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GRAND TRUNK MA PURCHASE V. & S.

Negotiations Are Said to Be in Progress Between Transcontinental Road and Great Northern.

From information received in the city it is believed that there is a possibility of a pronouncement of considerable interest in connection with the Victoria & Sidney Railway will be made in the near future. The information received is to the effect that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company is now engaged in negotiating for the purchase of the local line. Messrs. Hays and Morse of the Grand Trunk Pacific arrive on the coast next week. It is understood that their visit here is for the purpose of providing connecting links between the trans-conti- nental line and Vancouver and Victoria. On their arrival in Vancouver they will, it is stated, formally take over the Vancouver, Westminster & Yukon railway's entire northern section, and will thus have a prospective connection between the Terminal city and the North. This acquisition includes all terminals and city grade of foreshore made in the recent settlement. By the taking over of the V. W. & Y. railway the Grand Trunk Pacific will tap a belt of country running through the entire length of British Columbia, and when the line is opened up, this will serve a rich and highly productive country both in the north- ern section and also in the valley of the Fraser. It will moreover form a connecting link between the main line and Vancouver. Messrs. Hays and Morse, who will be in the city next week, are thoroughly informed of the railway situation on the coast, and are coming with the intention of planning the full scheme of operations which the G. T. P. will undertake in the near future. It is highly probable that construction work on the extension of the V. W. & Y. towards the north will be carried on at the same time as the building of the main line eastwards from Prince Rupert. In this manner it would appear that the G. T. P. has secured an entry into Vancouver and the present

THE STRIKE TO BE EXTENDED

ORDER ISSUED BY PRESIDENT SMALL

Commercial Telegraphers to Quit Work Where Contracts Have Not Been Signed.

Chicago, Ills., Aug. 16.—S. J. Small, president of the Commercial Tele- graphers Union, this morning issued a general order to all Commercial Tele- graphers to cease working immedi- ately where contracts with the union have not been signed.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 16.—Conditions of the telegraphers' strike situation in the Pittsburg district to-night are consid- erably improved, and all telegraph business, both commercial and press, is being handled without delay.

Watertown, N. Y., Aug. 16.—Railway telegraphers along the Rome, Water- town and Ogdensburg division of the New York Central points where there is no regular Western Union offices have refused to handle commercial messages despite the order of their superintendent to treat all messages as railroad business.

Operators Determined. Toronto, Aug. 15.—The Great North- western telegraphers drew their pay this afternoon for July. There is little change in the situation. The men are determined not to go back unless their request is complied with while the company claims that they are gradu- ally manning the keys with outside men.

Both Sides Confident. Montreal, Aug. 15.—There is no new developments to-day in the telegraph strike. Both sides express confidence of a settlement upon satisfactory terms.

SHORT IN ACCOUNTS. Former Danish Vice-Consul and City Controller of Omaha is Missing.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 16.—Theo. Olsen, former Danish vice-consul here, and at one time city controller of Omaha, is miss- ing, and it is alleged that his accounts about \$12,000. The shortage is on account of estates in Nebraska, which came into the hands of Denmark.

YACHTING AT KIEL. Kiel, Germany, Aug. 16.—The Ger- man yacht Wotan, admiralty handled by Herr Prosen, Berlin, won to-day's race in the series of contests for Em- peror William's cup, beating the Mar- blehead, managed by Summers Foster, which was second, by one minute 21 seconds.

WORK RESUMED. Bakersfield, Cal., Aug. 16.—Thirty of the striking hollermakers and six hollers have returned to work in the Southern Pacific shops.

RAILWAY EXTENSION. Work to Commence on Road Between San Francisco and Eureka—Costly Undertaking.

(Associated Press). San Francisco, Aug. 15.—Orders have been issued to begin construction work on the Northwest Pacific, a joint Southern Pacific-Atchafson enterprise, which is to give San Francisco a new rail connection with Eureka. It will eventually be continued along the coast into Oregon to connect with the main branch of the Southern Pacific, making an easy grade all the way to Portland. Some of the construction work will be very costly. The 110-mile stretch between Willits and Shively will cost about \$13,000,000, and there is one stretch of seven miles which it will take \$5,000,000 to build.

MAN SHOT BY HIS DAUGHTER

SLAIN AFTER HE HAD MURDERED HIS WIFE

The Daughter, Who Was Arrested, Says Her Father Treated Family Cruelly.

