place could desire. It has a solid contingent of its most able and trustworthy friends as the friends and supporters of the government at Ottawa. It has turned its back even on the leader of the opposition, although one of its own honored citizens to strike hands with the government in the matter. It has two able and thoroughly-informed business men of the city, as its direct representatives.

When, therefore, has such an opportunity, ever presented itself to Halifax? Will our people rise to the occasion? Will they drop dead party issues, stop talking petty politics,

and unite as one man for the interests of Halifax, and Nova Scotia? If so, they need have no doubt, as to the future.

And now is the time for preparation and for work. We trust that the Halifax Board of Trade will take the lead in the matter. They should be its natural directors. But they cannot be unless they keep clear of "politics" and devote themselves exclusively to business. They should agree among themselves exactly as to what is required, and set themselves to secure that thing by systematic, carefully planned effort. They must not expect the government to do all. That has been too much the fashion with us in the past.

This port will have to be adequately equipped for the great traffic which the N. T. R. is designed to handle, and we believe destined to bring to it. It must do its own full share towards providing that equipment. It is an essential part of the N. T. R. scheme that the I. C. R. should be double-tracked from Moncton to Halifax. This has not been directly provided for, although obviously contemplated and suggested, in the contract. Halifax and Nova Scotia should have a constant eye to that, and to the providing of terminal facilities here in time for the opening of the new road, so that we may have an absolutely fair start in the contest for the commercial benefits of the N. T. R.

That road will likely be completed within five years. There is no time, therefore, to lose. No petty obstacle should be thrown or allowed to stand, in the way. All personal and political feelings should be sunk in the struggle for the common weal.

Never again is Nova Scotia likely to send a solid contingent to Ottawa in support of any government. Let us make the most of the present occasion. Even had we retained our opposition of the government, our case would have been materially weakened. Now we are in a triumphant position to insist upon our rights—we should want nothing more; we should be content with nothing less.

Halifax must be made one of the principal Canadian Atlantic, all-the-year-round termini of the National Transcontinental Railway; and as a preliminary, it must be promptly equipped.

SURPRISE THE WORLD.

It is stated that the Manitoba government estimates an increase of half a million acres in the cultivated wheat area of the territories next year, as a result of the unusually late ploughing operations this fall. Not for twenty-eight years has ploughing been kept up as late in the fall. It is thought that there will also be an increase of half a million acres under wheat in Manitoba. This year there was 3,500,000 acres of wheat, and if next year there is 4,500,000 the product may approximate 90,000,000 or even 100,000,000 bushels of wheat. Discussing the subject the Montreal Witness gives this interesting review:

The romance of Canada's wheat fields makes interesting reading, and even the matter of fact figures showing the gradual development of what will one day be the world's granary, are silent proofs of the country's steady advancement. From six millions in 1873, including flour, computed at 4 1/2 bushels of grain to the barrel, it advanced to eight millions in 1883, eleven millions in 1893, and nearly thirty-nine millions in 1903. Although the increase of twenty million bushels during the last ten years seems to be a fairly good average, so far as the history of our wheat fields goes, it is evidently going to be 'left standing' in comparison with the figures of the next few years. Twenty-two million fertile acres of virgin soil are awaiting the tiller's hand, and when that amount, or half, or one-fourth is under cultivation we shall then be a consideration in the question of the world's food supply. The facilities offered to the new comer are also favorable to a rapid increase in acreage, as a settler may, under present regulations, secure for himself and each of his grown sons a homestead of 160 acres free, and can add as much land as he pleases at \$5 to \$12 per acre, according to its distance from the railway line. Many settlers in the North-West make handsome profits out the first year's crop, and another great advantage is the never failing quality of the soil, which is a black loam resting two or three feet deep on a clay sub-soil, which would almost guarantee a permanent fertility. The cost for ploughing, seeding and harvesting is \$8 per acre, and the hard grades of wheat make the grain indispensable to the United States miller and the British consumer alike. The outlook was then never before more favorable for extension than at the present, and given kindly weather during the next ten months the Canadian wheat fields will make a showing that will surprise the world.

The Rev. E. A. Henry, of Knox Church, Hamilton, at the morning service last Sunday, requested that in future the ladies of the congregation remove their hats during service. This is following the example of one of the churches in Toronto, which has already adopted the custom. If it should become general the effect on the millinery trade may prove to be serious.

