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JUSTICE FOR ST. JOHN

The meeting at the board of trade last evening decided to send a delegation to Ottawa to protest against the renewal of the Gutelius agreement, and also to act in the matter of the renewal of the Atlantic mail contract. The board might well have been more aggressive in its treatment of the whole question. The Gutelius agreement cannot be justified on any ground whatever; neither can the claim of Halifax to be the sole winter mail port in these provinces. The board might well have confined the whole of last night's discussion to a distinct and emphatic statement of the attitude of the people of St. John in relation to these matters, and of a determination to see that justice is done to this port. The business now in hand has nothing to do with the question of the relative value of freight and passenger business at St. John as getting along all right, and demonstrating its fitness to be a mail and passenger as well as a freight port, when the Gutelius agreement was made and the Empress steamships switched to Halifax. What St. John wants is the assurance that this agreement will not be renewed. The board therefore does well to send a delegation to Ottawa, and it should be thoroughly backed up by the city council, as well as by the trades and labor council. It will be remembered that the Gutelius agreement was made without the knowledge of the people, and even without the knowledge of their representative in the government. To prevent the making of some new deal disastrous to the interests of this port, without the knowledge of the citizens or their representative in the government, it is wise to send a delegation to Ottawa and to have the claims of St. John presented in the most convincing way, not only to the government, but to parliament and the country. This is not a matter of politics, but of business. The loss of trade suffered by St. John last winter did not fall merely upon the members of the Liberal party, nor did the protest against the Gutelius agreement come from Liberals alone. It is not at all a question of politics but of business, and it affects every citizen of St. John. Therefore all parties should unite in making the very strongest representations at Ottawa to prevent a renewal of the Gutelius agreement or the making of any other agreement that would place St. John in a less favorable position than it occupied before the Gutelius agreement was made.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

While it is evident that there will be no business boom in the province of New Brunswick this year, yet, as the spring opens up it is apparent that a very large amount of construction work will be in progress, and the general situation in regard to trade appears to be healthy and sound. It is true that the lumber markets both in the United Kingdom and the United States are extremely dull, with apparently no prospect of an early improvement. The cut of logs, however, has not been excessive, and on the St. John river has been considerably smaller than that of the previous year. In St. John this will be a busy summer, with even greater activity in heavy construction work than in the summer of 1913. There will be very much greater activity in wharf construction at West St. John, and we are also promised greater things in Courtenay Bay. The work on the steel superstructure of the new bridge at the Falls will be begun early in the summer. Doubtless all arrangements will be made so that the street railway line may be extended to Coldbrook and East St. John. Work will be continued on the new sugar refinery plant, and on the new post office. Plans have been made for the erection of a considerable number of dwelling houses in the outskirts of the city. The new Salvation Army Metropolitan will be erected. No doubt some improvements will be made in buildings in the business part of the city, and a notable instance is the remodeling of a structure at the corner of King and Germain streets for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. That company will also, no doubt, make further improvements this year at West St. John. Whether any new industries are to be begun this year is as yet a matter of doubt, but there is every prospect that existing industries will have a busy year.

Looking out over the province, building operations will be active in Fredericton, Sussex, Moncton, Campbellton, and doubtless in other centres as well, since there seems to be a general scarcity of houses and a continued movement of population toward the villages and towns. We are promised an increased number of immigrants this year, and these will doubtless bring a considerable amount of new capital into the province. It is intimated that there will be a further development of the orchard industry this year, and continued activity in the various branches of the agricultural department to stimulate the farming industry, and to encourage the adoption of better methods of farming. Just what effect the agitation concerning powdery scab will have upon the potato industry of the province remains to be seen, but it may be assumed that the acreage planted this year will on that account be somewhat smaller.

er, and greater attention paid to the production of other crops.

The spring season is late, and wholesale business is rather quiet, but substantial improvement is assured with the coming of warmer weather. There will be as usual a large amount of railway construction in the province. Further development of the coal fields in Queens county is anticipated, and it has been said that efforts will also be made to increase the supply of natural gas available in the oil fields of Albert county. If it be true that a big pulp and paper mill is to be erected at Bathurst, it will mean, as the Northern Light observes, the busiest summer in the history of that town.

Looking over the whole situation, therefore, despite the fact that money is not as easy as might be desired, the outlook for the year in this province may be regarded as generally satisfactory.

