

# THE CHAMPION

MILTON, AUGUST 30, 1894.

Hon. J. F. Fraser Dead.

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 24.—Hon. Christopher Finlay Fraser, ex-Commissioner of Public Works for Ontario, was found dead in his room at the Parliament Buildings. Mr. Fraser had been in poor health for some time. He threw up his portfolio on that account, and was appointed to the offices of Inspector of Registry Offices and also of Forestry, by the Government a few months ago.

At 2 o'clock this morning, Mr. Fraser and Dr. Chamberlain, Inspector of Prisons, Asylums and Hospitals for Ontario, returned to the city after an absence of a month. He was wearing a coat, as it is called, attending to their duties; Mr. Fraser looking after the Registry offices and the doctor after his charges.

At the station Mr. Fraser complained of being tired and Dr. Chamberlain accompanied him as far as the Parliament Buildings. At six o'clock the night-watchman took the morning papers to Mr. Fraser's room, according to his custom. He found the door closed, but the gas was burning brightly. Not hearing any one moving inside he entered and found the ex-Minister lying dead in the lavatory adjoining his room. He had not stirred. His coat and vest were lying on the bed and it was evident that death had taken place not long after he had arrived home. A medical examination showed that death was due to the failure of the heart to perform its functions properly.

It is thought that Mr. Fraser had been seized with a fainting fit similar to the one he had taken in the Chamber during the last few weeks of his rule as Minister of Public Works, and had fallen over on his side. While in this position his heart failed him and death occurred in a few minutes.

The deceased gentleman was one of the best known men of Ontario. He became a member of Sir Oliver Mowat's Government in 1874, and remained a Minister for over twenty years, Sir Oliver accepting his resignation on account of ill-health on the eve of the election, when Mr. Fraser was appointed Inspector of Registry Offices and Clerk of Forestry, it being understood further that he would live in the Parliament Buildings when in the city.

The construction of the new Parliament buildings was perhaps the leading incident of Mr. Fraser's Ministerial career. During the last session of the Legislature he several times attempted to speak on the separate school question, and was compelled to take his seat after a few minutes' speech. His health had for years been delicate, consumption being the root of the trouble, and during the past two months became rapidly worse. Deceased was born in 1839. He leaves a widow and several children at Brockville, where for years he has resided, and which was his constituency during the latter part of his parliamentary career.

Christopher Finlay Fraser.

Toronto Mail, Aug. 25.

The sudden and indeed untimely death—for he was only fifty-five years old—of Hon. C. F. Fraser, the ex-Commissioner of Public Works, will be learned with regret by both friends and former political foes. Mr. Fraser had been ailing for some years, a throat affection coupled with weakness of the action of the heart having overtaken him. It was his desire, owing to ill-health, to abandon public life many months ago, but he was urged by Sir Oliver Mowat to remain in office, which he did until the recent dissolution. The announcement of his coming retirement was made by the Premier at the last session of the Assembly. No body was surprised when it came; but an unprecedented event took place at the time. The retiring Minister was made the subject of both friends and enemies. Some degree of curiosity was aroused by the intimation of Sir Oliver that there were points in respect of which Mr. Fraser differed from his colleagues, and upon which he was to be allowed a free hand. The dissent it was thought, would make itself apparent as the session progressed, but save for the question of the ballot in the separate school elections, in opposing which Mr. Fraser exceeded his strength and tragically fell to his seat, there was no visible want of harmony. After the election the ex-Commissioner assumed the position of Inspector of Registry Offices, in which department, free as it was from bustle and care pertaining to political life, it was hoped that he would enjoy many years of usefulness. The appointment was universally approved. There is a feeling abroad that public office should not be made a prize for politicians to earn by subservience and dependence; but Mr. Fraser never subservient or dependent. He was essentially a leader, and the circumstances of his withdrawal from a position which, after all, did not adequately remunerate the man of his talents for the time and labor he expended, rendered it desirable and just that the province, in losing his services in one department, should retain them in another. This is the time to discuss those features of Mr. Fraser's career to which, during his period of political activity, exception has been taken. Rather on the occasion of his departure should we consider the qualifications which enabled him to retain for twenty years the confidence of a majority of his fellow-citizens and the personal esteem of them all. Mr. Fraser rose to prominence by the sheer force of his own abilities. He was a remarkably acute politician. So generally was his political talent recognized that he was long regarded as the moving spirit of the Administration of the Premier. In addition to his instinct as a leader, he had remarkable powers as a public and parliamentary speaker. He was not magnetic or oratorical, but he was very clever in his observations and very thorough in his reasoning. He never spoke except to offer an argument; he never offered an argument that was not strong. In the administration of his office he was business-like and prompt. What was more, he was honest. The Parliament buildings are devoted to the later years of his official term, watching them as a father watches a child. Mr. Fraser has passed away in the prime of life. A distinguished though by no means ostentatious Canadian, he has gone too soon.

