WANT LINE FARTHER NORTH

Quebec Board of Trade Opposes Government Grant to Grand Trunk Pacific.

SHORTEST ROUTE IS FAVORED.

And That is the Proposed Trans-Canada From Port Simpson to Quebec.

Secretary Jarvis of the Board of Trade received a communication on Wednesday from J. G. Scott, secretary of the Trans-Canada Railway Company, Quebec, enclosing a copy of a resolution passed by the Quebec Board of Trade, opposing any government grant to the proposed transcontinental railway of the Grand Trunk, and favoring the Trans-Canada Railway, as offering the best and shortest route for a transcontinental railway.

The resolution sets forth that the line should be the shortest possible from ocean to ocean, so as to enable the Western farmer to obtain low freight rates on grain; that the location selected and the conditions imposed by parliament should be such as to compel the shipment of goods exported to seaboard by such railways to be by the St. Lawrence ports in summer and the Maritime Provinces in winter.

Further, the resolution states that it would seem wise to adopt a policy of preventing the construction of lines in a southeasterly direction towards the United States frontier, as it would be likely to direct the export trade to American seaboards.

In the opinion of that board, the new line proposed to be built by the Grand Trunk Railway did not meet any of those requirements. And, again, as a new line of the Grand Trunk would pass or come near to Toronto, there would be danger that the United States would get at least a portion of the summer and the whole of the winter export business. This business should be kept in Canada, and would thus be done by a line further north, as the Trans-Canada, which was recommended as the best possible route by many eminent gentlemen in the country.

The resolution will be dealt with by the council of the board at their next meeting.

PASSED MID-WINTER EXAMS.

Successful Students of College of Physicians and Surgeons.

The following have passed the primary, intermediate and final examinations of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario:

Primary—G. H. Armstrong, Richard's Landing; W. H. Brown, Tottenham; J. B. Buell, Mallorytown; W. J. Cook, Coboconk; E. Dehaitre, Rockland; F. S. Eaton, Freeland; J. Fettes, Yeoville; E. E. Fry, Elmira; W. A. Graham, Denbigh; R. L. Gardner, Brockville; R. B. Harris, Prince Albert; W. J. Harris, Glencoe; W. H. Harvey, Toronto; E. A. Hammond, Peterboro; F. N. Hughes, Fennelle; A. R. Hall, Washington; J. L. Johnston, Fournier; W. A. Meighen, Perth; A. McNally, Blair; J. H. O'Neill, Muloch; A. J. Reade, Toronto; G. F. R. Richardson, Stouffville; C. L. Ross, Hensall; A. E. Stewart, Ruthven; A. E. Schulz, Elmira; T. W. Smith, Hawkesbury; C. A. Stewart, Moose Creek; W. A. Scanlon, Prescott; G. S. Wray, Tottenham; R. G. Williams, Rockly.

Intermediate—N. H. Ferguson, Toronto; R. L. Gardner, Brockville; R. B. Harris, Prince Albert; A. R. Hall, Washington; J. L. Johnston, Fournier; J. H. O'Neill, Muloch; H. C. P. Rundle, Hayden; C. L. Ross, Hensall; G. W. Ross, Toronto; R. W. Rutherford, Chatham; T. W. Smith, Hawkesbury; D. T. Smith, Ottawa; C. A. Stewart, Moose Creek.

Final—O. W. Collbeck, Toronto Junction; N. H. Ferguson, Toronto; R. L. Gardner, Brockville; A. R. Hall, Washington; J. L. Johnston, Fournier; K. McKinnon, Guelph; J. McClintock, Manchester; G. W. Ross, Toronto; C. L. Ross, Hensall; H. C. P. Rundle, Hayden; D. T. Smith, Ottawa; T. W. Smith, Hawkesbury; C. A. Stewart, Moose Creek; C. W. Saunders, Kemptville.

Toronto to New York.

The Grand Trunk has three splendid trains from Toronto to New York daily—the day express, at 9 a.m., which connects with the famous "Black Diamond"; the "International Limited," at 4.50 p.m., and the "New York Express," leaving Toronto at 6.15 p.m. This latter, being the last train from Toronto, has become exceedingly popular with business men, and deservedly so, offering, as it does, every comfort and luxury known to the traveler. A well-cooked and well-served supper may be obtained on the Grand Trunk dining car, at a very reasonable rate. A Pullman Sleeper runs through from Toronto to New York, and breakfast is served in the diner before New York is reached, thus enabling passengers to arrive in the city at 9.30 a.m., ready for business. There is also the additional advantage of landing close to the commercial centre of the city. Tickets, reservations and all information at City Office, northwest corner King and Yonge-streets.

