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TAFT'S GREAT VICTORY.

Next occupant of the White House will have 309 Votes in Electoral College.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—Practically complete returns received up to a late hour last night indicate that William H. Taft as president-elect will have a vote of 309 in the electoral college. This is within sixteen votes of the forecast by National Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock, and 67 more than a majority out of the total electoral vote of 482. Mr. Bryan has a total of 174 votes, two less than he received in 1896. In 1904 Mr. Parker received only 140 votes. Mr. Bryan received 155 votes, and in 1896 the Nebraskan received 176 votes. Mr. Taft's 309 electoral votes compare with 336 received by Roosevelt in 1904, 292 received by McKinley in 1900 and 271 received by McKinley in 1896. The Republicans will have about the same majority in the sixty-first congress as at present, and Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois undoubtedly will succeed himself as speaker. The senate retains its present complexion, although there will be a material change in the personnel of the upper body of the national legislature. National Chairman Norman E. Mack of the Democratic party, issued a statement last night in which he declared that he did not believe Mr. Bryan would again be a candidate for the United States senate in 1911 provided the legislature of his state is Democratic in that year, when the first vacancy occurs. The latest returns indicate that in the national house of representatives the Republicans will have 208 members and the Democrats 172, with eleven districts missing.

GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

Branch between Fort William and main line nearing completion.

FORT WILLIAM, Ont., Nov. 5.—The Grand Trunk Pacific line between here and the main line is nearly completed and will be finished for traffic before two weeks.

There are but six miles of steel yet to lay, and a couple of small trestles to build, which will not require more than three or four days at the outside. The first train is expected in here within a fortnight.

AN EDITOR'S TROUBLES.

Mr. Defoe of the Winnipeg Free Press committed for trial on Libel Charge.

WINNIPEG, Nov. 5.—(Special) — J. W. Daloe, editor of the Free Press, was committed for trial yesterday, charged with criminal libel, as a result of an attack upon F. C. McLaughlin, who is alleged to have been the ringleader in the rowdiness at the Sifton meeting here.

TOWN FIRE-SWEEP.

Business Section of Pembroke, Ont., in Ruins.

PEMBROKE, Ont., Nov. 5.—Fire which started at 4 o'clock yesterday morning in the factory of the National Manufacturing Company, completely destroyed the central part of the town. A terrific gale of north wind handicapped the firemen throughout.

Following are the buildings completely destroyed: National Manufacturing Company, Leeland Hotel, Wright's tannery, Brash's Hotel, Fraser's boot and shoe store, Briscoe's restaurant, Kemp's grocery, Wallace & Co's drug store, Winter, dentist, Harding, Photographer, Mitchell, stationery, Miller's general store, Shepherd, butcher, Pembroke Milling Co., Pembroke woollen mills, Pembroke Clothing Co., Standard office, MacKie dentist, Bolt, jewelry, Dominion express office, Royal Bank, Quebec Bank, Bell telephone office, Taylor paint, Public Library, Delahay and Reeves law, Beal's stone works, Beamish furniture, Kenning veterinary.

The stone bridge on the Muskrat river was badly broken and burnt. The Copeland House and the Bank of Ottawa had a wonderful escape, being directly in the path of the flames. Town Hall also escaped though in danger.

The Renfrew and Arnprior brigades arrived at ten. Order throughout was well preserved, and the fire brigade worked hard. Telephone and telegraph service from the town offices were disabled and business is completely suspended for the time being.

Residences—Thomas Delehay and Harry Irwin, partially destroyed and damaged by fire and water; Market block, Jno. P. Miller, wholesale provisions; Harwood, jewellery; Edwards and Harrison, photography and paint shops.

The total loss is estimated at \$500,000, with insurance of about \$240,000. Owing to the destruction of the telephone office it is impossible to get details of losses and insurance.

BEATING THE RECORD.

MONTREAL, Nov. 5.—(Special) — The Empress of Ireland is one hour and twenty-five minutes ahead of the best time yet made to Rimouski.

She is expected to make Quebec at 2.30 today, over an hour better than the record from Liverpool to Quebec.

GRAND OPERA IN ENGLISH.

