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THE VALLEYFIELD
STRIKE SETTLEDCOTTON OPERATIVES
RETURN TO WORK

Two Priests Had Narrow Escape
From Losing Lives in the
Saskatchewan River.

Montreal, Aug. 26.—Valleyfield strike
has been settled and the men return-
ed to work this morning. On the whole,
the Montreal Cotton Company has won,
as the men have abandoned their de-
mand for a ten per cent. increase. This
was the main dispute in the strike. The
company, however, agrees to pay the
mule spinners, who are a small part
of the strikers, the ten per cent. ad-
vance. The company agrees to submit
with the disputes and claims, which
have not been properly looked into by
the foremen, to arbitration under the
Lemieux Act. A meeting of the strik-
ers was held Sunday in Valleyfield, at
which the terms of settlement were an-
nounced. During the strike the cotton
mills, employing some 500 men, have
been closed down, which has proven a
serious drawback to Valleyfield.

Exciting Experience.
Prince Albert, Aug. 26.—Two Roman
Catholic priests who essayed to shoot
the Cole Falls rapids, near the forks of
the Saskatchewan river, a few days
ago, had a narrow escape from a
watery grave. They left Prince Albert
in a motor canoe well loaded with
supplies, one of the fathers being
bound for his post at Cumberland
House, while the other intended taking
a holiday trip to Fort La Corne and
returning by rail. They passed on
rapidly and successfully, but at the third
cane was capsized. The supplies were
lost in the river, but the canoe floated
bottom up, and the fathers both man-
aged to cling to the craft. In this po-
sition they were swept on by the
rushing waters, beaten and bruised
against the rocks, but holding on for
dear life. One of the fathers, being
retained his paddle and eventually he
climbed on to the boat and towed his
companion ashore some miles below
the scene of the upset. Their plight
on reaching shore was such that there
was no habitation within five miles,
but by midnight they found shelter in
a settler's shanty, and next day went
on to Fort La Corne, where supplies
and guides were obtained.

The Journalists.
Montreal, Aug. 26.—The party of
British journalists who have been
touring the Dominion as the guests of
the federal government, arrived from
Ottawa to-day. They will join the out-
going steamer "Vigilant" at Rimouski
on Saturday.

The Cobalt Strike.
Cobalt, Ont., Aug. 26.—A special
meeting of the miners' union was held
yesterday afternoon, at which the
attendance voted as to whether or not
the strike should be declared off. The
vote resulted in a majority deciding to
continue the strike.

Found Drowned.
Winnipeg Beach, Aug. 26.—The body
of W. Little, of Winnipeg, was recover-
ed on Sunday afternoon, in the lake
of the lake. W. T. Kevin and family were
rowing when they discovered the body
floating in the water.

Branch Line Opened.
Goderich, Ont., Aug. 26.—The open-
ing of railway service on the Quebec
and Goderich branch of the C. P. R.
took place this morning. The whole
town was en fête, and the station
platform and river banks were crowd-
ed with people as the first train glid-
ed around the hills and banks of Mat-
land, Goderich's "scenic route." A
large number of passengers left for
Toronto and Montreal on the first
train.

Call From New York.
Ottawa, Aug. 26.—A leading New
York Presbyterian church is seeking
to secure the services of Rev. Dr. Her-
ridge, of St. Andrew's Presbyterian
church. Dr. Herridge is out of the city
at present, but on his return the mat-
ter will go through the usual course.
The salary offered is said to be \$10,000
a year.

Railway Commission.
Ottawa, Aug. 26.—The railway com-
mission has authorized the Bell Tele-
phone Company to continue its present
trifling tariff on the 13th. It is pro-
vided, however, that in the event of
the rates being reduced, the company
will have to give rebates on unexpired
contracts. The order forbidding the
use of lighted coal by railways will
not be effective until October 1st. The
order of July 3rd, compelling all rail-
ways to place watchmen on trestles,
will not come into effect this year.

200 or more feet in length.

CAR STRUCK BY A TRAIN.
Panic Ensued and Number of Persons
Narrowly Escaped Death.

Lacrosse, Wis., Aug. 27.—One man
was dangerously injured and twenty-
five persons badly shaken up and nar-
rowly escaped death in an accident on
a railway crossing at Lacrosse to-
day. A street car containing 25 per-
sons was hit by a train on the cross-
ing. A panic ensued among the pas-
sengers, and for a time it was feared
that many had been killed and a hor-
rible scene of carnage was being pre-
sented. A corps of physicians were
hastily dispatched to the scene. The
train, consisting of a passenger car
and a locomotive, was stopped. The
passengers, however, had been
seriously injured. The train was
Guthrie, aged 60, had both legs broken
and crushed, and was taken to a hos-
pital in a serious condition. The other
passengers received only scratches.

GIANT SKY-SCRAPER.

When Completed, Slinger Building in
New York Will Be Forty-Seven
Stories High.

New York, Aug. 26.—Piercing the
sky-line of New York, far above all the
other skyscrapers of the downtown
district, the lofty Slinger building, fast
nearing completion, will within the
coming week, exceed in height the
Washington monument, whose solid
shaft of granite rises to the top of the
ground. When the structural work is
riveted home the last steel beam on
Saturday, before ending their day's
work, the steel trams of thirty-six
floors of the building had been com-
pleted. Eleven more stories remain to
be built and when the towering pile of
steel and masonry is finished it will be
forty-seven stories high and 43 feet
from the sidewalk on Broadway to the
pinnacle. This giant sky-scraper will be
the highest occupied building in the
world and will overtop all other exist-
ing structures except the Eiffel tower
in Paris. When completed a time ball
will drop every hour from a pole on top
of the building and at night the falling
hour globe will illumine the scene by
three lights, which will play upon its
pinnacle.