Life Insurance Amalgamation.

An agreement has been entered into for the amalgamation of the British Empire Mutual Life Assurance Company and the Pelican Life Office into one company, to be styled "The Pelican and British Empire Life Office." The new amalgamation will possess funds of more than $22,500,000. According to the provisions of the amalgamation, the board of the British Empire Company in Canada will administer the affairs in Canada of the combined company, and Alfred McDougall will take the position of manager.

Three Youths Sentenced.

The Department of Prisons has been notified by the Sheriff of Bracebridge that he has three prisoners awaiting the action of the department. They are boys from 9 to 11 years of age and were sentenced to four years in the Penetanguishene Reformatory. It is illegal to send such youthful offenders there and the boys have been turned over to J. J. Kelso, who will probably have them placed in foster homes.

BOUNDING AHEAD IN LEAPS

More Than Two Thousand Members Already in the Canadian Preference League.

THE IDEA APPRECIATED ALL OVER.

Things Look as Tho the League Will Perform a Useful Service in This Country.

Every succeeding day proves more and more the need among the people of Canada of the Canadian Preference League, which in its short period of existence has been universally commended for the grand objects it has in view. Prominent ladies and gentlemen in all the provinces have written the gentlemen instrumental in the formation of the league, congratulating them upon bringing such a happy idea into effect, whereby it is sought to have Canadians encourage home industry by purchasing Canadian articles in preference to those of foreign countries, everything else being equal. Some of the parties not only signified their intention of becoming warm supporters of the movement, but have offered many valuable suggestions as to how to keep a lively interest manifested in it. There is hardly a manufacturer of note in the country who has not promised the league a hearty support. One manufacturer from Almonte, in writing and forwarding his cheque as an evidence of his sympathy with the league, said:

We are sadly troubled with the usual idea that to get anything good we have to go outside our own country and that anything made elsewhere must be much better than we can make ourselves. The result is anything labelled Canadian has to be sold at a less price than a similar article imported. Canadian goods to be patronized by Canadians should be worthy of encouragement.

R. L. Borden, leader of the Conservative party in the Dominion parliament, in acknowledging a communication setting forth the objects of the movement, wrote: "I am thoroly in sympathy with the objects set forth by the league, and trust that you will receive the support of all Canadians."

Simply a Natural Preference.

The league has sprung from a strong feeling among a number of enterprising Canadians that we, in the past, have lacked ordinary business acumen in protecting our own interests; that we have neglected the substance at home while grasping at the shadow abroad, and have relied too much on the support of outsiders, instead of developing what was within ourselves and within our own country. The movement is not a boycott of the goods of any particular country, but a natural and practical preference for our own. The purpose is solely to serve the material interests of the Dominion by the encouragement and support of all legitimate efforts which tend towards a rapid increase in the country's trade and to let the political situation take care of itself.

What is asked by the league of Canadians now is to do what the people of the United States put into operation many years ago. They didn't wait for an organized effort; their business aptitude made it easy for them to appreciate the advantage of following the most natural policy in the world—that of looking to their own interests—not necessarily boycotting the productions of other countries, but giving their own the preference, first, last and all the time.

Policy to Help Each Other.

Each member is imbued with the belief that by serving those around him he will also be serving himself by reason of the increased prosperity which will result to those upon whom he is relying directly or indirectly for his own support.

The league has already over 2000 members. There is no membership fee, everyone in sympathy with the objects being invited merely to sign a pledge to give a preference to Canadian goods when the quality is equal and the cost not in excess of that of similar foreign products or manufactured articles. Nevertheless many have voluntarily subscribed in order to defray the expenses incidental to the formation and maintenance. The temporary office is in the office of the Crown Life Insurance Company, in the Freehold Loan Building, and on the executive are: W. B. McMurrich, K. C., Edgar A. Wills, George H. Hees, F. E. Hodgins, K.C., and George H. Roberts. William Wallace is secretary to the committee.

Some of the Members.

