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CANADA WAITS FOR UNCLE SAM

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy Declares That Dominion Is Now Ripe For Reciprocity.

United States Has Only To Make Proposals To Further Trade Relations Between Countries.

New York, Dec. 8.—"Canada stands ready to consider any proposals which the United States government cares to submit looking to the signing of a reciprocity treaty between the two countries. The Dominion will make no advances in this direction, but this does not mean that Ottawa is adverse to a trade protocol looking to the advancement of the commercial relations of the two countries."

This statement was made to a reporter last night by Sir Thomas Geo. Shaughnessy, of Montreal, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, who arrived in New York yesterday and who will leave today on board the Lusitania, of the Cunard line, for a two months' stay in London and Paris.

Trade Relations.

While not enthusiastic regarding a reciprocity treaty between the United States and Canada, Sir Thomas made it clear that, in his opinion, such advances by the State Department at Washington, through the recognized diplomatic channels, or by a properly authorized tariff commission, would be received with favor by the Dominion Parliament and the Cabinet Ministers in Ottawa. Closer trade relations, he said, could prove only beneficial to both countries.

"It is only fair that Canada should contribute her share toward the imperial defence," he said, "The Dominion is and, in my opinion, always will be a loyal province of Great Britain. There is, therefore, no good reason why the Dominion should not do its part in maintaining an adequate navy for the protection of the Canadian coast line."

Sir Thomas dwelt at considerable length on the cordial relations existing between the United States and Canada, and he declared that he believed that the two great countries, divided only by an imaginary border line, would continue to live in harmony. He said that thousands of people were annually coming over the border line to take up their permanent residence within the Dominion, and that they soon became as loyal Canadians as those who have always claimed the Dominion as their homes.

"Unquestionably Canada is today enjoying the greatest era of prosperity in her history," continued Sir Thomas, "and we believe that we are building on a solid foundation and that there will be no slump in business conditions. Farmers throughout the Dominion are introducing new and improved methods of developing the soil and the results have been most gratifying. In Alberta and British Columbia the heretofore unproductive land is being made to yield surprisingly large crops through the irrigation of the soil."

THINKS DOWNFALL OF ZELAYA IS ASSURED

Nicaraguan Exile Tells Of Atrocities Of Central American President—How Mail Is Stopped By Censors.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 8.—Dr. M. E. Velasquez, a Nicaraguan exile who arrived here today from Panama, had a string of grievances against President Zelaya extending over a period of nine years and including six imprisonments. He reports that no mail can reach the colony of exiles at Panama unopened by Zelaya's spies and censors. Ten thousand refugees in Costa Rica are organizing to support Estrada, he says, and the downfall of Zelaya, he believes, is assured.

FOR RECIPROcity IN TAX EXCEPTIONS

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—At a meeting of the Montreal Board of Trade today it was decided to take steps to secure a reciprocity in the exemption of extra provincial corporations from the special taxes. Under the Quebec Act there is an exemption from such special taxes for corporations chartered in any province which does not tax corporations chartered in Quebec and the Boards of Trade through the Dominion are to be asked to urge the various legislatures to adopt a similar legislation.

STATION AGENT IS CHARGED WITH THEFT

Maine Railroad Man Suspected With Thefts Covering a Long Period—Arrested At Rumford Junction.

Rumford, Me., Dec. 8.—Suspected of having been going on for several years, J. C. Records, station agent on the Maine Central R. R., at Rumford Junction and formerly at East Peru and E. C. Poland, of East Peru, were arrested today on complaint of the Maine Central R. R., charged with the larceny of several hundred dollars' worth of goods. It is said that both men have made statements to the police regarding the matter and will be given a hearing tomorrow morning.

INCREASE IN IMPORTS REPORTED AT MONTREAL

Marked Falling Off Noted In Export Of Grain, Lumber, Cattle And Butter—Year a Satisfactory One.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—According to the returns for the season of ocean navigation at Montreal which were issued today the season was a satisfactory one. Imports showed a considerable increase but exports were below those of last year except in cheese, apples and hay which showed increases. There was a marked falling off in grain, lumber, cattle and butter. The customs returns show an increase in imports of \$2,012,905, total imports being \$9,511,700.

