

LOCAL NEWS

TO ADVERTISERS

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MILLINERY OPENING

Miss Morgan will hold her spring opening of imported millinery on Thursday, March 30th at 3 p. m.—d.

KING'S DAUGHTERS' CONCERT

Some may have been overlooked when invitations were sent out for the King's Daughters' Concert. Consider yourselves invited and come to Brunswick Street Baptist Church to-night. It will be worth your while.

ANOTHER FROST.

Messrs. Dickson and Allain, M.P. P.'s, addressed an enthusiastic audience of three people at Hanwell last evening. This was their second attempt to hold a meeting at that place.

TONIGHT'S MEETING

The joint political meeting at the Opera House this evening is sure to draw a big crowd. The speakers will be Mr. F. B. Carvell, M.P. and Hon. J. K. Flemming. The chair will be taken at eight o'clock.

WILL ATTEND IN BODY

The Liberal students at the U.N.B. will attend the joint meeting at the Opera House tonight in a body. They are requested to assemble at the Liberal Committee rooms, York street at 7.15.

CASES ALL POSTPONED

A large number of civil cases were to have been heard by Police Magistrate Marsh this morning. All were postponed until next Wednesday however, the interested parties being too much engaged in politics.

A BIG ATTRACTION.

The program at the Bijou is something that no one should miss. You will have time to see the splendid pictures there before you go over to hear the debate at the Opera House. These pictures will make you "sit and take notice"—they can't be beat.

OPERA HOUSE TOMORROW NIGHT

Be sure and see the motion pictures at the Opera House tomorrow evening by the Crystal Palace Co. All the latest. Every feature new and startling. Be sure and see something good at Opera House tomorrow night City orchestra. 5 & 10 cents.

THE EXPLANATION

Mr. Lewis Bliss' activity on behalf of the Hazen government is accounted for by the fact that last year he drew \$200 from the provincial treasury for his services as engraving clerk, while his brother, Mr. F. St. John Bliss, was paid \$1,000 for services in several capacities. The Blisses and the Blairs want the Hazen government retained in power.

INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE.

The U.N.B. debating team left for Wolfville this morning. The team is composed of J. B. McNair, J. T. Hebert and R. B. Clark. Manager H. C. Belyea will meet the members of the team at St. John. The team will debate against Acadia tomorrow night. The Acadia team is composed of A. D. Foster, T. S. Roy and J. L. Hilsley.

RESERVES CALLED OUT

The Hazenites in their desperation over the prospects of a defeat in York have been obliged to call out the reserves. Mr. N. J. Smith, doorkeeper of the House of Assembly, has been on at the stump at Woodlands, and it is now said that Mr. W. H. Jenah, caretaker of the highway bridge, and Mr. Joshua Chappell, messenger of the House, are booked to address a meeting at Cork this evening.

THE TORY WAY.

The Liberal party in York should be on its guard against corruption on polling day, says the Moncton Transcript. Why? Because the Tory journals are all shouting that the Liberals have an immense corruption fund. When the Tories commence to warn the electors against corrupt methods in the election, the Liberals had better look out for the Tory corruptionist agents.

THELMA AT UNIQUE

The famous story of Thelma by Marie Corelli, is the headliner in the picture program at the Unique today. The story is too well known to require comment and the picture is accordingly one of intense interest. "Two Valentines," an Edison comedy and an exciting Western story, "A Sin Unardonable" will also be shown. Last chance to see Vonder & Bellmare. On Thursday the great spectacular novelty, Mlle Lucille Savor.

VOTE FOR BURDEN AND THE VALLEY RAILWAY.

GOVERNMENT MEN
CONCEDE MAJORITY
TO BURDEN IN CITY

Hazen Party Will Lose Heavily in No. 1 Division—Betting Made on Majority.

The bye-election campaign which will close tomorrow with polling, has been one of the liveliest ever waged in the County of York, and on all sides there are predictions that there will be some surprises tomorrow. It is expected that in Fredericton a large vote will be brought out, although generally a small vote is polled in a bye-election.

