

MR. BORDEN AT SYDNEY.

Greatest Political Demonstration Ever Seen in Eastern Nova Scotia --- A Life-long Westmorland Liberal Speaks on the Issues of the Day --- Opposition Putting up a Great Fight.

Mr. Tarte says the change in feeling throughout Quebec is astonishing and Mr. Borden will have all the way from twenty to thirty seats in that province.

The Closing Gun.

The last two or three nights of the campaign will be busy ones for both parties. The R. L. Borden club will meet tomorrow night to make final arrangements.

A mass meeting will be held tomorrow night in Coughlan's hall, at the foot of Charlotte St.

Addresses will be delivered by Dr. Daniel, Dr. Stockton and W. Frank Hatheway.

In Tabernacle hall, Tuesday evening, addresses will be delivered by Dr. Stockton, Dr. Daniel and W. Frank Hatheway.

In the Temple of Honor Hall, Tuesday night there will be addresses by J. D. Hazen and others.

On Wednesday evening in city hall at west end, the political issues will be discussed by J. B. M. Baxter and Dr. Stockton.

On Wednesday evening in the Orange hall at Fairville, J. D. Hazen will deliver an address.

A Westmorland Liberal.

A well known Moncton gentleman, who has for years voted liberal; who cast his first ballot for Sir Albert J. Smith, who voted for W. F. George when he went down under a deluge of votes; who supported C. W. Robinson when he gave H. A. Powell one of the hardest fights in the history of Westmorland; who worked with night and main for Hon. H. R. Emmerson, when the latter was elected in 1900, was interviewed by a Times reporter on Saturday.

"To sever from my past party affiliations comes hard, but like everyone else I have a right to my political opinions."

"The situation is one which has received considerable attention not only by myself, but by many independent liberals throughout Westmorland. Ever since consideration the I. C. R. has been looked upon as part of ourselves. It is a railway that has been the prosperity of the people. The liberal journals some few years ago, for the purpose of political capital, headed broadcast that it was proposed by Senator Wood and other prominent conservatives to transfer the I. C. R. to the control of the C. P. R. What an outcry was made!

The Moncton Transcript made a vicious attack on such a presumption. It was outrageous, it was beyond common sense. I strongly supported these contentions. The I. C. R. is the people's road, owned by the people, run by the people, and one of the greatest gifts of confederation, as it proved a connecting link between the upper provinces and the provinces by the sea.

"How great the change! Today we see these same liberal newspapers particularly. The Transcript, endorsing a scheme—the G. T. P.—which will be disastrous to the I. C. R. and the Dominion generally, and which will place the I. C. R. in obscurity, and convert it into a mere branch road."

"Powell's exposition of the project and its disadvantages has been most concise and convincing. The I. C. R. men recognized the underhand work of the government and will recall their votes against the unwarranted and unwise project."

Workmen Angry.

Montreal, Oct. 31.—Montreal working men are up in arms against the liberal government, as they claim that a tariff revision was promised before election and that they are being humbugged. They set forth their views in a communication to La Patrie, and La Presse, in which, after affirming that protection is the proper policy for the working man, they say:

"But for Messrs. Fielding, Sifton, Sutherland, Mulock, Fisher and some other members of the present government, who seem to impose their own views on the cabinet, we would have had before today a true protectionist policy. It is a well known fact that Mr. Tarte resigned his position in the cabinet because of his strong protectionist views. The present government's policy needs to be altered in that regard. Why is there such a strong current against a good liberal candidate in Montreal and elsewhere. Why is it, for instance, that Mr. Lane, the protectionist candidate in St. Lawrence district, has every prospect of defeating Mr. Bickerdike. There is Dr. Bernard in Hochelaga, hundred of votes stronger today than he was at the time of the by-election. It is because we had been promised revision of tariff before dissolution; which revision did not take place. We have been deceived."

The communication claims that the

THE IRONY OF FATE.

Kruger's Remains en Route to South Africa --- A Scripture Quotation.