The Franking Abuse.

(Hamilton Times.)

The Dominion Government refuses to give the Canadian public two-cent postage, although under the present arrangement letters from Yankees are carried by any part of Canada at that rate. Perhaps if some of the leeks and steaks were stopped the Government could afford to lower the rate. Last year 4,728,000 letters—about 4 per cent. of all posted—were franked. Now, if all Canadians paid for their letters all might have the lower rate.

## Laura Secord's Monument.

The patriotic Canadians of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society are engaged in the worthy attempt to erect a monument in memory of Mrs. Laura Secord, the Canadian heroine of the war of 1812-13, and in this connection Rev. Canon Bull, president of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, has received a cheque for ten pounds as the contribution of the old Forty-ninth Regiment, now the Royal Berkshire Regiment, which is stationed at Bermuda. The cheque was sent by Captain Southey, of the regiment, and it was accompanied by the following epistle: Prospect Camp, Bermuda, Aug. 20, 1894.

To Rev. Canon Bull, Pres. L.L.H.S.:

DEAR SIR.—Enclosed you will find a cheque on Messrs. Cox & Co. of London, to the amount of £10, which I am forwarding to you as a subscription from the old Forty-ninth Regiment, now the Royal Berkshire Regiment, towards the erection of a monument to the late Laura Secord. We hope that the fund is progressing favorably, and take great interest in the movement. Believe me, Sir, your obedient servant, T. H. W. SOUTHEY, Captain.

Mrs. Laura Secord, of Queenston, on June 23, 1813, walked twenty miles, through bush and swamp by almost rough roads, to De Cew's Falls, now Thorold, where Lieut. Fitzgibbon was in command of the British outpost, her mission being to impart important information to Fitzgibbon regarding a force of United States soldiers who had landed at Queenston and were preparing to advance on Fitzgibbon's position. She had gained the information from United States scouts who had thrust themselves into her cottage where she was nursing her wounded husband. Her long tramp was a heroic deed, and her information to Fitzgibbon resulted in the subsequent success of the British outpost and the surrender of the invaders.

## Bush Fires.

Extensive bush fires, perhaps the largest on record in this county, have been raging in Nassagaweya and Esquimaux for the last week. They have extended from the 7th con. of Nassagaweya to the 2nd con. of Esquimaux, and there is no probability that they will be under control until we have very heavy rains, nor is it likely that they will be completely extinguished in the swampy woods until the wind has died down and the fire has been quenched by the water of the Esquimaux river. It is estimated that it has covered over 1,400 acres, destroying a tremendous quantity of valuable timber. So far no buildings have been consumed, but they have been saved only by the greatest vigilance and the hardest work on the part of their owners and neighbors who have turned in to fight the fires. Green's Bros.' saw-mill has been in great danger repeatedly, but though it has been saved by the fire being close to the mill, the fire was burning very fiercely on Saturday night and two wagon loads of Miltonians went to Nassagaweya to fight them. Two more loads went next morning. The residents of the burnt district had their hands full providing meals for the fire fighters, several of them having to provide meals for from fifty to one hundred on Sunday. No news has been received from the burnt district but it is full of smoke and it is feared that yesterday evening's high winds increased the fire.

Rev. G. B. Cooke, of Acton, was here on Tuesday and reported that there were large bush fires close to the village. Extensive swamps were burning and the flames were beyond control, but no buildings had been burned.

## Yesterday's Storm.

(Globe.)

