

THE PLATFORM GIVES WAY AND PREMIER KING IS UPSET

At Great Open Air Liberal Meeting in Montreal—No One Hurt.

Prime Minister Says Development of Basic In- dustries is Government's Policy—Liberal Policies Lowered Living Costs.

Montreal, Aug. 26.—Ten minutes after the St. Antoine Division Liberal mass meeting had opened last evening in Chabot's Square, the speakers' platform collapsed, throwing to the ground Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, prime minister; the Hon. P. J. A. Carlin, minister of marine and fisheries; Ald. J. J. Creelman, one of the joint chairmen, and between forty and fifty others jammed on the south section of the platform. No one was seriously hurt.

Ald. W. J. Hushion, Liberal candidate in the by-election fight, had just started to address the crowd in the square, Paul Mercier, M.P. for St. Henry-Westmount, having opened the speeches. He was lauding the prime minister, amid cheers from the crowd, when a loud crash heralded the collapse of the southern section of the platform. The speakers were in the front of the platform, and around them were members of parliament, local Liberal stalwarts, and visitors from out of town. One-half of the assembly disappeared as the floor gave way. The canopy fringed with electric lights swayed and collapsed in its turn.

The prime minister was drenched with water from the jug which was on the speaker's table. A cry of alarm had gone up as he went down with the floor. But a cheer sounded as Mr. King got to his feet and brushed the water from him. Mr. Carlin, too, was assisted, and preparations were made for continuing the meeting.

Torchlight Procession.
For more than an hour the crowd waited in the square, while the torchlight procession made its way through the streets. Red flares were burning in various sections of the square. From time to time a bomb sounded from streets near the square, and the crowd was encouraged.

Finally, just after nine o'clock the blare of bands and the sight of flambeaux showed that the prime minister and the visiting speakers had reached the meeting place. The bands ploughed their way to the heart of the throng. Mounted policemen were required to cut a path in the mass so as to allow the ministers to reach the platform.

As the Right Hon. Mr. King got on the dais a huge cheer went up. The prime minister went to the front of the platform and greeted the audience, and took Ald. Hushion along with him. Then Placide Decarie, oldest elector in the St. Antoine di-

vision, and Ald. Creelman were chosen as joint chairmen, and the meeting was opened by Mr. Mercier, who said that Mr. Hushion was assured of victory because he stood for the King policies, and the King policies had lowered living costs for the workers.

Policy of Free Trade.
Premier King declared that the policy of his government in developing the great basic industries of Canada would be of greater benefit to the country and to Montreal than the narrow policy devised to meet the needs of manufacturing industries of financial interests only.

Cries of "free trade" were raised when the premier started to speak, and he said: "I will speak to-night on any question anyone wishes me to speak on. My friend says 'free trade.' The government has no policy of free trade, and has never had a policy of free trade. The government has a policy of freer trade and freer living for the great mass of people."

In regard to the charge that some of the surplus should have been written off because of moneys advanced to the Canadian National Railways, the premier said: "If it should have been written off in our day, it should have been written off by Mr. Meighen and Sir Henry Drayton when he was minister of finance and by other governments."

Reduced Taxation.
Mr. King then turned to questions of reduced taxation and lower cost of living. He claimed that one way to attain the latter aim was to help to reduce the cost of production in the great basic industries of the dominion. Mr. King went into an explanation of the economics of production and declared that he had sought to remove taxation on implements of production necessary to the development of the great basic industries of agriculture, mining and fishing. His government had removed such taxation, believing it to be a form of tax or capital which helped to increase the cost of production. He declared that Montreal, as the largest manufacturing centre in the dominion, would benefit more than any other city from this policy.

Talking of immigration, Mr. King said that what he wanted was a policy that would attract immigrants to the land, to fisheries or to pioneers in forests, not the sort that would bring thousands of men to compete in factories or work shops. His policy would do that, and he asserted that he was unable to understand any opposition to a "policy



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such as ours on the part of men who really have at heart the well-being of the nation, the well-being of the city."

The Policy of Laurier.

"Because we say that this dominion of ours does not belong to any financial group, does not belong to any specially favored manufacturing group, or any specially favored group of any kind, but belongs to all men in manufacturing, in finance, in commerce and industry. We want to serve the well-being of the country as a whole. It is because we take that view we are advocating the broad Liberal policy we are advocating to-day. It is the policy of Laurier during the period of the greatest prosperity the country has ever known."

The premier claimed that Sir Wilfred was true to the policy of tariff based on the principle of revenue rather than on the principle of protection. He added: "We have elected this as our policy, and by this policy we are prepared to stand. We believe we will advance greatly the prosperity of the country and increase unity in the dominion."

