

PROVINCIAL AND DOMINION.

Railways Running on Highways Under Provincial Control.

Railways on Private Property Under Dominion Control.

Hon. Mr. Graham's Idea as to Provincial Rights.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Ottawa, April 1.—Provincial versus Federal jurisdiction was one more threshed out in the Commons Railway Committee this morning in connection with a bill supported by Mr. Conmee authorizing the Superior and Western Ontario Railway Co. to build a line from a point on the Lake Superior branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific, 150 miles northwest of Fort William, to a point on the National Transcontinental Railway, north of Sturgeon Lake, R. G. Code, K.C., of Ottawa, appeared on behalf of the Ontario Government to protest against the right of the Federal Parliament to pass the bill. Both terminals of the proposed road, he said, were in the Province of Ontario, and the company should be under the control of the Legislature.

After a long discussion, Hon. G. P. O'Connell gave a general statement of the policy in the matter by declaring that the principle should be adopted by giving Provincial charters to all railways built along highways, while roads which bought their own right of way should be under Dominion jurisdiction. He believed that Provincial Governments were well satisfied with the division of jurisdiction since the Dominion Railway Commission was formed. The bill was finally passed.

Mr. Code also objected on the same ground to Major Beattie's bill authorizing the London & North Western Railway to build lines from London to Sarnia and from London through the towns of Adia, Craig and Parkhill to a point in Lake Huron. The committee passed the bill without amendment.

\$824,000 LOAN.

Ontario Government Borrowing Large Sum of Money.

May be to Build Hydro-Electric Transmission Line.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Toronto, April 1.—It was learned this morning at the Parliament buildings that the Bank of Montreal, acting under instructions from the Treasury Department of the Ontario Government, has negotiated a loan of \$824,000 of four per cent, registered Provincial stock maturing in 1947. The price of the issue was 102, which is considered very good by the Government, in view of the existing three and a half per cent. loan quotation. The object of the loan is understood to be the taking up of the outstanding Provincial Treasury bills which fall due in a few days. It is also thought probable that part of the money may go to the building of the Hydro-Electric power transmission line.

CHURCH CONGRESS.

Convention of Presbyterian Laymen in Toronto.

Toronto, April 1.—The Presbyterian laymen's mission convention in connection with the National Missionary Congress, was held this morning in St. James' Square Presbyterian Church, with Mr. James Rodger, of Montreal, presiding. Rev. E. D. McLaren, D. D., delivered a stirring address on "Missions," and Mrs. Walter Paul, Montreal, Mr. Hugh McKenzie, Truro, N. S.; Professor Laird, Kingston, and others took part. These gentlemen were appointed to the committee to draw up a plan for the national organization of the missions of the Presbyterian Church and methods for the development of the work. Mr. Walter Paul, Colonel McCrae, of Guelph, Mr. George Crowe, Winnipeg, Messrs. Findlay, Mackay, Parkinson, Charlton, Toronto. They will report at a session to be held to-morrow morning.

WHOLE DAY OF HOUR SALES.

Right House Announces Gigantic Bargain Event For Friday "Special Value Day."

The greatest bargain event ever attempted in Canada is announced by the Thomas C. Watkins' store for to-morrow. They are going to hold many extraordinary hour sales for each hour of the whole day. The popularity of these wonderful Right House sales can only be realized by a personal visit. For instance, the other Friday they advertised beauty pin sets for 9c, and it took twenty-five sales people to handle the crowd that came. On another occasion over twenty sales people were unable to properly take care of the throngs that came for 2c laces. On still another occasion one hundred and sixty-three customers were waiting for the hour sale of 3c ribbons to open, and when it did open, twenty-five sales people vainly endeavored to wait on them. And these are only instances.

To-morrow's great hour sales will, in many cases, be better than any ever offered before, and instead of being only six during the forenoon, thirty-two great hour sales will extend over the entire day.

It is a wonderful saving chance. Read the details in the Thomas C. Watkins' advertisement to-night, and get your share of the bargains to-morrow. See some of these lines in the Right House windows to-night.

The Authoritative Styles.

For spring, 1909, are now at this store, Hart, Schaffner & Marx have made for us an attractive showing. There's style, snap and a swing in these clothes that will make you realize what the best makers in the world can do. Come to-day. We want you to see them.—Frick & Co., 13 and 15 James street north.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Local notices of Sunday church services must be in the office of this paper before 4 p. m. on Friday to ensure insertion in Saturday's paper.

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

—Mrs. E. B. Smith, 514 Wilson street, will not receive on Friday of this week, nor again this season.

—Ven. Archdeacon Forrester will preach in St. Luke's Church, Burlington, this evening at 8 o'clock.

—Mr. S. H. Alexander, the popular secretary of the Elgar Choir, returned yesterday from Bermuda. The trip benefited him greatly.

