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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1888.

In the State election in Vermont, which took place on the 4th, the Republicans were successful, carrying their ticket by a majority of about 25,000. This is a gain of 3000 over the vote of 1884. This is one of the States, counted as Republican, and will not effect the presidential election.

Nearly every day we hear of some accidents occurring from the careless handling of revolvers. It is about time that some law was enacted to restrict the sale of these fire-arms, and to more effectually prohibit their being carried about on the person. After a few more people are shot, by "not knowing it was loaded," some of our legislators will arise to the necessity of the case.

The interests of this country would be best served by a "retaliation" policy on the part of the United States, and yet for the sake of the friendly feeling that exists between the two countries we would not wish to see at present any change in the bonding or other systems which might cause a friction. The Committee of Foreign affairs in Congress have recommended the legislation desired by the President and it is probable that he will be given the necessary power whether he will exercise it is another question.

A "Liberal" View.

The result of the threatened "retaliation" on the part of the United States has been to create a strong loyal feeling on the part of the press of this country, which expresses itself in view something like the following from the Toronto Globe, a strong Liberal paper, and one that has had something of a 'commercial Union' policy, hitherto.

In an interview Rev. Mr. Talmage expressed opinions shared, no doubt, by the majority of decent Americans. He scouted the notion that "retaliation" will occur, he declares his country's politicians are merely playing a game of elections, he says everything will be lovely after the Presidential contest subsides, and he is good enough to predict that Great Britain will benevolently approve Miss Canada's patience, and tell her that, by way of reward, she may politically marry with the neighbor now threatening her at the top of his most sweet voice.

Mr. Talmage, worthy man that he is, no doubt really imagines that Miss Canada would like to be so married, but is shy of asking the old folks' consent. In that the reverend gentleman shares a common American delusion. Let him think a little over the picture he himself draws of the spouse he recommends to the young lady. Brother Jonathan, as painted by the Brooklyn orator, is such a hare-brained fellow that he can be moved, in the important business of selecting an administrator for his business, by preference for the competitor who roars most horribly against Mother Britannia and Miss Canada, the well-bred, well-regulated, sensible young daughter of Mother Britannia, is thought likely to wish to unite herself with Jonathan when he comes out of his tantrums!

No, no, Mr. Talmage. Miss Canada will live as an independent spinster when she finds it expedient to forsake her maternal parent. She couldn't possibly think of marriage with a fellow of such bad constitution as Jonathan. He cannot propose with the least prospect of success till he provides himself with a better system than that which throws him into a maniacal condition once every four years. The young lady could never consent to have her clear, reasonable life bedevilled by marriage with one doomed to quadrennial lunacy. But it does not follow that she cannot be friendly with him during his long intervals of sanity.

Miss Canada may love Jonathan a good deal and honor him when he deserves honor, but she will never vow to obey one constitutionally liable to monstrous whims.

If you could see your own scalp through an ordinary magnifying glass, you would be amazed at the amount of dust, dandruff, and dead skin, thereon accumulated. The best and most popular preparation for cleansing the scalp is Ayer's Hair Vigor.

The Presidential Contest.

United States papers are full of election matters and party feeling seems to be higher, and more pronounced than in this country over our election contest. In the two months to come there will be much excitement and a very great retardment of business while the campaign is going on. Even on this side of the line there is considerable interest manifested in the contest, although as far as Canada is concerned there is very little if any difference as to which party elects their men. It was thought at one time that the Democrats were the most reasonable as far as our treaties were concerned, but the late political move made by the president, cause it to be a toss up, so far as Canadians are concerned. The election for President is not conducted like the elections of this country. He is not elected by a direct vote of the people, but by an institution known as an electoral college, and it is possible, as in the Hayes-Tilden case, that the president does not receive the majority of the votes of the people. There is a fixed representation for each state in the electoral college, the whole being cast for one or the other side according to the majority elected from each state, it is therefore apparent that so far as the result is concerned, a majority of one thousand in a state is as good as if it were fifty thousand. The following is a list of states with their representatives to electoral college:—

Table with 2 columns: State Name and Electors. Lists states from Alabama to Wisconsin with their respective number of electors.

