

TRANS-CANADA TRIP BY THE CANADIAN CLUB

Opportunity Will Be Given to Members to Attend the Vancouver Convention—Month's Excursion.

(Montreal Gazette). A Trans-Canada excursion, along similar lines to that conducted with such notable success last summer by the Montreal Board of Trade, is the latest project to be taken up by the Montreal Canadian Club. This excursion will take place late next summer, either in August or September, so as to coincide with the annual convention to be held at Vancouver some time next September.

A decision was reached to start tentative arrangements for such an excursion at a special meeting of the executive of the Montreal Canadian Club, held yesterday afternoon with the president, Dr. J. L. Todd, in the chair.

At the close of the meeting it was stated that this project had been considered by the executive during the past six weeks, and they had talked the matter over with a number of the leading members of the Canadian Club here. The latter had been generally enthusiastic over the idea, and unanimous in the opinion that if a sufficient number of members would take it, such an excursion would be a splendid thing to educate members as to the country they lived in, and also to further the ideas and objects of the Canadian Club movement.

With this encouragement the executive started yesterday to take the necessary preliminary steps. A sub-committee was appointed to interview the authorities of the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways, as to the character of special trains, the cost of such a trip for each individual, the best routes, advisable stopping places, and so on. Naturally, stopping places will be suggested not only with a view to studying the country, but with the object of meeting local Canadian Clubs, for mutual instruction.

As soon as these details and plans have been collected, the sub-committee will report at a further meeting to be held by the executive, when they will be collated into a descriptive circular, which will be forwarded to each of the 2,400 members of the Montreal Canadian Club. These will all be invited to take their families along, the idea being as far as possible to make it a Canadian Club family affair.

Itinerary Outlined. The general scheme of the Canadian Club Trans-Canada Tour, it was stated, was to charter a special train, or two if necessary, for the whole trip. The party will leave the Windsor station, Montreal, by the Canadian Pacific, as did the Board of Trade excursion, then proceed west to Vancouver, with stops at strategic points of interest, and stop at Vancouver for the Canadian Club Convention there.

From Vancouver the Canadian Club party will proceed to Prince Rupert, B. C., either by boat or train, and will then embark on special train for the return trip east, following very much the same itinerary as the Board of Trade excursion. It is planned to keep the whole trip within a month from leaving Windsor station to the return arrival at the Bonaventure station. The members of the executive are enthusiastic in their hope that the idea will be taken up by sufficient members of the Canadian Club and their families to make the excursion possible. In no other way, they considered, could members secure so comprehensive and economic a trip through the main parts of the Dominion in so short a time, a trip which they believe should be undertaken at least once in his life by every Canadian.

RATS CAUSE GREAT LOSS TO RAILWAYS

Appear to Know Working Hours and Invade Sheds When Men Leave.

London, Nov. 18.—(By Mail).—Of the forty million rats which it is estimated exist in Great Britain and Ireland, a large number are known to occupy railway premises, and if their activities were not restrained, would cause serious damage and involve railways in heavy expenditure. In grain-growing areas, of which the territory served by the Great Eastern is a notable example, drastic measures are required, and rat-catchers are employed at Ipswich, Norwich, and in the London area. The reports of these men indicate that

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for the eight months ended September 30 last about 6,500 rats were destroyed on the Great Eastern system.

On electric railways rats eat the rubber used in insulating material and get into station and other tanks, contaminating the water. Warehouses, hotels, refreshment rooms, and goods sheds, where foodstuffs and other commodities are stored, are ideal houses for rats, and the predilection of the rodent for making a nest of paper also brings the rat into railway offices, where precautions have to be taken to preserve the records and other documents. It has been noted that in railway goods sheds rats appear to be familiar with the working hours of the men, and make their appearance immediately the staff has gone off duty.

All railway companies adopt precautions and cooperate with the local authorities and with agricultural and other sections of the community in rat destruction. It is claimed that more work in dealing with the rat evil is

done by railways than by any other organization.