MISTAKEN FOR DEER.

Ellsworth, Me., Dec. 8.—Mistaken for a deer by his 15-year-old boy companion, Byron Carter was fatally shot at West Surrey this afternoon, and died soon after reaching his home a half mile away. He was 22 years old and leaves a widow.

ZELAYA NEXT



SHELDON, ILL IS INDICTED

Charge Of Larceny Preferred Against Deposed Head Of Phoenix Fire Insurance Co. Who Is Now Dying.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 8.—George Preston Sheldon, deposed president of the Phoenix Fire Insurance Company of Brooklyn, lying at death's door at his Greenwich, Conn., home, was indicted by the grand jury in New York today, charged with larceny in the first degree for the alleged misappropriation of funds of the company of which he was the head for twenty-two years. As Sheldon probably will not be arrested unless his health radically improves and his condition is now critical, the fact of the indictment was not made public but an official of the district attorney's office is authority for the statement that the amount which Sheldon is accused of stealing is \$45,000. According to this official it was testified before the grand jury that Sheldon used the funds or credit of the insurance company in stock market transactions through a New York brokerage firm and pocketed the profits. Employees of a local national bank and of the brokerage firm in question were before the grand jury on Tuesday about this alleged transaction which, it is said, was picked out from a mass of others because of the ease with which its steps could be traced.

The grand jury will now investigate the connection of others with the alleged speculation with the funds of the company. Only charges against Sheldon have been examined as yet, although the report of the insurance department implicated others.

Sheldon is 64 years old and is widely known in insurance circles. He was indicted on Monday for the crime of poisoning six weeks ago, before he was deposed as president of the insurance company.

BURGESS GIVEN GOOD NAME

Employer Testifies To Trust Reposed In Him—Proceeding In Express Robbing Case At Truro.

Truro, N. S., Dec. 8.—The Express robbery case was resumed today. Fred Burgess, the prisoner's brother of South Mailand was on the stand for some time. His testimony was followed with great interest by the crowded court room. He recognized the express orders presented as ones that he had found concealed in a stone pile on his farm. A man was working with him at the time whose name the witness would not give till ordered by the court. On discovery of the express orders to fool his companion he indifferently threw them to one side but shortly afterwards recovered and hid them in a shed. There they remained till handed to Detective Walsh. He recognized the orders as likely the ones missing from the Truro robbery but he was so knocked out and bewildered that he kept his find absolutely to himself fearing the effect it might have on his brothers who were then under suspicion.

Information Amended.

Mr. Mellish applied for and was granted permission to amend the indictment against Laurie Burgess from \$10 a single cheque to make it cover all the orders, cheques and \$1,620 cash. This case was adjourned till ten a. m. Thursday to enable the stenographer to get her notes typed and in proper form.

Those against William J. Burgess was then taken up on a similar charge. Mr. Mellish, K. C. and H. D. McEachy acting for the crown and J. Phillip Bill for the defence. Fred Burgess was the first witness called, but it was agreed to accept his evidence given in the previous trial.

Express agent Linton gave evidence and largely on the same lines as yesterday. He gave the prisoner a good record while in the company's employ before going he worked two years. To get him back he had wired \$100 advance pay. Since the robbery William J. had been working in the office as usual, and there were much larger sums on hand at times than the day of the robbery. Supt. Creighton's evidence was much the same as yesterday. He also knew of Wm. J.'s responsible position, and highly regarded his services. Had no reason to discharge him since the robbery.

W. L. Rutledge, the star witness, largely gave a repetition of his story told yesterday.

Detective Walsh was the only other witness examined. He admitted having told several persons in Truro that Rutledge was an ex-convict. This case will be continued tomorrow forenoon and is attracting great interest.

TRUSTS NOT AN EVIL DECLARES PROF. SHORTT

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 8.—Professor Shortt of Ontario lectured before the Canadian club here this afternoon. His subject was "The Regulation of Trusts." The point of the address was that combinations under certain conditions are not an evil but quite the contrary. All that is necessary is to have a power which may be found in expert trained commissions, like the railway commission for instance, to regulate and control them for the public good.

