

## PROPOSAL WHICH WILL MAKE ST. JOHN A SPORTING CENTRE

**Moosepath Wanted For Holding Running Race Meets, for Which Many Horses are Ready to be Bought.**

(Telegraph)

A decision will be reached today as to the proposition made by the Montreal Driving Association for the leasing of Moosepath and the holding here during the present summer of two running-horse meets. The plans for this move, the greatest which has taken place in the Maritime Provinces in many years, have awakened very general interest. If carried into effect the project will be unique in vices.

The only bar to the leasing of the park to the running concern is a hitch over the exhibition week period. The Gentlemen's Driving Association has told the Montreal people that they are perfectly willing to lease the park for the entire season with the exception of exhibition week. It is natural for both parties to desire the benefit of the Dominion exposition crowds. The matter will be closed today. It is fully expected that the lease will take place. The Montreal people have no expectation of making money here, and will, therefore, it is thought, hardly stick finally upon the terms.

It will be a really immense entourage which will migrate to St. John if the deal is closed. There are between 125 and 150 running horses in the bunch attended by as many men. There will be a contingent of nearly three hundred more, composed of the owners and the camp followers.

It may be that Moosepath will not afford accommodation sufficient for all the horses. S. N. Holman, the representative of the Montreal Driving Club, who inspected the park on Monday, was somewhat doubtful if 125 horses could be put up on the grounds even if tents were utilized in addition to the stalls. If St. John is to be fortunate enough to see this great collection of horses, it is solely because the running game is a paying one in Upper Canada. The army of horses which will participate in the meets here is all under the control of the Montreal Driving Association. They are all United States horses, and are all bonded to the Montreal concern. It is in order to hold the horses in Canada until the fall meets in the upper provinces that it is planned to bring them here in the interim.

The running combine has as its leading partners, Messrs. Perrin and Wilson, of Montreal, two members of parliament. Their venture so far has been a very successful one in a financial way. At the Delormier Park meet it is said, they cleaned up \$21,000.

Two meets during the summer for one park is the legal limit. The first of these, each of which will run seven days, will be held between July 9, and 16, Saturday to Saturday. Six races are to be run off every day, costs the combine \$600.

A feature of local interest lies in the fact that the starter who accompanies the outfit is John Bowden a former St. John horseman, and one well remembered here. Mr. Bowden is at the top of his class, and receives \$60 per day for his services.

The closing of the deal will make St. John the sporting mecca of the lower provinces and Maine during the summer. There will be two very busy periods here.

## Rural News

### MIDDLE SOUTHAMPTON.

June 14.—Quite a large party of men and women took a trip by raft to Fredericton to hear Dr. Torrey. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon A. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Akerley, John Brooks and others. They were well pleased with the day's sermons. The party left by train by way of Millville and Woodstock and again took to the water and floated down river a distance of twenty miles to their several homes. It took some three days for the round trip.

John Brooks has sold his farm to George Christie and bought the Sam Schum place.

Byron Cronke is preparing to build a house.

Mr. Christie has moved into the Clynch house and Levy Hickey into the John W. Grant house.

Mr. Bruce Hillman, of Domville, has bought the Herb. Fox farm from Mr. Arthur Slipp, of Fredericton, so it is reported.

Mr. Walter Patterson was a recent visitor to this place, as was Mr. John C. Feno, another old man of 84 years of age, who has been on a trip to Lewiston, Maine. It is interesting to hear these gentlemen tell of their younger days.

Mr. Oram Patterson is quite poorly of late.

Mr. William Patterson has taken his departure for New York City.

Rev. A. A. Rutledge, G. A. Grant

## PREMIER ASQUITH ANNOUNCES CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD

**Prime Minister Hopes that Negotiations May Lead to Early Meeting Between Parties and a Solution of Constitutional Crisis May be Arrived at--The Irish Nationalists and the Laborites are Opposed to Conference.**

London, June 14.—The conference between the two predominate parties over the constitutional crisis between the House of Lords and the House of Commons has now entered upon an official stage. Heretofore the Ministers have avoided committing themselves in the matter, but Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons yesterday that communications on the subject had been exchanged by A. J. Balfour, former Prime Minister, and now leader of the Opposition, and himself, communications, which, the Premier added, "I hope may lead to an early meeting between us."

### VIEW OF THE PRESS.

The Liberal press states, and there is no apparent reason to doubt the accuracy of the statement, that the conference was decided upon at the suggestion of King George. If so, he is following two well-known precedents Queen Victoria established when she asked Mr. Gladstone to employ the same means to harmonize the antagonisms aroused by the Irish church act and the Franchise act in 1884. It is assumed that King George, like his grandmother, did not suggest any special method of procedure, leaving the settlement of details to the Government.

### A GOOD OMEN.

The Moderates on each side welcome the conference and the extreme wings profess not to oppose it.

"Not a hundred conferences will make the Liberal-Radical party budge an inch from its position," asserts the Radical Nation, while the Tory Saturday Review, though professing to hope that the conference will materialize because it would permit the immediate removal of the acrid dispute, points out that such methods have rarely been successful. Men can sit around a table, but that does not make them agree, the Review says.

and F. C. Brown went on a fishing trip to Charles Cronke's and Fox Cronke's and brought home ten dozen of the speckled beauties.

We are having some very wet weather, rain almost every day.

The farmers are very backward with their farming. A lot of planting and sowing is to be done yet.

Our teacher, Miss Bessie Nason, was recently married in Woodstock by Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith, James Pringle and Mary Edna Haining, daughter of Mrs. James Bird, all of Fredericton.

Messrs. LeRoy Ingraham and John E. Fox are fixing over their residences.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry Ingraham are

The Spectator thinks the omens for success are extremely good.

