

Company Confidential

C. P. R. Manager Says That Some of Strikers Have Returned to Work.

On the Other Hand the Men Claim More Have Joined Them.

Bridgemen of North Bay Division Refuse to Patrol the Track.

Montreal, June 18.—Mr. D. C. McNeill, the general manager of the C. P. R., spoke hopefully today of the possibility of the strike of trackmen on their system. The company believe that time will be on their side, and that in the course of the next few days, when the company have had time to put the whole of the facts before the men individually, those who have gone out will see the advantages which they are sacrificing and will return to work while the company remains disposed to accept their labor.

Our advice show that several gangs who went out yesterday have returned to work today," said Mr. McNeill, "and the reports indicate that more will be likely to follow. The strike, however, is by no means general in some sections, not 10 per cent. have responded to the call of the committee.

"Some of the trackmen seem to be under the impression that if they should return to work after having gone through up their employment, they will be discriminated against, but this is not so. The company have no intention of doing anything of the kind.

"Looking at the situation all round, I am convinced that the strike is practically over, that it has fizzled out. Many of the men have not yet received our circulars, showing that advantages as their position was compared with other railways before the strike began, they have made concessions of a very substantial character, and that these place them far beyond what other companies who are our competitors are offering. The public need have no apprehension whatever as regards the conditions of the track. Every mile of track which they have made concessions of a very substantial character, and that these place them far beyond what other companies who are our competitors are offering.

"This is one of the demands of the committee, which the railway company did not grant. All maintenance of way depot employees shall be granted passes once a month and from any point in the construction division they are employed, provided that not more than one-half of the force will be absent from duty at any one time.

Montreal, June 18.—(Special)—The striking trackmen formerly in the employ of the C. P. R. claim that 400 men joined the ranks of the strikers today. They say that only one man is working between Montreal and Toronto, and that only a few men are at work all through Ontario in the west they say that all the men are out as well as in New Brunswick.

The total number of men out is estimated by the strikers' committee at 4,000.

The management of the C. P. R., on the other hand, say they are having difficulty in securing the men to take the places of the strikers, and that they have no doubt about the outcome of the strike so far as the company is concerned.

About the only development in the C. P. R. trackmen's strike during the last twenty-four hours is that the bridge men of the North Bay division have declined to patrol the track. President Nelson has assured the bridge men that the trackmen's association will stand by them.

The company is doing their best to have the track patrolled, and their best places were being filled constantly by competent men. There would be no delay of traffic and the public would be put in no danger or inconvenience by the presence of special policemen had been sent up the line, but this move had no significance and no trouble was anticipated.

Winnipeg, June 18.—(Special)—The trackmen on the western division went out in sympathy with the strikers, numbering 350. No trackmen are working in the shop yards. Special constables numbering about 90, were sent out to the Pacific division. Superintendent Leonard has given the men 48 hours to consider their position, and if at the end of that time they do not return, their places will be permanently filled.

Yanover, June 18.—(Special)—At Superintendent Marpole's office this evening it was stated that the men who had struck were giving no trouble, but their places were being filled constantly by competent men. There would be no delay of traffic and the public would be put in no danger or inconvenience by the presence of special policemen had been sent up the line, but this move had no significance and no trouble was anticipated.

NEWPORT, June 18.—After being laid up for two weeks, the Constitution resumed her tuning up work today, going out in a light southeast breeze and sailing back and forth between Brenton Reef, lighthouse and Point Judith for four hours.

Boston, June 18.—In a smooth sea, and under a southeast breeze, varying from ten knots at the start to eighteen at the finish, the Independence was taken her sixth trial in Massachusetts Bay. In form she seemed better than during any of her previous trials and she showed fine speed, at one time fully 14 knots. The Independence was given considerable windward work today, this being the principal point of sailing on which she was tried.

ANOTHER BOXER FUROR. Shanghai Story Tells of More Fighting in China.

London, June 19.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Standard, writing under date of June 18, says that a Chinese military graduate named Tien Lo Sang has collected a large force of boxers and disbanded soldiers and has induced the inhabitants of numerous walled villages in the southwestern part of Chihai province to unite in opposition to the collection of taxes for the war indemnity.

It is reported that Tien Lo Sang and his followers have already defeated the imperial troops in several encounters. This movement threatens to spread into Shan Tung province.

U. S. CABINET. A Good Deal of Talk But Nothing Done.

Washington, D. C., June 18.—The cabinet meeting today was without an important feature. There was desultory discussion of the Chinese settlement, of the situation in the Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico, but nothing of moment developed, and no action was decided upon. The President is prepared to issue his proclamation declaring the abolition of duties between the United States and Porto Rico, if the insular legislature at the extraordinary session called for July 4, presents facts to him to sustain the claim that the revenues under the Hollander tax law make the island self-sustaining.

The cabinet believe that the Chinese settlement is close at hand. In talking of this settlement Secretary Hay suggested that the amounts voluntarily paid the United States missionaries by the Chinese should be deducted from our aggregate claim of \$25,000,000. The general sentiment of the cabinet seemed to favor this course, but no action was taken. Secretary Hitchcock reported that a decision of the courts in the suit to enjoin him from proceeding with the Apache reservations in Oklahoma, probably would be rendered in a few days, and the court acts nothing further will be done.

