

THE CANADIAN RAILWAYS

NEW ENGLANDERS FAVOR OUR BIG CARRIERS.

Evidence Given on Saturday Before the United States Senate Commission on Inter-State Commerce.

Boston, July 6.—The United States Senate Commission on Inter-State Commerce continued here today. President Spear of the Boston Chamber of Commerce drew a statement to the committee. It included resolutions passed by the Boston Executive Business Men's Association deprecating any interference with the competition of Canadian roads with the New York lines. Mr. Spear gave figures to support this position and detailed the efforts of various trade organizations for relief from the unfair discrimination of the lines against Boston and in favor of New York lines. After this appeared, he said, the matter began to assume a different aspect and the American roads became more accommodating. The privileges between Canada and the United States should be exactly reciprocal. If Canadian competition were eliminated New England trade would suffer. Witness thought it would be a good thing that Canadian roads locate their termini in this country. Mr. Spear said that in case of war if we had their termini their roads would not be of much use to them with the termini under the jurisdiction of the United States. What ever commerce develops in Canada will be for the benefit of the United States. If the Canadian roads could be placed under the regulations of the Inter-State law it would be agreeable to New England. New England, however, was satisfied with the present condition of things and would like to be let alone.

President Goodwin of the Boston Executive Business Men's Association detailed the Boston's disadvantages as compared with New York, and said these disadvantages would be increased should Canadian competition be withdrawn. Forty per cent. of the grain coming to New England comes by Canadian roads in winter. In summer the proportion is larger. The Grand Trunk was the pioneer in giving accommodations to the production of traffic and the American roads were forced to fall in line through rates were taken from a large number of New England points. The Canadian traffic tended to equalize the effect this had. The trunk lines had to consider New England a ground for freighting upon. Witness favored repeal of the Inter-State law rather than extension of its provisions to Canadian lines.

Wm. L. Putnam said the sentiment of Portland business men was against legislation interfering with the present bonded system of the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific roads. Mr. Putnam spoke of the connections west which had been established by the Ogdenburg through Canada, and said they felt their investments were as much entitled to the protection of the United States as any investments made on our side of the line.

President Westcott of the Portland and Rochester road urged the retention of the present bonding system. S. M. Thaxter, secretary of the Portland and Rochester road, supported the position taken by Messrs. Putnam and Westcott.

M. L. Sargeant of Boston, representing the Arkwright Club, and T. S. Edwards, Treasurer of the "Cochran" Manufacturing Company of Dover, N. H., said that the Canadian roads got into New England exactly as the pump fraud described the mills had to pay an arbitrary rate of 25 cents per bale on cotton, but after the Canadian roads came in the American roads abolished this rate. The commission adjourned until Monday.

The R. & O.'s Cut.

CHICAGO, July 6.—The Chicago committee of the Inter-Traffic Association met today to further consider the situation in the light of the Baltimore & Ohio's reduction in its rate on corn and wheat. During the course of a forenoon the Pennsylvania road issued a supplementary tariff applying its reduced rates to Boston and other New England points. The committee, after full discussion, decided not to meet the action of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Pennsylvania at once, some members preferring to wait for instructions from the managers of their roads, and others holding off until after the meeting of the joint committee in New York they are said; but in such a case a note next Wednesday. A meeting of the trunk line presidents will be held in New York Monday, when an effort will be made to induce the Baltimore & Ohio to withdraw its reduced rates. It is generally believed, however, that the Baltimore & Ohio has made big contracts with shippers at the reduced rates and cannot recede from its position until they are fulfilled.

WILL BURKE BE SENT BACK?

The Case to Close To-day—A Significant Statement by the Judge.

WINNEPEG, July 7.—The Burke extradition trial was continued Saturday, when certificates of Chicago doctors were put in proving the death of Dr. Crown from violence. The prisoner's counsel objected the case was enlarged till Monday morning, the judge saying that all the evidence the prosecution had should be laid before him. The case will close Monday and if extradition is ordered the matter will come before the full court at once by way of habeas corpus.