(Associated Press). New York, Aug. 16.—George Wasser, a German, 57 years old, murdered his wife and was in turn slain by his daughter, Mrs. Adaline Langlois, at the home of the woman in Harlem to-day. Wasser fired upon his wife and then exchanged shots with the daughter. The latter was not wounded. Mrs. Wasser soon succumbed to her injuries, and her husband died a little later. The daughter was arrested. She asserted that her father had persistently practiced cruelties upon his family. Mrs. Langlois was arraigned before Magistrate House for shooting her father. She said: "My father was shoot- ing at my mother, so I sent my younger sister to bring a revolver. My father was still firing at mother when I got the revolver, and it was not until I saw the burning clothes of my mother's breast and heard her cries that I raised my revolver, and fired at the man. I fired four shots at him as he sneaked through the room. I don't care what happens to me."

FOUNDING OF LOS ANGELES. One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Anniversary Celebrated in Californian City.

(Associated Press). Los Angeles, Aug. 16.—The anniversary of the founding of the city by Spanish padres 126 years ago was celebrated to-day. General Jose Aguilar, who commanded the Spanish forces at Pueblo and sur- rendered to Fremont, was in charge of the exercises, which consisted of cannon salutes, religious services and a festival. To-night a celebration reviewing all the old Spanish customs of the city named by the padres in 1781. La Fuera Refinado Los Angeles will be held.

RUSO-JAPANESE AGREEMENT. Both Agree to Assist in Maintaining the Independence of China.

Tokio, Aug. 15.—The Russian-Japan- ese agreement, published here to-day for the first time, stipulates that the territory of each shall be inviolable. Both agree to assist in maintaining the independence of China, recognizing equal rights for each in the Celestial Kingdom. The Japanese have received the agreement with indifference.

ONE HUNDRED PERSONS KILLED

Part of Town in Germany Destroyed By Explosion in Dynamite Factory

Berlin, Aug. 15.—In the explosion in a dynamite factory at Doemitz, a hundred lives were lost to-day. A part of the town was destroyed and all the residents have fled, fearing another explosion.

The report was that the explosion was many miles distant heard it. The force shook the earth and many persons believed that a big earthquake had occurred. Besides the men employed in the factory, many living in nearby buildings were killed.

The inhabitants were panic-stricken. The first report was followed by succeed- ing ones, as the fire which resulted spread to the different magazines. Huge frag- ments of buildings were hurled many feet.

No cause has been assigned for the accident. Besides the hundred dead, many persons were injured, and it is believed that other fatalities will be added to the growing list.

ENDING LIFE. Fearing Parents Would Have to Support Him, Montreal Man Cut His Throat.

Montreal, Aug. 15.—Fearing that he would be a drag on his parents as a result of illness, McPherson, 25 years of age, employed in the establishment of the Canada Paint Company, William street, cut his throat with a razor in the kitchen of his home shortly after 6 a. m. to-day, and died two hours later in the general hospital. His parents were in bed at the time of the tragedy, and when his mother heard the fall of the body on the floor she rushed upstairs to find her son lying in a pool of blood, with his face partly buried in blood and a razor in his right hand.

PATROLMAN SLAIN. Miles, Mich., Aug. 16.—Patrolman Clarence Shockley, who was shot yester- day while attempting to arrest an unknown man, died to-day.

THE SCOT ACT PROVES FAILURE

HAS BEEN REPEALED IN CAPE BRETON

Official Nova Scotia License Law to Take Its Place—Preparing for Winter.

Sydney, N. S., Aug. 15.—The Scot Act was repealed in Cape Breton to-day by a majority of about 700. The repeal was asked for by the temperance work- ers, who desired to replace its ineffic- iency by the official Nova Scotia license law. The Scot Act has been practi- cally a dead letter.

One Hundred and Six. Port Mallard, Aug. 15.—Patrick Con- van died here to-day aged 106. He was in good health, and had most of his mental faculties up to the time of his death.

Winnipeg, Aug. 15.—There will be six harvesters' excursions next year from the east. The first train will leave the Maritime provinces for the west. The excursions from Ontario will leave August 17th, 30th, September 4th and 10th, and Quebec province, on Septem- ber 12th. It is believed that these six special trains will accommodate a suf- ficient force of men to handle the west- ern crops this fall.

Real Estate. Regina, Aug. 15.—The department of agriculture has issued a statement set- tling forth the arrangements made by the government with mine owners with a view to inducing dealers and house- holders to stock up with fuel for the coming winter. Some time ago the Al- berta Railway & Irrigation Company, which sells the city merchant, offered a freight prepaid, and wait till' December for payment. The commissioner of agriculture has since received replies from a number of other large coal com- panies who expressed their willingness to make practically the same or even more liberal terms. This arrangement, it must be conceded, adds the gov- ernment is in the nature of encourage- ment to the credit system which al- ready has been a bane of the west, but the peculiar conditions existing here justify such a step. It is held, taken on behalf of the people to ob- tain concessions from several coal com- panies operating in the province.