The Hague, Oct. 31.—The remains of former President Kruger of the Transvaal Republic, who died in July last, were removed from the cemetery today and taken to Rotterdam for conveyance to South Africa, on board the steamer Batavier. Six wreaths from Queen Wilhelmina, the Prince Consort, and former President Steyn, covered the coffin. Not much public interest was shown. A chapelle ardente has been prepared on the steamer, covered with black drapings embellished with inscriptions in silver letters, among them: "I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

MARCONI AT SYDNEY.

New Towers to be Erected at Port Morien---Fire at North Sydney.

Sydney, N. S. Oct. 31.—(Special).—The work of dismantling the Marconi tower at Table Head is proceeding with all possible speed. Workmen have now about half the work completed, and expect to finish in about two weeks. Rhodes, Curry & Co., who have the contract for the erection of new towers near Port Morien, have a large force of men, and are rushing the work to completion. Mr. Marconi, the distinguished inventor, will arrive here tonight from New York for the purpose of giving some directions regarding the new station. The Christie block, at North Sydney, was gutted by fire at noon yesterday and damage to the extent of two thousand dollars. The principal loser is W. J. Christie, owner of building.

PAY TRIBUTE IN HUMAN LIVES.

Gloucester Fishermen's Annual Loss of Life and Property Less This Year than Last.

Gloucester, Mass., Oct. 31.—Twenty human lives have been sacrificed and ten fishing vessels have been wrecked during the past year in the pursuit of the Gloucester fisheries. Yearly this city, which has long been the centre of the New England fishing industry, pays a heavy tribute in loss of life and property to the ocean which directly or indirectly provides subsistence for the great majority of its inhabitants.

WAS SHOT IN A TREE.

Hamilton, Ont., Oct. 31.—(Special).—Ely Rosell was up a tree on Sherman Avenue, yesterday, when another boy with a rifle came along, and taking deliberate aim at him, fired. Shot entered one of the boy's legs. He was removed to the city hospital where the bullet was extracted. Rosell does not know the name of the boy who did the shooting but the police are looking for the latter.

WANT TO BE WIPED OUT.

London, Oct. 31.—According to a Tangier dispatch to the Times, an American gentleman and two German sailors, while boating on the Lariche river were fired at. Their fate is unknown.

RUSSIA IS SCARED AGAIN.

Gomel, Russia, Oct. 31.—Evidence is being adduced to prove that the whole Jewish population of Gomel, was organized for an armed conflict. The city being divided up into quarters and arms distributed.

WHAT IS BEHIND IT?

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 31.—(Special).—The report that the C. P. R. steamship Empress of Japan has been ordered to take freight no farther than Yokohama this trip, is causing some excitement in marine circles. The 6-inch guns for this steamer are stored at Esquimaux, and it would not be surprising to hear of her being ordered there to mount her guns. A man and his wife who lived in Missouri quarrelled over the slavery question at the outbreak of the civil war, he enlisting in the confederate army and she going to California. She got a divorce from him in 1874, but last week they chanced to meet at San Francisco and were married the next day.

THIS IS THE LIMIT.

Ontario Voters Shamefully Robbed of Franchise.

BY THE GOVERNMENT On a Technical Excuse the Government Refuses to Recognize a Constituency Which Returns a Conservative Majority.

BIG HATS IN CHURCH.

Toronto Pastor Speaks to His Congregation on an Interesting Question.

Toronto, Oct. 31.—(Special).—After the sermon at Wesley Church, last night, the pastor, Rev. C. O. Johnson told the congregation that he had been waited upon by some ladies of the Broadway Methodist church and urged to continue his campaign against the wearing of large hats in church. Mr. Johnson was entirely unnecessary as well as inconvenient to the people behind, and he therefore invited the ladies to hold a conference on the subject at the prayer meeting in Wesley church Wednesday night.

JAP TRADE TO CANADA.

Big Increase in Flour Imports This Year --- Another Lift Lock.

Ottawa, Oct. 31.—(Special).—A report has been received at the trade and commerce department from Alexander MacLean Canada's commercial agent in Japan. There is a big increase in the imports of flour from Canada during the eight months ending with August last. There were 70,852,496 pounds of flour imported from Canada by Japan as compared with 48,701 pounds valued at 5,940 for the previous year.