Suicide at Jordan.

JORDAN, Ont., July 5.—A man by the name of George Paul, living in this village, committed suicide yesterday by taking Paris green. Before death he remarked that he had known it was going to give him so much pain he would not have taken it. He expected he would fall over just like a potato bug. About a year ago Graub had deavored to kill himself by getting on a west-house top and rolling from the roof, that time only succeeding in slightly hurting himself.

In the Hundreds.

St. Paul, July 7.—The weather yesterday in the Northwest was very warm. The thermometer here registered over 100, at Huron, Dak., 106, as the people were kept within doors all afternoon for safety to shade. At Fort Sully it was 104 in the shade.

Death of a Paris (Ont.) Editor.

PARIS, Ont., July 6.—W. C. Jones, editor of The Star-Transcript, died suddenly this morning about 9 o'clock from a fit of apoplexy. He came down town as usual in apparent good health and after calling at the postoffice went to his office and feeling some pain in his left side summoned Dr. Danton, but too late to be of any service.

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FRAUDS ON FARMERS.

Bureau of Industries.

The following bulletin, dealing with frauds on farmers in Ontario, is based on information supplied by 320 of the regular correspondents of the Bureau, under date of June 1st.

Toronto, June 12.—A. B. Secretary.

The replies to questions sent out by this bureau regarding frauds on farmers attest the timeliness of the enquiry. In fact, the answers received would lead to the conclusion that the rural population of the province is still reckoned as a good prey by certain glib-tongued and unscrupulous fellows, who are thriving on the ignorance, vanity or cupidity of their victims. But, on the other hand, the replies also show that the farmers are becoming well informed regarding the operations of the swindlers who infest the townships, and while this knowledge has sometimes been bought by a costly and painful experience, more frequently it has been gleaned from the columns of the press of the province, which has done good service in exposing frauds on agriculturists. With the exception of the notorious case of wheat and seed wheat, there appears to have been a marked falling off in the number of frauds practised on farmers during the past two years. Nevertheless, a system of deception and roguery has been brought to light which it is the purpose of this bulletin briefly to describe.

Scope of the Frauds.—Among the other articles reported as having been used in fraudulent transactions are harness, washing-machines, pumps, harrows, sickle-bar mowers, stove-pipe shelves, and rollers, plows, barbed-wire, lighting rods, hay forks, weigh scales, roofing putty, patent sewing machines, fruit trees, etc., as well as various kinds of patent rights. Brief descriptions of the most widely practised of these swindles are given, and they may be taken as a promissory note for \$105, the retail price of the seven pumps. Sometimes a note is asked for, merely to cover the value of the pumps "on exhibition" at the farm house, and occasionally there is a "verbal understanding" that the unpaid pumps will be taken back; but, while the note invariably turns up, the man with whom the farmer had the verbal understanding never appears again. A number of these pumps are now running in western farms. This style of fraud, which is known as the "local agent racket," has been worked in the disposal of several of the other articles named in the preceding paragraph.

The Hay-fork Swindle.—The hay-fork the Arkwright Club, and T. S. Edwards, Treasurer of the "Cochran" Manufacturing Company of Dover, N. H., said that the Canadian roads got into New England exactly as the pump fraud described the mills had to pay an arbitrary rate of 25 cents per bale on cotton, but after the Canadian roads came in the American roads abolished this rate. The commission adjourned until Monday.

Patent Roller.—An agent for a patent roller a few years ago persuaded several farmers of Simcoe to join in a note to the extent of \$10 apiece for one of his implements. The note was discounted, but the roller never arrived.

Fanning Mills.—A peculiar fanning mill was recently reported by a Middlesex correspondent, who stated: "Several years ago a firm started in the fanning mill business. They were not successful in their canvassing, so they rented a room near London market and exhibited the mill in working order. Their object was to invite farmers to inspect their mill and its work, which was apparently very good. They then asked the farmers to sign in a large book a recommendation of the mill and its work, and each farmer who signed had a mill sent to him. Some paid and some took a bill, when the fraud was exposed and the business wound up."

