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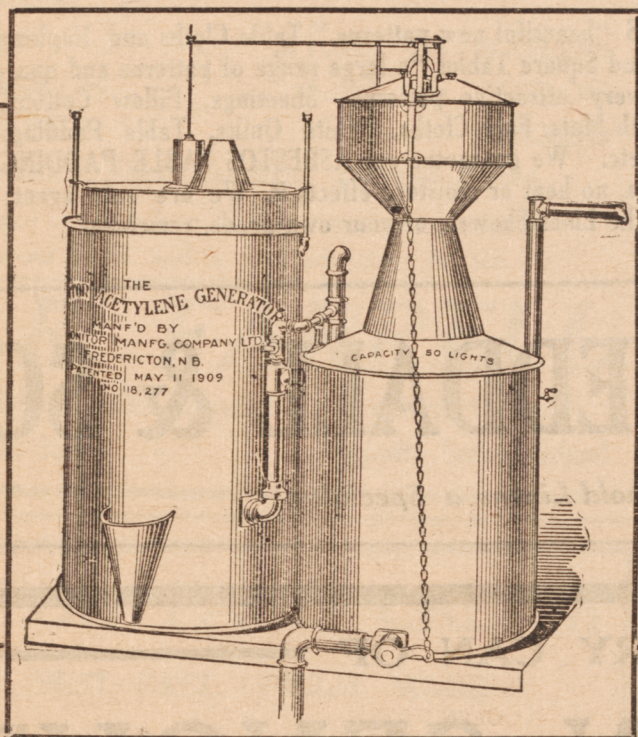
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A WORD TO THE WISE OUGHT TO BE SUFFICIENT

TORONTO HAD A SERIES OF FIRES

Toronto, June 14—There was a lively blaze last night at the Scholey Bros. Limited lumber planing mill, 191-195 Ontario street. The fire originated in the engine and boiler room and for a time the whole premises were threatened with destruction by the flames. A large amount of timber in the dry kilns made food for the flames, and it was only by the hard work of the fire-fighters that there was any of the property saved. The machinery is damaged by water. Members of the firm were unable last night to state the amount of the loss, although it is estimated at \$3,000 covered by insurance in the British America and Western companies.

Another fire which gave the firemen

some concern occurred at the premises of the Smith Wool Stock Company, 215 Front street east, just before 11 o'clock. The blaze was discovered in the rear of the works and the firemen succeeded in confining the blaze to that part of the building. Some of the firemen were nearly overcome by inhaling smoke. The loss placed at \$1,000 chiefly by water, is covered by insurance in the Queen City Company.

A still alarm at 9.46 p.m., summoned the firemen to the E. W. Hyde contracting shed at the extreme east end of Coatsworth's cut. The firemen from the Kew Beach section extinguished the blaze. Cement worth \$1,000, and tools, valued at \$300, were destroyed.

The Morrison Brass Works on Adelaide street west opposite Sheppard street was also visited by fire a little after 9 o'clock. The blaze was in the pattern shop and did damage to the extent of \$200.

Though it is extravagant, the substitution of cream for milk in making pumpkin pie will result in a most delectable dessert.

INTERESTING BUDGET OF NEWS FROM GREAT BRITAIN

The Boy Scout movement is making very satisfactory progress in England. Its adaptability to village life and small communities generally is being recognized and very soon it looks as though every place of two or three thousand people, or even less, would have its Scouts. The fact that makes it possible for politicians and religious folk of all sorts to patronize the movement is its distinctly peace character. The 'B.P.' Scouts at any rate, are trained, not to military exercises, but to render useful service to their fellows in any way they may be needed. I know an instance in Derbyshire where the Scouts 'orders' for one week included the collection of the money boxes from the houses of those who in this way paid their subscriptions to the village nursing club—the boys thus helping the ladies who manage the club. Yesterday's paper related how the Scouts at Brackley, a Northamptonshire village, promptly intervened, when some suffragettes were being hustled by a noisy mob in the street and linking arms, protected the ladies from further annoyance. General Baden-Powell's retirement from active service in order to devote himself entirely to the movement which he has so successfully inaugurated, will no doubt, further aid its spread.