In spite of all that is done, however, the rat flourishes and inflicts a loss on railway companies in payment of claims which it is estimated at tens of thousands of pounds a year, to which has to be added the cost of the staff employed in keeping down the depredations. The damage is not confined to the consumption and spoiling of food, but a certain amount is done by the buildings where rats make their home. Attention is given by railway management to methods of prevention as well as destruction. Buildings are rendered, as far as possible, rat proof by the use of reinforced concrete in place of timber.

WOMAN AGED 90 OPERATED LIFT

Witness in a Will Contest Tells of Visit to Home—Physician Also Testifies.

New York, Dec. 14.—Testimony that Miss Emily F. Southmayd operated the private elevator in her home in West Forty-seventh street two years ago, when she was 90 years old, in taking a carpet salesman to the third floor of her house to discuss an order for carpets, was heard before Surrogate Foley and a jury in support of Miss Southmayd's will, which is being contested by a nephew and three nieces on the ground that she was not competent when she made the will.

The witness, Bernard J. Kuntz, was asked by Edmund L. Mooney, attorney for the contestants, if he had not stated at one time that Miss Southmayd wore such shabby clothing that he asked his credit department, as to her ability to pay the bill of several hundred dollars. Mr. Kuntz replied, "I went to our credit department, as I always did when I did not know the customer, and was told who she was. I told your assistant I was surprised when they told me she was worth several millions of dollars, because she

didn't look as if she was."

Dr. Lewis F. Brissell, who had been Miss Southmayd's physician from 1914 testified that she suffered from enlargement of the heart and high blood pressure, but no more so than other persons of her advanced age, but that she kept her "badly scared." He said he believed she was of sound mind in 1915, when the will was executed, and also in later years.

The hearing will continue today.

ENCOURAGEMENT OF TOURISTS IS URGED

Fredericton, Dec. 13.—Dr. H. M. Doolittle, of Toronto, president of the Canadian Automobile Association, spoke tonight before the Fredericton City Club. He dealt with the necessity of encouraging motor tourist traffic of all kinds and with the financial advantage it would be to New Brunswick. He urged free camping sites and other means of assistance.

DODO: ODD BEETLE, LIVES ON MORPHIA

Scorning All Bug Dainties, Doubles in Size on Drug Diet

Classified by Scientist—The Dermestes Vulpinus is a Born Fur-Eater and \$100,000 was Offered in London for Its Riddance.

(New York Times)

Dodo, the beetle, is on a hunger strike. Since the day on which he was first taken to the office of Deputy Commissioner Dr. Carleton Simon at Police Headquarters, now nearly two weeks ago, he has stolidly refused to partake of fish, flesh or fowl. Not even the choicest dainties procured by sympathetic keepers have been sufficient to induce him to eat, and his only nourishment has been a daily allowance of two grains of morphine, more than enough to kill two men. Nevertheless, this remarkable drug addict is apparently thriving on his singular diet, and, according to Commissioner Simon, he has almost doubled in size since his arrival.

A month ago Dodo and his family were evicted from their home in a package of morphine in the Narcotic Bureau at Washington by Bronson McCarver, a personal friend of Commissioner Simon. When routed from the family dugout, the entire household was forwarded to Commissioner Simon. They have died one by one until now Dodo alone remains. On their arrival in New York every variety of food was offered them, but they would eat nothing but their favorite drug. Detectives of the Narcotic Bureau vainly sought to classify these unusual bugs. Lieutenant Moon insisted that they were domesticated cockroaches,

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the package open? He wants to publish a notice of this incident in the Museum Journal.

"This insect is related to the larger beetle, which destroys bacon, ham, &c., by boring in the rind."

When questioned as to the habits of the insect Commissioner Simon stated that it usually bores into the cube of morphine and, once entrenched, proceeds to eat its way out. He then gave a demonstration by prodding Dodo with the end of a pen. The bug, which had been sleeping, was on its hind legs, stretched and made for the

nearest cube, which it attacked with surprising voraciousness, drilling in much the same manner as a woodpecker on the limb of a tree. After a few moments it ceased to eat and rolled quietly over on its side.

Eventually the insect addict may be turned over to the Museum of Natural History, but Commissioner Simon says that for the present at least Dodo will continue on exhibition at Police Headquarters.

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Sewing Cases From \$3.00 to \$6.00
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Writing Cases From \$4.25 to \$10.50
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