Difficulties faced the government to-day, said Mr. King, that had never been known before the war. Payments had to be made to the provinces and there was a railroad deficit to be met. There were only two ways to meet these expenses—direct taxation or income tax and indirect taxation or customs duties, otherwise protection. He asked the audience not to forget that protection meant taxation. He recognized that protection might be necessary to develop diversified industry, but he believed that "in a country like ours, with our resources and the development of our industries, we must seek to shape our national development on lines which will afford employment."

MARGARET BOYD FOUND.

Former Owen Sound Girl Now In San Francisco.
Owen Sound, Aug. 26.—Miss Margaret Boyd, former Owen Sound girl, who has been missing from Los Angeles, California, since November 16th, 1923, has been located and a nation-wide search has been ended. While her exact place of residence is kept secret, it is known that she is now in San Francisco, and that she is well and employed.

MAY BE JUST THREE QUESTIONS SUBMITTED

On O.T.A. Referendum—May Drop One About Selling in Licensed Premises.

Toronto, Aug. 26.—The Evening Telegram publishes the following: "It is rumored in anti-prohibition circles that there may be a change in the four questions to be submitted to the electorate on October 23rd. It appears that the brewers and distillers, who have been at loggerheads for some time past, have buried the hatchet in order to be in better shape to face the common foe."

"In council assembled, they have decided that the fourth question in the list has no chance of getting a majority. Also, that it might prejudice public opinion against the other three. Consequently, they sent a delegation to Queen's Park last week to ask that the question be taken off the ballot. The question objected to reads: 'Are you in favor of the sale of spirituous liquors in licensed premises?'"

"The Government, of course, made no promise. It took the matter under consideration. But as the temperance forces are hardly expected to press for the submission of the question, there appears to be every reason to believe it will be taken off the ballot paper."

W. C. Brennan, Kitchener, and his son had a narrow escape from death when a telephone pole was blown down during a severe storm and crashed onto the rear of the auto which the storm had halted near St. Jacobs.

PRINCE PLANS SOME VISITS

To Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal
And Quebec in October

TO SEE OLD FRIENDS

Sailing Home From Quebec—
Retains His Title of Prince
of Wales.

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—As there is some doubt as to the official title to be borne by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, while on the visit to the United States and Canada, it is stated that on this visit he will not take the title of Lord Renfrew, but will be known in the United States and Canada as His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. This does not mean, however, that the prince will accept any official engagements, but will confine himself while in Canada to the enjoyment of as much rest and freedom as is possible. A correspondent understands that His Royal Highness will in all likelihood visit Montreal for two or three days during October for the purpose of seeing and visiting former friends. He will not accept, however, while in Montreal any official engagements and will in all probability follow the same procedure as last year by staying in an hotel with members of his staff. He will also pay a visit to Lord and Lady Byng of Vimy at Rideau Hall and is expected to stay here for two or three days. His Royal Highness has many friends in the capital whom he is always anxious to see again. His faculty for remembering his former friends is well known and his gift of remembering them again is out of the ordinary. It is also likely that he will visit Toronto privately for two or three days and will then sail from Quebec on the conclusion of his private visits to Montreal, Toronto and Ottawa.

It is announced that Sir Godfrey Thomas, his private secretary, who is well known to many Canadians, will not accompany the prince owing to his approaching marriage, but it is understood that Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey, who is the prince's chief of staff and who accompanied him on his official visit to Canada in 1919, will also accompany him to the United States and Canada during the present visit. Capt. the Hon. Piers Legh and Major Metcalfe will also accompany His Royal Highness.

AMERICANS RUSHING TO GET NEAR PRINCE

Society Leaves Fashionable
Summer Resorts to View
Britain's Future King.

New York, Aug. 26.—Coming of Prince of Wales is causing an exodus from all fashionable summer resorts. Newport, Southampton and Narragansett Pier are being deserted in society's rush to bask in the presence of royalty. Never have there been so many late house parties as are now scheduled for the vicinity of Syosset and Piping Rock Country Club near where the prince will stay during the international polo matches. It is anticipated that every home in the vicinity of the Syosset will be entertaining guests to its full capacity when Great Britain's "Prince Charming" arrives.

NO TARIFF TINKERING.

Notice Served by Australian Minister of Commerce.

Melbourne, Aug. 26.—H. E. Pratten, minister of trade and commerce of the Commonwealth, declares that the Bruce government will not allow any tinkering to be done to the tariff at the behest of governments of the Australian states or public bodies of any kind. The federal government, the minister says, intends to refuse all applications that have been or may be made for the remission of duties on anything which can be manufactured in Australia with commercial advantage.