At last a practical effort is being made within the House of Commons to give effect to the widespread feeling that women must be conceded direct political power. A parliamentary committee of which the Earl of Lytton is chairman, composed of men of all parties—Liberal, Conservative, Nationalist and Labor—has devised a bill on non-party lines, which will be introduced shortly after Parliament re-assembles, and if the Government should grant facilities for its consideration, has very good prospect of becoming law. That the Government will do this, however, is most uncertain. It is said that one member at least of the Cabinet would resign rather than agree to do so, and in view of the Prime Minister's personal opposition to women's suffrage one must allow the attitude of the Cabinet is not to be relied upon by those forwarding the measure. The measure itself is not what the women through the suffrage societies are demanding—that is the vote on the same terms as it is given to men. It is avowedly a compromise. On the one hand it practically

disqualifies a woman on marriage by not allowing a husband and wife to both obtain a vote on the same property. This is to meet the objection of many Liberals that to extend the same qualification to women as men would be practically, to enfranchise rich married women and disenfranchise poor ones. On the other hand Conservatives are satisfied because it represents a cautious and moderate advance in a direction in which some advance is inevitable and may, in Unionist opinion, prevent further agitation which would have adult suffrage as its end. The non-militant women through their organ, 'The Common Cause,' while acknowledging the bill does not concede what they contend for—the political equality of men and women, see in its favor first and chiefly, its prospect of immediate success. They have always held the matter was not a party one and supported on all sides of the House, it would certainly pass the Commons, and there is little doubt, the Lords too, if the Government did not block its way. In the second place, the women see the use and good of the measure as an admission of the right of the woman occupier to vote as a man occupier. If that, the most ordinary franchise, is granted to women, on what ground of logic can their right to other franchises exercised by men, be permanently withheld? The ownership franchise, the lodger franchise, the graduate franchise must either be abolished for men—as many Liberals hope may be—or be extended to women. No impediment to the measure is therefore to come from women. And yet—if there were betting on the bill's fate the odds would probably be against its success.

There is peculiar satisfaction in noting that sufficient money has been raised to provide what is required for the survivors of the victims of the colliery disaster at Whitehaven. It will be remembered, that synchronising as the disaster did, with the time of the King's death, much of the national and patriotic feeling found expression in contributing to the fund of the mayor of Whitehaven. At the memorial services on the day of the King's funeral it was an appropriate thought that many cases prompted a collection for this object. The result is that more than £36,000 has been received and the mayor has announced he has what is needed.

REV. DR. SPRAGUE IS NEW PRESIDENT

Chosen on the Second Ballot by the Methodist Conference at Sackville—
Rev. M. R. Knight Re-elected Secretary.

Sackville, N. B., June 15.—The first session of the combined conference of clerical and lay opened this morning with prayer meeting, conducted by President McCully and participated in by the Rev. Dr. Chapman, Rev. Dr. Rogers, Rev. Dr. Wilson, of the clergy and Messrs. T. W. Smith, Charles Bryenton and W. C. Turner, laymen. After the conclusion of this meeting the calling of the roll took place and for some reason took an unusually long time.

Then began the balloting for president and two ballots were cast before a selection was made. The first ballot stood, Rev. Dr. Sprague, 40; Rev. M. R. Knight, secretary of the Conference, 16; Rev. N. McLaughlin, 23; Rev. H. E. Thomas, 6; Rev. Dr. Planders, 3; Rev. G. F. Dawson, 2, and eight others one each. On the second vote Rev. Dr. Sprague got 59 out of 103, against 25 for Rev. Mr. McLaughlin with a number of scattering votes, and was declared elected; Rev. Dr. Sprague was then cordially welcomed to the chair by the retiring president, Rev. A. McCully, and addressed the Conference in a few eloquent and graceful words. He reminded them that he had been in the ministry for 47 years and was the oldest president they had ever elected. He urged his brethren, therefore, to remember his years, not to harass him with too many motions, especially unnecessary, and not to find fault with him if he could not do everything they might wish. He wound up with a word of exhortation capable of being summed up in two words,—"Be good."

Ballots were then cast for secretary and Rev. M. R. Knight, who has held the position for four years, was re-elected by a vote of 98 to 53. Mr. Knight was rather reluctant to accept in consequence of ill health, particularly as he reported that he had received instructions from home not to take office again.

The following ministers were received from other churches: Rev. Gilbert Barle and Rev. E. H. Creed, from the Barbados and Trinidad district of the Wesleyan Conference; received from Manitoba Conference; Rev. Arthur Whiteside, formerly of St. John, who now re-enters the ministry after several years spent in other pursuits; Obed H. Peters, Chatham District; Francis H. Littlejohns, Sackville District; Wilfred F. Taylor, Charlotte-town District; Alex. Tennison McDonald, Fredericton District.

The Rev. D. S. Chown and the Rev. E. Stiles were appointed assistant secretaries, and the Rev. H. S. Young, statistical secretary.