Among the Toronto members are the following: R. A. Pyne, M.D., R. K. McIntosh, George H. Smith, Richard Southam, Rev. John M. Davenport, Harton T. Walker, Robert Caldwell, C. R. W. Postlethwaite, Mrs. Albert E. Gooderham, J. F. Eby, H. Blain, Mrs. J. Staunton King, William Goldstein, E. M. Chadwick, K.C., Mrs. Grayson Smith, J. P. Northey, William Stone, F. O. Cayley, Miss Grace M. O'Brian, Mrs. J. F. Wildman, Miss Catharine Merritt, R Home Smith, Grant Hellwell, J. H. Patterson, George Gowanlock, M. C. Ellis, John Taylor, Randolph Macdonald, Dr. H. T. Machell, Dr. J. D. Thorburn, H. M. Mowat, K.C., A. W. Seagram, Rev. J. P. Sheraton, C. S. Murray, M.D., Mrs. Tyrell, W. E. Wellington, W. K. George, James Hedley, Dr. H. E. Parsons, Mrs. M. A. Henderson, H. D. P. Armstrong, A. H. S. Marks, Julius Myles, W. K. McNaught, Mr. Justice Street, Miss Street, W. Wyly Grier, E. H. Bickford, F. C. Hood, M.D., Mrs. Harry Paterson, Frank W. Strathy, Arthur J. Hughes, Mrs. E. A. Wills, Miss Chadwick, Mrs. George H. Roberts, Miss M. J. Scott, Mrs. Julius Myles, Miss L. Henderson, H. E. Smallpeice, L. V. Percival, W. M. Iemond, J. P. Murray, Maurice J. Taylor, Richard Locke, Mrs. C. C. Dalton, Miss Dalton, Rev. Provost Macklem.

Industrial School Board.

Superintendent C. Ferrier of the Mimico Industrial School reported to the board yesterday that there was an attendance of 164 boys at the school during November. With one exception there was no sickness among the inmates. The accounts for the month amounted to $2040, of which $51 were for salaries.

Great preparations are being made for the Christmas festivities and it is the desire of the Industrial School Board that this will be made a memorable holiday time, in both the Mimico and the Alexandra Schools. They also request that any one wishing to remember the wards in these places in the way of Christmas gifts shall send all donations to J. Massey, 60 West Richmond-street. Last season numerous pairs of skates, hockey sticks, books and such articles were sent in and such will be gladly accepted this year. The Mimico School will hold their Christmas concert on Friday night next and the annual supper on Tuesday, Dec. 30. The annual Christmas tree at the Alexandra School will be held on the second week in January.

The treasurer reported that there was a cash balance of $1142 and it was decided to pay a bonus to each of the school staff.

American Foreign Missions.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 17—The 92nd annual report of the American Board of Foreign Missions, made public today, shows receipts for the year of $845,105. The report states that indemnities for property destroyed in China in 1900 have been paid and adjusted, under conditions satisfactory to the missionaries, and, in most instances, to the native Christians, and which also admit of the re-opening of missionary work in all forms. It has been decided to re-establish the North China College at Tung Cho, and a site nearer the city than the former premises has been purchased. The first new building for the college is in process of construction. At times, it is impossible to supply the demand for Bibles.

New Grand Trunk Folder.

A pocket-size folder, showing condensed time-tables of trains from Toronto, has just been issued by the Grand Trunk Passenger Department. This company's excellent service is given to all important local points, as well as through trains to Boston, New York and Chicago, in a concise, readable form, and is just what the traveling public are in need of. Copies may be obtained at any of the company's offices, or at folder cases in leading hotels. City Office, northwest corner King and Yonge-streets.

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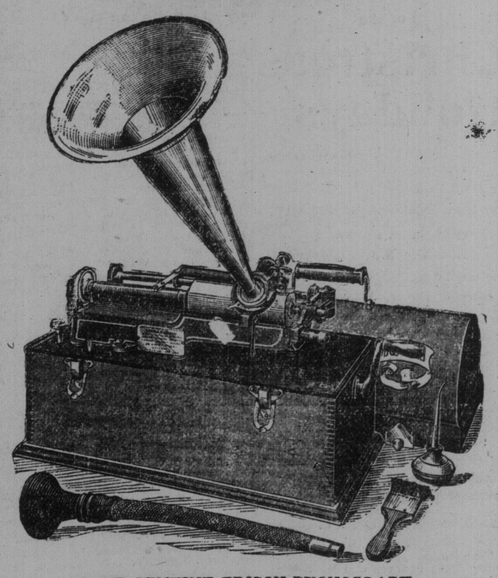

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