

The Planet.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 1905.

CANADA WAS FIRST.

Canadians put afloat the first steam vessel which crossed the Atlantic. The boat was named the "Royal William," and steamed out of Quebec harbor in 1833 for Liverpool. The Royal William was not a fast boat, but made the trip safely in 25 days, which was better than sailing vessels did. The Royal William pulled up her bunkers at Pictou, N. S., three days after leaving Quebec, and was successful in making the passage. The greatest problem at that time was to get coal enough aboard to last across the Atlantic, as the consumption of fuel for the primitive engines of the day was enormous.

Mr. George Hannah, of Montreal, who is connected with the Allan line, in a lecture recently, told the story of the Royal William, and also mentioned that as early as 1809, a small steamboat plied on the St. Lawrence, between Montreal and Quebec. The boat was named the "Accommodation" and was built and equipped through the enterprise of a Montreal citizen.

On the 29th of August, 1833, the Royal William steamed up the Thames to London, and the trip of the Canadian vessel brought home to Englishmen the idea of steam navigation. The Britishers set to work and in 1840 had completed the "Great Western," which was launched at Bristol. She was built of wood and unusual strength for trans-Atlantic navigation. Her dimensions were 212 feet long, 25 feet wide, 23 feet deep, and had a capacity of 1,340 tons gross, whereas the Royal William was but 176 feet long, 29 feet wide, 18 feet deep, and her gross tonnage was but 830. The engines of the Royal William were built by Bennett & Henderson, of Montreal; those of the Great Western by the firm which was afterwards to become famous, Maudslay & Sons, London. The Great Western made the trip from Bristol to New York without stopping and had room for 200 tons of cargo in addition to 700 tons of coal. The actual consumption of coal on the trip was 655 tons, the best day's run was 243 knots, and the average run per day was 208 knots, and the trip took 17 days.

In developing his subject Mr. Hannah showed that Canada ran the first regular mail boats, the first all steam trip was made by a Canadian boat, the first iron and first steel screw propelled boats were Canadian, and now Canada is first in introducing the trans-Atlantic turbine boats. The well-known Allans were the pioneers in steamship business. Alexander Allan came to Canada from Saltcoats, Scotland, with his five sons, James, Hugh, Bryce, Alexander and Andrew. They were mariners all, and came over in Alexander Allan's own brig "Favorite," with himself as captain, reaching Montreal in 1825. The history of the Allans and the Allan line is well known to Canadians. The Allans were the pioneers in steamship traffic across the Atlantic, and the celebrated Cunard line, inaugurated by Samuel Cunard, was next. Mr. Cunard was a Canadian also, born in Nova Scotia.

Canadians have just reason to be proud of the achievement of sons who have taken the lead in many enterprises. Among the great men of the day may be mentioned of hand: Edison, the wizard of electricity; Bell, of the telephone; Callaway, in railroading; Prof. Schurmann in science; and the doubly renowned Osler, in medicine, all of whom own Canada as their birthplace.—St. Thomas Times.

A PAIR OF GOLD MILES.

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

There is no doubt that Greene and Gaynor will be sadly missed by the Canadian lawyers.

THE CONVENIENT COURTS

Toronto News.

If our highest courts of law are presented with foolish conundrums by embarrassed party leaders the judges should decline to reply. Public men are in parliament to make laws, not to rush to the courts like schoolboys asking what laws they may make.

THE DAILY RUSH

Home and Hearth.

There is so little time of old world courtesy or deference; no time even to allow of a proper use of king's English; we are always rushing, and rushing, and rushing, and the extremely snappy, abrupt manner of the young miss of to-day shows that she has caught the all-pervading epidemic.

As long as our pluck holds out no one can claim a victory over us.

Prosperity and Progress

The volume of business transacted by the Mutual Life of Canada during 1904 exceeds that of any previous year. Over Five Million Dollars of new business was written, making the total Assurances now in force nearly Forty and a Half Millions of Dollars. All but Thirty Thousand Dollars of the new business was written within the Dominion. The Mutual Life of Canada is essentially a Canadian Company, and believes that good Canadian business is preferable to foreign business, which is secured at excessive cost and is often of poor quality. Good home business, and lots of it, means more profits to Canadian policy holders.