—The sons and daughters of the late Mr. John Jenkins wish to thank the many friends for their kind sympathy in their late bereavement.

—Mrs. E. H. Smith, corner of Main street and Sanford avenue, will receive on Thursday and Friday, April 1 and 2, and not again this season.

—Mr. James Allen to-day retired from the position of Customs officer at Burlington, which he has held for ten years. Mr. W. J. Brush succeeds him.

—Mrs. Hyslop, Dominion organizer, W. C. T. U., will address a mass meeting of members and friends in the Y. M. C. A. lecture hall to-morrow at 3.30.

—The Postmaster and staff of the Hamilton Post Office sent Mr. H. A. Eager, late assistant Postmaster, some lovely flowers on this, his birthday, accompanied with a card expressive of their esteem, and full of good wishes.

—Rev. A. E. Mitchell, of Knox Church, left yesterday for Coleman, Alta. Mr. Mitchell is one of the six ministers who had the honor of being appointed to go out to open up stations in the Kootenay district. He will be away about six weeks.

—Rev. T. T. Shields, of London, officiated and Rev. J. B. Paulin, of St. Giles' Church, assisted at the marriage of Miss Jean Cameron and Henderson Cameron, M. D., at London yesterday. A number of Hamilton guests were present.

—The correspondence necessitated by the forthcoming exposition means that the city of Hamilton will receive very extensive publicity, absolutely free.

Mr. Robertson has no desire to make this or any other slogan exclusive; in the general he respectfully invites the public to submit their ideas on the subject.

A large order was placed yesterday, with a leading Canadian firm, for outdoor advertising. On each and every sign will appear in prominent letters, "Hamilton Means Hustle."

The Maple Leaf Amusement Co., Limited, is striving hard to awaken outside interest in the city and thus effect a Greater Hamilton.

Work is now at work doing laying-out and rough preparatory work before actual building operations can be commenced. The rapid disappearance of frost has made the ground very soft, and quite often wagons go up to the hub in places.

It has been arranged to hold the Horse Show on the Exposition grounds, under the auspices of the Hamilton Driving Club.

—This is April Fool day—have you been caught?

The joker was out early with his tricks, and a number of old timers were played on the postmen, drivers and others in the St. Catharines Star, four tells the old story of the greatest of all April fool jokes in history, the one-wheeled velocipede affair in Hamilton forty years ago.

ONLY FOUR QUALIFIED.

Only four of the six men appointed by the Police Commissioners yesterday afternoon passed the medical examination. These four will be on one Campaign, Goodman, Cheeseman and Lord are the four who passed. It is likely a special meeting will be called to appoint two more men to fill their places.

Fresh Fish For To-morrow.

A plentiful supply of fresh caught lake herrings, perch, pickerel and pike for to-morrow. The fishermen along Lake Erie are expected to be in the city this afternoon, and there is any whitefish in their nets we are promising a supply. Call us up in the morning for definite information.—Peoples, Hobson & Co., Limited, King and MacNab streets.

SOMETHING MORE IS NEEDED.

Every day and always something more is needed in the household.

This applies particularly to groceries and the St. Catharines Star, four tells the old story of the greatest of all April fool jokes in history, the one-wheeled velocipede affair in Hamilton forty years ago.

St. Catharines Springs.

Spend an Easter vacation near home. Try the tonic effect of baths in the saline waters of "the St. Catharines well." At the Welland will be found all the comforts of a modern hotel, together with a most restful environment. Apply to G. T. Railway office, or address direct.

IS VERY ILL.

Mrs. Blanche Scott, 331 Ferris street east, crawled into the City Hall this morning, and at the door of the police office collapsed and fell unconscious to the floor. She was taken to the City Hospital, where it was found she was suffering from a severe attack of pleurisy. She is in a critical condition.

Steamship Arrivals.

March 31.—At New York, from Havre, America—At New York, from Hamburg, Saxonia—At Queenstown, from Boston, Canada—At Queenstown, from New York, Teutonic—At Plymouth, from New York, Majestic—At New York, from Southampton, Mongolia—At Halifax, from Glasgow.

Kreuziger Luise—At New York, from Naples, Halifax, April 1.—Empress of Ireland, 2 1/2 miles from here, 7 o'clock last night. Due here 5 o'clock this p. m. St. John, 8 o'clock to-morrow, a. m.

Landslut, April.—The Zeppelin airship party was absent at 10 minutes past 12, going to the northeast.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA.

Among the Hamiltonians who have been spending the winter in California are Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Lazier, Miss Eleanor Lazier, Miss McGill, Mr. and Mrs. E. Van Allan, Miss Alma Van Allan, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Gallagher, Mrs. David Graham, Mrs. John Moodie and her daughters, the Misses Sutherland, Mr. W. J. Waters, Miss Wyanette and Master Donald Waters, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Crooks, Mr. and Mrs. St. Clair Balfour and others.