REVOLUTION THREATENED.

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 30.—A special to the Express from Mazatlan, Mexico, says: The news that reaches Mexican west coast ports through visitors from Guatemala is that the Republic is on the verge of another revolution. The cause is an alleged act of war on the Republic of Salvador. General Toledo it is now said is preparing to invade Guatemala at the head of forces furnished by the Salvadorean president.

GRAND FALLS NEWS.

Grand Falls, Oct. 28.—The Grand Falls Amateur Dramatic club held a grand ball in Kertson's Opera House last night. Fifty couples, including a number from Andover, attended. An excellent supper was served at the residence of Mr. Thos. Bradley.

THE WEATHER.

Washington, Oct. 31.—Eastern States and Northern New York, fair and warmer tonight and Tuesday; light variable winds. Maritime—Fresh northwesterly winds, fair and cold. Tuesday westerly winds fair and cold.

A. A. Bliss of Calais, Vt., has in his possession two continental bills dated 1778, each being a \$30 bill. They have been well preserved and are in good shape.

MR. BLAIR PACKING UP.

He Contemplates a Trip to the World's Fair and to Europe More or Less.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 31.—(Special).—Hon. A. G. Blair was in his office at the railway commission headquarters this forenoon, packing up his personal papers and books. As already stated his resignation was accepted by the government, and Mr. Blair stated today that he felt greatly relieved in getting out of harness so as to go to a rest. He will pay a visit to the St. Louis Exposition, and will afterwards take a trip to Europe. Mr. Blair has worked hard to get the commission in good running order, and has succeeded. He regards the commission as his own creation, and although severing himself from it will always continue to follow its work with a good deal of interest.

CHARGED WITH SISTER'S DEATH.

Thirteen Year Old Boy Under Arrest in Galt.

Galt, Ont., Oct. 31.—(Special).—Charles Sachs, 13 years old, the brother of Mary Sachs of Doon, whose death, on Monday night last, was claimed by the family to have been caused by a fall on a piece of wire which had punctured her brain, has been arrested on a charge of causing the girl's death. It is alleged that the boy was shooting at a mark when the girl stepped to the door only a few feet away and the bullet struck her.

A RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

Lind, Washn., Oct. 29.—An east-bound passenger train on the Northern Pacific railway was wrecked east of Lind to-day. Every car in the train except one sleeping car and the observation car was thrown from the track and piled up. A dozen persons were hurt. The wreck was caused by a sprouting of the rails.

TO CHANGE HIS FAITH.

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 31.—(Special).—Rev. Dr. McComb, who last spring, resigned the chair of church history and dogma in Queen's University and returned to Ireland, is going over to the Episcopal church. He intends settling in the United States.

TWO YEARS FOR THEFT.

Yarmouth, N. S., Oct. 31.—(Special).—A Yarmouth boy named Wm. Graham, who was brought from Boston, on Saturday, charged with stealing a watch and money from a passenger on the steamer George, on Wednesday night, was sentenced to day to two years in Dorchester.

YAKAHIRA MAY RECOVER.

New York, Oct. 31.—Kogoro Takahira, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary from Japan, who has just undergone an operation for appendicitis, passed a quiet night. The crisis will not be passed for two or three days, but the physicians say that if his condition continues as at present, the diplomat will pull through very nicely.

BURIED AT FREDERICTON.

Fredricton, Oct. 31.—(Special).—The remains of the late Councillor Geo. Moffatt, of McAdam, arrived here by the noon train today accompanied by a delegation of fifty C. P. R. employees. The funeral took place on the arrival of the train to the rural cemetery where the services were conducted by Rev. Wm. Ross.

BIG BATTLE THIS WEEK.

The Japanese Resume the Offensive Near Mukden --- Another Fierce Assault Upon Port Arthur --- Unc Linevitch to the Fore --- A Russian Mine Explodes --- Today's News From Seat of War.

