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Meighen Meeting Not Very Satisfactory.

Now that the dust and excitement of the visit of Premier Meighen is over and people have time to look back at it with a little perspective, they are realizing that it was not any too satisfactory from a Conservative standpoint. Even with all the glamour of the premiership with him and also with the excitement of a political campaign he was not able to fill the overflow hall. At the theatre meeting the enthusiasm was nothing like what would be expected for a winning party and Mr. Meighen must have felt it somewhat of a wet blanket when the three cheers for him was not followed by a tiger.

While the meeting was all that could be expected in a Liberal stronghold, it was nothing to make the Conservative leaders over-confident as to the outcome of the contest.

Related Repentance on Many Subjects.

Mr. Meighen waved aside with his hand the idea that Prince Rupert had not received or would not receive proper attention from his party. He did not try to explain away Sir Henry Drayton, the present acting premier, or any other Conservatives who had fought tooth and nail against money being spent here. He did not even deny the Bury attack recently in Edmonton, which was made by one of his faithful followers. Now he says that Prince Rupert is a better place than he thought and, with a supercilious smile remarked that he did not think it would be a bad place in which to live.

Mr. Meighen also showed a hurried repentance in the matter of fish traps, although no word has yet been received that the operations authorized by them ceased on Monday morning, as promised by one of the speakers.

The only constructive proposal made by the premier was to raise the tax on products coming into this country from foreign countries. This, one of the speakers admitted, would likely raise the price to the local consumers, although he intimated that in time this might right itself.

Tried to Fasten Customs Crimes on Mackenzie King.

Mr. Meighen tried to fasten the customs irregularities on Mackenzie King. These were largely the work of appointees of the Conservative regime and the committee of investigation was created by Premier King for the purpose of making a clean-up. H. H. Stevens, who was a member of the committee, forstalled action by the Government by making charges in the House of Commons and in that way tried to fasten the guilt on the Government, but without success. His chief is now backing him up on every platform.

J. C. Brady Did Not Make Good Showing

J. C. Brady as a public speaker has been familiar in this city and district but on the political platform he was not a complete success. Even his supporters will admit that he was not what they expected. His personal references too were extremely unfortunate and did him harm. Declamation is not what people want in public life. They want facts discussed without oratorical flourishes. If Mr. Brady would talk to the people and tell them what he really thinks he can do at Ottawa if sent there instead of shouting platitudes he would make a much better impression. However, that is Mr. Brady's business and not ours. If he thinks that is what the people want, he will doubtless continue.

We do not think the House of Commons would listen to Mr. Brady's outbursts. He would quickly empty the House and would not even have an opportunity to make an impression there.

Mr. Brady condemned the issuing of fish traps, which was the act of the party which he endorses. That was the most interesting thing in his whole address.

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REPORT CROPS AS IMPROVING

Bank of Montreal Says Recent
Rains Have Made Conditions
Much Better.

Rains almost general throughout the prairie provinces, with cooler weather, have improved prospects for the later crops during the past week, says the Bank of Montreal crop report. Cutting has commenced in nearly all districts. In the province of Quebec recent rains have proved beneficial to the crops. In Ontario conditions continue satisfactory. Wheat harvesting is in full swing. Some sprouting in the stock is reported, but threshing yields are better than expected. In the Maritime provinces crops continue to make good progress under excellent weather conditions. Hay is practically completed and farmers on the whole are well satisfied. In British Columbia the prolonged drought is badly affecting all crops with consequent reduction in the estimated yields. Details follow:

Alberta

Western Area — Recent rains have improved conditions generally in Alberta and average yield is now anticipated. Scattered hail has done small damage. Northeast area — Fairly general rains have been beneficial. Average yields are expected, except in certain localities. Southern area — Harvesting fairly general. Results disappointing as previously forecast. Only the best lands will produce anything and these crops will be light.

Saskatchewan

Northern Area — Crops, with exception of the earliest grains, have benefited from rains and cooler weather. The crop is patchy with yield promising fair to average throughout. Southern area — Wheat cutting under way. Yields on summerfallow vary from fair to good, but are poor on stubble, with the southeast better than the southwest. Recent rains have helped coarse grains. There is considerable hail damage over widely scattered areas, including the Regina district.