Just as soon as this occurs many of them will come west and Victoria, in to-day the centre of attraction. Every one who can afford it will come to the coast and even those who do not stay, like to own a lot or a few acres in the place which they some day expect to make their home.

Among the sales reported during the last few days is a group of houses on View street for \$15,000 a house and five acres on Oak Bay avenue the property of Major Gribbach for \$11,000, a house and lot on Calver Bay Road the prop- erty of Mr. Allen, the price being about \$200, and an acre lot on Burnside Road for \$1,000. These were all made by E. White of Government street, as well as a few minor sales which he does not care to specify.

Another agent has sold a house and lot on View Street for \$3,200. Reports have come from various quarters that the rents throughout the city have increased inordinately. So high it is said in some cases are they that they are altogether out of reach of the person who is earning only a small salary. Indeed, from some of the largest owners and agents in the city show that the general advance has in few cases averaged more than twenty to twenty-five per cent. Compared with the advance in reality, this is very small. It seems a good deal to the small salary man, but to the in- vestor who has paid a large sum for the property it seems a very small in- terest on his money.

While this is true in the majority of cases it is further stated by those who complain that there are some quarters in which advantage is being taken of the scarcity of houses to extort very large rents from those who must have a house, yet who cannot find one to suit their needs. Fifty per cent has come to their notice in several instances and this entails a great hardship on the tenant who is forced to pay it.

F. E. Pemberton on being asked re- garding this, said that they had not advanced their rents more than twenty-five per cent. Before the ad- vance the rents were altogether too low and the city was suffering from this. This was corroborated by the B. C. Land and Investment Company and by a number of other agents.

IMMIGRANTS. Steamship Companies Are Exercising Great Care in Selecting Class Now Arriving.

Ottawa, Aug. 15.—The conditions of the immigrants now arriving in Can- ada is far better than ever before. This is due to the rigid immigration act passed a few years ago, and to the thorough manner in which it is enforced. The story is told by those knowing that they will have to bear the cost of deporting or treating dis- eased immigrants, are exercising the greatest care in selecting the immi- grant ports, and are refusing to carry any person likely to be rejected on arrival in Canada. While the Quebec quarantine hospitals a few years ago had several hundred immigrants under treatment, at present, with a very much larger volume of immigration, there are only sixty persons in the hospital. Dr. Bryce says that the ma- jority of cases detained for treatment or deportation come from the continent. The principal cause for refusal of En- glish immigrants come from the cities, where there is likely to be poor nutri- tion and imperfect development among the poorer classes. The best average physical types coming to Canada are the Galicians. Out of 201 persons de- ported last year 189 were of English origin. Out of 1,680 Italians only one person was sent back as physically or mentally unfit.

Newfoundland Rifemen Will Complete at Dominion Meet-Trial of Indians.

Ottawa, Aug. 15.—The cabinet to-day accepted the resignation of County Judge Clement, of Essex.

No Decision. No action has yet been taken on the report of the board of architects on the plans for the new departmental build- ing. Trial of Indians. John and Jake Fiddler, the chief and medicine man of the Sandy Lake Indians, who last winter strangled a squaw to prevent evil spirits escaping and frighten- ing the game, will be tried at Norway House by Commander Ferry, of the Mounted Police. They killed the woman in accordance with a tribal custom of the band. They will be prosecuted by the justice department and defended by the Indian department.

Dominion Meet. Six Newfoundland rifemen start for Ottawa next Monday to take part in the D. R. A. matches. This number will not entitle them to shoot for the Palma trophy, as the conditions of the competition call for teams of eight men. Major Winter, secretary of the D. R. A., has writ- ten to the Newfoundland authorities sug- gesting that eight men be sent to Ottawa, so that they may compete for the trophy against the best of Australia, Canada, Great Britain and the United States.

TARIFF REUNION. Manufacturers in the United States Favor Immediate Appointment of a Commission.

(Associated Press). New York, Aug. 16.—The National Association of Manufacturers, an or- ganization of some 2,700 manufacturers, publishes in the current issue of its official organ, American Industries, a tariff creed emphasizing the resolution in favor of immediate tariff revision unanimously passed at a recent con- vention. The association holds that the present tariff schedules are unequal, and demands the immediate appoint- ment by congress and the executive of a non-partisan, non-political commis- sion, composed of men thoroughly com- petent to equalize present schedules.