In some of the states the people might just as well save themselves the money and the trouble of the election as the result is a foregone conclusion. It is positively known beyond doubt that Cleveland will carry Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

The election will hinge on New York, Indiana, New Jersey, and Connecticut, and those are the states in which the most money will be spent and the biggest, and tallest kind of lying done. Cleveland carried all these states four years ago. New York was a close call, and was probably lost to Blaine through indiscretion on the part of friends. However, New York is pretty generally conceded this year to Cleveland. Indiana, is uncertain and always has been, one election going one way and the next another. This year Harrison the republican candidate is from that state, and it is not unlikely he will be able to carry it. If he does it will be necessary for Cleveland to carry the three other doubtful states. It will be thus seen that there is more uncertainty about the result of the election than most people imagine. The sixth of November will be an exciting day with our neighbours, across the line, and if there was any one

thing necessary to cause the Canadian people to feel satisfied with their present mode of government it is these quadrennial upheavals in the States.

N. B. S. S. Association.

The New Brunswick S. S. Association convened in the Methodist church, Woodstock Tuesday afternoon. After devotional exercises President Watts took the chair and appointed credential, finance, devotional, and questions committees.

The executive committee's report was read by the president showing that all the county conventions had been visited by Col. Cowden of Ohio, and a great interest in his instructions in normal class work had been awakened.

The corresponding secretary, S. J. Parsons, gave full statistics of the schools under the jurisdiction of the convention showing progress all along the line of work.

The statistical report shows:—

Table with 4 columns: Location, No. of schools, Officers and teachers, S. S. members, Total members. Lists locations from Restigouche to Victoria.

\*Last year.

At the evening session Mayor Jones delivered an address of welcome, which was responded to on behalf of the Association by Rev. Messrs. T. F. Fotheringham of St. John and A. O. Brown of Campbellton. The president ably addressed the assembly on the objects and aims of the provincial association.

This forenoon the treasurer, Mr. W. G. Gaunce, submitted his report, showing the receipts for year, including balance, to be \$936 and expenditure \$882.

Col. Cowden gave an interesting description of the different Chautauqua clubs and circles, together with the contents and scope of several books employed by them.

In the afternoon Col. Cowden gave another blackboard exercise on the history of the Bible. Missionary Grierson, of Halifax, on behalf of Nova Scotia S. S. Association, gave an impressive address, pointing out the possible dangers along the line of Sunday school efforts.

The sessions were very interesting. The attendance was good and hospitality to strangers was amply generous.

The S. S. Association closed its session on Thursday after a most successful meeting.

Rev. Job Shenton gave an eloquent address on Parental Duties, and was followed by Col. Cowden, who gave a Normal class lesson on the City of the Great King.

On Thursday besides transaction of business, the convention listened to Col. Cowden's address on Teachers' Preparation.

At the afternoon session, Mrs. Simon McLeod, president of the W. C. T. U., moved a resolution in reference to temperance effort, supporting the motion in an effective address. Col. Cowden followed with an instructive lesson on Attention.

The executive committee were authorized to appoint delegates to attend the world's convention at London.

Col. Cowden's work was most heartily appreciated, and he was the recipient of the grateful thanks of the association, to which he ably responded.

Officers were elected as follows:—

President—George Haddow, Dalhousie. Corresponding secretary—S. J. Parsons, Benton.

Assistant secretary—James Watts, Woodstock.

Recording secretary—J. T. Fletcher, Waterville.

Vice-presidents—Restigouche, W. D. Duncan, Dalhousie; Gloucester, Mrs. J. Ferguson, Bathurst; Northumberland, H. S. Miller, Chatham; Kent, Jas. Murray, West Branch; Westmorland, Geo. Moore, Moncton; Albert, G. M. Peck, Hopewell Hill; King's, J. G. Colter White, Hampton; St. John, T. S. Simms, St. John; Charlotte, W. S. Robinson, Milltown; Queen's, S. L. Peters, Queenstown; Sunbury, Martin Emmerson, Oromocto; York, L. W. Johnston, Fredericton; Carleton, John Connolly, Jacksonstown; Victoria, Rev. D. Fiske, Kincardine.

Executive committee—Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, St. John; David Long, Apohaqui; C. R. Watson, Woodstock; W. H. Stevens, St. Stephen; W. G. Clark, Fredericton.