Some American papers are discussing the probable future of William Jennings Bryan. Mr. Bryan not only failed to elect Mr. Parker to the presidency, but lost the state of Nebraska, which went overwhelmingly republican. Mr. Bryan has been lawyer, farmer and journalist, but has not been a conspicuous success in

either avocation. He has proved a distinct failure as a politician. There are 22 actions now pending by the city of Toronto against the Toronto Railway Company. The company is trying to have the cases consolidated, as they are all based on the same charge, breach of agreement. The city claims that this is simply an attempt to delay the actions.

The Times joins his friends in congratulating Senator Dumville on having attained his sixty-second year, and the thirtieth year of his public life; and congratulates him also on the evidence of hearty good-will shown by last evening's event at Rothesay.

An Ottawa despatch to the Times to-day shows that Premier Ross's troubles over the temperance platform which he said would electrify the province have already begun. But his government seems likely to get the shock.

HURRAH, BY GOSH!

(Special by Megaphone from City Hall, Nov. 29.)

The board of works and its chairman are again at war. The board ordered a piece of sidewalk put down on Mount Pleasant. The director was asked to obey instructions when the chairman ordered him not to do it. He obeyed the chairman. The board today re-affirmed the order to go on with the work. It is believed that if the board continues to order the work done and the director continues to take his orders from the chairman, the work will be finished when the board get a new chairman or a new director. There is no time limit.

The ramp is being built. When the C. P. R. people asked for a ramp at the new immigration building early in the season, when the weather was fine and it could have been built with ease and comfort, the board scolded. Ald. Christie had never heard of a ramp. Neither had the other members of the board. The thing might go off. Perhaps it was alive and would have to be fed at the city's expense. Coming from the C. P. R. the mere suggestion was a matter for grave suspicion. The C. P. R. wanted everything in sight, and this ramp might be merely another agent of its dark designs. So they gave the ramp one in the rump and sent it flying out of City Hall. But it came back again. With the aid of an encyclopedia and several experts, the board discovered that a ramp was a necessary means of egress from the building. Then they waited until the bad weather came, and the immigrants began to arrive, and gave orders to have the ramp constructed.

The haste with which work is being rushed through this year is raising blisters on the civic record. It was only in December last that it was decided by the council that watchmen at Sand Point should wear distinctive badges. That was only eleven months ago, but it looks now as if the men would have the badges before next spring. As it is now a watchman goes up to a man who is violating the regulations and commands him to desist. The offender looks him over, sees no emblem of authority and makes derogatory observations. By next spring, the badges will be here. They are being specially made by the Grand Llama of Tilet, who recently went into retirement to fill the order given by the director of public works.

Stoves are to be put in the gear shops at Sand Point. This is a natural result of the determined agitation to banish all stoves from Sand Point. It was clearly shown that the stoves increased greatly the danger from fire, because they were not properly looked after. As a natural consequence, they will be put in at once. The board today ordered the work done.

Anything that was overlooked today, will be attended to at the next meeting. Suggestions will be gladly received at City Hall.

BOARD OF WORKS.

Quite a Number of Matters Discussed at Yesterday's Session.

At a session of the board of works yesterday afternoon, the tenders for hay, oats and straw were awarded, it was decided to renew the stairway from Murray to Main streets, and, although no motion to that effect was introduced, it appeared to be understood that Messrs. Fleming should adhere to the specifications when building the new ferry boat and patronize the Canadian Electric Light Supply Company.

There was quite a sharp passage between the chairman, Ald. Christie, and Director Cushing on the one side and Ald. McGoldrick and Robinson on the other. Ald. McGoldrick called in question the right of either the director or chairman to veto any work ordered by the board, and the board supported his contention.

The trouble arose over an order passed nearly two months ago by which the director was instructed to build a sidewalk in front of Judge Barker's house on Mount Pleasant. The following tenders for hay, oats, etc., were accepted: Mr. Donovan, Coldbrook, loose hay, \$12 a ton; A. C. Smith, oats 42¢ cents; C. H. Peters, bran, \$20.75 a ton; A. C. Smith, straw, \$6.75.

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Tommy—Gee whiz. Where did he get all them fingers?

EXPOSED BY NATURE.

A Muskrat, a Horse and a Wounded Bird Combine to Solve a Murder Mystery.