The following additional changes have been made in the station sheet: Zion church, St. John, Rev. G. Earle; Newton, Rev. G. W. Tilley; Jerusalem, W. Lawson; Hartland, J. Littlejohns; Centreville, H. Pierce; Florenceville, E. C. Turner; Tabusintac, C. F. Stebbins; Richibucto, Thos. Pierce; Bouchette, B. O. Hartman; Harcourt, E. H. Creed; Campbellton; G. Steel; Gaspe, W. B. Thomas; Shediac, J. B. Young; Hillsboro, A. D. McCully; St. Davis, R. Opie; Montague, P. E. I., G. Morris; Mount Stewart, P. E. I., E. T. Weeks; Summerside, J. Stothard; Bedouque, H. Johnson; Margate, W. E. Johnson; Grandville, J. B. Gough Bideford, L. J. Leard.

The station sheet is now lying on the table for further consideration, and is still subject to revision.

Braided or embroidered bands which may be made in advance by those who do this dainty work, will come into play for this coat of very straight lines. A two-inch band can readily be fitted round the square neck (for the garment is worn with a guimpe) and a three or four inch band may be used for girdle and to outline the tunic down its side opening and along its lower edge as well.

Variety in Vegetables

There are few women called on to cater for a family that are not occasionally distracted to find some novelty. It never seems to occur to the housewife that there are more vegetables than she can count on her fingers. There are potatoes, of course and at this season of the year peas, asparagus, beets, beans and spinach. This may seem variety enough for most households, but running along the average of two green vegetables a day this list is soon exhausted.

"Yet there are a large number of very delicious vegetables that never appear on your tables, or if they do, only at rare intervals," said a French chef in an interview in The New York Sun.

BOILED AND FRIED ARTICHOKE

"Take for instance the case of artichokes. They may be cooked in this way—a recipe I usually use:

"Soak the artichokes and wash them in several waters to expel any insects. Cut the stalks even and trim away the lower leaves and the ends from the upper one. Boil them in plenty of salted water with the tops downwards and let them remain until the leaves can be easily drawn out. Send a little Dutch sauce to the table with them. Boiled artichokes from a separate dish. Time should be, if they are young, about half an hour, but longer if the artichokes are old. This way is good for those not very fond of the taste of the plain artichoke.

"Wash, trim the artichoke as directed in the recipes for boiling. Remove the choke and outer leaves, leaving only the most tender. Cut them into about a dozen pieces, then dip them in batter, fry in hot olive oil or drippings until they are lightly browned, drain and serve with dried parsley. Time to fry, five or six minutes.

"There must of course, be the greater care taken to see that the choke is removed if the artichokes are fried, else there can be little pleasure for anybody who tries to eat them."

There are other neglected vegetables that arouse the sympathy of this chef, who likes to see the vegetables of his own land appreciated as much here.

YOUNG CARROTS

"Take small new carrots of a size equal as possible, set them in a pan containing salt water enough to cover them and let them boil for about five minutes, remove and drain them and set them in a saucepan and sprinkle them with about five to eight tablespoonfuls of uncolored bouillon, about one ounce of butter, a good pinch of salt, a tiny pinch of sugar. Set the saucepan on the stove and let them cook until the bouillon has reduced about one-half remove the carrots to a vegetable dish and add to the sauce about one teaspoonful of cornstarch and about one ounce of butter, which is added little by little while the sauce is being stirred, and when well mixed pour over the carrots and serve.

PUREE OF PEAS

"There is no cheaper vegetable than dried beans," the chef said, "and I can make out of them dishes that I would not hesitate to put before any one. You know how many dried split peas, for instance, can be bought for ten cents. From these I can make this delicious puree:

"Soak a pint and a half of split peas over night, pour off the water and put over the fire in cold water to which has been added a pinch of baking soda. Boil until soft and rub through a colander to a thick puree. Stir this up well with a teaspoonful of celery salt, a tablespoonful of melted butter, and a tablespoonful of hot milk. At the very last add the whites of two eggs beaten to a stiff froth. Pour into a pudding dish and bake in a brisk oven for fifteen minutes until a rich and golden brown.

It would be hard to beat that as a cheap and novel vegetable, although the white bean puree is almost as good. I make it after this recipe.

After soaking in cold water for an hour or two thoroughly boil a pint of dried white beans until perfectly soft; rub through a colander into a thick puree. Add parsley, thyme or celery salt, pepper and salt to taste and fill into a pudding dish. Moisten the top with a very little milk or cream and cover with a thick layer of cracker crumbs well sprinkled with tiny dabs of butter. Set in a moderate oven and bake to a rich golden yellow.

"It's not very different from the other, but it does provide the table with one more dish."

HUGHES WILL COVER SECOND FOR WOODSTOCK

Frank Hughes of St. Mary's will cover the second sack for the Woodstock team in the Maine-New Brunswick League. The Woodstock team was after Dick Malloy for the job, but Dick could not see his way clear to go. Eddie Ramsay of St. John was also approached, but preferred to stay in the Winterport. "Tanker" Hughes left for Woodstock yesterday. There should be some pretty good baseball played in the new league.

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