The heaviest storm of the season blew on the lake yesterday and seriously frustrated navigation. The sea ran high and the passengers on all the boats running out of Toronto suffered severely from sea-sickness. The Niagara and Hamilton boats made their regular trips, but were nearly an hour late in most directions, though this was partly due to the heavy fruit traffic. On the last trip of the Chippewa one of the lady passengers was so ill that she went into violent convulsions, and had to be carried from the boat on her arrival here. When the Montreal steamer Passport arrived she could not make the Eastern Gap because of the high beam wind and following sea, so she rounded the island and entered the harbor at the western channel. On the return trip she went out, but found the sea so heavy that she returned. The Greyhound made one trip to Grimsby, but her passengers were badly tossed about. The Garden was a little late owing to the storm, but she left on her return trip all right. The ferry traffic to the west was up on the breakwater, and could easily be seen from Yonge street wharf. Few yachts ventured into the lake, though a number cruised around the bay at a high rate of speed, although they were closely reefed down. Shortly before six o'clock a yacht, close-reefed, went out at the western gap and ran south for some distance, but she put about and returned to the bay. No accidents were reported in this neighborhood.

## No Longer Secret.

Toronto Mail.

The council of the C. P. A. in Blyth, Huron county, has made a terrible discovery—a discovery which is causing the chief officers of the order great anxiety. It has been proved without a doubt that not only has the ritual of the association, but the whole of the words, been given to members of both political parties, with the result that in several cases men who were not members were able to enter the sacred precincts and learn the plans for election purposes which were being laid by the stalwarts. The knowledge has spread consternation throughout Western Ontario. A hastily summoned meeting of some of the leading officers has been held, and it is more than probable that an entirely new ritual with the necessary secret signs, grips, and passwords will have to be compiled before the difficulty will be overcome. It is alleged that the local leaders are perfectly aware of the identity of party who was base enough to divulge these secrets, and no doubt condign punishment will be meted out to him.

## Harvest Prospects in Europe are Unfavorable.

Due to too much water.

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## The Rifle.

At the matches of the Ontario Rifle Association at Toronto last week the following prizes were won by members of the 20th besides those enumerated in last week's CHAMPION:—

- Tait-Brassey—200, 500 & 600 yds.
- 44—Major Fox
- Extra Series—200 yds.
- 10 shots, 5 kneeling and 5 standing.
- 43—Pte. Fox

In this match Pte. Peacock had a score of 46, but with a number of others, was ruled out on a technicality, the regulations requiring prize winners to "claim" their scores.

Extra Series—800 yds, 5 shots.

- (1st prize, pair field glasses, value \$18, and cash \$10.)
- Major Fox

In this match Gunner McRobbie, of British Columbia, and Major Fox made the only two "possibles." On the shot off Major Fox won and got the first prize.

The 20th Batt. is represented at the Dominion Rifle Association matches at Ottawa this week by Major Fox, Capt. Moore, Pte. Graham, and Pte. Fox. Among them they have won the following prizes:—

- Canada Powder Company Match. 600 yds.
- 44—Major Fox
- Dominion of Canada: 200, 500 & 600 yds.
- 96—Capt. Moore
- 4—Major Fox
- Minister of Militia's: 500 & 600 yds.
- 96—Capt. Moore
- The Henshaw: 7 shots at 200 yds. standing, and 10 at 600.
- 96—Capt. Moore

The 20th Batt. came out 4th in the Canadian Military Rifle League matches, which was good enough considering the fact that in one match two of the team did not shoot and in another three failed to do so.

At a meeting of the Canadian Military Rifle League at Ottawa last night General Herbert contradicted the reports that the Martini-Verdugo rifle manufactured in England for the Canadian Government were inferior weapons. He said that they had been tested at the Dominion Rifle Association matches this week as well as previous ones, and had proved to be more accurate than the Martini, making his score. He saw no reason why arms could not be issued by the militia department to the Canadian Military Rifle League teams next year so that the matches could be shot with that weapon. He denied that any Martini-Verdugo rifles had been returned to England as being deficient.

