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### THE ROYAL COMMISSION

Fredericton is happy to welcome the members of the Royal Commission on Technical Education in her midst, not only in their official capacity, but individually as men who have made their mark in the various fields of occupation which they have followed. It is recognized that the work upon which they are at present engaged is one of the most important which has ever occupied the attention of any public body and it is confidently expected that the report which they will make embodying the results of their labors will be of the utmost benefit in helping forward the march of progress in this country. It is satisfactory to know that this city and neighborhood is co-operating with the commissioners in endeavoring to make the work of the latter as complete as possible and that those who are in a position to give the commission any assistance in furthering the cause it had in hand are doing so with a willingness that is at once a credit to themselves and an evidence of the fact that this neighborhood does not intend to lag behind the other places at which sessions have been held, in this respect. By this means, and this only, can the full benefit of the labors of all be achieved.

As to the desirability, or rather the necessity for making provision for more and better opportunities for the young men and women of the country to attain a greater insight into the technicalities of the callings they have decided to pursue, there can be no question. The experience of all the leading countries of the world tends to this view and each and all are actively pursuing the course which according to their particular circumstances, will best achieve this end. The government of this country has shown itself to be thoroughly alive to the situation and the appointment of the present commission is the best evidence of its desire and readiness to assist in every possible manner in the development and building up of the country whose affairs it has guided so wisely and well in the past.

### THE "GREAT DIVIDE"

Speaking at Calgary of the Great Divide in the Rockies, where the waters separate, some going to the west and some to the east, Sir Wilfrid Laurier aptly illustrated the divisions in the Opposition on the question of naval defence. One section of Mr. Borden's followers had gone to the extreme of declaring that no expenditure of any kind should be made for the protection of the country by a Navy, and the other had gone to the other extreme of declaring that the entire Canadian contribution should be paid into the British exchequer. There was as radical and complete a division as in the mountains. The Opposition, at present constituted, might, in fact, be fittingly described, with reference to most matters of public concern, as the party of the "great divide."

### IS MR. HAZEN BIG ENOUGH?

The Conservative Government of British Columbia has spent \$20,000 welcoming Sir Wilfrid. Premier Mc. Bride organized the reception to the Liberal leader and played a prominent part therein. The Halifax Echo asks would Premier Hazen do that if Sir Wilfrid came to New Brunswick? It's no use talking, they are a little broader out West than we are—in politics, anyway.

## PERSONELL OF COMMISSION ON TECHNICAL EDUCATION

The royal commission on industrial training and technical education was appointed by the Dominion Government for the purpose of making an exhaustive inquiry into the subjects which, as its name implies, it is qualified to deal with. The commission is composed of seven members under the presidency of Dr. J. W. Robertson. The other members are Gaspard De Serres, James Simpson, G. M. Murray, D. Forsyth, Hon. J. N. Armstrong and Rev. Dr. Bryce, with Thomas Bengough as secretary and A. E. Horton as assistant secretary. The following biographical sketches of the members will show that they are well qualified by education and training to inquire into the subjects which will come under their jurisdiction and to prepare an intelligent and comprehensive report.

### DR. JAMES W. ROBERTSON.

Dr. James W. Robertson, C. M.G., LL. D., the chairman, began his public career in Canada when in 1886 he was appointed professor of dairy husbandry in the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. In 1890, he became the first dairy commissioner for the Dominion and agriculturist to the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. Five years later he was made the first commissioner of agriculture and dairying for the Dominion. Dr. Robertson relinquished that office to manage the construction and organization of the Macdonald College, which includes agriculture, household science and the training of teachers, and with funds supplied by Sir William Macdonald provided manual training in all the provinces of the Dominion. He has frequently been sent to England on missions connected with the marketing of Canadian products, the matter of transportation services and making known the opportunities and resources of Canada. Dr. Robertson has received honorary degrees from Queen's Toronto, New Brunswick, McGill and other universities.

### HON. JOHN NEVILLE ARMSTRONG.

Hon. John Neville Armstrong, representative of the Maritime Provinces on the commission, is a barrister by profession. He studied at Harvard university and merits the reputation of being one of the most widely informed public men in eastern Canada. He is a member of the Legislative Council of Nova Scotia, where his extended civic and educational experience having held representative positions in both fields of his province for a number of years coupled with his grasp of industrial conditions accords him acknowledged leadership when dealing with questions of this character. Mr. Armstrong's intimate acquaintance with the development of the technical education system in Nova Scotia, emphasizes his admitted qualifications as a member of the commission, whose services are enlisted to provide a national system of industrial training.

### REV. GEORGE BRYCE.

Rev. George Bryce, M. A., D. D., LL. D., F. R. S. C., has filled the following positions: founder and professor of science in Manitoba college, one of the founders, councillor and chairman of the faculty of science of Manitoba university, member of the board of education and commissioner of collegiate schools of Manitoba, member of the general committee of the British Association of Science, fellow of the American Association of Science, president of the Royal Society of Canada. He is an author of numerous works on the history, geology, botany, forestry, agriculture of western Canada and he is one of the men who has made his mark in the west. His appointment to the commission was announced while in attendance at the recent meeting of the Presbyterian general assembly.

