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THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC SCHEME.

Notice of Resolutions Likely Today, and Discussion of Matter Thursday.

GREAT COAL FIND.

Immense Deposits Located in the Peace River Country—Officers in the Permanent Force Under a Captain Prohibited from Marrying, With Some Exceptions.

Ottawa, July 27—(Special)—The agreement between the Grand Trunk Pacific and the government for the construction of the trans-continental railway was completed by the solicitors representing both parties at 1 o'clock today and was ready to be signed.

C. M. Hays is expected here tomorrow forenoon to sign it, and if he does so, then notice will immediately be given to parliament and on Thursday the resolutions will be introduced, when Sir Wilfrid Laurier will explain the railway policy of the government. The premier will probably speak for three hours. The speech will be one of his greatest efforts since entering parliamentary life. He has made a study of the whole question and has issued a paper which contains all the latest information that officers of the permanent corps below the rank of captain, will only hold their commissions so long as they remain unmarried. The law does not apply to officers appointed prior to 1901 and may be relaxed in the case of officers who have served six years as lieutenants. It is estimated that the officer has means "to maintain himself" that the officer means are such as will enable him to maintain his position as an officer.

The imperial army regulation regarding rank has been approved for the Canadian forces. Hereafter "rank" by soldiers will be returned by all the officers present, and not by the senior only.

An act of Mr. Russell's to incorporate the Alliance Bank in Canada was read a third time in the house.

Mr. Henderson moved that the bank should not lend money on American securities.

D. C. Fraser protested against this instead of making an amendment to the general bank act, and presented Mr. Henderson's resolution to the Canadian bank system. The motion was lost.

An act to incorporate the Canadian Telephone and Telegraph Company was read a third time.

The ten British journalists who have come to Canada on the invitation of the interior department, reached Ottawa this morning from Montreal where they arrived from the S. S. Lake Manitoba on Saturday. They have only been two days in the country, but they have formed a strong impression already. They will leave for Winnipeg today. This morning they visited the experimental farm. They were shown the Chauliex industries and the parliament buildings. Every one of these waiting newspaper men is well versed in politics. E. Osborne, of the London Morning Post, has been in Canada before. He is interesting himself in the railway situation.

In his sermon in the Eastern Methodist church last night on "Seek first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness," Rev. Mr. Bland used the recent resignation in the dominion cabinet as an illustration of standing up for conscience, conviction and principle. He knew nothing of the policy described as indefensible, but the fact of a man conscientiously believing a policy to be mistaken and resigning emolument and honor for principle could not help but have a strong moral influence on the country. The sermon was a strong plea for the development of every side of life, mental and physical, but the spiritual must be uppermost.

Great Coal Mines Discovered.
H. Campbell, of Cow Bay, Cape Breton, who was in charge of a prospecting party in the Peace River country for about a year has returned to Ottawa. He represented Ontario people. Mr. Campbell was in search of coal. He calculates that he was out on an area of coal amounting in all to 200,000,000 tons, some of the seams were nine feet thick. The coal is of good quality. It is near Hudson Hope not a great distance from the entrance to the Peace River Pass. Mr. Campbell returns tomorrow to the Calgary district to look over some coal lands there. This time he will represent Quebec capitalists.

RELIANCE WILL DEFEND THE CUP.

Newport, R. I., July 27—After today's race between Reliance, Constitution and Columbia, in which the former boat again demonstrated her superiority over the other two, the challenge committee of the New York Yacht Club selected Reliance as the defender of the America's cup. It was also decided to discontinue the trial races as the committee did not feel that more were necessary. There were present at the meeting Commodore Bourne and Messrs. Forbes, Cornsack and Robinson of the cup committee, as well as C. Oliver Tullin, managing owner of Reliance, E. D. Morgan, of Columbia, and August Belmont of Constitution.

CHAMBERLAIN IS NOT DISCOURAGED.

Result of a Recent Bye-Election No Test of Scheme, He Says.

WARNING EMIGRANTS.

London Chronicle Has a Letter Saying That Hard Times Are Looked For in Canada This Winter, and Assistance Will Be Needed by Colonists Here Now.

Montreal, July 27—(Special)—The Star's London correspondent writes:

"The statement cables from Canada that the Canadian government intends to grant \$100,000 as a subsidy to the Montreal-Bordeaux steamship line is disbelieved in Liverpool. It is understood that the government offer was \$25,000 annually for a fortnightly service. Leading shipowners say a ten day service would be of no material advantage to Canada. The proposal will be strongly opposed by the Canadian Pacific and Allan companies.