The only company presenting Grand Opera in English on this side of the water is the Boston Opera Singers' Company, who have been secured by the management of the Opera house for an engagement of one night, Monday, Nov. 9th. The opera to be presented will be Verdi's "Il Trovatore." A better selection could hardly be made as the melodious beauties of this opera appeal strongly to the cultured and the average music lover alike. Verdi's prodigality of melody in "Il Trovatore" is marvellous. Gracious measures crowd one another, and call attention to themselves for an instant only to fade gracefully away. In any one of the scenes there is enough pure melody to start a modern composer in business and keep him at work for years. In many scenes there is fine dramatic value in the music, but in most of them the melodies ring for their own sweet sakes, rather than the development of the story. While melody is loved for its own sake, and while singers can produce it in its grace and beauty, this masterpiece will never lack attention and must stand in a proud place in its melodic eminence. No one should miss this chance of hearing these people. It is unlikely if such a company will ever visit here again.

SUPREME COURT.

Five Moncton Scott Act cases were argued before the Supreme Court yesterday, W. B. Chandler, K. C., showing cause and J. H. Barry, K. C., supporting the rule. Judgment was reserved in each case.

The case of Thornton vs the Traders' Fire Insurance Company was settled and withdrawn from the record. Mr. Carvell, K. C. obtained a verdict in the court below and this stands.

The case of Sayre & Co., Ltd., vs the Rhodes Currey & Co., Ltd., is now being argued. Mr. Powell, K. C. is moving to set aside the verdict for plaintiff and enter a verdict for defendant; Dr. Currey, K. C., contra.

A WESTERN VISITOR.

Mr. H. D. Cutler, a Kent County boy, who was for a time a student at law in the office of J. D. Phinney, K. C. in this city, but who is now now located at Brandon, arrived here yesterday and was today admitted a barrister before the Supreme Court. Mr. Cutler says that the recent political campaign in Manitoba, and especially in Brandon, was something fierce. The Tories, he says, conducted a most disgraceful campaign of slander against Hon. Clifford Sifton, but he won out in spite of them. The campaign in the whole province was waged with great bitterness, and it will be some time before peace is restored. Mr. Cutler will visit Kent County before returning to the west.

GOING ON A TRIP.

Mr. John J. Bodkin and his sister Miss Bodkin of Fern Hill, are to leave this evening for Ireland. They will be absent until March and Mr. Bodkin in the meantime will go to Khartoum to visit his son-in-law Mr. Richard More, and enjoy some big game hunting.

McKAY IS DEAD.

Italian who did the Stabbing at Minto has to face Murder charge.

CHIPMAN, Nov. 5.—(Special) — An inquest into the death of the John McKay, who was badly stabbed at Minto by an Italian named Endine, passed away at midnight at that place. Pettley, the other victim of the fray is improving. R. B. Wilmot of Belmont, will handle the prosecution.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. J. G. Sherran, barrister of Moncton is here on professional business.

Mr. C. C. Grace of Moncton is among the guests at the Queen today

Mr. J. W. Hoyt, collector of customs, is among the guests at the Queen.

Mr. A. E. G. McKenzie of Campbellton is among the guests at the Queen.

Mr. Hazen McGee, of St. George, traveller for the Hartt Boot & Shoe Company, is among the guests at Windsor Hall.

Lieut. B. B. Willis has arrived here from Toronto to join the staff of the R. C. R. in succession to Lieut. Chrysler, transferred.

WILL HUNT MOOSE.

Mr. Ralph Pulitzer, son of Hon. Joseph Pulitzer, publisher of the New York World, will arrive here on Monday to spend three weeks hunting big game on the headwaters of the Little Southwest Miramichi. He has engaged Mr. Charles B. Love of this city as guide.

POLICE COURT.

One drunk run in by the police last evening, forfeited a deposit of five dollars at the police court this morning.

Telephones and Fires.

The earliest application of the telephone in connection with a switchboard was made at Bridgeport, Conn. in June, 1878, where in the eagerness of various fire companies to arrive first at fires, the men of company No. 5, which was next to the telephone office, told the telephone operator to request his twenty-one patrons to give the information over the telephone of any fire and to report the fact at the engine house. This engine was not only the first at several fires, but in some mysterious manner was frequently on its way before the alarm struck.