TO CONNECT ARCTIC WITH TRANSCONTINENTAL

Montreal, Dec. 8.—W. R. Clarke of Kansas City, the president and E. James of Edmonton, general manager of the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway, are in the city making arrangements for construction work which will begin in the spring. The road will be the most northerly railway in Canada running 350 miles northeast from Edmonton and connecting the Arctic ocean by water and rail direct with the Transcontinental Railway at Edmonton.

STATE UNABLE TO COMPLETE JURY.

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 8.—Another failure met the efforts of the state today to complete the jury in the case of Garrett Johnson and Arthur Clear, alleged leaders of the night riders, charged with the murder of Captain Quentin Rankin. The venire summoned to court today was exhausted without a single man qualifying for jury service.

TRAVELLERS IN ANNUAL SESSION

Knights of The Grip Gather at Halifax To Transact Business of Association.

Charles Blackie the New President—Large Increase in Membership—Gratifying Reports.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 8.—"Knights of the Grip" from all parts of the Maritime Provinces attended the annual meeting of the association held in Halifax tonight. The general statement showed a most successful financial year, the resources of the association being increased \$9,478.

Charles Blackie, of Halifax, is the new president and the other officers are vice presidents for Nova Scotia: A. Milne Fraser, R. Rutherford, P. T. Strong, William Tapp, Vice presidents for New Brunswick, R. J. Humphrey, A. E. Masse, H. V. Vaughan, J. E. Petrie, Directors, H. E. Pyke, R. A. March, T. H. Keating, J. B. Douglas, L. L. Libbey, J. McL. Fraser, Treasurer, O. E. Smith.

Membership Increased.

The twenty-eighth annual report showed that the membership had increased from 869 for 1908 to 926 for 1909, of which 519 took out their certificates of membership at Halifax and 407 at St. John.

Only one claim was made on the mortuary funds of the association during the year, viz: That of the beneficiary of David Bradley, Jr., for \$540. The favorable experience of 1908 as regards mortuary benefit claims however, gratifying must be regarded as exceptionally, much below the average of normal expectations. Improved benefits have been secured for the benefit of members of the association from certain hotels, railways and steamships during the year and relations with the transportation companies are generally on a satisfactory basis although there is room for improvement in connection with some of the regulations affecting excess baggage which may well be made the subject of further negotiations by our successors in office.

The statements of the secretary and treasurer showed that the total resources of the association now amount to \$57,203 an increase of \$9478 for the year.

NEW BRUNSWICK MAN WINS CUP FOR BEST SEED

Mr. Donald Innis Clinches Claim To Steele Briggs Cup At Amherst—Interesting Address By Mr. S. L. Peters.

Amherst, N. S., Dec. 8.—The third day of the Maritime Winter Fair found interest unabated. Hon. Sydney Fisher spent the day at the hall and visited every department. To the officials in charge he expressed his interest and delight and added that the growth of the fair was a surprise to him.

Judging Competitions.

The judging competitions opened to farmers' sons under twenty-five years awakened great interest. There were forty-five competitors, a number of whom were from the Agricultural College, Truro. They were asked to judge beef animals, dairy stock and sheep and the intelligent manner in which they undertook the work was a surprise to the spectators.

Donald Innis, of Tobique River, N. B., won the silver cup donated by Steele Briggs Company, Limited, Toronto, for best exhibit of seed grain. This is the third consecutive year that Mr. Innis has won the cup and now becomes his permanent property.

Lozan Bros., Amherst Point, won the silver cup donated by Senator William Mitchell for the grand champion of the sheep classes. This was also a third winning and the cup remains in their possession. The different exhibitors were entertained at a banquet this evening by the commissioners, Colonel Campbell, of Apohaqui, presiding. The speech of the evening was delivered by S. L. Peters, in charge of the New Brunswick exhibit, who expressed his satisfaction with the manner in which the fair was conducted.