Lightning Rods.—The frauds in connection with lightning rods are too well known to need description here. During the past two or three years there has been a decided lull in this class of swindle, owing to the exposure in west-house top and rolling from the roof, that time only succeeding in slightly hurting himself.

Patent Right Agencies.—While farmers have through a good deal of money by accepting agencies for patent rights, the loss in the majority of cases has resulted not so much from the fact that the articles were without value in themselves, but rather on account of the poor judgment of the purchaser in taking an article for which there was no local demand, or in paying an unreasonable sum for a too limited territory.

Nursery Agents.—From every quarter come complaints of fraudulent nursery agents. The charge made against this class is that they cheat the farmer: (1) by charging exorbitant prices for alleged new or rare varieties of fruit and other trees which are either worthless or, at the best, old varieties under a new name. (2) By representing certain trees or shrubs to be hardy when they are utterly unsuitable for the soil or climate. (3) By sending common and inferior trees instead of the standard sorts ordered. (4) By shipping trees, etc., at unreasonable times, owing to carelessness in packing. Sometimes the agent will personally agree to replace all trees dying within three years; but after the first season he is in pasture new. In this connection a correspondent points out the danger to orchards from certain wandering grafts. He stated that one of these peripatetic gardeners was heard to boast that he never ran short of scions while any orchard was near, or, in other words, any grafts would do if the supplies ran out.

Tricks of Agents.—Pianos and organs have been fully paid for in cash by farmers, who then signed what they were told was an acknowledgment of the receipt of the instrument, which, however, is a lien upon the article until a second payment is made. Old sewing machines have been polished up, re-varnished and painted off as new, and many clever but rascally tricks have been practised by repairers of machinery in order to get a job or affect the sale of a rival article.

Shoddy Peddlers.—Shoddy peddlers are reported all over. These fellows generally travel in pairs and the stories they tell regarding their stocks are in fact true. They represent a great English or Scotch house which can afford to cut away below Canadian prices; an insurance company has forced the sale of the goods; a wholesale house is anxious to deal direct with the purchaser; or some other plausible tale is repeated with unblinking confidence. A little factory cotton is sometimes sold at two or three cents a yard with the cloth, so as to lead the buyer to believe that he is getting all the goods at equally favorable rates, and the shoddy dealers also claim to have made arrangements with some local tailors to make up suits from their cloth at prices next to nothing. Sales are seldom made below \$30. The goods are of the poorest texture, and often will not stand sewing together.

Boozy Jewellery.—Many farmers have been fleeced by peddlers of boozey jewellery and imitation gold and silver watches. The alleged gold watches are of no real commercial value, but as high as \$20 have been paid for them. Valuable jewellery and first-class watches are never peddled.

Freely Used.

Mr. Wm. Mann, of Ottawa, Ont., writes: "I have used Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry in my family with the very best results. I recommend it to my friends and think it the best medicine in use for all summer complaints, diarrhoea, dysentery, etc."

Book Agent.

Books agent are not peculiar to the rural districts; but many of our correspondents charge this class of agents with fraud. And in some instances the charge appears to be sustained.

A Solid Fact.

Three years ago I had liver complaint and indigestion. Nothing did me any good until I tried Burdock Blood Bitters, three bottles of which cured me. I shall use B. B. B. as my medicine. John Floyd, Barnesville, N. B. B. B. regulates the liver.

A Free Gift.

Around each bottle of Dr. Chase Liver Cure is a medical guide and receipt book containing useful information, over 200 receipts, and pronounced by doctors and druggists as worth ten times the cost of the medicine. Medicine and cook \$1. Sold by all druggists.