REALLY THAT IS CHANGING HANDS

NUMBER OF SALES ARE REPORTED

Agents State Rise in Rents Is Not Commensurate With Enhancement in Values.

Nearly all the reality that is chang- ing hands to-day in Victoria is being sold for investment purposes, or to people who will build on the prop- erty. Houses are being bought because it is difficult to get a house to rent. There is a continual movement in these lines and although few of the reality agents in town are overwhelmed with business, all are doing business and look- ing forward to the influx of people from the prairies this fall.

In order to understand the situation it is necessary to explain that every person in Manitoba that is anybody has a farm. He raises wheat for the market either in large or small quan- tities. Even the city merchant, often has a half section, or perhaps twice that much either cultivated under the own supervision or rented out in shares. Naturally these men are at home just at this time of year and they will stay there until the crop is safe.

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EARL GREY IN NEW BRUNSWICK

GOVERNOR-GENERAL VISITS THE CAPITAL

Received a Hearty Welcome—Mayor McLeod Presented Address in Behalf of Citizens

Fredericton, N. B., Aug. 15.—This, the capital city of New Brunswick, is en- fete to-day in honor of the Govern- ment and Countess Grey and their daughters who arrived from St. John this afternoon and will remain until to- morrow night. They came up the river in the steamer Blaine, and being favor- ed with ideal weather greatly enjoyed the trip and the beautiful scenery along the route.

Mayor McLeod, the city council and a large number of citizens met the dis- tinguished visitors at the wharf and gave them a rousing welcome. A guard of honor was formed by the 71st Regi- ment.

After disembarking the party rode in carriages to the city hall, where the mayor presented an address of welcome on behalf of the citizens, to which his Excellency replied in appropriate terms. The visitors were afterwards enter- tained to a drive about the city, this evening a public reception and informal dance were held in the parliament building, and the festivities were con- cluded with luncheon at the Queen's hotel. His Excellency and party re- turn to St. John to-morrow.

GLASS BRIBERY-CASE. Former Supervisors of San Francisco Give Evidence—Defaulting Juror Fined One Hundred Dollars.

San Francisco, Aug. 15.—The second trial of Louis Glass, vice-president and general manager of the Pacific States Telegraph and Telephone Company, for giving bribes to the former county supervisors through Theodore V. Halsey, his brother-in-law, is now well under way.

There was no material variation in the testimony yesterday from that offered at the former trial, but it was evident from the opening statement of Halsey and from the direction in which some of the testi- mony was pointed, that a strong effort is to be made to plug some of the holes that yawned in the former case.

Particularly in the intention this time to make it absolutely certain that President Henry T. Scott, of the com- pany, did not sign the cheques on which the bribe money was drawn, and that Bicknell, who came from the East, was merely an engineer and had no authority to draw cheques or to institute policies.

Beyond this, the case has progressed far enough to get the legal preliminaries out of the way and to have former Super- visors Thomas F. Loneragan, Charles Box- ton and Michael Coffey tell the tale of how the money was paid, and how the place and gave them envelopes full of soundless money, and how some of them, never before in court, were asked to identify other envelopes filled with more soundless money from the bribe-givers of the Home Telephone Company.

The session yesterday morning was a bit enlivened by the punishment of David Salfield, a defaulting juror, who was cited up by Judge Lawler and fined \$100 be- cause he did not appear in court as he had been ordered to do on Monday and Tuesday.

Salfield tried to make excuses that business had called him to Stockton, but the stern judge slapped on the stiff fine and saw that it was collected as a warn- ing to other jurors that they are not to trifle with the mandates of the court.

WILL MAINTAIN LUMBER PRICES

Delegates From Mountain Association Confer With Lumber Manufacturers at Vancouver

Vancouver, Aug. 16.—A delegation of lumbermen from the Mountain Lum- bermen's Association of Nelson arrived here on Wednesday, and in the after- noon held a conference with the lum- ber manufacturers of Vancouver. It was decided to maintain prices abso- lutely. The coast millmen declined to curtail the output of the logging camps operated by the mills as suggested by the interior manufacturers.

The most important question discus- sed was in connection with payments for lumber by dealers in the Northwest provinces. The Mountain Association asked the coast people to join them in giving practically unlimited time for payment of accounts in Alberta, Sas- katchewan and other Northwest terri- tories. The banks are making no ad- vances on the wheat crop, and pay- ments in the Northwest cannot be met. This proposal was agreed to by the coast lumbermen.

WANT FITZSIMMONS. Offered Position as Physical Director in School of Instruction For Policemen.