This reached a climax on the occasion of a small fire in a dwelling, which the fire company attended with muffled bell, in response to a telephone message, and no fire alarm was pulled. On their return, the engine was driven by the house of a rival company with bell ringing, and when the men rushed out with inquiries they were told that the fire had been extinguished.

After this occurrence, the chief of the fire department gave orders that companies should not respond to a fire alarm received over a telephone, but the insurance agents of the city appealed to the city council, who ordered that all fire engine houses should be equipped with telephones.—Brooklyn Eagle.

The Feast of Yule.

It was Pope Telephorus, who died before the year 150 A. D., who instituted Christmas as a festival, though for some time it was irregularly held in December, April and May. But for centuries before there had been a feast of Yule among the northern nations, whose great enjoyment was in drinking the wassail bowl or cup. Nothing gave them so much delight as indulgence in "carousing ale," especially at the season of short days, when fighting was ended. It was likewise the custom at all their feasts "for the master of the house to fill a large bowl or pitcher, to drink out of it first himself and then give to him that sat next, and so it went around." This may have been the origin of that popular American custom known as "treating."

Kites in Tuscany.

Tuscan boys, like most others, delight in flying kites, but custom does not permit them to do so except during Lent. If they dew in the face of this custom their kites would be torn up by the other boys.

Hackney Coaches.

Hackney coaches derived their name from the French coche-a-haquence, a vehicle with a hired horse.

RUNNING VERY CLOSE.

Newfoundland Government and Opposition about tie in Election Returns so far.

HALIFAX, NOV. 4.—Whether or not the Bond government has been sustained in Newfoundland is not yet known. From present indications the election has been a very close one, but not until tomorrow night at the earliest will the result be known.

Owing to the cumbersome methods of counting returns it will likely be Friday or Saturday before the complete result of Monday's voting is arrived at.

A better showing was made by the government today. On Tuesday night the opposition were in possession of eight seats, while the government had but three. Returns today gave the opposition three more, while the government got five, and if the polls of Trinity and Placentia go as partial returns indicate the government will finish the day with thirteen seats to the opposition's twelve.

Thirteen more seats remain to be decided. The government wins today were St. John East, where Went, Shea and Dyer are returned by majorities of five hundred to nine hundred; and Burin, where Davey and Gear go in by 180 and 38. St. John's west has possibly elected Sir Edward Morris, leader of the opposition, and his colleagues, Bennett and Kennedy, as they had a big lead at the last bulletin. In Placentia, Jackman, Sullivan and Davis, government candidates, have a lead on every bulletin, while in Trinity, Gushue and Mills, government, and Watson, opposition, are leading.

WON HIGH HONORS.

Canadian Student distinguishes himself at Oxford.

MONTREAL, Nov. 5.—There was considerable satisfaction among the authorities of McGill to-day, on the receipt of Dr. Peterson, of a cable from England announcing that John G. Archibald, B. A., one of the Rhodes scholars from McGill University, had been elected to the fellowship of All Souls College, Oxford. This makes the second of Rhodes scholars from McGill who has been elected to fellowship of All Souls is quite the J. Rose, B. A., who is a fellow of Exeter College.

Principal Peterson says that the fellowship of All Souls is quite the blue ribbon of the Oxford fellowship. Mr. Archibald is a son of Judge Archibald and was awarded his Rhodes Scholarship in 1904, the year in which Mr. Rose, a son of the Rev. Dr. S. P. Rose, received his.

One of the greatest jokes of the season is the suggestion that Donald Morrison may run for the legislature in Northumberland. It is said that the Hon. John Morrissey nearly had lockjaw from excessive laughter when he heard that Donald was trying to resurrect himself politically.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley has good grounds for an action against the local graft organ. It has scarcely mentioned his name since the disaster to Toryism on Oct. 26.

The first child born at Prince Rupert rejoices in the name of Bugge.

Dorothea's father was sitting before a window in his country house with Dorothea on his knee. He was looking across the fields with unerring eyes, when the lassie broke in on his reverie with, "What are you looking at, papa?"

"I was looking into the future, my dear."

"The future, papa! I thought it was into the pasture!"