The disappearance from his post on Friday during business hours, of Audy, receiving teller of the Bank Nationale, Quebec and the subsequent discovery that his cash was \$12,000 short, has caused a sensation in business, banking and society circles. He is an old employee and up to time of his disappearance had the full confidence of all who knew him.

The Late Mrs. J. A. Wilmot.

The announcement made in the Methodist Church on Sabbath last by Rev. Mr. Dobson, of the death in Halifax that morning of Mrs. Wilmot, widow of Judge Wilmot, was heard with much regret by our citizens.

The remains were brought to this city and the interment took place on Wednesday afternoon from the residence of E. H. Wilmot, Esq. After a service in the house, conducted by Rev. Messrs. Dobson and Payson, the remains were followed to the church by a highly respectable concourse of citizens, including the Chief Justice, the President of the University and Dr. Bridges, the Chief Supt. of Education and His Worship the Mayor. The chief mourners were M. P. Black and Charles Black, brothers of deceased, E. H. Wilmot, Dr. Parker (of Halifax), John D. Wilmot, D. Jordan, R. D. Wilmot, jr., Henry Wilmot and other connections of the family, Geo. Hatt, Sen., and John Edgecombe by special request of Mr. Wilmot and as representing the Methodist Church, and Supt. Weddall and the Secretary of the Sabbath School.

An impressive service was held in the church. Rev. C. H. Paisley, President of the Conference, referred to the noble life of deceased; her attachment to the church in this city where she was dearly loved; and her subsequent life in Halifax. Rev. Dr. Sprague of Marysville, and Rev. Messrs. Dobson and Payson also took part in the service here and at the grave.

Appropriate and affecting musical selections were rendered by the choir, including the quartette by Mrs. Win. Lemont, Miss Hogg, Mr. C. H. B. Fisher and Mr. H. G. Winter. As the solemn procession left the building Mrs. T. H. Hogg, the organist, played the Dead March in Saul.

The casket was covered with the very choicest floral gifts including a crown from Halifax friends; a crown from the Methodist Sabbath School; a pillow from the "L. A. Wilmot Mission Band" accompanied by a loving knot from Miss E. L. Thorne, President; a bouquet from Mrs. F. Barker, St. John; and bouquets from Mrs. J. D. McPherson, and Miss Perley.

Interesting Items.

Work has been vigorously recommended on the Central railway. A large supply of new rails are on hand, and a train with rails and a large crew of men went out from Norton Monday morning last to resume operations.

A Mammoth bunch of bananas imported from Jamaica was exhibited in Boston last week. It includes 276 bananas, weighs 160 pounds and is claimed to be the largest bunch on record.

Labor day Monday last, was celebrated with great pomp and ceremony at Montreal. A procession ten thousand strong paraded the principal streets of the city.

Scott McVeigh, assistant bookkeeper in the Methodist book room Toronto, has skipped. His defalcations amount to over six thousand dollars.

It is reported that Symmes, Dawson & Co. have received the contract for the construction of the Chignecto marine railway.

The local bye election in Frontenac will take place October 11th. The liberals will not likely put up any candidate.

The oldest rose tree in the world is at Heltersheim, Germany. Its history can be traced back to 1079, and it was quite a bush then.

Farmers within a radius of three miles of Perham, Minn., during fourteen days, recently caught and killed 6,000 bushels of grasshoppers, for which the county paid a bounty of \$1 a bushel.

The London Times has come to the conclusion that Retaliation will work its own cure without any action on the part of Canada.

The stuffed skin of a black pony which belonged to the Queen of Spain makes a novel hobby horse for the little King. In the portrait of his majesty the riding horse is a prominent feature.

Members of the two Houses of the United States Congress who took part in the discussion on the notice to terminate the fisheries clauses of the former Washington Treaty, declare that it was expressly understood and stated at the time, the very point being raised and determined, that the notice of abrogation did not and was not intended to cover Article XXIX as to transportation in bond. The notice has not been given since, and if it were given now, two years must elapse before the treaty obligation be removed. If President Cleveland and Congress at his instigation violated the agreement in the interval, they would hold themselves up before the eyes of the civilized world as being utterly regardless of considerations of national honor and good faith. Perhaps it will be as well if it is understood thus plainly that the United States theory is that international treaties only bind the other nation.—Toronto Empire.