Polling will be at the City Hall for that part of the city west of Carleton street, and at the Court House for the remainder of the city.

There will be four boxes at the City Hall and three at the Court House. Returns from the city should be in early. The polls will open at 8 a. m. and will close at 4 p. m.

BURDEN WILL CARRY CITY

The government workers now acknowledge that Mr. George F. Burden, the opposition candidate, will have a majority in Fredericton. A prominent government party man who has played an important part in civic politics, and who in the past has been in the front rank of the government party organization, admitted this morning that the efforts of his party would be directed merely toward keeping Burden's majority as small as possible in the city.

WILL LOSE IN NO. 1.

"We expect to lose considerably in No. 1 Division, where a large number of the voters have gone over to the opposition," he said in explanation.

It is universally conceded that the 1300 majority secured by the government in the last general election will be reduced to a marked extent and bets have been made that indicate the government supporters are frightened. Yesterday a bet of one hundred dollars was made by prominent men of the two parties on the question of majority and it is agreed that the chances are the opposition man will win.

FREDERICTON BRASS
BAND'S ANNUAL
CONCERT SUCCESS

The annual concert of the Fredericton Brass Band was held at the Opera House last night and was largely attended. The band, which has upwards of thirty members, under the leadership of Bandmaster George Offen, acquitted itself in the manner for which it is noted.

In addition to band selections there were vocal solos and other selections. The U. N. B. March, composed by Bandmaster Offen, was well received. The programme was as follows:

PART ONE

- 1.—March—U. N. B.—Offen—Band.
- 2.—Overture—Zampa—Herold
- 3.—Vocal Solo—Selection—Mrs. F. Good.
- 4.—Cornet Solo—The Lost Chord—Sullivan—Mr. Bert Lint
- 5.—Fantasia—A Summer Evening in the Alps—Kling. Synopsis.—The Call of the Shepherds; the Shepherd's Song; Dance of the Shepherds; Lovers' Serenade; The Storm; Song of Joy.—Band.
- 6.—Quartette—Hymn Night.—From Beethoven—Messrs. McClain, Staples, Claydon and Bailey.
- 7.—Intro. to 3rd Act and Bridal Chorus.—Lohengrin—Wagner—Band

PART TWO

- 8.—Descriptive Fantasia—On the Tiles—Taylor. Synopsis.—Night Falls Clock strikes twelve; Approach of the enemy; Me'ow, Me'ow; Arrival of the Boy Scouts; On the alert; At close quarters; The chase over the Tiles; Pistol shot; A cat-as-trophy; Enemy routed; Peace at last.—Band.
- 9.—Intermezzo—Cavallieria Rusticana—Mascagni—Band.
- 10.—Vocal Solo—Selected—Mr. Adams.
- 11.—National Fantasia—Albion—Baltens.—Band.
- 12.—Song—If Your Eyes Could Only Tell Me.—Band.
- 13.—Vocal Solo—Selected—Miss McKee.
- 14.—Medley—Popular Hits of the Day—Remick—Intro. Be Jolly, Molly; I Didn't Mean to Make you Cry; I'm a Bringing up the Family; Senora; I'm Awfully Glad I'm Irish; Way Down Cotton Town; The Land of Tomorrow; That Italian Rag; Blaze of Glory.—Band.
- God Save the King.

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Mr. S. A. Billings of Debec is in the city.

DELEGATION OF ONE HUNDRED
AND FIFTY ST. JOHN MEN HERE

Majority Favorable to Bill for Plebiscite on Commission Question—Came to Fredericton in Special Train—Before Municipalities Committee.

That the city of St. John is worked up over the question of civic government by commission was emphatically evidenced this morning when a delegation of about fifty representative citizens of the winter port came to Fredericton to promote the Bill for the taking of a plebiscite on the question. All other legislative matters were held up today and all attention concentrated upon the St. John Bill.

The Municipalities Committee met in the legislative chamber with Mr. Munro in the chair.