CALLS IT A GOLD BRICK

The Ottawa Free Press, in a brief article states the case with regard to the proposal to place another \$45,000,000 at the disposal of the Canadian Northern Railway. We quote:

"The Canadian Northern Railway has already received from the people of Canada in subsidies and a guaranteed tidy little sum of \$197,916,125. The government now proposes to help Bill and Dan scare the persistent wolf from the door by another dose of \$45,000,000. For the \$248,916,125 the Canadian people are to have a minority interest in the Canadian Northern Railway, completely subject to the control of Bill and Dan, who have in their possession the other \$5 per cent, or majority interest. In other words, Bill and Dan may do what they please with the railway, knowing that the government minority interest, to save its face with foreign investors, must eventually pay the bill. The common stock which the government proposes to take in return for the \$248,916,125 may be worse than worthless as things will stand when the government's latest proposal is put through, because it entails an indirect liability for the whole of the money hitherto borrowed by the company. The government is suggesting that the country buy a gold brick."

The complaints against the blasting at Courtenay Bay will apparently soon be as loud as the blasting.

Once more the slaughter commission-ers point out the need of a public abattoir in St. John. This need has been pointed out annually or with greater frequency for more than twenty years.

The Staten Island Association of Arts and Science is interested in the Old Bural Ground at St. John. Maybe it's catching. If so, the people of St. John may also some day become interested in the Old Bural Ground.

The tributes paid to Mr. M. E. Agar by those who have been his colleagues in the city council for the last two years will be a source of satisfaction to him and his friends. He has rendered the city good service and retired from office with a clean record.

The Standard announces this morning on the authority of Lieut-Gov. Wood that the Royal Commission to inquire into the Dugal charges will be appointed this week, and adds that there should be little or no delay thereafter in getting to work. The Standard further says it is intended to make the inquiry complete and thorough. A prompt, complete and thorough inquiry by an impartial commission is all that Mr. Dugal and his friends ask, and their only regret is that it has taken the government a month after the charges were made to reach the point of appointing the commission.

The action of Chief Clark in endeavoring to protect the trees along the streets and also to protect the garden beds in King Square is universally approved. One evening last week two great dogs were disputing themselves on one of the flower beds in the Square, and it is a common occurrence for dogs to race over these beds and undo the work of the gardeners. Moreover, it is useless for the Arboriculture Society to plant trees or the citizens to dream of boulevards, if horses are to be permitted to destroy the young trees after they have been planted.

According to the statement of the assessors, 392 new tax payers were added to the list for this year, and in two years the gain has been 1071. This represents a substantial increase in population. An addition this year of \$1,250,000 in the assessment of real estate, and an addition of upwards of three-quarters of a million on personal property and income, makes an increase of nearly \$5,000,000 in assessment values in the city in the last two years. It may be hoped that an improvement in the system of taxation will soon be made, as popular sentiment in favor of tax reform is steadily growing stronger.

A recent incident where a witness in a London court case spent seventy hours on the stand recalls a previous case which broke all records. The speech of the attorney-general was spread over twenty days, while the summing up took the judge a month, and forms a book of 800 pages.

BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABILITIES

TUESDAY, MAY 5.

The Hon. John Nesbitt Kirchoffer, whose appointment to the Senate of Canada dates back to the administration of the late Sir John Thompson, celebrates his sixty-sixth birthday on this date. He was born in Ballyromney, Ireland, where his father was rector, and came to Canada when a child. He settled in Port Hope and took up the study and practice of law, later moving to Manitoba, where he was instrumental in founding the Plum Creek Settlement. He became a prominent citizen of Souris and sat for a term in the provincial legislature. In 1892 he was elevated to the Senate and is now one of its oldest members in point of service.

Also born today:—Adam Crosby, former M. P. for Halifax, born in Belfast, Ireland, 1859. Frederick Dane, Toronto, born in Belfast, Ireland, 1861.

LIGHTER VEIN.

Lucky Indeed.

There isn't much in writing poetry. Big pay for clever rhyming is a myth. A very lucky bard, indeed, is he whose Ode to Keats pays what he owed to Smith.

—Judge.

Fun for Her.

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"Yes, indeed. Almost every day she goes out and worries a few men driving gasoline cars."

Obvious.

Miss Caustic—Your friend Smythe, brags that he is a self-made man. You never hear a self-made woman boasting about it.

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Careful.

He—May I kiss you?

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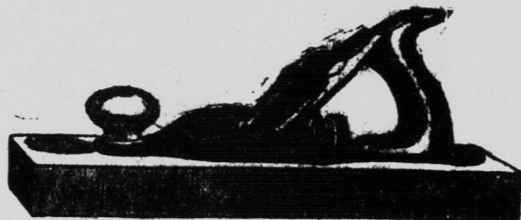
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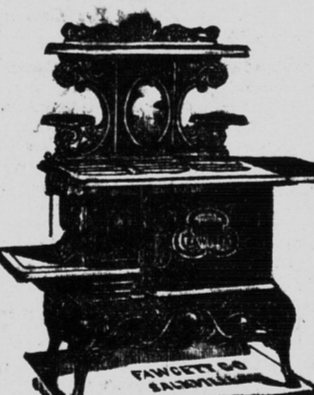
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