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GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC WILL COST CANADA \$180,000,000

R. L. Borden Declares That Canada Will Have to Pay This Sum for the New Road--Canada Will Owe \$450,000,000 at the Completion of the Road.

Ottawa, July 7.—A carefully prepared statement was read by Mr. Borden in the House tonight showing that the total cash cost of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway to the people of Canada will be \$191,305,823, to which is to be added a bond guarantee of \$69,694,000, a total of nearly \$260,000,000.

It was expected that the minister of railways would address the House on the G. T. P. project and the opposition leader prepared a table, based on returns brought down earlier in the session, and when the item for \$20,000,000 for surveys and construction was called, Mr. Graham was asked what about his statement and he replied that it was yet to be prepared.

Mr. Borden, then, gave the House the benefit of his computations, to which Mr. Graham did not reply. The cost, said Mr. Borden, was a staggering amount for the country to face under present conditions. At the rate we were going at the time the road was completed the public debt of Canada would amount to \$450,000,000, unless we could spend some of this money out of revenue and this was extremely unlikely. It was for this reason that he thought it advisable to call the attention of the government to what he considered would be the total cost of the railway.

Eastern division construction of railway from Montreal to Winnipeg, 1,803 miles, at an estimated cost of \$95,420 per mile, \$174,338,785.

Allowing five years for period of construction there will be an average of 34 years simple interest at 3 1/2 per cent. per year during construction, of \$4,083,781.67 per year for 24 years, \$100,000,464.

Cost of eastern division at completion will thus be \$124,403,249. To this must be added several years interest at 3 per cent. (compounded) after completion during the time the G. T. P. is to pay no rent, \$26,124,070.

Also interest at 3 per cent. for three years additional during which no rent is collectable, unless earnings are sufficient, \$11,186,561, total \$161,724,125.

Cost of Quebec bridge up to let of March, 1907, \$5,422,238. Estimated cost of completion \$9,000,000—\$14,422,238.

Estimated cost of our share of terminals at Quebec, Winnipeg and Montreal and share cost of Winnipeg, \$5,470,000, total \$181,616,423.

Cost of Mountain section—839 miles, as stated in return brought down, \$61,230,000. Seventy-five per cent. of the above—\$45,922,500 to be guaranteed by the government for construction of mountain section.

And the government agrees to pay without recourse the interest on bonds guaranteed for seven years which, at 3 1/2 per cent. amounts to \$9,689,400.

A total cash expenditure of \$191,305,823. The bond guarantee, \$69,694,000, to the above cash expenditure, the government incurs the following obligations on its guarantee of bonds.

Issue on mountain section as above, \$46,140,000.

Guarantee of bond issue on prairie section, 948 miles at \$35,000 per mile, \$33,180,000.

Total \$83,824,000.

Cost expenditure, \$191,305,823.

Bond guarantee, \$69,694,000.

Total, \$260,999,823.

The opposition leader gave the various early estimates of the cost of the road. Sir Wilfrid Laurier had estimated the total cost to the country at between \$12,000,000 and \$15,000,000.

Mr. Borden said he, himself, had estimated the cost of the eastern section at \$75,000,000, and some of his intimates at the government side of the House had declared this estimate to be wide of the mark.

Intercolonial estimates to the amount of \$4,744,485 were passed.

On the vote of \$1,201,560 for mail and steamship subsidies the item for a direct

STRANGE TALE IN THE NORTH END

Mrs. Izzard of Sheriff Street Says She Saw a Man Drown in Hilary's Slip.

Hundreds of people lined the wharves at Hilary's mill during several hours last evening in consequence of an alarm raised by Mrs. Charles Izzard of 125 Sheriff street, who said she had seen a man struggling in the slip and after attempting to raise himself up the side of the wharf, lost his hold and sunk.

After some time had been spent in grasping the hopes of finding a body were given up and it was the general impression that Mrs. Izzard had been mistaken. This is the view of the police who investigated the matter, though stories told by people in the vicinity strengthen that told by Mrs. Izzard, and give an ugly aspect to the drowning, if any occurred.