## Toronto Industrial Fair, 1894.

The Toronto Industrial Exhibition, which commences on the 8th day Sept., a few days hence, continuing until the 15th of the month, will surpass in interest and attendance all its predecessors. The entries have been unusually numerous and choice, and every improvement made last year in connection with the exhibition will be stock by the erection of new sheds and stables on the latest and most approved principles of construction have resulted in increased interest being taken in the fair by farmers and stockraisers, and in addition to entries by the old-time exhibitors there are large accessions to the number. The list of special attractions is brilliant and diversified, including trotting, running and hurdle racing, dog and cat races, the bicycle contests, equestrian specialties, balloon ascensions with new and exciting drops, living pictures (being reproductions of the most celebrated works of art by graceful and handsome models), Japanese day fireworks—a novel Oriental device of much ingenuity and artistic merit, Edison's marvellous Kinetograph—the newest electric wonder, the Cameron phantom carriage, music by the best band in the Province, concerts by the Ladies' Vienna Court Orchestra, performances by the Slavery Days Troupe, organ recitals, and every thing the wonderfully realistic, brilliant and splendid, and in addition to the technical performance of the "Six of Algiers," with 417 performers, culminating in a burst of meteoric splendor which marks a new era in pyrotechnic art. The fair is a vast and extraordinary enterprise, and in addition to reduced rates on all railways and steamboats, a number of special excursions covering a wide area in Canada and the States have been arranged for. No one should fail to visit the Industrial this year.

## Accept the Offer.

Toronto News.

The new U.S. tariff, which went into force at 12 o'clock last night, declares for reciprocity in agricultural implements. The Americans will admit free of duty from any country that extends a like privilege to their manufacturers. Our Government, which now imposes a tax of from twenty to thirty cents on these articles, should at once abolish that tax. Free trade in farm machinery would be a boon to manufacturers and farmers on both sides of the line and the Canadian industry should take advantage of the offer now open on this score.

## A Freely Sturdy Story.

(Globe Herald.)

Mr. Robt. Dodds, of the York road, recently lost track of the mother of a litter of fox-terrier pups. When her progeny was drowned the mother died of grief for her lost puppies, and possibly driven her to commit suicide. The other day, however, she made her appearance, with five or six young rabbits. It is surmised that the dog had killed the mother of the young in order to adopt the young ones to take the place of her pups.

## ITEMS.

The Earl of Albemarle is dead.

Cardinal Gibbons is going to Europe.

Sir Charles Tupper's health is much improved.

The British Parliament was prorogued on Saturday.

The Count of Paris, head of the Orleansist faction, is dying in England.

Two Egyptian Pashas have been arrested on a charge of buying slave girls.

The Pope has written a letter commending his adhesion to the French republic.

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## Reports from Senegal indicate that the Dutch troops were badly beaten in the recent fight.

Forest fires are raging with unabated fury in many parts of the Northern and Western States.

A cyclone swept across the sea of Anzu on Saturday and it is said 1,000 people were killed.

Vesper, a lumbering village in Wisconsin, has been wiped out by forest fires. Loss, \$75,000.

It is denied that the Italian Government has any intention to create a viceroyalty in Sicily.

The wheat crop of Minnesota and North Dakota this year is one of the largest ever harvested.

There is still a plethora of money in London. Business on the continental bourses is steady and firm.

It is rumored Germany will celebrate the anniversary of the victory at Sedan for the last time this year.

It is authoritatively stated that President Harrison will not seek the Republican nomination again.

President Peixoto, of Brazil, has officially confirmed the news of the rebel General Saravia's death.

The Roman Catholics of London, England, propose to build a monster cathedral which will cost \$250,000.

The Prince of Wales has ordered that his yacht Britannia take part in the race for the Cape May Cup.

It is said that Chicago capitalists are backing ex-Pullman employes to start car manufacturing works at Hiawatha, Kan.

The Dutch expedition sent out to punish the Rajah of Lombok Island, near Java, has been defeated by natives.

The British and United States subjects made prisoners at Bluefields have reached Nicaragua, and been released on parole.

The Illinois Attorney-General will proceed against the Pullman Company for engaging in the saloon business on their cars.

The storm last night demoralized the telegraph wires in New York State, and prevented the transmission of much late news.

The Ohio Falls Car Works, Indiana, have resumed work after a year's idleness. The company employs 1,200 to 2,000 men.

A coroll of Cossacks has been established in the town of Bendzin, Russian Poland, owing to the prevalence of cholera there, as well as reported from the United States will dispute the claims of Canadian sealers for damages through seizure, on the grounds that their demands are excessive.