### THE NATIONALISTS' POLICY.

How the Government will manage to placate the Irish Nationalists is much speculated upon. It is obvious that should the conference attempt any settlement not pleasing to them, Mr. Redmond and his followers could turn out the Government immediately. Mr. Redmond himself is silent, but T. P. O'Connor, who is again being employed as the intermediary between the Irish leader and the Cabinet, publishes a significant article, in which he says:

"The Nationalists have no enthusiasm for anything which might even be tortured into an appearance of wavering on the part of the Government. From the first hour of the fight the policy they have urged is one of prompt, energetic, uncompromising fight against the House of Lords. That was the policy ultimately set forth in the historic decision of Mr. Asquith just before King Edward's death. The moment that policy was announced, the Irish party gave the Government its whole-hearted support. They will, I believe, continue that support so long as the policy of Mr. Asquith's declaration is adhered to."

### OPPOSED TO CONFERENCE.

The inference obviously is that the support of the Irish will be withdrawn if that policy is not maintained. Mr. O'Connor elsewhere expresses serious doubts of any solid result of a conference.

The Laborite party has not given any opinion officially, although individual members are known to be vehemently opposed to a conference. Neither they nor the Irish seem likely to be invited to participate, nor would they accept if they were asked.

receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby boy.

Mr. John X. Grant and Mr. Alley Wright each lost a valuable cow last week.

Messrs. Akerley, Brown, Brooks and Grant loaded nine hundred barrels of potatoes into a raft and took them to Fredericton for the Cuban market.

### MARRIED

Married at the residence of the bride's mother, St. John street, June 15th, by Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith, James Pringle and Mary Edna Haining, daughter of Mrs. James Bird, all of Fredericton.

## AWFUL FIRE AT A NIAGARA FALLS BOARDING HOUSE

**150 People Sleeping when Flames Broke Out, and in the Panic which Ensued Twelve were Killed and Many Others Injured.**

Niagara Falls, Ont., June 15.—A holocaust occurred at Falls View early this morning. Nearly 150 Hungarian laborers employed in the Ontario Power Company works have been housed in a long wooden shack situated behind the Falls View post office, where they sleep in bunks huddled together. Through some unknown cause this morning at 2 o'clock the shack was discovered to be on fire, and before the sleeping occupants could be got out twelve of them were burned to death.

Three others, one man, a woman and a child, badly burned, were removed to the hospital. The twelve charred bodies were removed to Morse's morgue, where they now lie. Their identity will probably never be established.

The Hungarian laborers are not known by names, only by numbers, at the works. The victims were all members of the day gang and when relieved by the night shift at the power house they went up to the falls to join in carnival celebrations.

When the fire brigade arrived three shacks in which the foreigners lived were all destroyed. The Austrians could not speak English, but the survivors succeeded, by using signals, in indicating that some of their number had not escaped.

At noon it was learned at the general hospital that there was not the slightest hope for the recovery of the woman or the child, but the injured man was resting easily.

The boarding house was a small frame affair, one story and a half high, and when the fire broke out the men were caught like rats in a trap. There was no avenue of escape open. The foreigners were so badly frightened that they did not make for the windows. They endeavored to get out by going downstairs. The stairway gave way with the weight of the human mob, as eight bodies were taken from the ruins directly below where the stairway stood.

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No. 317—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 6.15.  
No. 321—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 11.15.  
No. 323—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 16.20.  
No. 301—Express for Loggieville, Chatham, Campbellton, Quebec, Montreal, etc., 18.30.  
No. 327—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 18.40.  
No. 329—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 21.20.

#### ARRIVALS.

No. 306—Suburban from Marysville 8.15.  
No. 302—Express from Loggieville, Chatham Junction, 13.20.  
No. 308—Suburban from Marysville 13.30.  
No. 304—Mixed from Loggieville and Chatham Junction, 18.50.  
No. 310—Suburban from Marysville 19.15.  
No. 316—Suburban from Marysville 21.55.

### CANADIAN PACIFIC

#### DEPARTURES.

6.20 a. m.—Express for St. John, Portland, Boston, Woodstock, etc.  
7.30 a. m.—Mixed for Woodstock and points North. Leaves St. Marys 8.10.  
9.45 a. m.—Express for St. John and points east.  
4.25 p. m.—Mixed for Woodstock, via Gibson branch on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.  
5.45 p. m.—Express for Montreal, and Boston, Woodstock, St. Stephen, etc.

9.00 p. m.—Express for St. John and points east.

#### ARRIVALS.

9.10 a. m.—Express from St. John and points east.  
11.40 a. m.—Mixed from Woodstock via Gibson branch, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.  
11.50 a. m.—Express from Montreal Boston, etc.

7.50 p. m.—Express from St. John and points east.

9.10 p. m.—Mixed from Woodstock and points North.

10.40 p. m.—Express from Boston, Portland, Woodstock, St. Stephen, etc.

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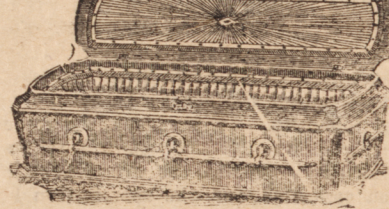
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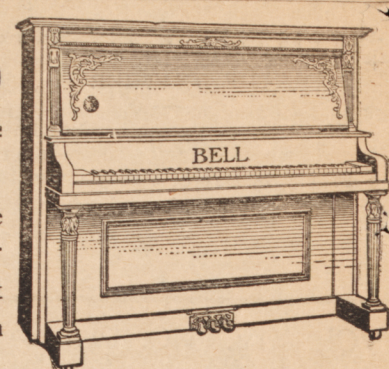
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