CUT HIS THROAT.

Street Car Conductor Lost His Job and Was Despondent.

Toronto, April 1.—Despondent because he had lost his position as a street car conductor, Edward H. Gohn, aged 50 years, of 18 Hayer street, cut his throat with a razor in the bath room of his home this morning. His wife found him covered with blood. A doctor was called at once and Gohn, after receiving first aid, was removed to a hospital. Although very weak from loss of blood, Gohn may recover, as his razor missed the jugular vein. He has two children.

HOT OFF THE WIRE.

Greek Cabinet resigns. King Peter of Serbia may resign if he gets \$50,000 a year. S. Lambert's saw mill at Welland burned this morning. Nine more suffragettes sent to jail in London for one month. International auto race begins on Saturday at Monte Carlo. F. Marion Crawford, novelist, is sinking rapidly at Sorrento, Italy. Navigation between Port Dalhousie and Toronto opened this morning.

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PLAIN TALK.

Methodism and the Foreigners in Winnipeg.

Foreigners Should Have a Chance to Get a Bath.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Toronto, Ont., April 1.—"I would rather be a member of any other denomination under the sun than be a Methodist, emasculated and deteriorated, who has forgotten all the early traditions of his church." This was one of the sentiments expressed by Professor Osborne, of Wesley College, Winnipeg, at the Methodist denominational meeting of Commissioners in the Metropolitan Church this morning.

Professor Osborne had been called on for an address on home mission work. He explained that he was unaware that his name was on the programme. When he was finally induced to speak he said some things that made his brethren sit up. Judge Drouche, of Belleville, was in the chair and there were about nine hundred delegates present. "I say," said Professor Osborne, "that Methodism, where class meeting had ceased to be, where local preachers are unknown, is not Methodism at all, and should certainly look to her underpinning and her foundations." It was his opinion that the Methodist Church of Canada would do well to note the stability of English Methodism of the present day. Professor Osborne then turned to a discussion of the foreign problem in its relation to the home mission problem.

"His easterners do not realize what it means," he said. "If you ever had been to the north of Winnipeg you might talk about ignorant foreigners who come to our shores. I tell you, gentlemen, that thanks to conditions that exist in Manitoba to-day, they are more vicious far than they are when they come to us." These conditions, he said, were insufficient educational advantages and the grasping of landlords, who permitted these people to huddle whole families in one room in houses in North Winnipeg, and Prof. Osborne gave incidents of extremely repellant conditions in which these people lived. "One denomination working alone among them cannot accomplish much," said the professor. "Let there be a general board of all denominations. Raise enough money at once to at least give them a bath. Having improved their social condition we can get them spiritually. Can we find any fault with our Roman Catholic friends for spending their funds and sending their men freely to look after these people? If any one says that as a Christian Protestantism, we must act quickly."

G. T. P. LOAN.

Tory Party Divided as to the Opposition to be Offered.

Will Borden Decide on Ownership Policy?

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Ottawa, April 1.—The Conservatives are not altogether happy about the attitude of their leaders toward the Government's proposal for a loan to the Grand Trunk Pacific of ten million dollars. The matter was considered at a caucus last night, and a strong wing was heard from which wanted the opposition to come out flat with an amendment, declaring that the Conservative party was in favor of dispossessing the Grand Trunk Pacific and taking over the road as a Government work. There were others who wanted to confine themselves to criticism of the action of the Government without proposing to amend the resolution. The Government ownership men say that the Opposition should take the definite stand they propose or stop talking in the House for it has been shown by the record of the party in the last ten years that criticism without a positive policy does not get a sufficient number of votes in a general election. It was finally decided to leave the matter in the hands of Mr. Borden to propose a Government ownership proposition or continue the policy of criticism.

LOTS OF MONEY.

Bank of England Rate Reduced—Gold Pouring in.

London, April 1.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England was reduced to-day from 3 to 2 1/2 per cent.

This is the first change since Jan. 14, when the rate was advanced from 2 1/2 to 3 per cent, mainly for the purpose of building up the bank's gold reserve.

The steady influx of gold from all quarters, especially from America, decided the directors of the bank to reduce the rate to 2 1/2 per cent at today's meeting. The prospects all point to a plethora of money throughout the summer, and in some quarters a further reduction to 2 per cent is forecasted. In confident anticipation of to-day's announcement the money market sharply declined as a consequence and Vienna was enabled to purchase \$2,500,000 gold on the market. The continental demands, however, are not expected to assume large proportion as the monetary position in Europe centres is quite easy. The lower bank rate was discounted on the stock exchange, where a rise in gilt-edged securities has been going on for some days.

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