### GASPARD DE SERRES

Gaspard De Serres is a French Canadian, just turned fifty. He is president of the Montreal Technical School, president of the Ecole Menagerie Provinciale, ex-alderman of the city of Montreal, director of Notre Dame Hospital, St. Jean Baptiste Society, Le Canada and of a number of industrial and commercial concerns.

### GILBERT M. MURRAY

Gilbert M. Murray, B. A., is an honor graduate of the University of Toronto in 1898. After being associated for three or four years with mining and transportation interests at Sault Ste. Marie and Port Arthur he became editor of Industrial Canada, official organ of the Canadian manufacturers' Association, in 1904. He was assistant secretary of the association in 1906, and secretary in 1907. From its inception he was actively connected with the campaign promoted by the Manufacturers' Association in favor of the appointment of a commission of investigation on technical education and industrial training, and most of the memorials and literature issued by the association on this subject were of his preparation.

### D. FORSYTH

D. Forsyth, B. A., is an honor

graduate of the University of Toronto. He has been principal of the Berlin Collegiate and Technical Institute since 1901. In 1903 this institute introduced courses in manual training, and household science and added very complete equipment. The Berlin public library board has for some time taken up the question of technical education in connection with public libraries and as a member of the board Mr. Forsyth has given considerable attention to this phase of the work.

### JAMES SIMPSON

James Simpson went as a boy into The Toronto News to learn the printing, but in a few weeks a strike broke out and he left to go with the compositors, who afterwards brought out The Toronto Daily Star. He served in The Star as an apprentice, journeyman compositor, and later as municipal reporter and municipal editor. During the past nine years he has taken a keen interest in educational matters, having served three years on the technical school board before the amalgamation of the public, high and technical school boards in the City of Toronto. He was elected for six years a member of the Toronto Board of Education, and in 1910 elected chairman of that board, was appointed a member of the special committee on technical education by the Board of Education in 1906; was appointed a member of the committee to recommend curriculum for the new Toronto technical school, and was instrumental in having the same adopted by the district labor council and typographical union of Toronto; chosen at the Quebec convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada as labor's representative on the Royal Commission to investigate industrial training and technical education in the event of such a commission being appointed by the Dominion Government. He ran as a candidate for mayor of Toronto in the Socialist interest. He is an earnest advocate of temperance among the working men, and is on the list of lecturers for the Dominion alliance.

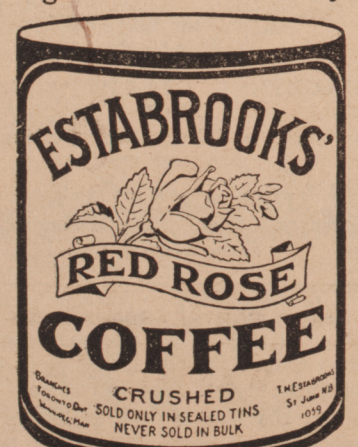
### THOMAS BENGOUGH

Thomas Bengough, C. S. R., secretary and reporter of the commission, is the originator on standardization of the National Shorthand Reporters' Association. He is a Toronto man, and a brother of the well known cartoonist, J. W. Bengough, the eulogist of "by tape," and stenography according to an old system by Melville Bell father of Alexander Graham Bell. He changed to Ben Pitman and later to Isaac Pitman's system; became a newspaper reporter and in 1875 was appointed as private secretary to Sir Oliver Mowat, and in 1877 official reporter in the York County Court.

## INCENDIARY FIRE CAUSES QUARTER MILLION LOSS

Uniontown, Pa., Aug. 20—Fire believed to be of incendiary origin is raging today in the McFarland Lumber Co.'s plant on Indian Creek, 14 miles from the coast. The loss will total \$250,000, according to the mill owners, Connellsville and Uniontown have both sent fire fighting apparatus to the scene. Employees of the Camps say they saw a man with a lighted torch run from the yards when the fire broke out early this morning. Oil had been sprinkled on the dry lumber. The McFarland Lumber Mills is the largest in this section of the state. There has been no labor trouble in the district recently.

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## ALBERT MURDERCASE TO COME UP FOR TRIAL ON SEPT. 6

Over 20 Witnesses Will Be Called to Testify Against Connelly For the Killing of Jas. A. Powers At a Dance.

Hopewell Hill, N.B., Aug. 21—Subpoenas for some twenty witnesses for the trial of Thos. Connolly who is charged with killing James A. Powers at a dance at the MacDonald farm on June 30, were issued today and placed in the hands of Sheriff Carter for service.

In addition to the witnesses who gave evidence at the preliminary examination, several others are being served, the prosecution expecting to have among the additional number Sol MacDonald, son of a former owner of the farm, who was summoned for the preliminary hearing but who disappeared the morning after the tragedy the authorities being unable to locate him. Efforts, which are expected to be successful, are being made to have him present at the trial.