Manitoba

Favorable weather has prevailed and indications are that a good average crop will be harvested. Cutting general except in the north.

Province of Quebec

The harvesting of hay is not yet completed. That harvested is a fair yield of excellent quality. Early vegetables are good in quality and yield. Later varieties promise well. Berries and small fruits are plentiful. Apples and plums are of good appearance, but the yield is expected to be slightly below average. Corn has greatly improved and prospects in some localities now are for a fair crop. Pastures are average, but should be improved by the recent rains.

Province of Ontario

Considerable threshing has taken place in the western part of the province. Grain is yielding from 35 to 50 bushels per acre. Some cutting of barley and oats has been done. Both crops are heavy. Corn is steadily improving and needs another month of growing weather to ensure an average crop. Turnips in many sections are a failure but other root crops are good, especially potatoes. The tobacco crop has greatly improved from recent rains. Small fruits are plentiful. Early apples are good but winter varieties are light. Pastures are exceptionally good.

Maritime Provinces

In New Brunswick there is a fair yield of hay and the crop is of good quality. Potatoes are doing well though somewhat late. In Nova Scotia there is an average yield of hay with quality fair to good. Apples are below average in quantity, but shaping well. In Prince Edward Island hay is an average yield of good quality. Apples fair. Grass pasture excellent.

British Columbia

Grains are ripening too quickly, resulting in light weight. Potatoes and roots are suffering from lack of moisture and the prospective yield is heavily reduced. Apricots, peaches, plums, and prunes are somewhat above the average. Apples are now reduced to an average crop with prospect of a further decrease should the drought continue. Heavy average crop. Pasturage fair to good.

Duke Harris arrived on yesterday afternoon's train from Hazelton on a business visit.

THE MAN IN THE MOON says:

Judging from the number of human seals and mermaids seen at the swimming gala on Sunday it is on the cards that Prince Rupert will produce some provincial champions in the near future.

It was no Conservative who asked in the theatre on Saturday night: "When do the pictures come on?"

Meighen is some speaker. Of that there is no doubt; But the question I would like to ask,

Is — what's it all about?

Leon's got a lot to learn. In this political game; The way the hecklers rattled him. Made Leon rather tame.

When it comes to pose dramatic, And a speech that's quite erratic, With Martin Harvey poses on the stage; And statements not all pointed, But just a bit disjointed, We'll hand the palm to J.C. on this page.

One would judge that Meighen's motto is "keep cool."

Someone rightly said that Premier Meighen reminded him of a super-salesman selling Conservative ideas in payment for the people's votes. Just what his salesmanship will amount to will be seen on election night.

It might be a good idea to plant a flypaper on the chair of some speakers. They'd then have difficulty in getting up on their feet.

Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

August 17, 1916.

R. P. Trimble is making satisfactory progress in the hospital.

J. Fred Ritchie returned yesterday after a five weeks' business trip in the south.

Dan McLeod, well known here, where he resided as a member of the Foley, Welch & Stewart staff, passed through here yesterday on his way to the Silver Standard mine.

TERRACE NOTES

Mrs. Sager of Port Simpson and her mother Mrs. Duckett of New York, who spent several days as the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Allan at the Sunday school camp at Lakelse Lake returned to town on Saturday morning and left for the coast on the noon train. While at the camp the infant son of Dr. and Mrs. Sager was baptized by Mr. Allan.

Mr. Sessions and daughter Audrey of Pacific were in town on Friday.

Miss Bushby of Prince Rupert is the guest of Mrs. R. L. MacInnis, "The Crossways," Kitsumkalum.

D. G. Stuart of Prince Rupert visited here during the week his family who are holidaying at Hill Farm.

Mrs. Thos. Tiffin of Copper City was in town on Friday.

