

FREDERICTON EXHIBITION

OPENED BY HON. LEWIS SMITH

ON SATURDAY EVENING

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Hon. Lewis Smith.

Hon. Lewis Smith, Minister of Agriculture, who was next introduced, was very heartily applauded. He said that on receipt of an invitation to attend the opening of the Fredericton Exhibition he had promptly cancelled an engagement for the week-end in order that he might be present. He warmly complimented the directors on the good work they had accomplished, and he had ample evidence that there had been harmony and unity of effort in their ranks. He thought that one of the essential elements for a success-



HON. LEWIS SMITH.
New Brunswick's Minister of Agriculture Who Opened the Fredericton Exhibition on Saturday Night.

ful exhibition was a good board of directors, and he was sure that the Fredericton board measured up to a high standard. He had made an inspection of the place, and felt he must compliment the directors on its size and could tell them without hesitation that they had the best grounds in the province.

In regard to exhibitions he thought first of all they should be educational in character and an object lesson for those who wished to learn. Much was to be learned about live stock by way of comparison of the different types. Friendly competition was always healthy, and had a tendency to stimulate production. The amusement side of an exhibition was of importance as it gave people a chance to mingle and learn from one another. In addition they had a chance to witness the progress being made along the line of labor saving machinery as it was important that all should keep up to date.

An Important Industry.

The speaker went on to say that shortly after he had taken office three years ago a delegation from the Fredericton exhibition had waited upon him and asked for a grant. Because of the condition of the provincial finances at that time he had not been able to comply with their request. Nevertheless they had gone ahead with their exhibition. Later on a conference was held at which all of the exhibition associations of the province were represented. A program for grants was mapped out covering a period of three years, and he thought it had been very beneficial. The government now gave \$16,000 annually to exhibitions and \$30,000 to agricultural societies, making a total of \$46,000. That was a good proportion of the appropriation made towards the encouragement of agriculture which last year had totalled \$204,000, the largest in the history of the province. He was hopeful of being able to secure even a larger appropriation during the coming year, as all looked upon agriculture as a most important industry which should be developed.

greater natural beauty be found than

A Wonderful Province.

The minister went on to say that as head of the agricultural department he had had occasion to visit every county in the province, and he was ready to confess that he had known little of New Brunswick prior to his appointment. He would advise others to get out and learn more of this fine old province. Recently he had visited a section of Restigouche County, where seventeen years ago there were nothing but lumber camps; now there were two parishes having a combined population of seven thousand people. Nowhere, he went on to say can

JUDGE RUSSELL OF HALIFAX

DELVES INTO SOME POLITICAL

HISTORY OF LOCAL INTEREST

Mr. Benjamin Russell, a retired Justice of the Nova Scotia Supreme Court, and at one time quite prominent as a Liberal politician, is giving his recollections of political events in a series of articles written for the Montreal Gazette. In his most recent contribution there is a story of the late Hon. Andrew G. Blair and his opposition to the building of the Grand Trunk Pacific and Transcontinental Railways some twenty-five years ago. Mr. Russell's recollections of what took place and especially of the reasons for the attitude taken by Mr. Blair, may be accepted as the version given out by friends of the Government at that time, but they may be given for what they are worth. Mr. Russell writes:

"I have described some scenes in connection with the last of the two parliaments in which I served as a member that were of a somewhat tragic nature. There was one connected with the late Andrew G. Blair. He was Minister of Railways in the Laurier Government, and was regarded by his New Brunswick Liberal supporters as an "able dealer." I am using this expression advisedly. I think he was popular with the members, but Sir Richard Cartwright in conversation with me one day, made the remark that 'he came to us too late.' Just what he meant by this I cannot say, but I presume that he considered the New Brunswick ex-Premier in some ways a misfit as a minister in a Dominion Cabinet. His management of the Yukon Railway measure in the House was a failure and would have been a serious one if Clifford Sifton (not then Sir Clifford) had not been on hand to restore the situation. When the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway policy was adopted, it was taken out of Mr. Blair's hands and given in charge to another member insofar as it was not managed by Sir Wilfrid himself. In conversation with Mr. Wainwright, of the Grand Trunk System, I was told that Mr. Blair admitted to him that the scheme was all right, 'but,' said he, 'I have been badly used.' When the measure came up on second reading, there was a full-dress debate. Mr. Blair took part and came out in clear and strong opposition to the policy of the Government. His speech was vigorous the blood mounting to his head as he received the cheers of the Opposition, which led him to say many things that in a calmer frame of mind he would no doubt have left unsaid. When the report of his speech was handed to him for revision, he was frankly amazed at some passages and so expressed himself to the Hansard reporter.