Miss Maggie Hatfield, who lives at 77 Hilary street, directly opposite the entrance to the slip, says that she saw three men come along Hilary street and into the wharf at 7 o'clock last evening. They were all strangers and had been drinking. The one in the centre had his coat off and wore a white shirt. He had black curly hair. He had some money in his hand and was talking in a loud voice to his companions. He held up one bill and called out "That's a V."

Miss Hatfield said she watched the man go into the yard and a few minutes after saw two of the men, those who were coasting out of the yard. When the cries of alarm were heard she ran out and saw the man who was missing. "I took no particular notice of the man," she said, "because he had such a rough look and my father had told me about meeting a rough character near our house early this morning and I think it was the same one."

Mrs. Izzard told the following story to a reporter last evening: "With my married daughter Stella, I was sitting on an open window in the top flat of the house and looking out into the mill slip I saw something black bobbing up and down."

"I watched it a while and said that it looked like a man. Then the object moved over to the wharf and I saw a man pluck his hands up and try to climb up. He had on a white shirt. He raised himself up to his waist."

"He did not succeed in getting out but went backwards in the water and I never saw him again."

"I ran down stairs and told the other two men who were passing and a crowd soon gathered, but they were no help to me."

It is also said that two little Calvin girls from Brooks street were on the wharf and heard the man calling out for a boat.

Among those who were grasping were Almer Tins, Havelock Wilson and Robert Ready. After the men had gone completely out the shipmen searched around and found no trace of a body. A strong current prevails at the spot and it is quite possible that the tide would take a body out.

Acting-Sergeant Finlay said he was called after inquiry for the missing man and that after looking for him he did not find him.

The presence of the man in the harbor has been noted, and he thinks that in the twilight and at the great distance Mrs. Izzard may have been deceived. It is likely that more thorough investigation will be made today.

MONTREAL HAS A SENSATIONAL MURDER

Man Murdered in an Opium Den--Murderer Escaped but Police are Chasing Him.

Montreal, Que., July 8 (Special).—The man murdered in a China town opium den yesterday has not been identified and the slayer is still at large. Both victim and murderer were opium smokers and the tragedy was the outcome of a row Monday night during which the supposed murderer was stabbed by the man he shot.

With his arm in a sling the fellow who was stabbed Monday night went to the opium joint and shot his assailant, who was lying in a bunk. He had two companions and they escaped with him. Detectives secured the city for a man with his arm in a sling but failed to find him. The Chinaman who ran the place is under arrest but he seems to know nothing about the affair. The police found a 15 year old boy who saw the fight on Monday and says he will be able to identify the murderer. The victim had \$27 in his pockets but nothing to lead to his identification.

LORD ROBERTS TO VISIT CANADA SOON

He Will Represent the British Army at the Quebec Tercentenary--Sails on Friday From Liverpool.

Montreal, July 7.—A London cable says: Lord Roberts, who has the approval of the king to represent the army at the Quebec Tercentenary celebration, sails on Friday, July 10, on the C. P. R. steamship "Empress of Ireland."

The Star's correspondent cables: "Seeing the renewed newspaper reports that Lord Longboat would possibly be disqualified as a professional, I again questioned the Olympic secretary. He replied, 'It is simply newspaper talk. So far as we know, officially, everything is all right. If any representations are to be made, they must be made in the next few days or it will be too late.'"

"The Canadians are delighted that the King permits the Marquis to start from his private grounds at Windsor castle."

"Most of the sporting writers agree that only two out of the fifteen competing countries stand a chance of providing the victor, namely, Canada and Great Britain, the Canadian favorites being Longboat and Simpson. On the other hand, Burrows, writing in the Leader, says: 'Longboat wins his races easily, but never within half a mile of the record of Strath. England has half a dozen who will easily beat Longboat.'"

Another cable says: "The Canadian team of their customers work at the Stadium this morning. Kerr was out again after a day's rest yesterday. All the men are doing well."

Capt. Russell Brown, Canada's representative in the tennis championships, defeated Slava, of Bohemia, in the fourth round of the tournament. The scores were 6-3, 6-2, so that Brown won easily by three sets to two. R. Powell, of Canada, in the third round, defeated L. Radley, of Bohemia, by three sets to one, the scores being, 2-6, 6-0, 6-1.