Newsy Bits From To-day's Classified Ads.

Hundreds of opportunities appear in the classified section, and the first word of each ad tells what kind of an opportunity it is.

Just take a look at the articles for sale today.

Have you looked through today's "Help Wanted" ads?

Great Swarms of Mosquitoes Force Closing of Many Resorts

Chicago, Aug. 26.—Efforts to combat mosquitoes swarming throughout the western great lakes region were under way today, as the winged pests invaded offices and homes, drove golfers from courses, forced the closing of suburban camps and resorts and brought discomfort to numerous outdoor functions. The insects forced a high school football team to abandon its summer training camp at Fond du Lac, Wis., the players being compelled to don their heaviest togs for protection. Farmers in the vicinity of Brainerd, Minn., were reported driven indoors by the swarms, those remaining in the fields wearing heavy gloves and screening about their faces.

MAURETANIA BEATS EASTBOUND RECORD

Makes Trip From New York
to Cherbourg in Five Days
One Hour.

New York, Aug. 26.—When the Cunard liner Mauretania docked at Cherbourg at six o'clock last night she established a new speed record: The trip from Sandy Hook was made in five days and one hour. The best previous record was the Majestic's, five days, five hours and twenty-one minutes.

In 1910, three years after she was launched, the Mauretania established a westbound record, from Queenstown to Sandy Hook, of four days, ten hours and forty-one minutes. The year previous she had crossed from this port to Plymouth in four days and eighteen hours.

The liner left this port with a notable list of passengers last Wednesday at ten o'clock in the morning. She averaged 21.16 knots an hour. The Levantian made the passage in five days, seven hours and twenty minutes.

In 1921 the Mauretania changed to oil. Her engines are figured at 72,000 horse-power, but can be speeded up to 78,000 horse-power, according to her commander, Captain Roston.

CABINET IS CALLED.

A Number of Important Appointments To Be Made.

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—Premier King returned from Montreal at noon today and the cabinet has been called to meet this afternoon. Today's meeting will probably result in a number of important decisions. The government is confronted with a long list of vacancies, judicial and others which is slowly lengthening as time goes on. Among the vacancies which must be filled sooner or later, the perhaps most important one is that of chief of the railway commission. Two important judicial vacancies exist in the chief justiceship of the Supreme Court of Canada and the province of Alberta. A number of positions created at last session of parliament await filling. Of these the most important is the post of chief government inspector of banks.

SCANDINAVIAN SETTLERS.

Swedish Publisher Enthusiastic of Chances in Canada.

London, Aug. 26.—Canada as a suitable field for Scandinavian emigrants has a strong champion in Otto Elander, publisher, of Gothenburg, Sweden, who recently visited the Swedish settlements in the Dominion for the purpose of studying conditions. After returning to Sweden, Mr. Elander is now in London and has been communicating with Canadian officials here. He speaks enthusiastically of Canada as presenting climatic and other conditions to which the men of Northern Europe are accustomed, and in which Scandinavian settlers have made a success. He intends to publish his impressions of the Canadian tour. Mr. Elander resided for many years in the United States and knows North America intimately.

ITINERARY ANNOUNCED.

Prime Minister Leaves for West September 2nd.

Montreal, Aug. 26.—On his western tour this fall the prime minister will be accompanied by Hon. Ernest Isipointe and as the trip progresses, by the ministers of the different western provinces. He plans to leave on September 2nd, speaking at Winnipeg, Regina, Moose Jaw, Saskatoon, Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver, Victoria and possibly Prince Rupert.

Appointed Judge.

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—M. G. Cameron, K.C., of Goderich, has been appointed a judge of the county court of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham. He succeeds Judge H. A. Ward, retired.

EIGHTY MEN FACE DEATH ON U. S. STRANDED DREDGE

In Mountainous Sea Off Atlantic City, N.J.—Sixty-Five Mile Gale.

New York Is Swept By the Great Rain Storm— Tug Sunk During a Hurricane in Pamlico Sound, Virginia.

Atlantic City, N.J., Aug. 26.—Eighty men face death aboard the stranded government dredge Solovar in a mountainous sea a half mile off shore as the result of being swept from their inlet mooring early to-day by the wind and rain-storm which struck the city with unusual intensity, crippling traffic, uprooting trees and fences, overthrowing beach patrol tents, tearing down telephone wires, flooding streets and heaping discomforts upon pedestrians. All efforts on the part of coast guards to reach the side of the stranded dredge failed this morning because of the impassable breakers that were swept shoreward by a sixty-five mile gale driving a sheet of rain before it. Not a word could be gotten to or

from the marooned men.

New York Storm Swept.