"It was not very long after this that Mr. Blair fell from his chair in a hotel dining room in Chicago and was released from the troubles and trials of his earthly career. (The late Mr. Blair died suddenly while on a visit to Fredericton.) I recalled when I heard of his sudden death a conversation with him one evening as we were walking up Bank street together. The evening paper had brought the news of the sudden death of one or other of our mutual friends or acquaintances. Mr. Blair said that this was the way he would himself prefer

to make his exit. It is not everyone who has the good fortune to have his wish granted in such an important matter.

"A tragedy had occurred in his family while he was minister in Ottawa. A daughter, of whom he was very fond, was skating on the river not far from Parliament Hill. The ice was uncertain in places, not, I believe, because of any current, and I hesitate to mention the cause I have heard assigned for the phenomenon for fear I may have misunderstood or faintly remembered the reason given. A fine young fellow, who was press reporter, for, I think, the Montreal Herald, flew to her assistance, and both were drowned. The heroism and self-sacrifice of young Harper are commemorated in a statue or monument that adorns the street running along the Parliament square and not far from the Rideau Club.

Having in mind Mr. Blair's strenuous career, his political disappointment, and his family afflictions, one feels inclined to apply to him with especial emphasis, the wonderful words that Shakespeare puts into the mouth of Macbeth, referring to the death of Duncan:

"After life's fitful fever, he sleeps well."

He—Is the pleasure of this next dance to be mine?
She—Yes—all yours.

ROYAL ROMANCE

WAS STAGED

IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Sept. 15—Aleka of the sports dress section and George of the novelties counter will be married Friday.

Aleka, 23 years old, is Princess Galitzine, whose father was the late Prince Paul of Russia. George, 25, is Prince Rostislav of Russia nephew of Nicholas, last of the Romanoff Czars. His mother was the Czar's sister.

Princess Galitzine came to Chicago early this year to join her mother, Princess Alexandria. She has been working in the sports dress section at Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co.'s. Prince George followed her here three months ago and got a job at Marshall Field's in the novelty goods section.

They met several years ago in London, where the Princess was acting as a nursemaid.

The ceremony will take place at the Greek Orthodox Church. There will be a three day honeymoon over the week-end, then each will go back to the department store.

M'ADAM WON

OPENING GAME

McAdam Sept. 16—McAdam took the first game of the New Brunswick baseball title series from Chatham here yesterday by a score of 10 to 1. Fielding faultlessly be-

THE GIRLS CAN

WHISTLE TWO-

FINGER FASHION

(New York Sun.)

Attendants who push the roller chairs on the Boardwalk at Coney Island are equipped with loud, shrill whistles for several purposes. One is to shoo off persons taking a stroll on the boardwalk, who forgetfully get on the specially constructed path reserved for wheel chairs. When the attendant blows the whistle it is a siren for those on the path to step aside.

The other night three college girls hired a chair for an hour's ride. After the attendant had been out about ten minutes he discovered he had left his whistle in the parking station in his locker. He was having a difficult time shouting to strollers to get off the track, when one of the girls came to his rescue.

Each time the path was blocked she placed two fingers in her mouth, masculine fashion, imitated the missing whistle and the trip was an uninterrupted success.

hind Blair's brilliant pitching and hitting when hits meant runs the home team took an early lead and were never in danger. Martin who started on the mound for the visitors was touched up freely and was relieved in the fourth by Ward who fared no better. The series will be continued at Chatham on Wednesday.

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Property to be Sold.	Name of Person Assessed	Arrears for Years	Total Due
Lot corner King Street and Taylor Alley, 40 ft. on King Street and 109 ft. on Alley	ROY H. McGRATH	1925-1926-1927 Interest	\$740.00 79.00
Farm on east side Maryland Hill Road, known as the Cameron Farm, containing 75 acres	ARTHUR S. TYLER	1925-1926-1927 Interest	\$224.50 27.00

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