"When the government feels like spending money on a good steamship service between Canada and the continent they should spend it on a first class fast mail and passenger Atlantic service. Expanding money on a French scheme would be like throwing down a drain.

"The public Service centenary deputation to Canada which sails on August 29, consists of Andrew Mackenzie, of Liverpool and Rev. Mr. Bondfield, the society's agent in China, who is returning from Shanghai via Vancouver. The deputation first visits St. John.

"Chamberlain declares himself to be in no way discouraged by the Barnard Castle election. The big fight he says has not really begun. Barnard Castle was not a test of the government's policy, but a straight fight. Mr. Chamberlain is assured that his policy would win.

"Mail advice published in the Chronicle today warns intending emigrants of probable hard times for newly arrived British immigrants to Canada this winter. The correspondent says it will be necessary for the government to make provision for the Barr and other colonists over the winter. He expects that colonists in the Atlantic will see a great deal of hardship this winter.

"George Peel, grandson of Sir Robert, publishes a letter in the Times on the Canadian preferential tariff. He warns England that the tariff policy of Canada has always been a subject of substantial oscillation. He says that for industrial protectionist schemes to become, he says, of the preference enacted under Chamberlain's scheme. Quoting Messrs. Monk and Tarte, and the Canadian government's memorandum to the colonial conference, he declares that Canadian manufacturers are already complaining bitterly. He says that manufacturers are not protected for their manufacturers it is no answer to protect them with a bonus on bread. Chamberlain's policy would only increase the manufacturer's complaints and encourage friction. He repeats the Duke of Devonshire's assertion that Canada must surrender her fiscal freedom.

"The Times makes fun of Mr. Peel's letter and says that tariffs are not devised for the benefit of any political party, but ever rising and well organized. No tariff ever framed was acceptable to all interests as the grandson of Sir Robert Peel might be expected to know.

PURSUED BY PLAGUE.

Seven of Crew of New Bedford Brig Dead and Ten Others Are Down with Dread Beri-Beri.

THE BRITISH MANUFACTURER'S VIEW OF THE CANADIAN MARKET.

The Preference Has Led to More Competition Than Formerly Existed, and Enables Them to Sell Goods in the Dominion That Were Shut Out Before.

NO MORE CHINESE GRAIN FOR JAPAN.

Russian Officials Stop the Exportation of Wheat Under an Old Law.

Great Numbers of the Czar's Civilians and Soldiers Are Emigrating to Manchuria With the Evident Intention of Populating That Country.

Pekin, July 27—The Russian administration of Newchwang has stopped the exportation of wheat to Japan. The export of grain from Chinese ports is illegal, but the Russians, heretofore, have ignored the law. In the past week the Japanese obtained many shipments from Newchwang, apparently preparing for war contingencies. Several ships were employed in bringing wheat from Shanghai and southern ports to Newchwang, where it was transhipped as a direct export. The prohibitory order was issued by the Russian officials last Thursday. It is because the home market for any one line is so small that they find it necessary to adopt this wasteful and unprofitable plan, but there is no doubt that if they had the higher duties they ask for, this disastrous policy would still have to be pursued. The consumers would pay more, and the position of the market would not be improved. We are well pleased to see as we are; and I for one cannot help feeling that if the Canadian Conservative party got into power the duties would go up and our trade be curtailed.

Home Protection Wanted.

"Holding these views, what do you think of Mr. Chamberlain's proposals?" "Oh, as to that, I am holding an open mind till I see what they really are. If Mr. Chamberlain's proposals are for German, French and Belgian wools entering the market, it will undoubtedly be good for the British woolen trade.

"In what matter do you differ from the home market, of course. This is where we suffer from their slaughter sales." "Why here, rather than in Canada, for instance?" "Because this is many times over the larger market, and a parcel of German or American goods left over after the home market is satisfied will find ready sale in our clothing markets when it might easily oversupply the Canadian demand for that line."

"Certainly. Without that there is nothing the result of the inquiry can do for us." "And the bread tax?" "Well, if we had the home market perhaps we would not face so very short a time as we are now. It might be made to make up to the workman for what he would pay in taxes."