MONTREAL HAS HEAVY STORM

Hurricane and Heavy Rain Follow--Hottest Day of the Season.

Montreal, July 7.—Today was the hottest day of the season, the thermometer rising to 92 degrees in the shade by the McGill College thermometers which are located far under the trees and from the intense heat of the sun. Down town reliable thermometers rose as high as 90 and 91.

The heat was an intense one and many of the larger city institutions gave up the struggle for the afternoon and shut up, dismissing their clerks by five o'clock. A number of prostrations occurred but none of them was serious, although the city and suburbs were kept busy during the day administering first aid to the exhausted.

The long spell of hot weather culminated about 6 o'clock in one of the most terrific storms that has visited this district in years. The storm was heralded by a hurricane which made the streets absolutely impassable, owing to the immense clouds of dust. The wind only lasted in its full fury for a few minutes but in that time trees all over the city were felled, six handsome shade trees in Place Viger Park going down in a bunch at the same time. Several electric lights were blown down while the electric lights were great sufferers. The electric wires were also tangled up in all directions and for an hour the various city fire brigades were called out in all directions to take care of dangerous fires. High pressure winds in the city only lasted about an hour but during that time business was stopped and thousands of dollars' worth of damage was done.

PRESBYTERY MEETING

The quarterly meeting of the Presbytery of St. John was held yesterday in St. Andrew's church. Rev. A. B. Dickie, of Sackville, was chosen moderator, succeeding Rev. A. A. Graham; Rev. Frank Baird, of Sussex, was continued as clerk and Peter Campbell as treasurer.

The call from St. Matthew's church, St. John, to Rev. J. James MacCallister, of Fort Kent, was received. Induction will take place on July 21. Rev. A. Graham to preside and induce, Rev. David Lang to address the minister and Rev. Mr. Townsend to address the people.

Arrangements for the settlement of Rev. Mr. MacCallister at Harvey on July 14 were completed. Induction will take place and induce, Rev. J. B. Gibson will address the minister and Rev. Hunter Boyd the people.

St. John's church representatives announced the resignation of Rev. Dr. Fotheringham to take effect August 1, but he will supply until Sept. 29. The resignation was accepted.

"The Presbytery took action in the case of Rev. Mr. Mullin, of Stanley. Some few years ago Mr. Mullin ceased to be a minister of the Presbyterian church, certain trouble having arisen. Recently, the local government requested Mr. Mullin as one of the licensed to solemnize marriage. The Presbytery yesterday considered the matter and appointed a committee to wait on the government to protest against the license being granted in what is believed to be an irregular way. This committee consisted of Rev. Messrs. James Ross, W. W. Rennie, and S. H. McFarlane, of Fredericton.

Those present at the meeting were Rev. Messrs. A. A. Graham, Fotheringham, A. B. Dickie, W. W. Rennie, L. B. Gibson, C. G. Townsend, Wm. Pascook, A. S. MacKay, Frank Baird, David Lang, J. J. MacCallister, L. A. McLean, James Ross, McD. Clarke, Hunter Boyd, Wm. Townsend.

A party of young people, including Miss Maude Scott, Miss Cora Scott, Miss Maude Currie, and Miss Marie Putnam, of Miramichi (N.S.), are spending a few days at Camp Content, Pandemic, chaperoned by Mrs. N. C. Scott.

Rev. Dr. Joseph McLeod, of Fredericton, is in the city.

SERIOUS ROW IN WOODSTOCK CAUSED BY CIRCUS EMPLOYEES

Militia Called For but Col. Dibblee Refused to Order Out the Troops.

Woodstock, N. B., July 7.—The visit of Cole Brothers' circus to Woodstock today will be remembered as it caused the town to experience one of the most exciting days in its history. A serious row on the grounds at the time of the afternoon performance, a battle between circus employees and townspeople in which ten persons were injured, and several constables were injured, the forbidding of the night performance were outstanding features and when it is added that effort was made to get the militia out and that, failing this, some fifty townsmen armed with rifles and revolvers gathered near the circus grounds until dispersed by the sheriff, the lively nature of the incidents of the day will be understood.

