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BRITISH COLUMBIA RAILS.

Dominion and Province Settle an Old Dispute.

The Administration and Control of the Montreal Railway Lands Agreed Upon—The Settlement Formally Endorsed by the Government and Approved Signed by the Governor-in-Council—Details of the Settlement.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—The agreement arrived at between the Government of British Columbia and Mr. J. A. McKenna and Mr. T. G. Rothwell on behalf of the Dominion Government, with a view to obtaining a settlement of certain questions as to the administration of lands in the railway belt upon the making of the province, has been approved by the Governor-General in Council.

The date of the provincial statute granting the lands in the railway belt to the Dominion, December 19, 1885, is agreed upon as the date of the transfer of the lands by the province to the Dominion.

From the tract of lands so transferred are reserved all lands granted by the province or covered by pre-emption at that date, but all pre-emptions abandoned or cancelled prior to December 19, 1885, shall be regarded as having passed to the Dominion, and all pre-emptions abandoned or cancelled after that date shall be deemed to belong to the province. All lands covered by that date by sales or applications to purchase on account of which moneys had been paid to the province shall be under the control of the province, provided that all lands so covered by sales which had been cancelled or for which the applications to purchase were prior to that date shall be regarded as having passed to the Dominion; but if the lands so sold were abandoned or the applications to purchase lapsed after that date the land shall belong to the province.

Provision is made for the identification of land in the belt and the survey of its boundaries. It is also provided that the Provincial and Dominion Governments shall accept surveys made under the authority of either Government. A satisfactory arrangement has been come to respecting the registration of Dominion patents and for dealing with lands such as those known as the "Farwell grants." The agreement, it is considered, will remove the difficulties which have impeded the administration of lands in the belt and will provide for their being dealt with in a satisfactory manner in the future.

A New Man for North Toronto.
Toronto, Dec. 28.—George Anderson, of the Royal Artillery, is a Liberal candidate in North Toronto for the Local House. A number of prominent Liberals in the riding have taken him up and are pressing him upon the party. He will be a strong candidate if he gets the nomination. Since the advent of Mr. Will Laurier to power Mr. Anderson has visited Laurier as a trade commissioner for the Board of Trade and has met with the approval of considerable value.

The Hull School Tax.
Ottawa, Dec. 28.—An agreement has been reached in the dispute between the Protestant and Roman Catholic ratepayers of Hull over the maintenance of schools of the different faiths. The deputation has returned from Quebec, where they met Premier Marchand, before whom they laid their protest. The agreement arrived at in Quebec is to the effect that monthly contributions be made by the party whose children are benefited by the school for which the fees are charged.

Hon. A. G. Blair's Railway Scheme.
Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways and Canada, is said to be anxious to purchase the Canada Eastern Railway as a feeder for the I.C.R. The line runs from Chatham to Gibson, opposite Fredericton, N.B., a distance of 196 miles. The alleged proposal is to purchase it for \$1,200,000, and a preliminary agreement has been made in all \$1,000,000. The scheme is not generally approved in the Council.

London's Little Army to be Reduced.
London, Ont., Dec. 28.—Word has reached here that the London Little Army is likely to go into effect which will reduce the staff considerably. The present force numbers about 67 in all, including commissioned officers, non-coms, and men. In all probability the number will be reduced to 40.

Cotton Operatives' Overtures Rejected.
Fall River, Mass., Dec. 28.—The cotton manufacturers yesterday rejected the cotton proposition made to them by the operatives. The leaders of the 20,000 operatives offered a proposition to the question of strike or acceptance of reduction to the unions.

Toronto's Mayorality.
Toronto, Dec. 28.—Yesterday Mayor Shaw, Ald. Preston, and Ald. E. W. Hill were nominated and late last night were still in the field. It is, however, anticipated that the two last named will retire and make the fight a triangular one.

Have Called for a Meeting of Creditors.
Milton, Dec. 28.—George Wain & Sons, boot and shoe manufacturers of Milton, have called a meeting of creditors for tomorrow, 29th inst. The firm did a large business, and is well known throughout western Ontario.

MAYORS BY ACCLAMATION.
Alliston—John Stewart.
Amherst—B. V. Stafford.
Barrington—Dr. Wainwright.
Bowmanville—R. B. Loomb.
Brantford—E. H. Crandall.
Deseronto—E. W. Hathorn.
Galt—J. H. Radford.
Georgetown—James Hever.
Hamilton—E. A. Colquhoun.
Ingersoll—Walter Mills.
Owen Sound—T. J. Thompson.
Pembroke—Thomas Murray.
Penetanguishene—D. J. Shanahan.
Perth—J. A. Allan.
Simcoe—W. B. Gillespie.
St. Catharines—W. B. Gillespie.
Seaford—E. G. Scott.
Stayner—Dr. A. McFaul.
St. Mary's—C. Richardson.
Tilbury—E. Bell.
Walkerton—A. Monies.
Windsor—David.
Waverille—Thomas Reid.

