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EASTERN STEAMSHIP CO'Y.

(INTERNATIONAL DIVISION) Time Table in Effect August 8, 1904. STEAMERS LEAVE ST. JOHN: MONDAY—St. Croix, 8 a. m., Eastport, Lubec, Portland and Boston. WEDNESDAY—Calvin Austin, 8 a. m., Eastport, Lubec, Portland and Boston. FRIDAY—St. Croix, 8 a. m., Eastport, Lubec, direct to Boston. STEAMERS LEAVE BOSTON: MONDAY—Calvin Austin, 9 a. m., Portland, Eastport, Lubec and St. John. WEDNESDAY—St. Croix, 9 a. m., Portland, Eastport, Lubec and St. John. FRIDAY—Calvin Austin, 9 a. m., direct to Eastport, Lubec and St. John. SATURDAY—St. Croix, 6:30 p. m., direct to St. John. W. G. LEE, Agent, St. John, N. B.

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The average daily circulation of the Star for August was 6261.

THE GREAT ISSUE.

Notwithstanding Liberal efforts to keep the railway question out of sight, that, and no other, will be the leading issue upon which the people of Canada will cast their votes at the next election. Other matters concerning the tariff, the management of the militia, Liberal extravagances and broken pledges, party records, etc., will influence them to a certain extent, but the one great question they will be asked to decide by their ballots is: Which do you choose, "a government owned railway, or a railway owned government?"

And it is hard to see how any patriotic Canadian can hesitate in his choosing. If the decision he will be asked to make were on the abstract question of public vs. private ownership of public utilities, there might be room for argument. But he is confronted by no such question.

Both parties propose that the government shall build a new transcontinental. The Liberal idea is to pay a company for building one half of it, to have the people build the other half and when all is completed to hand the whole thing over to the company to make what profit it pleases out of it at the taxpayers' expense. Conservatives, on the other hand, contend that since a transcontinental road is needed and since the country must pay some hundred millions of dollars for its building, the country should hold on to it, and operate in the people's interest what is sure to be a paying proposition so that all Canadians, not only a few wealthy ones, may share in the profits.

Is it any wonder that the Liberal papers and Liberal speakers dodge the discussion of an alternative like that? Is it any wonder that their silence on the railway question is only broken by sneers at Conservative sincerity, or vague eulogies of the government's policy, or blatant declarations that Canadian sentiment is not in favor of public ownership? What else could they say?

In view of the results attending public operation of railways wherever it has been tried—the Belgian state-owned railways pay over \$11,000,000 annually, beside reducing passenger and freight rates 40 per cent; the state railways of India, New Zealand and Australia show large surpluses on the same basis; and since the company roads provided—those who hold that private wealth should control and profit by such utilities are being rapidly confined to the capitalists and their subsidised supporters. In every civilized country the tendency is growing to retain under the control of the people such utilities as exist for the service of the people. It remains for the Canadian Liberal government to not only declare itself in opposition to this tendency, but to leap to the opposite and absurd extreme and stand as the first advocate of a policy which would involve the people's own money in a public utility for the profit of a privileged few.

CARRYING OUT THE PROGRAMME.

It appears to be settled that the Grand Trunk company is to buy the Canada Atlantic, which will give the company the shortest possible route from Georgian Bay to Montreal and Portland, the summer and winter ports of the Grand Trunk. When the Canada Atlantic has been acquired, when the government has constructed the Grand Trunk Pacific from Winnipeg east to Amulth, they will be able to turn the traffic of the west to their own systems and carry it to their own ports.

The Grand Trunk management and the Grand Trunk Pacific promoters have not troubled themselves with the vast the longitude of Toronto. They have urged on the surveys of the portion of the road which can be made tributary to their route to Portland. The part in Quebec and New Brunswick has not engaged their attention.

In the last deal the company secured a change which will allow a part of the eastern section to be operated by the company before the other part is completed. The part which is to be taken over leads to Portland. The portion that need not be completed, and need not be worked if it is completed, leads to St. John and Halifax.