One circus employee was arrested, Constable Harry Johnston is in the hospital. There was talk of having the riot act read but later the trouble subsided and the circus was allowed to leave town for Fredericton. A circus employee named Allan is believed to have struck Johnston and at the latest report last night he had not been located.

In anticipation of possible trouble, it was deemed advisable at a meeting of the county council on Monday night to swear in eleven special constables for today inasmuch as it was feared that the employees of Cole Brothers' circus might make trouble.

The parade took place at noon and made a favorable impression. This afternoon, however, complaint was made by several that a ticket seller was not giving the right change back and Harry Johnston, one of the special constables, told the ticket seller that he must refrain from cheating. The row then started.

It is said that one of the horses whistled for his men who appeared with iron pins, etc. Johnston was hit on the head with a pin and had to be removed to the hospital. Citizens assisted the constables and several were injured on both sides, among the constables being Johnston, the Bam Noles and Stanley Hamilton. The show, with a big crowd in attendance, was in progress but no one was allowed in or out after the fight started.

Twenty-one other special policemen were immediately sworn in as things looked bad for a time, but there were no more clashes. Mayor Belmain, Clark, Hartley and Chief Kelly called upon the show and told the crowd to disperse. The gates of the park where the tents were pitched, were then closed by the authorities and there was no performance.

Major Good telephoned to the D. O. C. asking permission to call out the militia but could get no reply. The militia authorities had a meeting and decided that the militia could be called out if the riot act were read. At 8.30 the militiamen were gathered in the armory intending to march to the trotting park. Half an hour later Mayor Belmain called on Lieut. Col. Dibblee, in command of the militia with a requisition signed by the police magistrate and two justices of the peace, setting forth that a state of riot was practically existing and asking that the troops be called out.

Col. Dibblee, however, declined against the request saying that if a riot had existed all was then peaceful. Meantime the circus management had engaged Hon. W. F. Jones to look after their interests.

While all this was going on, however, a number of town people, perhaps fifty, had armed themselves with rifles or revolvers and gone to the park, but on the order of the high sheriff and his notification that the trouble was over, they went away.

No sign of Allan had been secured at last reports, but the chief of police has wired Fredericton that if the man is in

DR. PUGLEY'S REPLY TO HON. MR. FLEMING

The following is Dr. Pugley's reply to Hon. Mr. Fleming's last letter:—Office of Minister of Public Works of Canada.

Ottawa, July 4th, 1908.

Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your valued favor of the 23rd ultimo, and am quite surprised at the attitude which you take with regard to the arbitration. I think upon reflection, you will agree with me that it is contrary to every principle of arbitration that one of the parties thereto should insist upon naming his own arbitrator without giving the other party to the reference any choice.

You speak of the proposition to select one out of the seven barristers named as being a lottery, to which you seem to be greatly opposed, but I would remind you that this is the way in which juries are chosen, the names of the jurors on the panel being placed in a box, and the names drawn therefrom by the clerk. It is quite immaterial how any one of the seven is chosen, whether by lot, or by each of us striking off three names, the one remaining to be the arbitrator.

I note that you use the following language: "I have met your proposal to arbitration on your bill on February 22nd last, and at your request that it be submitted to a barrister of high standing, I consented by naming A. B. Connell, K.C., of Woodstock." By reference to my telegram making the proposition for arbitration, you will see that I proposed referring my account to an arbitrator "to be mutually agreed upon." You cannot properly call it an acceptance of my proposition for you to insist upon being the sole judge of the arbitrator.

With reference to my claim for services in connection with the Eastern Extension, I have already explained to you why I think this should also be submitted to arbitration, and I am not able to appreciate the force of your objection that I have no claim. I contend that the Province is justly and equitably indebted to me for a large amount, and in justice to me you should be willing to let the arbitrator deal with my whole claim. The case would be different if we had in New Brunswick the same law which exists in regard to claims against the Dominion Government or in the Province of Ontario against the Provincial Government, but as you know, we have no Exchequer Court in New Brunswick, and any person having a claim has no means of enforcing it, and must rely upon the disposition of the Government to do equity.