Hartford City, Ind., Nov. 29.—Has the hand of Providence, guiding the steps of a muskrat to a place of safety, filling a dumb animal with the fear of a remembered danger and directing the flight of a wounded bird, helped in the detection of the murderers of Edward P. Sanderson? This is a popular question in this county.

Edward P. Sanderson, a large property-owner, lived on a farm ten miles from this city. He disappeared and for a week persistent search was made for him without result. A boy employed in a factory near here took his lunch basket, a week after Sanderson's disappearance and went in the direction of an old gravel pit which had become filled with water. He sat down to eat his lunch and a muskrat ran past him. He followed it and it disappeared at the edge of the pond. He was about to turn away when he saw the hand of a man above the stagnant water. He called some of the men from the factory. After much difficulty the body was removed. It was found to have been weighted with a seventy-five pound stone, which was attached to it by a strap.

The body was that of the missing man, and examination showed that two bullets had been fired into the brain before it was placed in the pond.

To find out where the murder took place his horse was hitched to his buggy and a circuitous drive was made to the home of the neighbor. Then the road was followed that Sanderson travelled on the night of his disappearance. At an abrupt turn the horse showed signs of fear. He pricked up his ears, turned to the side of the road and showed unwillingness to proceed.

The spot was examined and in the dust at the side of the road were found several little balls of dust, which are believed to have been made by drops of blood which flowed from Sanderson's wounds.

Four men were hunting later in the neighborhood of the Sanderson home, and one of them shot and wounded a quail. The wounded bird fell in the yard, and when the hunters went in to get it fluttered under the house. One of the men followed it, and as he crawled through an opening in the foundation he discovered two tin cans filled with dynamite. A fuse led them to another opening in the foundation wall. Each can contained about five pounds of the explosive and it was plain that it had been placed there with the intention of blowing up the house.

The authorities were notified and started an investigation to find where the explosive and the cans were bought. They are reticent, but believe that the same men who murdered Sanderson placed the dynamite under his house.

WEDDING AT CLOVER HILL.

A Turkey Supper at Sussex Tomorrow Night—A Large Deer.

Sussex, Nov. 30.—A very quiet wedding took place last evening at Clover Hill, when Mrs. Mary Ireland, was united in marriage to Orlando Smith. The wedding took place at the bride's home. Only the immediate relatives were present. They will make their future home in Campbellton. Rev. Mr. Baird conducted the ceremony.

The ladies of the Methodist church sewing circle will hold their annual turkey supper and fancy sale in the vestry of the church on Thursday evening, Dec. 1st.

Thomas Proctor of this place brought into town last evening one of the finest buck deer that has been shot in this vicinity this season. He shot it only a mile and a half from town.

Mrs. Albert Stone, who has been visiting in Sussex, returned to her home yesterday at Penobscot. Wm. King, who has made a prolonged visit in Sussex returned to his home at Marysville, N. B., last evening.

St. John citizens will learn with interest of the coming visit of Mr. Bernhard Lindman, the celebrated Truss expert of Montreal.

This eminent specialist will be at the Royal Hotel Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, December 1st, 2nd and 3rd, where he will treat all cases of Rupture—no charge for examination or advice.

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Yours truly, S. J. McCrudden.

STUDENTS WERE ANGRY.

Paris, Nov. 29.—There was a violent student demonstration today in connection with the alleged insults to the memory of Joan of Arc made recently at the Lysee Condoct by professor of history. A crowd of three hundred students made bonfires of copies of socialist newspapers, engaged in a demonstration before the Louvre and charged a detachment of police. A lively scuffle followed, during which a dozen arrests, including that of a girl student and the son of a former Prefect of police were made.

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VENEZUELA SLOW PAY. American Claimants Will Not Receive Their Award For Ten or Eleven Years. Washington, Nov. 29.—News has reached here that a calculation made on the basis of the customs receipts for the ports of Puerto Cabello and Laguaira during the past year indicates that the American claimants will not receive their award from the Venezuelan Government for ten or eleven years, according to the present methods of payment.

THE TIMES AIMS TO BECOME THE BEST AFTERNOON NEWS-PAPER EAST OF MONTREAL.

NOTICE. RUBBERS ARE IMPERATIVE. Notice is hereby given that the first general meeting of "The St. John Times Printing and Publishing Co. (Limited)" will be held at the office of the Evening Times on the corner of Canterbury and Church Streets, in the City of St. John, in the City and County of Saint John and Province of New Brunswick on THURSDAY, the 1st Day of December, A. D. 1904.

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