The crown, it is understood, is not issuing any summons for Covey Mills who, it will be remembered, was present at the preliminary but was not called to the stand by the prosecution. Mills had been duly summoned by the crown for the hearing but the crown counsel decided not to call him as a witness, this action being the cause of much discussion and strong protest from Mr. Fowler, Connolly's counsel, who asked both the crown prosecutor and the court that the man be called. It is possible that Mills will be called for the defence at the trial, which will open on Tuesday September 6, before Judge Landry. Attorney-General Hazen will conduct the case for the crown and the defence will be in the hands of Messrs. Fowler and Reilly who have been handling the prisoner's case since the opening. The usual jury panel has been summoned.

## MARYSVILLE TOPICS

Aug. 22—Mr. Noel Lee of the Bank of Montreal staff at Halifax is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rowley. Mrs. William Gibson and two daughters of St. John also Mr. John Bliss of Dorchester Mass., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson.

The Misses Sloat of Lowell Mass., are here visiting relatives.

The funeral of the late Hilda Gilmore who died so suddenly on Friday was held on Sunday from the residence of Mr. Samuel Minue and was largely attended. The clergymen who officiated were Rev. A. A. Rideout of Fredericton and Rev. J. C. Berrie. Interment took place in the Methodist burying ground, Penniac.

What promises to be the most popular outing of the season will be the Methodist Sabbath school picnic to be held on Friday, Aug. 26th at Pleasant Valley. Sports will be provided both for adults and children. The Marysville band will be in attendance. Meals will be served on the grounds and a jolly good time will be spent by all who attend. The train will leave Marysville at 8.30 returning will leave grounds at 6.30. Efficient committees will be in charge of the affair.

Messrs. Likely, McConnell, Arthur Likely and Master Harrison Eno who have been on a fishing trip to Grand Lake expect to return on Monday.

Master Alex. Gibson Merritt, who was quite ill, has recovered and is able to be out.

Master Alexander G. Merritt is confined to the house through illness.

### BITTEN BY A DOG.

An infant child of Mr. Charles Barker of Gibson, was severely bitten by a dog on Saturday.

### SALVATION ARMY

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alone would reveal the good accomplished by the Army in this city. During the past 25 years over three thousand persons had knelt at the Army penitence form in this city alone. Many of these had united with other churches, many had gone forth to preach Christ to others, some as officers in the Salvation Army, while the fighting force of the local corps today number 100, there are scores of others who though not connected with the corps make the Army their Home and although poor, contributing to the work in a manner which would put many of the wealthy to shame. The Army was proud of the name which had been given to it as "the poor man's church" the Sunday School of the local corps has a practical results stands perhaps second to none in the city.

Rev. Mr. Colter and Mr. R. S. Baird also spoke briefly and expressed their great sympathy for the Army and congratulated the corps on its 25th anniversary and commended it

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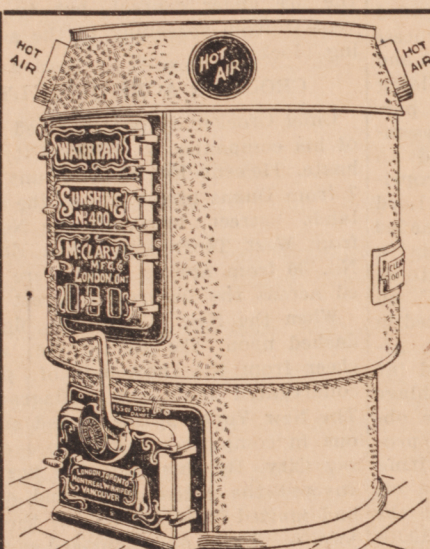
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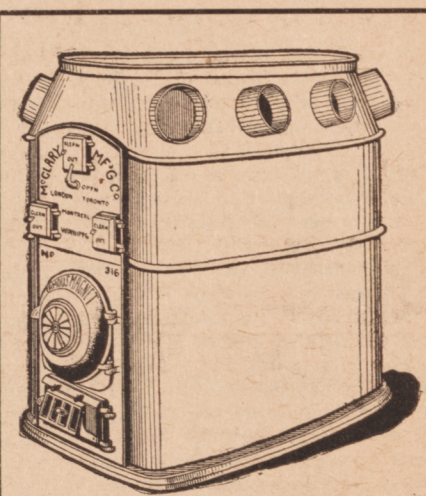
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Ensign Hargrove one of the most popular officers the Army has ever had in this city. In moving a vote of thanks to the chairman and the other speakers had a good word for each, he said that from Mr. Estey's store many little packages had found their way to the officers quarters and when he had wanted to secure employment for a handsman, coming into the corps when other sources failed he could always rely upon Mr. Baird finding a place for him. As for Mr. Colter they had spent many hours together in the county jail and their associations had always been of the most pleasant character. Previous to the afternoon meeting both the senior and junior section of the corps paraded the principal streets and attracted much attention there being over 100 in line. At the service last night the hall was filled and a number of persons came forward to the penitence form. Brigadier and Mrs. Adby left for St. John this morning where they will conduct a special service tonight in aid of the Campbellton fire sufferers.

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