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A SUGGESTION.

Fredericton will have an opportunity in a few days of seeing some real live Boers, men who fought bravely at Paardeberg and at other theatres of the war. The Boer farmers who are travelling over Canada to gain knowledge of their business for use among their fellow colonists, are coming this way under the escort of our agricultural authorities, and it would be a diplomatic and friendly move to give the visitors some kind of a public reception. We want to make these brave people feel that they are now part and parcel of us as loyal citizens of the British Empire. They fought us in what they believed was a worthy cause—the independence of their country—but were overpowered, and are now accepting in a proper spirit the reverse which they sustained.

The city council meets this evening, and perhaps Mayor Crocket and the aldermen may think it worth while to plan some sort of welcome for the Boer delegates who are well educated gentlemen and ladies, and who apparently warmly appreciate any attentions given them. The council should at least provide that the visitors shall be given ample opportunity for seeing this city, Marysville and their environments, and perhaps an informal reception at the city hall at which there could be an exchange of sentiments between the civic authorities and the delegates, would be an attractive and pleasant feature for the entertainment of the visitors.

CHANGE OF TACTICS.

Since the last federal election in which Quebec went almost solidly for the Laurier government, Conservative newspapers and stump orators have had nothing but abuse for that province and its people. The French Canadians have been condemned in unsparring terms, sharing with Mr. Tarte the coarse abuse of Sir Wilfrid's opponents.

But there is already a turning of the tide. Mr. Tarte has been making protection speeches, the Tories have carried a couple of local bye-elections in Quebec, and already Conservatives are commencing to compliment the French Canadians. One Tory newspaper in its exuberance, invites everybody to keep an eye on Quebec, and Mr. Borden has made the claim in one of his western speeches that that province is really Conservative.

Well, we are glad that the people of Quebec are not such a bad sort after all, although they have turned down Tory aspirations so effectively. The French Canadians who have been so traduced by the Tories, may yet live to see all the hard things said of them swallowed by the Tory press. If Quebec would but show an indication of returning to the Tory fold, what beautiful doses of compliments, what appreciative bouquets would be showered on them by the Tory newspapers and politicians.

Those who urged that Britain waged an unholy war in South Africa will feel like revising their opinion when they read that General Dawet at Brussels said: "In the presence of this immense enthusiasm, we ask ourselves why was there no intervention? God willed that we should lose our independence, but we will remain faithful to our new country if the conditions of peace are observed."

Mr. Hazen is sure of a large audience at Sackville tomorrow. He is to open the exhibition at that place. Premier Tweedie opened the show last time, and the management are now giving his opponent a chance.

It is to be hoped that the differences of opinion that have arisen among the members of the Fredericton Festival Chorus, as to the proper plan for continuing that organization, will not result in the death of that very admirable society. The musical tastes and abilities of Fredericton have been neglected in recent years and any effort to remedy that condition should receive enthusiastic support.

The Sun represents Restigouche as "in full revolt" against the local government because Mr. Culligan has consented to accompany Mr. Mott to defeat. The Sun is grasping at straws. It may rest assured that Mott and Culligan have about as much chance of being elected against LaBillois and McLatchy as Mr. Mott has of justifying his defection from the government ranks.

The Boer farmers have visited the Dominion experimental farm at Napan, N. S., and are represented as much pleased with what they saw there.

Tories and Grits alike now believe in the British trade preference. We want Welsh coal and want it bad.

COAL STRIKE POINTERS.

No Change in the Situation—Its far Reaching Effects.

The St. John city council, anticipating a coal famine in that city, have authorized the expenditure of \$50,000 to purchase Welsh anthracite coal for sale at a reasonable price to the people of the city.

President Roosevelt is still negotiating with a view to a settlement of the strike.

Governor Stone of Pennsylvania has called out the entire military force of the State to protect the non-union miners.

Mayor Howland of Toronto, has received a cable from Wales, offering to lay down a shipload of coal in Montreal at 48 shillings per ton large size, and 22 shillings small size.

The Toronto city council has voted \$50,000 for the purchase of fuel for sale at cost price to charitable institutions and to citizens in limited quantities.

The Toronto mayor has a letter from officers of the Dominion Coal Company, in which the officials stated it would be impossible for the company to supply coal to Toronto because their output was already contracted for and because of prohibitive transportation charges.

As a result of this refusal the Toronto council passed a resolution to petition the Dominion government to expropriate a portion of the lands granted by the Nova Scotia government to the Dominion Coal Company for the benefit of the public.

A London cable of Oct. 6 says: The increased American demand is appreciably enhancing the price of coal to the English consumer. House coal of all grades has advanced \$1 since October 1st. A prominent dealer on the coal exchange said to a representative of the Associated Press, "I should not be surprised if retail coal in London reached \$10 per ton during the next few weeks."

Reports from Cardiff say that 25 steamers have been secured for early sailing from South Wales ports for New York and Boston, and it is said that American purchases during the past week at Cardiff alone totalled 100,000 tons, of which 80,000 tons were for New York. The purchases at Swansea last week totalled 20,000 tons.

It is estimated that the Welsh sales of coal for America aggregate 200,000 tons since the rush began.

Anthracite coal is up to \$20 a ton at Winnipeg.

The Ottawa city council has unanimously authorized the finance committee to expend \$150,000 for fuel, and pledged themselves to share the full financial responsibility.

HALE AND MURCHIE.

Engaged in Litigation Over Timber Lands and Licenses.

Before Judge Barker at St. John yesterday afternoon, in the case of Frederic H. Hale vs. George A. Murchie et al., and the People's Bank of Halifax, the plaintiff applied for an injunction restraining the defendants from selling the timber lands and licenses of the firm of Hale & Murchie, which firm the bank claims is indebted to them for about \$67,000.

The bank had given notice of sale, and the motion before the court yesterday was to restrain such sale. An interim injunction was granted some time ago by Judge McLeod sitting in equity. The bank claims it has for some time advanced money to the firm of Hale & Murchie to enable them to carry on their lumbering operations, and that the amount claimed is the balance due them for these advances.

The case will be heard Oct. 17, and in

the meantime the interim injunction granted by Judge McLeod stands.

Attorney-General Pugsley and George W. Allen, K. C., appeared for the plaintiff, Frederick H. Hale; Dr. L. A. Curry, K. C., and Frank B. Carvell appeared for the People's Bank of Halifax; and W. C. H. Grimmer, K. C., appeared for the defendants, George A. Murchie et al.

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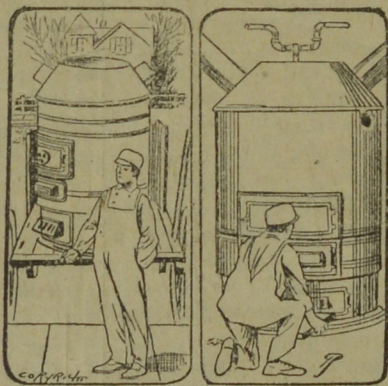
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