Yours truly,
WILLIAM PUGLEY,
Hon. J. K. Fleming,
Provincial Secretary,
Fredericton, N. B.

AUTO LINE TO ROCKWOOD

Thomas Foley, proprietor of the Hotel Miramichi, Newcastle, has brought a large automobile to the city and it is understood he intends to use it carrying passengers between the city and Rockwood Park. The auto will seat thirty people and is of thirty horse power. He hopes that it will be a great success and that the Horticultural Association to allow the auto to run as far as the shoot-the-shutes, using Mount Pleasant avenue.

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FREDERICTON DISSATISFIED

City Council Fails to Ratify Action of Police Commission.

Fredericton, N. B., July 7.—The city council spent more than three hours this evening wrangling over the report, submitted by the newly-created police commission, asking for the appointment of a chief and four patrolmen be ratified.

Ald. Winslow started the ball in motion by moving an amendment to report that the council approve of the appointment of four policemen, one to be a sergeant at salaries of \$800 per year. This was declared to be out of order and withdrawn.

A motion of Ald. Mitchell that the commission's report be taken up section by section was adopted after a lively debate by the casting vote of the mayor. Ald. Winslow, Hooper and Farrell came out strongly against while Ald. Clark was the chief defender. Ald. Crowe and Walker were in favor of the commission but thought five policemen was a greater number than needed.

The first section of Chairman Johnston's report, which asked for approval of the commission's action, was voted down and the other section, which asked that the commission be permitted to use the assessor's office was adopted with an amendment giving them permission to use the office until such time as another can be provided. In voting against the first section, several aldermen claimed that they had acted under a misapprehension that they tried to get reconsideration, but Mayor Chestnut decided that the matter had been disposed of.

Ald. Farrell moved a resolution to abolish the commission but it failed to command the necessary two-thirds vote, only five supporting it.

During the course of the animated discussion matters became very mixed and at the close some aldermen seemed in doubt as to just how matters stood.

The commission has certainly been turned down for the present and there is considerable speculation as to what course they will take now. In the course of the debate Chairman Johnston came in for some hard knocks and Ald. Clark made the interesting announcement that he had decided to take out naturalization papers.

Later in the evening a resolution was adopted censuring the principal assessor for refusing to allow aldermen to examine the assessment roll.

York municipal council this afternoon, after a sharp debate, adopted a resolution recommending that legislation be procured

HE WAS DROWNED WHILE BATHING

Young Man Named Carson Met His Death in the Petitcodiac River.

Moncton, N. B., July 7.—A young man named Carson employed with a crew at bridge work on the I. C. R., was drowned this evening in the Petitcodiac river, at Boundary creek, while bathing.

The close of a hot day, Carson and a number of companions went to River Glade to bathe. The tide was running in and he was unable to battle with the tide and was drowning. One of the party who could swim very well, at once went to the young man's assistance and a life and death struggle ensued. Carson was grabbed by the hair of the head and might have been pulled ashore had he not clasped his rescuer about the body. Both young men went to the bottom and Carson's companion soon discovered he would be unable to land the drowning man. He was forced to abandon his effort to save his friend, but experienced great difficulty in getting clear of his burden.

Those on shore unable to swim, witnessed a most distressing sight. The young man who went to the rescue finally got clear of the drowning man, but was so exhausted he was barely able to reach shore.

Carson disappeared from view and was carried up river by the swift flowing tide. An alarm was given and a crowd gathered, but all efforts to find the body were unavailing. Carson belonged to Upper Turtle Creek. Tomorrow morning another effort will be made to find the body.

Mrs. C. A. Bray and Mrs. A. C. Johnson of Boston are visiting Mrs. J. O. Charlton, Waterloo street.