The Russian confidence in the speed and endurance of their soldiers is apparently not shaken by the news that the Japs have caught up to them once or twice lately. It is gravely announced that Kuropatkin's plan of campaign is to lead the enemy on and tire him out.

"Poverty is a bully if you are afraid of her, or truckle to her," but a wise use of the want ads. will often enable you to out her acquaintance altogether.

BUCKWHEAT CAKES AND SASSAGE GRAVY.

(Written for the Star.) Ofn when we get to dreamin' of the happy days of yore. When our lifeboat was a floatin' out from boyhood's golden shore. Treasures that were half forgotten come a-sailin' into sight. Startin' all the soul to dancin' to the music o' delight. An' there isn't one among 'em puts a yearnin' in the breast. Fur another joyous season in the sacred of home nest. Like them fragrant, smokin' jewels, diffent from the modern fake. Buckwheat cakes an' sassage gravy, like our mother used to make!

Used to get up in the mornin' jes' agin the break o' day. When the east was full o' color that'd take the breath away. Hustle out to see that choctin' workin' up an appetite.

That'd throw a streak o' glory into every day. Take a wash in that tin basin on the bench out in the yard. Underneath the ol' cherry by the hand o' aged care. Then sit down forment a banquet—out o' sight an' no mistake!

Buckwheat cakes an' sassage gravy, sort our mother used to make!

Used to ofn stand an' watch her beat the batter in the crock. "Comin', comin', comin', comin'" was the way she'd make 'em talk; See her grease the smokin' griddle with a piece o' bacon sike. Then pour on the brownish batter with a dipper made o' tin. There 'd lay with holes a-breakin' out like measles from the top. Till she'd look an' turn it with an ol' case knife, "kerflop!"

O, there ain't a modern angel top o' all the eatin' that's ever done. Buckwheat cakes an' sassage gravy, like our mother used to make!

Eppurave may chin fill doomeday o' the tony styles o' food. Modern chefs may work on dishes that a god thing was good. Fancy printed menu programmes in the taverns an' cafays. May be full o' fancy stamps that'd win an angel's praise.

But if they should spread a banquet that'd make you get red in the face. Side that kitchen table an' 'd tell us take our choice. You would see no hesitation in our action.

Buckwheat cakes an' sassage gravy, like our mother used to make! —A. L. PARLIE.

A STORY OF BARRETT'S BOYHOOD.

When the lately deceased English actor, Wilson Barrett, was a boy of 14 and working in a grain dealer's warehouse he often tried his hand at little dramas, and on his way home from the store at night he used to slip into the theatre and see that part of what ever play was on. Then he would "shin up" the water pipe of his father's house and in his bedroom, in a clean and as quickly as possible so as not to awaken his parents, who he knew, would not approve for the stage became stronger and stronger in him. One night he saw Henry Neville, then the leading actor, try his hand in "Camilla's Husband." It was a very warm evening. Young Barrett sat in the gallery and he was so interested in the play he forgot to eat. He was now 15 years old, and with some other acts about the same age accomplished an extraordinary thing. He arranged an old shed in the back garden as a theatre, and he and his friends devised a scheme of oil lamps, whose wicks could be turned up or down by means of a wire. For the boxes a board was painted and cut out in the shape of curtains, so that a man sitting outside looked from the stage as if seated in a regular theatre box.

There were six members in young Barrett's company, and after several rehearsals tickets were issued to fifty or sixty friends and relatives of the actors. They purchased calico and stained and cut and stitched their own costumes, young Barrett doing all the devising, designing and literary work.

Their orchestra consisted of a violin, English concertina and flute. They wanted a drum; but the orchestra being too small to accommodate the real article, the plan was hit on of covering a small square box with thick brown paper, kept taut by a spiral link. This was a fair drum if not hit too hard.

Every dollar is a servant—and should be kept busy; else the servants become the masters. Work for dollars can be found through the want ads, as readily as work for men.

TO THE WRONG ALTAR.

On a recent afternoon at Cape Town, when a bridegroom and wedding party were in the church waiting the arrival of the bride, the organ duly heralded her approach and the clergyman stepped forward to perform the ceremony. However, both bride and bridegroom showed a strange unwillingness to proceed, and for a greater part of the evening entertained the company.