Next Threat: But—

"I have grown up in the belief that protection is a hindrance, that it is best to let the world's markets be open to the cost of production. We in this country can make wools so much cheaper than they are at present made anywhere else in the world, and we can produce them very often find a very profitable entry even with fifty per cent. against us. In countries where the all-round protection is so high, and where the cost of production is less, a very much lower tariff will suffice to keep us out."

"Where do you think you would be wise to make the most of your industries which by nature pay you best, resting confident, as with the woolen industry, that the supply of a steadily growing demand, would follow quickly, and would rest upon a much more profitable basis than they could if they were to be supplemented by a whole in the effort to maintain them in advance of their needs?"

"As to preferential trade, it would seem to me to be highly beneficial to you and to us if you were to open your markets freely to our products, taxing the goods of other countries in the same manner. If we might, for that purpose, agree to levy a general tax of five per cent. on goods from all nations, it would doubtless have to be supplemented by an income tax which, I can well believe, would be a welcome resort in the present circumstances of South Africa."

"Where do you find your principal market? At home?"

"Yes, and in India. You know the protective tariffs of other nations shut us out of most of the markets where people use woollen clothing, so that the woollen industry, except for some special lines in the United States, cannot be approached. Undoubtedly if free access to the Canadian market, is being more and more confined to the home and colonial markets."

CANADIANS BIG WINNERS AT BISLEY.

Team, as a Whole, Have Won About \$1200, Which Will Be Divided Equally.

INDIVIDUAL WINNINGS.

Bayles Heads the List With Eighty Pounds, and the Next Wins Twenty-four Pounds; Only Three Men That Have Nothing to Their Credit.

Montreal, July 27—(Special)—A cable to the Star from Bisley says:

"In the Wangrove competition at 800 yards the following Canadians won prizes and prizes: Vroom, 3rd, £4; Smith, 10th, £3; Jones, 24th, £1, and Elliot, 28th, £1.

"In the Kynock competition at 1,000 yards, Spear took 20th place and 2nd, and Jones 31st place and a like amount. This match was open to all comers. The first prize was a bicycle.

"In the Cheylesmore match at 1,000 yards, open to all-comers, King secured 22nd place and £2.

"In the Association match, Bayles secured 15th place and £3; Simpson 19th and £3; McGregor, 23rd and £3; Peckie, 4th and £2; Spear, 39th and £2; Amund 66th and £2; Simpson, 74th and £2; White, 79th and £2.

The total winnings of the Canadian team aggregate £299 17s. 6d., which divided according to precedent, irrespective of individual winnings, gives each man £12 18s. 6d. It does not matter how much or how little each man wins, all share equally.

"The winnings of the individual members of the team in pounds were as follows: Amund, £5; Crowe, nothing; Drysdale, £1; Elliot, £5 10s.; Haythorn, £1; Jones, £4; King, £4; Morris, nothing; McGregor, £4 8s.; Naughton, £4 8s.; Peckie, £4; Russell, nothing; Simpson, £19 18s.; Smith, £3; Spear, £24; Stuart, 25s.; Skiddon, £1; Vroom, £4; White, 29s. 10s.; Bayles, £80.

MR. SHIELDS HAS MORE TROUBLES.

Former Manager of Dominion Iron and Steel Company Appeals for Aid for His New Enterprise.

Philadelphia, July 27—President Shields of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company, has made another appeal to the stockholders of the company for financial assistance. In a circular letter sent to the stockholders he announces that unless the proposed \$12,500,000 bond issue is taken, the whole property must pass into the hands of the creditors. The creditors are New York and Philadelphia banks headed by Speyer & Co., of the former city, who hold all available collateral securities of the company for three loans amounting to \$5,000,000. The Lake Superior Company is capitalized at \$102,000,000 of which \$70,000,000 is held in this city.

ARRESTED FOR WIFE MURDER.

Mount Vernon, N. Y., July 27—Martin Ebbel, also known as Schaffer, husband of the young woman whose body was found in a sewer on the outskirts of the city, where it had been thrown after she had been strangled to death, was brought to the Mount Vernon station this afternoon by Chief of Police Foley, from White Plains, where he had been arrested. His arrest followed the identification of the body of his wife by her stepfather, Gottfried Riebel. Ebbel is a lineman and was at work when arrested.

AN OIL REFINERY WILL BE BUILT.

Great Activity in the Petroleum Fields at St. Joseph's.