On Wednesday, the 19th ulto., Mr. Matthew Wilson, of the 2nd concession of Morris was united in marriage to Miss J. A. Stokes, of Grey township. The interesting ceremony was performed by Rev. W. T. Cluff, of Brussels, and was witnessed by a number of friends.

Buy Fever is a type of catarrh having peculiar symptoms. It is attended by an inflamed condition of the lining membranes of the nostrils, tear-ducts and throat, affecting the lungs. An acrid mucus is secreted, the discharge is accompanied with a burning sensation. There are severe spasms of sneezing, frequent attacks of headache, watery and inflamed eyes. Ely's Cream Balm is a remedy that can be depended upon. 50c. at druggists; by mail, registered, 60c. Ely Brothers, Druggists, Owego, New York.

She Did Her Part.

A farmer's wife was at one time greatly annoyed by her husband's carelessness. His most careless habit was that he seldom thought of splitting wood for his wife to prepare the meals. She tried several plans to make him remember this, but it was of no avail. So one day he had several men helping in the harvest field and he of course forgot to split the wood before going to the field. When it came time to prepare the noon-day meal, his wife got meat, cabbage, potatoes, tea, etc., on the stove, prepared the table and had everything ready for the fire to do its part; then called the men to come for dinner. She had done her part, and when he came in he was greatly surprised, but he knew it was a good joke on him, and all he could do was to go and split the wood, then sit quietly down, and wait for the dinner to cook. Since that he remembers the wood-pile and axe, especially when he has hired help.

A Wonderful Flesh Producer.

This is the title given to Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil by many thousands who have taken it. It not only gives flesh and strength by virtue of its own nutritious properties, but creates an appetite for food. Use it, and try your weight. Scott's Emulsion is perfectly palatable. Sold by all druggists, at 50c. and \$1.

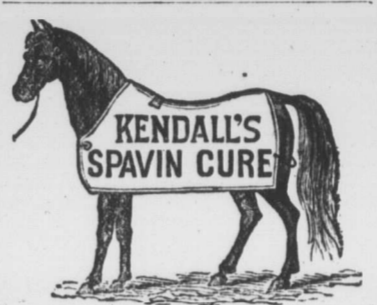
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The dressing paleness so often observed in young girls and women, is due in a great measure to a lack of the red corpuscles in the blood. To remedy this requires a medicine which produces these necessary little blood constituents, and the best yet discovered is Johnson's Tonic Bitters. Price 50 cents, and \$1 per bottle at Good's drug store, Albion block, Goderich. Sole agent. [b]

RENEW AND RENEWING.—This stock of stationery, including note, letter and account papers, envelopes, and in fact, all classes of printing papers has just been replenished at THE SIGNAL. Another large lot to arrive in a day or two and more to follow. If you want something neat and business like in office stationery, call. If you want a card or circular printed in the latest style, call at THE SIGNAL steam printing house, North St.

The rites and ceremonies of Mohammedanism are observed by the eleven Hindus of that faith who have just reached New York.



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OFFICE OF CHARLES A. STYDER, BUREAU OF CLEVELAND DAY AND TRADING BIRD HORSES, 114 WOOD, L.L., Nov. 20, 1888.

DR. R. J. KENDALL, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Dear Sir: I have always purchased your Kendall's Spavin Cure by the half dozen bottles, and would like to purchase in larger quantity. I think it is one of the best remedies on earth. I have used it on many occasions for three years. CHAR. A. STYDER, BROOKLYN, N. Y., November 3, 1888.

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DR. R. J. KENDALL, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Dear Sir: I desire to give you testimonials of my good opinion of your Kendall's Spavin Cure. I have used it for lameness, sore joints, and Spavin, and I have found it a sure cure. I cordially recommend it to all concerned. Yours truly, Manager Troy & Co., Troy, N. Y.

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Dear Sir: I feel it my duty to say what I have done for your Kendall's Spavin Cure. I have cured several cases of Spavin, and I have found it a sure cure. I cordially recommend it to all concerned. Yours truly, J. A. Stokes, Grey Township, Ontario.

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