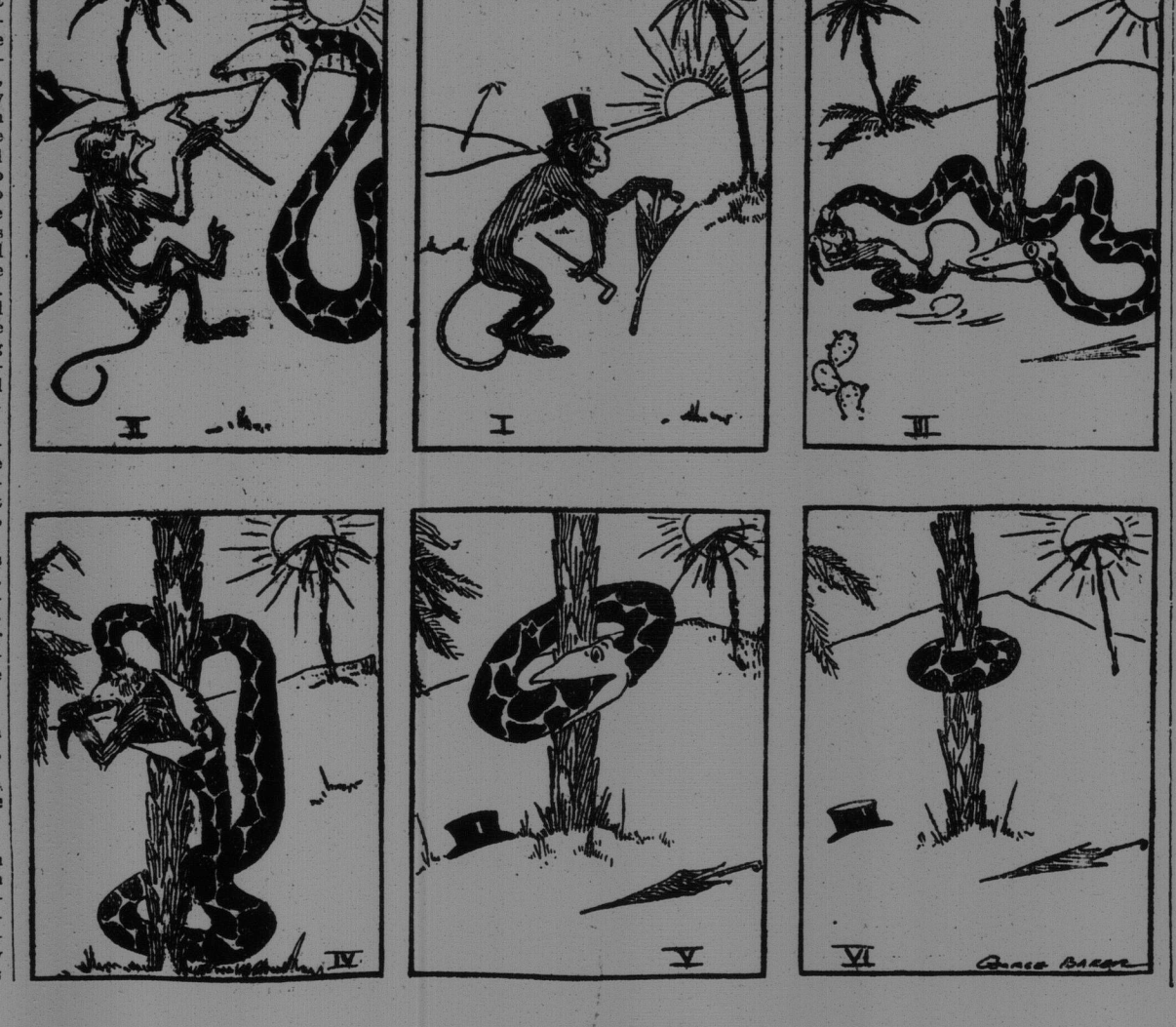
ST. JOHN TENNIS CLUB

The tennis tea of the St. John Club will be held this afternoon. Much interest is being manifested this year in the provincial meet which will begin at Rockwood on Tuesday, August 18. The St. John Club expect to send a strong contingent this year, and as usual will be represented in the singles by the present champion, N. Malcolm McVitty.

The club has invited the Westfield Club to a tournament on the St. John courts for next Saturday. A trip to Fredericton will be made this month.

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