The poultry association held a banquet this evening at the grand chamberlain's residence and M. A. McLeod secretary. The public meeting in the evening was largely attended. C. M. McCrae, of Ottawa, delivered an address on the care and breeding of hogs and W. F. Stephens, of Huntingdon, Quebec, delivered a practical address on dairy cattle. It is remarkable the large audiences that gather nightly to listen to the addresses on these technical subjects. Farmers and wives form a large proportion of the audiences.

HELD UP MONCTON MAN AT POINT OF REVOLVER

Notorious Character Arrested In Railway Town Last Night Charged With Serious Crime.

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Dec. 8.—Mrs. Thomas Irving died quite suddenly at her home in this city this evening, aged 85. The deceased was a native of Chatham, N. B., being born in 1825, the year of the memorable Miramichi fire. One son, Conductor W. W. Irving of the Intercolonial and two daughters survive.

A notorious character known as Buck Bonner was arrested this evening charged with holding up Edward Bourgeois on Telegraph street at the point of a revolver. Bonner made no demand for money but threatened to kill Bourgeois and his companion named Vautour full of lead.

Chief Game Warden O'Leary reports 233 moose, 293 deer and 4 caribou in his district, Kings, Albert, Westmorland and Kent. Compared with last year this is a decrease of 19 moose, and 10 caribou, but an increase of 28 deer.

ESTIMATED REVENUE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Regina, Dec. 8.—Estimates of revenue and amounts to be voted for public services for the 12 months ending February 28, 1911, have been handed out in the legislature. The total estimated revenue is \$2,754,600 made up of general revenue fund, \$2,245,600, and supplementary revenue funds, \$509,000. Estimated expenditure out of general revenue fund, \$2,442,455, supplementary revenue fund \$200,000, leaving estimated surplus of \$12,145. Estimated expenditure on capital account is \$2,262,253.

RECORD OUTPUT OF LOGS IS REPORTED

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Mr. Aubrey White a deputy minister of lands and forests, states that from reports received from the rangers the output of logs this season has been the greatest yet. The reports are being examined and a statement will be prepared.

CHEAPER CABLES ARE COMING THINKS LONDON

London, Dec. 8.—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Canada's postmaster general, called on the Oceanic today. Whatever success he may have met with over here, will not be known until his arrival in Canada. It is believed that the day of a state owned cable is not far off, but before that can arrive cheaper cable rates are very likely.

DAMAGES OF \$50 IN GOOD CORNER CASE

Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 8.—In the case of James Harold against Samuel Anderson, both of Good Corner, which has caused much interest throughout the country, the jury brought in a verdict tonight to the effect that the fire originated in the defendant's hand and that damages be assessed at \$50. The plaintiff claims that as a forest fire, started by the defendant in his fallow, on May 24th, injury was done to his woodland to the amount of \$500. F. B. Carvell for the defendant, J. C. Hartley for defendant.

KING LEOPOLD IMPROVED.

Paris, Dec. 8.—Private advices from Brussels say that King Leopold is slightly improved. His entire right side was paralyzed yesterday, but today he was able to sign documents. He still suffers greatly from rheumatism.

LUDLOW STRIKERS TO TRY ARBITRATION

Operatives Vote To Submit Grievances To State Board Of Conciliation And Arbitration.

Ludlow, Mass., Dec. 8.—At a mass meeting in Indian Orchard this afternoon the striking operatives of the Ludlow Manufacturing Associates voted to submit their grievances to arbitration by the state board of conciliation and arbitration. This announcement was made tonight to Secretary Bernard E. Sipple, of the state board, who came here from Boston this afternoon by a committee from the Springfield-central labor union, which is aiding in directing the strikers' cause.

The proposition to be made by the state board will be considered at a meeting of the strikers in Indian Orchard at seven o'clock tomorrow morning.

MANY TURNED BACK AT AMERICAN BORDER

United States Immigration Officials Active In Refusing Entry To Travellers—Must Have \$40.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Several trainmen who run between Toronto and Niagara Falls report that the American immigration officers are turning people back from the frontier every day. Last night a woman with ten children, who said she was going to her husband in Pittsburgh and who said she came from Toronto, was stopped, because she had not sufficient money. She was told that she could not enter the United States until she had \$40. Some of the trainmen collected sufficient money around a station to give her and the children a resting place for the night.