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DECISIONS IN COMMERCIAL LAW.

CLARRY V. G. T. R. Co.—The plaintiff, a commercial traveller, bought a ticket from the defendant company "good for one first-class continuous passage from Harrisburg to Stratford via Galt and Berlin." Arriving at Galt it was necessary to leave the train and go to another station in the same town in order to get the train for Berlin. An omnibus was at this first station and the driver offered its services to carry him to the second station on payment of a 10-cent fare. This the plaintiff refused to pay, and alleged that he was unable to continue on his journey to Berlin and Stratford, and was by reason of the weather and the blocking of the lines between Galt and Stratford unable to reach his destination for some five days. He claimed on account of the indignity suffered in the presence of the other passengers, the injury sustained from walking through the snow, and the loss of profits and remuneration through delay, the sum of \$200. Held, that the plaintiff was entitled to be conveyed from station to station free of expense; but it would have been reasonable for him to have paid the ten cents and made his connection, and the damages should be restricted to that sum.

VIDEAU ET AL. V. WESTOVER.—A life insurance certificate on its face made the sum of \$500 payable to the daughter-in-law of the assured, but the latter subsequently, by his will, professed to make a change in the beneficiaries leaving her out altogether. The certificate was issued, the will made, and the death of the assured occurred, before the passing of 60 Vic. c. 36. It was held that secs. 151, 159, 160 of that Act applied to the certificate and declaration made by the will, and by those sections the assured had power to do as he professed by the will, the daughter-in-law being an "ordinary beneficiary" and the re-apportionment made by the will was valid.

WEBSTER V. CHICKMORE.—In the Ontario Court of Appeal it was held that where a preferential security is attacked within sixty days pressure is of no avail to rebut the presumption of invalidity.

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VALLEYFIELD is to retain the mills of the Montreal Cotton Company, the difference with the council over taxation having been adjusted. Excavation for the foundation of a new building is begun and Mr. Louis Simpson, the manager, has gone to England to buy the machinery.

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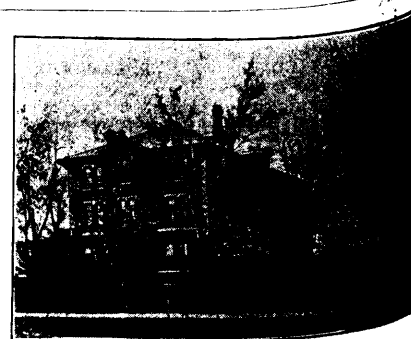
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