New York, Aug. 16.—Robert Fitzsim- mons, the pugilist, has been asked to accept the position of physical director in the school of instruction for police- men, just organized by Major J. Fisk, of Plainfield, N. J. Fitz recently has been living on a farm near the New Jersey town. He is considering the offer.

MINERS' OFFICIALS CONFER. Wilkesbarre, Pa., Aug. 16.—President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, arrived here to-day from Chicago and held a long conference with three dis- trict presidents of the anthracite re- gion.

ESTIMATE OF THE WHEAT YIELD

PLACED AT NINETY-FIVE MILLION BUSHELS

Weekly Report Shows General Im- provement in Conditions Along Canadian Pacific Lines.

Winnipeg, Aug. 15.—The weekly crop report of the C. P. R. shows gen- eral improvement in the condition of grain along their lines. All points re- port heavy rain, but there are no re- ports of drought. Hail has occurred daily in many localities, with cool weather. Considered generally, the conditions have been most favorable for the maturing of grain. The hum- of the binder has started. Several farmers in Stonewall district have started cutting barley.

Cutting Wheat. Rosthern, Aug. 15.—Harvest com- menced in the Rosthern district yester- day, when T. D. Smith started, cut- ting his wheat. H. W. Weatherly also cut barley yesterday afternoon, and several fields of wheat will be ready for cutting in a few days. Two weeks' sunshine will ripen a lot of the grain, and by September 1st cutting should be general. The crops look well, and there will be many fields going 40 bushels to the acre. The general aver- age will be between 20 and 25 bushels of wheat.

Estimate of Crop. Winnipeg, Aug. 15.—"Western Can- ada will produce this year from ninety to ninety-five million bushels of wheat." This statement was made by Oscar McKee of the grain exchange. The reports which have had from prac- tically all points say that present con- ditions could not be better. Points in Manitoba, which thirty days ago were not likely to yield over seven bushels, are now reported as likely to thresh fifteen bushels an acre. From Alberta the news to hand is that the yield will average from 25 to 35 bushels, which is a reliable man just in from a nearby city says the average will be 25 bushels per acre.

"The wheat will be more No. 1 hard wheat than No. 1 northern in the west, as the nights have been cold and the maturing process has not been forced. "There is no use of anyone crying down the crop. The west is going to reap a magnificent harvest." Mr. McKee has made a study of crop conditions for many years.

Harvest in Alberta. Calgary, Aug. 15.—The C. P. R. crop report shows that barley and wheat are being cut in the eastern and south- ern portion of the province. From all parts come reports regarding the crop outlook. No dan- ger is reported from any cause. With a week's fine weather harvesting will be under way.

MINING IN COBALT. Work Resumed on the King Edward Mine.

Toronto, Aug. 15.—A Cobalt dispatch says telegraphic communication with Norval Bay has been suspended for two days in consequence of heavy fre- To-day the King Edward mine starts working again with about 35 men. It was on the list of 32 mines signing the most owners' schedule. It has been shut down as far as mining operations go since the beginning of the strike, and now commences work on union hours and union schedule. The man- agement maintain that they will keep the mine an open shop.

An Injunction. Toronto, Aug. 15.—Chief Justice Falconbridge granted an injunction to the Buffum Mines, Limited, of Cobalt, against the Cobalt Miners' Union, the Western Federation of Miners and other persons, restraining them from interfering in any way with the com- pany. The injunction covers every form of annoyance or intimidation.

W. MANSON'S TOUR. Appointed by Provincial Government to Inquire Into Wages Paid For Unskilled Labor.

Nanaimo, Aug. 16.—Wm. Manson, of Nanaimo, formerly provincial secre- tary, has been appointed by the provincial government to make a several weeks' tour throughout British Colum- bia to report on the wages paid for un- skilled labor. The government is in receipt of conflicting reports regard- ing the wages paid for unskilled labor, especially relative to government road work, and hence Mr. Manson's appoint- ment. He will have no authority to in- terfere with any work, but simply ob- serve and report to the government.

BURGLARS STOLE JEWELS. New York, Aug. 16.—The announce- ment was made to-day that burglars entered the home of Count Max Hon. Seckendorff, formerly chamberlain of the Emperor Augustus, at Darlington, N. J., early Tuesday morning, and stole \$7,000 worth of jewelry.

MRS. EVELYN THAW. Yarmouth, N. S., Aug. 15.—Mrs. Evelyn Thaw, who was shot by her brother, arrived on the Prince Arthur from New York. Mrs. Thaw is going to a quiet place between Liverpool and St. John, where she will spend several weeks in an effort to recover her health.

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