Statement from 35th Annual Report of



for 1904

INCOME		DISBURSEMENTS	
Premiums	\$1,373,364 69	Death Claims	\$220,304 50
Interest and rents	251,944 21	Matured Endowments	160,053 00
		Purchased Policies	52,384 54
		Surplus	85,183 40
		Annuities	8,679 90
		Expenses, Taxes, etc.	300,507 00
		Balance	899,880 56
	\$1,725,308 90		\$1,725,308 90
ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Mortgages and Bonds	\$3,760,617 53	Reserve, 4, 3 1/2 and 3 per cent	\$7,355,172 24
Loans on Policies	2,897,496 42	Reserve on lapsed policies	52,384 54
Loans on Stocks	888,492 41	Liability to revive or surrender	1,067 10
Loans on Policies	7,900 00	Death Claims unadjusted	28,066 00
Real Estate	31,161 25	Present value of Death Claims	31,122 82
Cash in Banks	136,728 03	Premiums paid in advance	15,023 90
Cash at Head Office	4,317 18	Amount due for medical fees	5,847 50
Due and Deferred Premiums (net)	266,713 04	Credit Ledger Balances	11,257 96
Interest due and accrued	159,718 16	Net surplus over all liabilities	772,072 87
	\$8,220,530 45	Valuation Standard	\$8,220,530 45

Net Surplus over all Liabilities on Government Standard of Valuation \$1,049,400.71

Lowest Expense Rate of any Canadian Life Company.

HEAD OFFICE, WATERLOO, ONT.

ROBERT MELVIN, President
GEO. WEGENAST, Manager
A. HOSKIN, K.C., Hon. Justice
HON. JUSTICE BRITTON, Vice-President
W. H. RIDDELL, Secretary

THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Grand—
Don Leon's Imperials—Mar. 20-22.
Hooligan's Troubles—March 25.
Sweet Clover—March 27.
The Bonnie Brer Bush—Mar. 31.

HOOIGAN'S TROUBLES.

Hooligan's Troubles, runner than a circus, with all its peculiar antics, songs, dances and scintillating wit, will be the attraction at the Grand for Saturday, matinee and night. All the caricatures as sketched in the New York papers with all their droll and peculiar incidents have been truthfully carried out in this comical production. It has made millions of laughs and can make a horse laugh. It contains some of the very funniest and most ludicrous situations that it would be possible to imagine and must be seen to be fully appreciated. Prices 25, 35 and 50 cents. No higher.

"SWEET CLOVER."

There are plenty of evidences going to show the public taste in affairs of the theatre have again turned to the good old-fashioned play that tells a coherent, legitimate story and serves to hold the interest of the auditor throughout the entire unfolding of the plot. While the better class of farces, comedies, vaudeville and melodrama will still have their admirers, the major portion of the lovers of the play-house are getting just a trifle ashamed of witnessing "buz saws" in place of actors and absurd and impossible alleged "thrilling climaxes" in place of a well told and interesting tale. The beautiful comedy drama

"Sweet Clover" has met with remarkable success in the principal cities where the play has been presented. Two clever young newspaper and magazine writers, the Misses Pauline Phelps and Marion Short, are the authors of the play, which is said to be a beautiful comedy drama in four acts of the style of "Hazel Kirke," "Caprice," and other plays of the kind we used to love.

Mr. Otis B. Thayer, the well-known character actor, assumed the role of "Jerome Holcombe," and Miss Gertrude Bondhill, one of the best of the younger emotional actresses, appears in the role of "Lois Holcombe." Surrounding these excellent actors are a number of favorite players to interpret the various roles. A special feature is the superb mounting of the play, special scenery for every act being carried entire to help out the illusion, together with some handsome costumes, quaint furniture and beautiful lighting effects.

"Sweet Clover" will be the attraction at the Grand on Monday, Mar. 27th. Seats go on sale Thursday.

Coughs, colds, hoarseness and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Cresceno Tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

A girl naturally resents advice from an old maid in a love affair.

Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder is better than other powders, as it is both soap and disinfectant.

A Linguist.

"What has he learned at college?" "Why, he seems to have devoted himself to the study of modern languages. I've heard him talk baseball, football, golf, tennis, horse, polo and poker in the course of half an hour."

Her Secret.

Mr. Jones—Mary, can a woman keep anything to herself? Mrs. Jones—Yes; her private opinion of her husband.—Chicago Journal.

DIAMOND FOR PERFECT HOME DYEING.

EASY TO USE, BRIGHTEST AND BEST.