Mr. John E. Wilson moved consideration of the Bill, which was explained by Recorder Baxter. He said that while the majority of the Common Council were not in favor of the commission form of government, yet they felt that the electorate should have the opportunity of expressing their opinion by ballot and if the vote were favorable the council would submit to the legislature therewith.

He said that a change of government in St. John city by a mayor and four salaried commissioners, was a radical departure. He cited some of the problems to be met in the proposed change, such as the handling and incurring of the bonded debt of the city; the many details of administration; the questions of patronage. The purpose of the amendment to the Bill was to have a Royal Commission appointed by the government, consisting of citizens of St. John to prepare an Act for government by commission to be sent to the legislature at next session.

W. H. BARNABY

Mr. W. H. Barnaby, chairman of the Citizens' Committee, was then heard. He was in favor of the original Bill and moved to the proposed amendments. It was the citizens of St. John who wanted government by commission and the citizens should have the preparing of the Bill. The Citizens' Committee already had a Charter Committee busily engaged in receiving facts and information upon which to frame a Bill. The proposed for a Royal Commission had been sprung upon the people, and was carried through the common council by a bare majority. The Citizens' Committee felt no antagonism in this matter towards the common council; they wanted only to work in harmony with it, but they did not want to delegate the preparation of

a Commission Charter to a Royal Commission to be appointed but to retain that right for the citizens themselves.

M. E. AGAR

Mr. Miles E. Agar followed along the same lines as the previous speaker. He took the ground that the Legislature should not say, ought not to be asked to say, whether St. John's system of civic government was a good or a bad one; that was a matter solely for the citizens themselves. He submitted that the preparation of a Bill should not be left to possible opponents of the scheme, but to its advocates and friends. He presented a protest against the amendment signed by about 1,500 citizens.

T. H. ESTABROOKS

Mr. T. H. Estabrooks said that the matter had already been fully discussed and he would refer only to the Royal Commission proposal. He contended that the framing of the Commission Charter should be left with its friends. The Common Council was divided almost evenly, eight for the Royal Commission and seven against it. On the other hand the citizens were almost unanimous against the Royal Commission idea, and so far as he could learn only the eight aldermen before mentioned favored it and he appealed to the Committee to leave the matter in the hands of the citizens.

In reply to a question by Premier Hazen, Mr. Estabrooks stated that he favored the passage of clause 3 of the Bill, which provides that the Act for government by commission shall be prepared by the Common Council and sent to the legislature.

W. W. ALLINGHAM

At the request of Mr. John E. Wilson, M. P. P., Mr. W. W. Allingham spoke on behalf of the Trades and Labor Council and in protest against the Royal Commission idea, which takes away from the citizens the right to govern themselves. Adjournment was made at 1 o'clock until this afternoon.

FOOD SALE

Food Sale. Friday at two o'clock. Coulthard Building, Carleton street. By Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's.

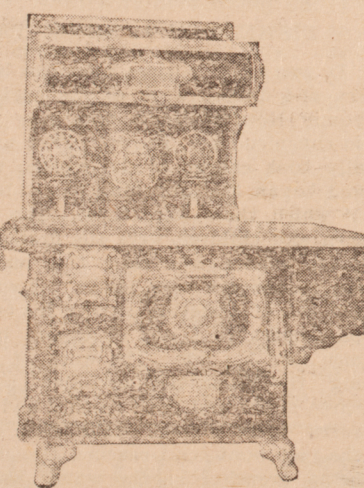
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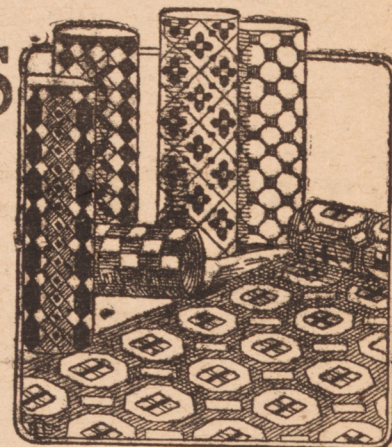
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