Mukden, Oct. 31.—From an early hour this morning there has been a heavy bombardment of Pouthoff (Lone Three Hill) by the Japanese. Large masses of Japanese were moving eastward during Oct. 29 and 30. The Japanese despite the hard fighting and nervous strain are in excellent physical condition. It is expected that the next move will precipitate the greatest battle of this war. Each side purposes not to move until it is ready for the struggle on which depends the occupation of Mukden.

Mukden Oct. 31.—After several days of quietness big guns commenced coming to the south east last night, continuing until early this morning. Fighting is taking place between reconnoitering parties, the Japanese having crossed the Shalke river towards the south east. A big battle is expected this week, which, unless successful upon the part of the Russians, will probably be the last under the recent arrangements.

A complete reorganization of the army is now under way. Gen. Kuropatkin continues in supreme command, Viceroy Alexieff left Oct. 30 for Russia.

A Mine Exploded.

Tokio, Oct. 31.—11 a. m.—The steamer Chiyoda discovered a floating mine off Che Foo and brought it to Mojiya yesterday. The gunboat Yamato sent a boat to secure the mine and in transferring the mine it exploded, sinking the boat, injuring the Chiyoda and wounding several. The navy has issued a warning to merchantmen plying the Gulf of Pe Chi Li, advising them to keep a close watch for mines. The storms and heavy winds are carrying the Russian mines from their moorings.

Port Arthur Assaulted.

The Foo, Oct. 31.—2 p. m.—The general assault upon Port Arthur which began in a preliminary way on Oct. 24, developed into a fiercely raging battle yesterday when, according to a hitherto infallible authority, the Japanese flung heavy forces against the fortress in their rapid attempt to secure a commanding position. The result of yesterday's fighting is unknown.

STEAMER ABANDONED.

New York, Oct. 31.—Eight officers and 25 seamen of the crew of the British steamer Kelvin, which was abandoned at sea Oct. 7, arrived here today on the steamer Ponce from Porto Rico. The Kelvin sailed from New York October 5, for Buenos Ayres, when one day out the steamer sprung a leak, but all efforts to locate it were unavailing. Very rough weather increased the ship's peril, and finally Captain McLellan abandoned her. The boats and the Kelvin was left to her fate. Ten hours later on Oct. 7, the men were picked up by the American schooner Cordelia E. Bays, by which they were landed at Ponce.

ST. JOHN FAMILIES IN DESTITUTE CONDITION.

Secretary Wetmore of the S. P. C. A. has Two Pitiable Cases Reported to him --- The Story as Told For the Times.

It has been reported to Superintendent Wetmore of the S. P. C. A. that two families in St. John are in destitute circumstances. One family is named Meahan, and resides on Carmarthen street, between Duke and Mecklenburg streets. There are two girls and a boy in the family, all of whom are under six years of age. The children have no food at home to care for them, and the father is out of the house the greater part of the time.

The little ones have on several occasions been seen on the streets in damp, rainy weather, scarcely half clad. The neighbors have done what they could to make them comfortable, and several attempts have been made to place them in charitable institutions; but only one has so far been provided for. It is understood that the parents will not part with the other two.

The second family is that of William Perkins living on the Long Wharf. A short time ago the mother died of consumption, leaving an infant child, and three other children. These children are also in destitute circumstances. Mr. Wetmore says that St. John needs a children's protection law in the worst way, and the sooner it is procured the better for the little ones.

A METEOR IN LONDON.

A Heavenly Visitor Weighing Three Pounds Descended There Yesterday.

London, Oct. 31.—(Special).—Police constables McDonald and McLoughlin, while on duty, early yesterday, saw a meteor strike the earth at the corner of Grosvenor and St. George streets. On investigating the officers found what resembled a rough mass of molten iron and rock which weighed three pounds and measured 17 inches in circumference.

NEW APPOINTMENT.

Sydney, N. S., Oct. 31.—(Special).—J. P. McNutt, train despatcher on the Cape Breton division of the Intercolonial railway, has been appointed chief train despatcher on the Canada Eastern railway, at Fredericton.