When he returned to the hotel, thoroughly tired, his wife with a smile said: "Well, did you have a good time?" "No, I can't say that I did. Indeed, if I had not been there I should have been bored."

"The mould of a man's fortune is in his own hands"; but the metal for the mould must often be heated by the little want ads.

LOCAL NEWS.

The U. N. B. engineers, in charge of Prof. E. Brydson Jack, will go into their annual camp on Sept. 14th, but whether at Stanneggs or Chatham has not been definitely settled.

Officer Merrick was called into John McCausland's house on Chatham street late on Saturday night to quell a disturbance he was making.

The meeting of the ladies' auxiliary of the Seaman's Mission which was to have taken place this afternoon, will, owing to the holiday, be postponed till Tuesday afternoon.

Police Officer Perry was called into a house in Harrigan's alley on Saturday night to settle a quarrel between a colored man named Burns and his wife.

Services were resumed in the Unitarian Church yesterday, after the usual summer vacation of one month. Rev. Mr. Walker, the pastor, occupied the pulpit.

S. L. Gorbell returned on Saturday from a tour through Nova Scotia in the interests of the St. John exhibition. He reports that people over there are much interested in the exhibition and there will doubtless be a large number of persons come to it from that province.

H. H. Pickett received a telegram last evening announcing the death at Woodstock of the youngest son of his brother, D. Wetmore Pickett. Death was due to appendicitis. Mr. Woodstock will go to Woodstock to attend the funeral, returning to St. John tomorrow.

The unveiling of the memorial tablet to James Malcolm and George Fisher in the Grand East church, which is to have taken place yesterday, was postponed on account of the heavy rain. Rev. James Rose of Carleton, who was to have conducted the service, did not go up, and consequently the unveiling was postponed until next Sunday.

JAPAN'S SECOND BEST.

I made it my business to look beyond the army corps the Japanese exhibition, rushing to the front whilst I was in Japan. I went into the interior of the country as far as I could get in company with a fellow-journalist of great experience. I looked at the men from whom the Mikado will have to draw his fighting forces a year hence, when the grand fellows he now has in action are killed or worn out with wounds and maiming; and to pieces by the eternal strain of a long-continued struggle, shattered by the frightful horrors of a winter campaign. They will die like heroes at the command of their ruler all the world knows; and when they are dead, or when they are stale and sore, they will have to be replaced. And I do not think that when she is tried to the uttermost, Japan will be able to last put more than five hundred thousand really high-class men into the field.

There is a tremendous drop in the call of the fighters are coming from. Many generations of semi-slavery, of ill-breeding, of low diet, of wretched pay, and ceaseless work has thinned the cool blood.—A. G. Hales, in London News.

CHILD SLEEP WALKER IS SERIOUSLY HURT.

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 4.—Because of his habit of walking in his sleep, the child of W. Totten, aged nine, is in bed with several broken bones. Robble, slumbering in his bed in the gallery of his home, at No. 55 Warwick street, Roxbury, had one of his uncontrollable impulses to stroll about the room, and in so doing he fell around his room is not known, but he finally came to the open window and walked out into space. The child woke up, jarred by his contact with the ground, thirty feet below. He fractured his collar bone, broke a rib, and his right side, besting getting contusions.

HARVESTERS ALL GONE.

The harvesters who arrived here from P. E. Island Saturday morning at three o'clock, got away Sunday morning. They were given breakfast at six o'clock and at half-past eight the last train departed.

As soon as the train pulled out a small army of scrubbers, with brushes, soap and water, diligently cleaned every corner and nook in the building. A massing lot of rubbish was removed and now even if the station doesn't smell exactly sweet, it certainly is clean and as clean as any other station has returned to the usually trim and neat depot.

LETTER WAS TOO LATE.