Governor Waite, of Colorado, has been arrested on charges of opening mail bags, and was released on \$100 bail.

It is reported at Cairo that the Mahdists are concentrating their forces to attack Kassala and wrest it from the Italians who recently occupied it.

A letter appeared in the St. James Gazette on Tuesday accusing United States sealers with the Hudson Bay and Mackenzie River.

Sir Thomas Galt, Chief Justice of Common Pleas Division, Osgoode Hall, has resigned his office. The retirement takes effect on September 1st.

The old Indian chief Geronimo and his following have been released by the United States authorities after some years past, are to be released.

The winner of the bicycle road race from Buffalo, N.Y., to Pittsburg, Pa., covered the course in 20 hours and 37 minutes. The distance is 243 miles.

Engagements between the natives and French troops in the East, near French Senegambia, in which the Europeans were routed with great loss.

The war feeling is growing more intense in Yokohama every day, and it is suggested that Japan should unite all her available troops and march on Peking.

The Emperor of Germany has expressed in the most emphatic manner his disapproval of the petty tyranny of officers in the army to men in the ranks.

The cruiser Latona, which recently left the Pyne, England, presumably to join the Japanese fleet in the East, has been detained at Aden by the British authorities.

By-elections were held at Leicester yesterday resulting in the retention of both seats by the Gladstonians. Henry Broadhurst was one of the successful candidates.

At Rockwood, Ill., William Seaworth made a wager with his sister that he could eat more melons than she could. The man is dead and the woman cannot recover.

The anti-toxina treatment of diptheria, discovered by Dr. Koch, was introduced into New York as soon as an appropriation can be secured for that purpose.

It is reported in Shanghai that Japanese transports, escorted by war vessels, are landing in force to the northward of Taku, with the intention of marching upon Peking.

On Friday an explosion of gas took place in the workings of the Philadelphia Reading Coal & Iron Company's colliery at Gilbert, Pa., and twelve men were buried in the mine.

The Virginia State conventions of the Prohibitionist and Populist parties have settled in the negative the question of a possible union of the two parties in the coming campaign.

Dr. Charles Tanner, anti-Parnellite member for the Manx division of Cork, speaking at the anti-Lords' demonstration, asserted that the Lords composed "a house of bastards."

Probably few Canadians are aware that the only day made a United States holiday by statute is Labor Day. Even Independence Day has never been made a holiday by law.

The total amount subscribed to the Irish Evicted Tenants' fund is thirteen thousand pounds, and of this the United States and Canada contributed only three hundred and eighty-four pounds.

A fire yesterday morning in the tenement house district on the east side of New York caused the death of three men, and one fireman was so seriously injured that he is not expected to live.

The Government of Nicaragua has decided to banish British Vice-Consul Hatch and nine other Bluefields prisoners. Messrs. Lampton and Whitbank, American citizens, will also be banished.

Reports from Senegal, West Africa, state that the French garrison at Timbouctou, after three days' fighting with the Tausage and other hostile tribes, made a sortie and were out to piobes by the Arabs.

Many towns in Iowa, a prohibition State, permitted open violation of the State law for a substantial consideration by law from saloonkeepers. Changes in the law such protection unnecessary, and the saloonkeepers are suing to recover all they have paid for the prospect of success are said to be more favorable than those of the prohibition cause. Globe.

Prof. Stockley, who recently died the Roman Catholic Church, according to a Montreal French-Canadian paper, will shortly resume his duties as professor of literature in the University of New Brunswick.

On Saturday afternoon workmen engaged in excavating for the foundations of a factory to be built on Duke street, Toronto, excavated the body of an officer of 8th King's Own Regiment, which had been interred in 1812.

An old gentleman of Hills, Pa., named Williams fell over the Niagara bank, near the cantilever bridge on Sunday and was killed. It is supposed he fell asleep and rolled off. The body was found on the rocks, 100 feet below.

At the opening of the New South Wales Parliament on Tuesday the Governor, Sir Robert W. Duff, announced that in accordance with the mandate of the electors, the protective duties would be repealed and replaced by income and land taxes.

There is a panic in the Island of Cyprus among the Christian population British garrison, and the reported intention of the Imperial Government to evacuate the place. Such intention is denied at the English Foreign Office.