ASK FOR THE "DIAMOND."

All Druggists and Dealers. TAKE NO OTHERS.

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And Following Days of This Week.

NEVER before have we been able to show you such an elaborate display—such an extensive display of exclusive designs—the latest conceptions from the world's fashion centres.

In addition to this matchless Millinery Showing, there will be an immense display of the latest styles and colorings in NEW SILKS, NEW DRESS GOODS, NEW TRIMMINGS, NEW KID and FABRIC GLOVES, NEW SILK WAISTS, LAWN WAISTS, COLLARS, BELTS, SKIRTS, COATS, etc., also an attractive display of NEW LINENS and WASH DRESS GOODS of Every Description.

You Are Cordially Invited to Attend....

The Northway Company L'td

Township Councils.

CHATHAM TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

The regular meeting of Chatham township council was held in the township hall on Monday, the 6th day of March, pursuant to adjournment. The members were all present except Coun. Irwin, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The report of A. McDowell, C. E., on the repair of the Gray drain was received and read. On motion of Mr. Templeton and Mr. George the same was adopted, and the clerk was instructed to prepare a by-law.

A letter was received from the Chatham Wagon Co. Ltd., requesting that Park street, in Taylor avenue, be closed. A representative of the company also addressed the council in connection with the same matter.

Allan McNeillage presented a petition from the ratepayers of the Simpson drain, asking that the south quarter of lot 10, concession 6, be struck off of the said Simpson drain assessment.

Thos. Buckingham asked to be granted a culvert opposite his property along the Lindsay side road, in reference to an indictment by the name of Thomas Willis.

James McRobb was heard, asking that his statute labor be commuted to perform the same along the 6th con. road, opposite lot 12.

Wm. Vance, tax collector for 2nd division, was present.

The auditor submitted their report and detailed statement of the treasurer's receipts and expenditures for the past year. The same was carefully examined and considered.

On motion of Mr. Abraham and Mr. Templeton, the report was adopted and the clerk was instructed to have the statutory number printed. A statement was received from the county clerk stating that the amount due the county from the Township of Bathurst for the year ending December 31, 1904, was \$137.61; also a copy of a resolution passed by the county council to the effect that no person will be admitted to the county House of Refuge except a certificate from the physician of the institution accompanies the commitment papers.

It was moved by Mr. Templeton and Mr. George, that the by-law to provide for the repair of the Runnelman drain, and also that by-law to provide for the Township of Chatham's proportion to be contributed for the repair of the Boyle outlet of the Township of Dover be provisionally adopted, and that the said by-laws be printed in the Dresden Times newspaper, and that a court of revision on the engineer's assessment for the said drainage works be held at the Chatham township hall on Monday, 3rd day of April, 1905, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. George and Mr. Templeton, that the clerk advertise for tenders for the carting and swinging of the Tupperville bridge for the season of 1905.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Abraham and Mr. George, that as complaints have been made to this council that the Peter Marquette railway are in the habit of leaving cars on their crossing on the river road, near Taylor avenue, and preventing the travelling public from crossing, be it resolved that the clerk notify the said railway that legal action will be taken against them unless they stop the blocking of the said roadway at once.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Templeton and Mr. George, that John Watson, Jr., be granted permission to cut down a tree that is a dangerous condition standing on the north side of the 14th and 15th con. roadway, opposite the part of lot 4, owned by Mrs. Elizabeth Watson.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Abraham and Mr. Templeton, that Allan McNeillage be granted \$25 as township's share for continuing a covered drain along the 6th concession roadway.—Carried.

The following accounts were ordered paid by different resolutions:

A. McDowell, survey and report on Gray drain, \$110 00

Jos. Humphrey, refund statute

labor, 3 00

Co. Treasurer, keep of inmates of House of Refuge, 137 61

J. W. Brown, part pay as collector, 100 00

Wm. Vance, part pay as collector, 100 00

Jno. Clark, wood furnished indigent, 4 50

J. G. Templeton, furnishing material and repairing bridge on township drain, 9 57

Geo. Pierce, return of dog tax, 1 00

Thos. Moreland, repg bridge, 8 50

Meeting adjourned.

A. McARTHUR, Clerk.

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MESSRS. C. C. RICHARDS & CO.

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Gratefully yours,

ADLARD LEEFEVRE.

Mair's Mills, 10th June '99.

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