DETROIT, Sept. 4.—James B. Goulding, aged 55, committed suicide by hanging himself to a rafter in his rooming house at Norton, still in the city. Discouragement due to his inability to obtain employment is given as the cause. His landlady found that there was a letter for Goulding, and she found the old man's body hanging dead. The letter was from his brother in London, Ontario, and proffered financial assistance. It is known that Goulding had been waiting for this letter, and if he had received it sooner it is thought that he would not have committed suicide.

INJURED BRAKEMAN STILL LIVING.

SUSSEX, N. B., Sept. 4.—Charles Perkins, the victim of Thursday's accident in the yard at Norton, still lingers in a very precarious condition. On Saturday afternoon Doctors Burnett, McAllister and Murray amputated the injured foot at the ankle and also removed the fragments of bone which had been lying on the brain since the accident. The patient is now resting somewhat easier, but small hopes are entertained for his recovery.

The lack of advertising judgment is often responsible for lack of business success.—Advertising World.

SELF SUFFICIENT.

A distinguished comedian who tells stories very well was invited to a dinner and for a greater part of the evening entertained the company.

"No, I can't say that I did. Indeed, if I had not been there I should have been bored."

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The balance of our stock of LADIES' COSTUMES will be sold at a sweeping reduction, \$5.00, \$7.50 and \$10 for Costumes that were \$15, \$20 and \$25.

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The Whole Stock to Be Sold at Nearly Half-Price.

NOW IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO BUY DRY GOODS AT MONEY SAVING PRICES.

Remember this is a genuine clearing sale. All our Dress Goods to go at wonderful reductions to clear. Just come in and see them. Ladies' Corsets at half price to clear them out at once, 35c., 45c., 60c. pair. Hosiery for men, women and children, cheap.

ENGLAND'S UNDERPED CHILD.

In every big town—the children of the slums habitually go to school improperly fed. Many of them are not only imperfectly fed, but the food they get is far too little in quantity. In the hard winter season, when the building trades are idle, many again go to school either with no food at all, or having only staved their hunger in the morning with a crust of dry bread.

It is a common experience for teachers in the elementary schools of the poorer parts of our great towns—I have myself often seen it—to find children suddenly seized with vomiting. This is not so much caused by the fact that the stomach is empty as that it has revolted against the effect of the cold upon its empty contents. And not only in this state of things true of the poorer parts of the big towns. It is true also of many of the agricultural villages. Let a visit to a village elementary school look closely at the children. They are in many cases flabby and pale. They need more nourishing food. A breakfast of "teakettle broth," a bit of bread and margarine, a bit of bread and treacle, and some abominably poor tea, these form the three meals daily.—Dr. J. T. McNamara, M. P., in Nineteenth Century.

School Boots

FOR THE CHILDREN.

We have opened a splendid assortment of Boys' and Girls' School Boots in Pebble, Grain, Calf and Kid, all sizes and styles. Bring or send the children here, we will fit them with the right kind and at the right price. These goods are all new—no old or shop worn goods at any price.

Sanborn's Shoe Store,

393 MAIN STREET, North End.

TAKE NOTICE.

Removal Sale Is Now Going On at E. Marcus's, No. 35 Dock Street.

I will remove to my new quarters, (No. 30 Dock St.) on or about the middle of Sept. My stock must be sold before moving, at any cost, so as to save expense. Parlor Suites, regular price \$30.00; sale price \$19.75. Bedroom Suites, regular price \$15.00; sale price \$10.50. Lounges, regular price \$3.50; sale price \$4.15. All our stock is reduced below cost for removal sale. Now is your golden opportunity—it may not occur again for a long time.

I have also a better line of all kind of furniture that will be sold below cost. Goods sold on easy terms as usual.

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\$195 for \$350 PIANO. Morris upright, in handsome case, 7-1/2 octaves, overstrung scale, three unisons, ivory keys, all latest improvements; has been in use less than one year. Easy terms for payment if you wish.

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\$125 for \$400 PIANO. Square Piano, by Bourne, Boston. This piano is in good condition, represents excellent value; case, action and tone, good. Terms \$10 cash, balance \$6 a month. Pianos to rent by day, month, or longer. Terms at reasonable price. W. H. BELL'S Music Store, 79 GERMAIN STREET.

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