J. Morse Hatt made a business trip to Smithers at the week end.

A. C. Fowler spent the week end with his family at Lakelse camp.

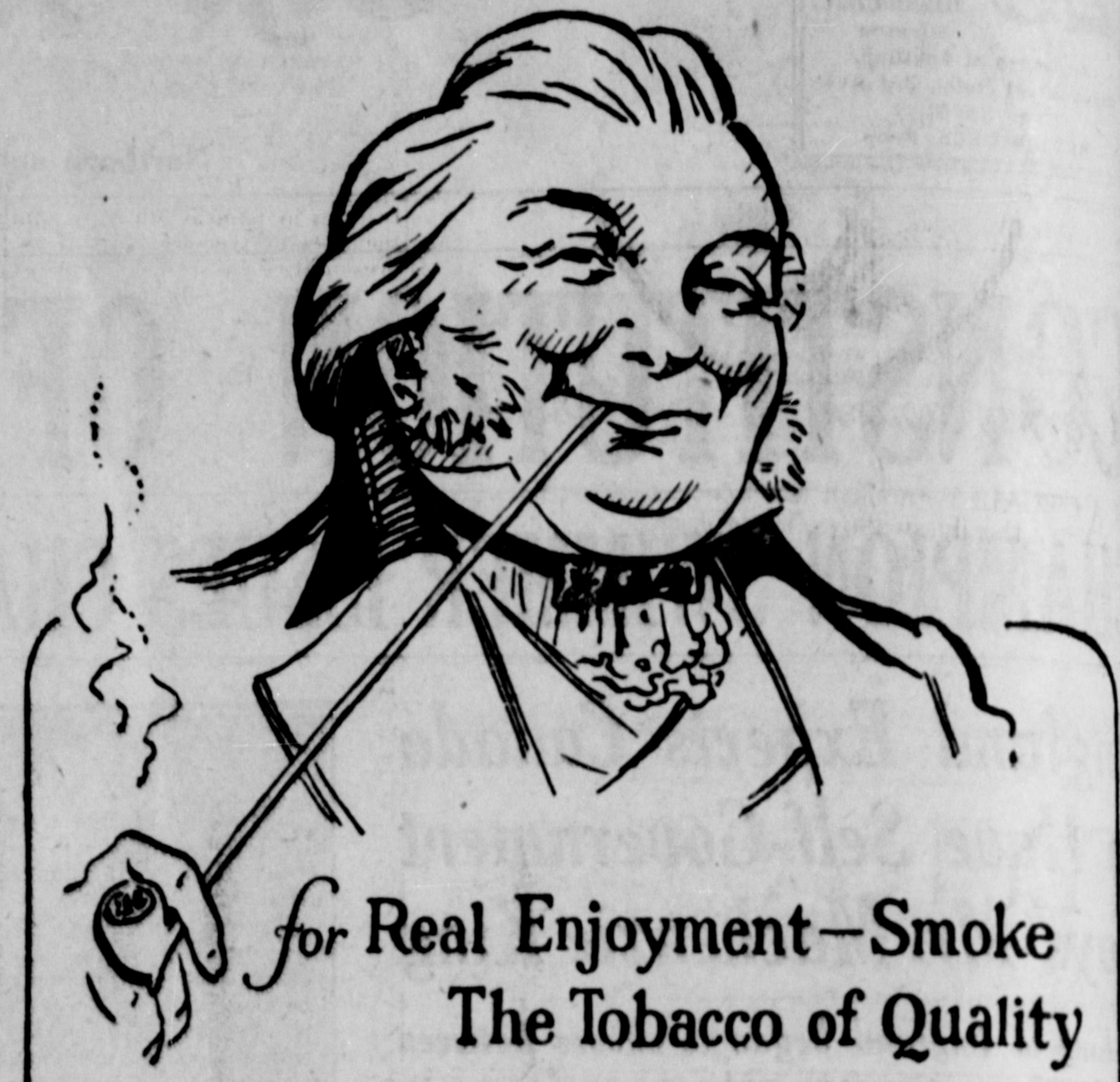
W. H. Sinclair of the Sinclair Spruce Lumber Co. of Edmonton, and western representative of the Sherman Lumber Co., New York, was a business visitor here on Monday.

L. Bethurem, P. Skinner, and W. H. Shannon of U.S. were in town Saturday to hear Premier Meighen speak at the train.

Mr. Daniels of Hazelton was in town between trains on Saturday.

As an extra precaution during the present hot dry spell, Jimmy Lever has been added to the local forestry staff as a special patrol along the C.N.R.

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