The foundation of this colossal build-
ing is set in solid bedrock, ninety feet
below the level of the sidewalk. On
the bedrock were built caissons of con-
crete. A heavy steel body laid over the
structure, forming the underbody of the
building, supported the main section of the building,
from which rises the tower up to forty-
seven stories, with its scores of office
rooms. The engineers say, the total
weight of steel and masonry in the
tower is 18,365 tons, while nearly 10,000
tons of steel has been used in the frame-
work. Eighteen elevators will carry the
2,500 tenants to the top.

Fifteen thousand incandescent lights,
sufficient, the engineers say, to light a
town of 25,000 inhabitants, will illu-
minate the rooms and hallways for late
office workers. Fifteen miles of pipe
will be required for steam and water
purposes.

An immense copper lantern will form
the pinnacle of the building from the
at night a powerful searchlight will
flash forth, furnishing a beacon to mar-
iners and will be visible more than
sixty miles at sea.

RAILWAY OFFICIALS
WILL VISIT WEST

President and Vice-President of
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Coast.

Montreal, Aug. 26.—Frank W. Morse,
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the Grand Trunk Pacific, left here last
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spection of the construction of the
railway. He will be joined in the
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CONFERENCE WAS
HELD YESTERDAYBETWEEN MERCHANTS
AND G. P. R. OFFICIALS

R. Marpole Says He Hopes Shortly
to Make Statement About E.
& N. Congestion.

Yesterday afternoon the merchants
of Victoria and representatives of the
C. P. R. met at the board of trade
rooms, the subject for discussion being
the congestion in the E. & N. freight
yards, caused chiefly by lack of yard
space and scarcity of cars. There was
a very good feeling shown throughout
the meeting, and the representatives
of the railway company were also in
a conciliatory mood. President
Pauline was in the chair.

Secretary Elworthy read the call for
the meeting and then the question was
opened by Simon Leiser. He said he
quite understood the difficulties which
had beset the railway company. They
had all been expecting the settlement
of the Indian reserve question but had
been disappointed so often that it was
foolish to wait for that event. It
happened. He thought they had been
patient in waiting for relief but their
patience had done them no good. There
was usually a delay of a week to ten
days in getting their cars on the slid-
ing in position for unloading. They
were here now to ask for more yard
room or anything which would re-
lieve the situation.

Percy Wollaston, representing Wilson
Brothers, said their difficulties were
many and grievous. Sugar from Van-
couver took six days and over to
reach Victoria and there were de-
lays in shipping out. The officials ad-
mitted the delays and could often give
a good reason for them but that did
not help the merchants. Loading and
unloading was the greatest difficulty.
Often when a car had been put in
place and the unloading had com-
menced the car would have to move
again and again before the work was
finished.

Another difficulty was the fact that
cars were always loaded direct from
the trucks. There was never any room
in the sheds to put them. It has come
to this that when the bad weather set
in they must quit shipping or else ship
damaged goods. These, he thought
were more important complaints and
he hoped they would get some relief.

A. E. Todd thought the best plan was
to take Mr. Marpole down to the
yards and he could there see for him-
self the difficulties.

L. A. Gange, of R. P. Rithet & Co.,
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poration will tear down whatever
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Just before the council adjourned
Ald. Hall asked the city solicitor what
progress had been made with the Victoria
West arbitration case and was infor-
med that no reply had been given to the
offer by the city to Mrs. Mary Patton.
All the aldermen were present at the
meeting, this being the first occasion
for several months that there have
been no absentees.

DEPT. AND HOTEL.
Plans For New Grand Trunk Buildings
at Ottawa, Approved.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Plans for the new
Grand Trunk depot and hotel have
been approved. The high water mark in
the Westholme road is in such a po-
sition that it will be found that one
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recently been condemned, was passed.
After five days have elapsed the cor-
poration will tear down whatever
buildings are still standing and assess
the owner.

Just before the council adjourned
Ald. Hall asked the city solicitor what
progress had been made with the Victoria
West arbitration case and was infor-
med that no reply had been given to the
offer by the city to Mrs. Mary Patton.
All the aldermen were present at the
meeting, this being the first occasion
for several months that there have
been no absentees.

DEPT. AND HOTEL.
Plans For New Grand Trunk Buildings
at Ottawa, Approved.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Plans for the new
Grand Trunk depot and hotel have
been approved. The high water mark in
the Westholme road is in such a po-
sition that it will be found that one
enterprising sport got eleven in
one day. Mr. Cooper, the local school
teacher, and Mr. Franklin, of Winni-
peg, took lunch in the head of Cow-
chan river on a trout fishing excursion
on Saturday last. They returned last
night with a good load of big fish.

Since business began to improve here
and the Lenora mine re-started oper-
ations strangers are coming in every
day. A party of five have just arrived,
evidently to look over some claims, as
they have a surveyor's kit with them.
Miss George Johnson, of Victoria, is
spending a couple of weeks with Mrs.
Hamilton.