MASSEY WILL CASE.
The Plaintiff's Claims Involve Some Serious Allegations: The Inquest Continued.
Toronto, Dec. 24.—There is another law suit over the estate of the late Mrs. A. Massey. The plaintiffs are John H. Massey, A. L. Massey, Winona G. Massey, and Stella L. Massey. The defendant is the executor of the estate, Mr. J. H. Massey. The suit is instituted to void the will of 100 shares of Massey stock made by

the deceased in 1885, also to void the sale of the same made by Mrs. Massey in 1885, and to have the same referred to a jury to be tried in a select jury court. The plaintiffs claim that the will was made by Mrs. Massey in 1885, and that she died in 1885, and that she was insane at the time she made the will. The defendant claims that the will was made by Mrs. Massey in 1885, and that she died in 1885, and that she was sane at the time she made the will.

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CANADA

Montreal General News Notes.

Ex-Mayor Meland, of Prince Albert, is here interesting Montrealers in the Prince Albert route to the Klondike. He says it is 300 miles shorter than by Edmonton.

The Standard Electric Company has purchased the Temple Electric Company for \$150,000.

La Presse announces that Sir Adolphe Chaplain will come to Montreal and present his resignation. It is stated that the Lieutenant-Governor will sponsorwood immediately after Nov. 31.

The Archbishop of Montreal will not reach Montreal till Wednesday. His Grace brings the Pope's blessing to the Montreal journalists.

SEDITIOUS MATTER.
No New Instructions, But Attention Called to the Existing Law.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—The last quarterly supplement to the Canadian Postal Guide contains the following paragraph: (4) Seditious matter—is generally understood to be of a character of an indecent or immoral character is not allowed transmission through the mails, but it is considered proper to mention that the law prohibits the circulation of "seditious" matter or matter tending to excite resistance to lawful authority or to disturb the public peace. In any case of doubt as to the treatment of matter which may appear to be of this character, postmasters should consult the department.

It will thus be seen that the paragraph which is inserted in the Postal Guide to the effect that new instructions have been issued, only attention has been called to the existing law. It was deemed wiser to authorize the sending of doubtful matter to the department, as it was the duty of the department to be better judge of "matters" than he would be of "seditious."

HEAVY DAMAGES CLAIMED
By Montreal Importers From Newspapers Which Charged Customs Frauds.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 28.—Messrs. Fitzgibbon, Shalhoub & Co., Importers, have entered action for \$100,000 against the Starbuckler, the Sunday Star, and Les Nouvelles, because of sensational reports regarding alleged customs frauds published by the newspapers. Some time ago there was a rumor on the street that the customs officers were looking into some affairs in connection with the firm, when the latter sent their lawyer to the collector, inviting inspection of their books and offering security for any deficiency that might be found.

St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 28.—Mrs. George Seales, wife of Mr. George Seales, grocer, dropped dead in her room yesterday. Mrs. Seales went to bed the baker, who had called with bread, and had just returned to the street, when she was taken with a fit. She was found by her husband, who was laughing with a young woman in the street, who suddenly expired. Death was caused by heart disease. Mrs. Seales was at the bank at the time of the sad occurrence. It was a terrible blow to the husband, who was returned in about 15 minutes to find his wife dead in death. Mrs. Seales was about 55 years of age. Besides her husband, she leaves two adopted children.

G.T.R. Employees Congregate.
Belleville, Dec. 28.—Trainmaster Irwin has issued a circular to all the employees in his division, from operators to switchmen, inviting them to assemble at the G.T.R. hall on Monday, 29th inst., to discuss the proposed new rates of pay. The employees are to be paid a serious loss in wages to employ, but also a loss of revenue to the company. It is feared that some of the able delays will be several days.

One Work at the Time.
Mr. J. H. Massey, a well-known and successful business man, is said to be working at the same time on two different projects. He is said to be working on the Massey will case, and also on the Massey will case.

John Bull was arrested at his home in France, Ont., on suspicion that he had been the author of the "Prof" article in the "Athenian" of Dec. 24th, which was published in the "Athenian" of Dec. 24th, 1897.

James McLean defeated Chase at New York on Christmas Eve in a 30-mile race which he rode in 64.06-1/2 minutes.

On Jan. 29 there is to be a grand polo match at Windsor of the Indians of that section. The agents will not be present to talk over the reserve question.

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