According to Chinese native papers, there was heavy fighting in Corea from the fifteenth to the eighteenth inst., between the Chinese and Japanese forces, in which the latter were defeated with great slaughter. The reports are not confirmed from other sources.

The coroner's jury investigating last Friday's disaster in Franklin coal mine, near Seattle, Wash., in which 37 men were killed, has returned a verdict finding that the fire was started by parties unknown. It is believed the persons who fired the mine also perished.

An outbound freight train on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway was held up on Saturday morning at a small station between Cook and Lake counties. The train of the conductor was taken and a detective who came to the conductor's aid was shot dead, and the bandits, two in number, then disappeared, but were caught afterwards.

The disasters of the Dutch forces operating against the Rajah of the island of Lombok, near Java, were much more serious than at first supposed. After some severe fighting, the column was driven into an ambush by the natives, and slaughtered as long as the light lasted, the survivors were covered of darkness that a few bodies of exhausted soldiers, many of them badly wounded, succeeded in reaching Ampanari.

Tuesday's despatches inform us that two of the leading organs of public opinion in Germany are rejoicing because France has overthrown Britain in Africa and that they even advocate a Franco-German understanding in relation to the Dark Continent. These constantly recurring signs of the growing friendship between ancient enemies and mutual antagonism towards British interests constitute the most ominous feature in European politics at the present moment.

In January of last year Governor Flower, of New York State, commuted the sentence of a convict named Burns on the condition that if Burns drank intoxicating liquors within ten years he should be reimprisoned and serve out the remaining ten years of his sentence. A few months after his release Burns was intoxicated and was sent back to Auburn, and now the question is being raised whether the Governor in commuting Burns' sentence had any right to attach conditions to the pardon.

CANADIAN ITEMS.  
The run of salmon in British Columbia this year has been enormous.

Hon. Mr. Mercier had so far recovered as to be able to take a short drive on Monday.

Bush fires have become dangerous in the neighborhood of Stratford and also of Brantford.

Hugh Lynn, the Savary island murderer, was executed at New Westminister, B.C., on Saturday.

Mrs. McCallis, a grocery keeper in Belleville, has been fined \$10 and costs for selling cigarettes to boys.

Many Japanese army officers sailed for home in the Empress of Japan from Vancouver on Monday night.

Douglas MacDougall, ex-Register of Waterloo, died at Berlin on Tuesday evening, in the 70th year of his age.

Dr. Walker, O.C., is mentioned in Kingston as the probable successor to Sir Thomas Galt in the Superior Court.

Geo. S. Lyon, of the Rosedale cricket club, last Friday scored 288, not out, against Peterboro'. The Rosedale total for eight wickets was 290 runs.

The Ottawa tinmiths have withdrawn from the American R. of L. Association, and it is thought the movement for a Canadian organization will spread.

The water power on the Winnipeg River is to be utilized to the extent of 10,000 horse-power, and transmitted 110 miles to the city for manufacturing purposes.

Pain, the Millgrove butcher, who was injured in a runaway on Saturday, is no better, and it is feared he will die. Wesley Wainwright, of Lynden, is recovering from his injuries.

James McNeil, aged 75, shot and killed Wm. McMillan, aged 25, at West Islands, P.E.I., on Friday. McMillan was being annoyed by the old man, who was a bachelor and lived alone.

In London, Ont., district, bush and grass fires are prevailing. Serious fires are raging in the woods near Homal, Ont., and there is grave danger that the fire will reach the village, as it is spreading rapidly.

Rev. R. Halobett, the Hamilton colored preacher, is suing Professor "Astronomical" Johnston for \$2,000 damages for slander in connection with the latter's recent allegation of bigamy against the plaintiff.

D. H. Gould, a shoe dealer, of Hamilton, deliberately committed suicide on Thursday by inhaling gas from a pipe connecting with the house service. Deceased had been suffering from despondency caused by inability to pay his taxes.

Referring to the decrease, amounting to nearly a million dollars, in the net profits of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the past six months, Mr. Shingnessy, vice-president of the company, said that it was undoubtedly the result of a commercial depression in Canada. He hoped, now that the tariff question was settled, to see a revival of railway receipts.

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