MONCTON TEACHERS.

S. B. Anderson and G. F. McNally Offered Positions in South Africa—Moncton's New Hospital to Be Ready for Occupation Latter Part of Next Month.

Moncton, July 27—(Special)—The New Brunswick Petroleum Company are preparing to operate on a large scale at St. Joseph's oil district. Four new drills are to be secured at once and 100 more wells sunk. The erection of a refinery will be commenced next month and new drills, making a total of nine or ten, will likely be at work the latter part of August.

S. B. Anderson and G. F. McNally, of the Moncton High school staff, have been offered positions on the Victoria school staff, where C. H. Ashton, formerly of the Moncton High school, is engaged. It is not known that the Moncton teachers will accept.

Moncton's new hospital building is nearly completed and is expected to be ready for occupation the latter part of August.

STEEL COMPANY CURTAILING EXPENSES.

Sydney Concern Discharged Forty Men Monday at the Loading Pier—Married Men to Be Given Preference Over Single Ones.

Sydney, N. S., July 27—(Special)—Following the temporary suspension of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company's quarries at George's Bay, comes the announcement that the company have entered into contract whereby it will secure its domestic supply of iron from the quarries. The management of the quarries, the Messrs. Durrill, will conduct operations and deliver dolomite on board the steel company's vessels.

The steamer New Zealand, Captain Parquhar, arrived at North Sydney this evening from the scene of the wreck of the steamer Monterey at St. Pierre, with 147 head of cattle and a quantity of horses, butter, land and means. Which she will discharge for shipment by rail to Montreal.

The schooner May Queen, Captain Gilliam, also arrived from St. Pierre, with a load of butter and land from the Monterey. This makes three cargoes salvaged from the wreck, and the wrecking steamer Amphitrite, Captain Lattier, with a full cargo of means, is due here tomorrow.

The night shift at International pier have been discharged. The management of the Dominion Steel & Coal Company decided that the work of loading steamers could be done by one-half the number of men formerly employed. Forty men were discharged.

Today the Dominion Iron & Steel Company re-employed almost all the men discharged within the last few days, giving the employment of various kinds. In all cases where dismissals are necessary, married men will be given the preference.

Today forty tons of coal were raised in Dominion No. 1 mine. This is the mine that took fire on March 10 last, and was flooded to put out the fire.

BAD ACCIDENT AT CHIGNECTO MINES.

Fred Blinkhorn, of Maccan, Received Probably Fatal Injuries Saturday.

Amherst, N. S., July 27—(Special)—An accident happened at Chignecto Mines late Saturday afternoon, whereby Alexis, the fourteen-year-old son of Fred Blinkhorn, Maccan, received serious if not fatal injuries. Blinkhorn, with another lad, was attending the brake for a large drum, when his cap fell off, and in reaching for it he was caught by the drum and his left shoulder and breast crushed and his skull fractured. He was removed to his home and suffered intensely. Some hopes are entertained for his recovery.

The high tide yesterday did considerable damage to dykes and marines at Nappan and vicinity.

Farmer Fearing Short Crops Sulfides.

Barrs, Vt., July 27—Albert Bliss, a prominent farmer of Chisley, committed suicide this afternoon by drowning in a water tub. Mr. Bliss, who was probably the wealthiest farmer in town, had worried so much over the prospective failure of his crops that his mind became unbalanced.

Great Loss of Life From Floods.

Shanghai, July 27—An extraordinary rainfall has inundated Chiefoi, resulting in enormous loss of life and property in the native city and heavy damage to the foreign settlement.

Argentine Training Ship at Halifax.

Halifax, July 27—(Special)—The Argentine Republic's training ship, President Sarantini, arrived here this afternoon from New York via Newport and will remain several days. She goes from here to Quebec, then home to Buenos Ayres, completing in ten months a voyage of over 23,000 miles.

MANN MURDER INQUEST ADJOURNED.

Campbellton, N. B., July 27—(Special)—The inquest in the Mann murder was adjourned until tomorrow.

French Nuns Arrive in Canada.

Quebec, July 27—Ten nuns, members of the Order of Jesus, who were among the religious sisters expelled from France by the French government, arrived in this city by steamship Dominion on Saturday. Some went to Three Rivers, while others proceeded to Campbellton (N. B.), and Charlottetown (P. E. I.). The sisters are all young in years.