New York, Aug. 26.—One person killed and twenty-three others were injured as a result of the rain storm which swept the city last night and early to-day, attaining a torrential force at times. Most of the accidents were due to the skidding of automobiles and trucks on pavements made slippery by the rain. The fatality was that of a twelve-year-old boy who was struck on Third avenue by a truck.

A Tug Sunk.

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 26.—The tug Mildred McNally of Philadelphia was sunk in Pamlico Sound last night when it was caught in the hurricane which swept Virginia and North Carolina coasts.

OUTRAGE IN CALCUTTA.

Anarchists Threw Bomb Into a Cloth Shop.

Calcutta, Aug. 26.—An anarchist bomb outrage took place in a quiet Calcutta street on Friday night. The bomb, which was similar in pattern to those found by police in the recent seizure at the bomb factory at Maniktoola was flung into a homespun cloth shop, killing one Bengali assistant, and seriously wounding another. Two arrests have been made. It seems certain that the crime possesses some political significance. One of the arrested men is alleged, according to the police, to be a revolutionary suspect, while the shop itself has been under observation as a haunt of revolutionaries. This is not the only outbreak of violence to disturb the week-end calm. There has been a renewal of serious rioting at Tarekwar, in the Hooghly districts, where there has been trouble over the shrines, the police after being subjected to a fusillade of brickbats, were compelled to disperse passive resistance volunteers with buckshot. No deaths were reported, but thirteen policemen and thirty volunteers were injured.

DENTAL DECAY CAUSED BY CHILD-BEARING

According to English Woman
Doctor—Simple Feeding
and Dressing Needed.

Vancouver, B.C., Aug. 26.—Dental decay is the direct result of the strain of child-bearing, according to Dr. J. R. Shrubshell, London, England, who addressed the members of the Women's Canadian Club here yesterday. Dr. Shrubshell is the wife of Dr. F. C. Shrubshell, with the British scientists. "Each child costs its mother a tooth, unless proper care is taken," said Dr. Shrubshell. "Simplicity in feeding and simplicity in clothing have proved to be fundamentals," she said. "Get rid of all those fancy petticoats and from the time your babies are a few months old, dress them in simple knitted suits."

118 Chinese Sail To Enter U.S. Colleges

Shanghai, Aug. 26.—One hundred and eighteen Chinese young men and women have just sailed for America aboard the steamship President Jefferson of the Admiral line to begin studies this fall in various colleges and universities of the United States. About 100 more are waiting for later boats, but owing to a special order from the state department received this week, waiving a clause in the new immigration law, practically all will now reach America in time for entrance into the colleges.

Shock Killing McCoy's Mother.

Los Angeles, Aug. 26.—Mrs. Mary E. Selby, aged mother of Kid McCoy, former prize fighter, under indictment for the murder of Mrs. Theresa W. Mors, is reported to be dying at her home here. Weakened in health by an attack of heart disease, Mrs. Selby collapsed when her son became involved in the alleged murder of Mrs. Mors and since has been waging what physicians declare is a losing battle for her life.

IS MARS THE CAUSE?

The Flocks of Geese Smaller Than Last Year.

Brampton, Aug. 26.—The Conservator is responsible for the following message of gloom with respect to the goose and turkey dinner:

Poultry producers are not looking for very heavy returns at Thanksgiving and Christmas, especially in connection with geese. Owing to a great many infertile eggs, the Christmas flocks are much smaller than last year. Ducks are a better proposition, but chickens have been kept back by the wet and cold, and the flocks usually marketed for the exhibition trade will be two weeks behind in some sections.

Perfect Ripening Weather.

Winnipeg, Aug. 26.—Perfect ripening weather, the first of 1924 wheat was shipped to Keewatin.

"You Said It, Marceline!"

By MARCELINE DALROY

On "The Searchlight"

MANY MEN, when they LOVE	To keep their LOVERS
A WOMAN, want to TELL	From knowing how
The whole, WIDE WORLD,	DEEPLY they love them for
And SOME keep it SECRET,	Fear of LOSING them
Others just THINK they I	Others again, try to
But if a WOMAN wants	Keep their SECRET for
A MAN'S LOVE she won't	Fear of losing their
Let him KEEP IT	SELF-POSSESSION.
To HIMSELF, she insists	LOVE is a perilous VOYAGE
On SHARING IT. Of course,	On a TURBULENT SEA,
If she doesn't WANT it,	And many are TOSSED
He can show his devotion	Hither and thither by
In every WORD and DEED	The WINDS of CHANCE,
And even THEN she won't	But a happy MARRIAGE is
NOTICE IT.	The SEARCHLIGHT that guides us
SOME women try	To a HAPPY HARBOR.