G. G. S. Lindsay, K.C., of Toronto, solicitor for the Crow's Nest Southern railway, who has been in the city for the past few days, informed the Colonist yesterday that he had concluded preliminary arrangements with the provincial government and that construction work on the railway would be begun forthwith.

The company obtained a charter at last session of the legislature, the first of its kind under any railway company in Canada to operate in Canada. In the first place, the company levied no bonds, either in money or land, and secondly, it is proceeding to build the road under its provincial charter. The charter is hedged round with conditions, which railway promoters have declared impossible, but which the Crow's Nest Southern people have accepted and under which they propose to operate their road.

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The common seal of the Crow's Nest Southern Railway Company was affixed hereto in the presence of the executive for acceptance and ratification and immediately this is done the Crow's Nest Southern Railway Company will commence its operations and begin the work of railway construction, for it will be observed that the agreement is made by the Crow's Nest Southern Railway Company for its carrying out by the railway company.

The Crow's Nest Southern railway is to run from Michel, on the line of the C. P. R. Crow's Nest branch, southerly, following the valley of the Elk river to the international boundary, 55 miles, thence to Jennings, Montana, on the main line of the Great Northern, 95 miles. Surveyors have been in the field for some time, and preliminary surveys are so far completed that construction can begin at any time. The work will be carried out by the Crow's Nest Southern Railway Company, and will be pushed southward with all possible speed until Jennings is reached. It is expected that the road will be completed and running by October 1.

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FIGHT AT ROSSLAND.

Hawkins Defeats Billy Armstrong in Six Rounds.

TOO MUCH. Fourteen Million Offered for Sewering and Paving Declined.

EXASPERATED NATIVES. Recent Troubles in Yellow Sea Put Down to Converts.

Yokohama, June 18.—The Japanese consul at Mok Pho, Korea, reports that the recent troubles at the island of Quelpart, at the entrance of the Yellow Sea, were caused by native converts. These persons so exasperated the other natives that the latter surrounded the island, killed 500 of them. The foreign cruisers are still at Quelpart.

Important Examinations.

Ten Candidates for Inspectors of Boilers and Machinery at Work.

A Stiff Examination Which Caused Many Applicants to Retire.

The legislative chamber in the parliament building, is a scene of intense mental struggle these days. When the legislators assemble there their efforts are directed by hon. speaking Mr. Speaker with rhetorical missiles more or less destructive to the peace of mind of the "other fellows." Now, however, ten earnest students are wrestling with the intricacies of steam boiler construction, and cudgelling their brains to answer the knotty problems submitted to them by the board of examiners.

The occasion for the examination of candidates for the position of inspector of steam boilers and machinery, of whom three are to be appointed for the province, when notice of the examinations being held was published forty-two applicants applied for papers, but of these only 19 completed their applications, and 13 presented themselves for examination on Monday morning. Of this number, two retired in good order when the first examination paper was distributed, and another threw up the sponge yesterday morning. The remaining ten completed the brain twisting questions of which the second paper is made up, and consequently ten candidates are left for the examination.

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Threats By Boers

Kritzing and Fonchet Placarding Cape Colony With Independent Proclamations.

Report That Kruger Has Declined to Concede Anything to British.

And Therefore Both and Other Commanders Repudiate Former President.

Molteno, Cape Colony, June 18.—Kritzing and Fonchet, the Boer commanders, are busy placarding Cape Colony with proclamations to the effect that in accordance with the powers assumed when the northern part of Cape Colony was annexed to the then Orange Free State, 2 years ago, persons reporting the whereabouts of any Boer commando will be fined £50 or in default will be compelled to accompany the commando on foot for three months. According to the best information about 2,100 armed Boers are in Cape Colony, and they continue to secure a few recruits.

London, June 18.—The Sun, which, however, has not heretofore been over-reliable on this subject, hears that Mr. Kruger has actually cabled to General Botha declining to concede anything and that in consequence of this decision, General Botha and the commandants agreeing with his peace views, have decided to repudiate Mr. Kruger, and to issue a further consultation with Botha's representative and Lord Kitchener will be arranged for next week.

JAPANESE FISHERMEN. Delegate Will Meet the Commanders Today to Discuss Terms.

Vancouver, June 18.—Mr. Mikuni has been commissioned by the Japanese fishermen to meet the commando tomorrow and ask them if they will give Japanese fishermen a berth in the fishery which can catch after August 3, if the run is a big one. Mr. Mikuni states that while he has been instructed to ask the commando for this concession, he wishes to understand that otherwise the Japanese fishermen are satisfied with the commando's offer. Mr. Mikuni also states that he wishes to understand that otherwise the Japanese fishermen are satisfied with the commando's offer. Mr. Mikuni also states that he wishes to understand that otherwise the Japanese fishermen are satisfied with the commando's offer.

Since the prevailing prohibition against fishing in the waters of the province, the Japanese fishermen would start fishing on the 1st of July, and as half the white fishermen are perfectly satisfied with the commando's offer, they anticipated to have enough fishermen to put up the expected pack even if there was a strike.

P. E. I. PROHIBITION. Chief of Police at Last Takes Steps to Summon Offenders.