TRAIN WRECKED BY OPEN SWITCH

PASSENGERS AND CREW ESCAPE UNINJURED

Reported Attempt to Derail Transcontinental Express West of Revelstoke

Vancouver, July 18.—Running at a high rate of speed in an endeavor to make up lost time, C. P. R. train No. 5, known as the St. Paul-Seattle express, due in Seattle at 2.30 o'clock Saturday, ran into an open switch seventeen miles this side of Revelstoke at about 5.30 o'clock Friday evening, and as a result the engine, two baggage cars and the colonist car went into the ditch and were badly wrecked, but fortunately the passengers and crew escaped serious injury, their escape from death being nothing short of miraculous. According to an official statement, the only person to receive injury was the porter of the colonist car.

The cause of the accident that might have cost the lives of many of the passengers was a misplaced switch at Three Valley Lake, where a siding runs into the Mundy Lumber Company's mill at that point. How the switch became open is at the present time a mystery, one report stating that a deliberate attempt had been made to wreck train No. 97, transcontinental express, which was due at that point about 4.30 o'clock but which was late. This idea, however, is not given credence by the C. P. R. officials, but they admit that the switch was open when the St. Paul-Seattle train reached it. A rigid investigation into the cause of the switch being in the condition it was is being conducted by the railway officials.

The story of the accident, learned locally from a passenger who arrived in the city Saturday night, gives a vivid description of the mishap. The train, known as the St. Paul-Seattle express, had left Revelstoke Friday about 5 o'clock slightly behind time. It consisted of some ten coaches. After a climb up the grade from Revelstoke a stretch of down grade was reached some miles in length, and the train was speeding at a good rate along this portion of the track. It had proceeded about four miles down the grade, and when rounding a curve just east of Three Valley lake, the engineer noticing that the switch a short distance ahead was thrown open, immediately threw on the brakes, at the same time reversing the engine.

This did not check the train in time, however, and the huge engine drawing the coaches dashed into the siding. The first curve of the track was taken in safety, but the second short one could not be negotiated and the ponderous locomotive, with the engineer and his fireman toppled over the embankment, drawing with it the two baggage and the colonist coaches. Fortunately the cars were not thrown into the water of the lake. Just how the engine crew escaped instant death was not clear, and is one of those things that cannot be explained. Seven cars remained on the rails, and although not hurt, the passengers were greatly excited and considerably shaken up.

No. 97, the westbound express from Montreal to Vancouver, due here Saturday, and which was following the wrecked train, was detained for a number of hours in Revelstoke until the track was cleared, when it continued its journey to the coast, arriving here Saturday evening. It was a heavy train, consisting of fourteen coaches drawn by a double-header, and if it had been running on time would have met the fate that befell the St. Paul express. This no doubt gave rise to the report that an attempt had been made to wreck the transcontinental.

Official Statement.

The statement of the accident as given out by local officials Saturday night was to the effect that the train was running at a slow rate of speed when it ran into a misplaced switch at Mundy's Siding, the engine only leaving the rails. No one was hurt with the exception of a porter, who was slightly injured.

The passengers of the wrecked train bound to Seattle and other points on the coast were enabled to continue their journey westward Saturday.

At the point where the wreck occurred on the south side of the track lies a fairly large lake, the roadbed of the track skirting the north shore for a considerable distance. On the southwest shore are the mill buildings of the Mundy Lumber Company. The plant is reached by a siding from the main line on the west side of the water. Approaching the lake from the east, or Revelstoke side, there is a down grade, with a sharp curve where the lake comes into view.

Upon receipt of the accident at Revelstoke a wrecking train and crew were despatched to the scene, and the track was cleared for traffic.

JUDGMENT UPHELD.

Appeal of B. C. Electric Railway Dismissed in Supreme Court—Verdict Was for $11,000.

Vancouver, July 14.—Mr. Justice Murphy has handed down judgment declining to interfere with the verdict of $11,000 against the B. C. Electric Railway Company rendered by the jury in favor of Mrs. Farmer, whose husband was killed in the Lakeview accident last autumn.

The deceased was an employee of the tramway company and it was urged by L. G. McPhillips, counsel for the defence, that in this case the relation of master and servant relieved the company from its liability towards an ordinary passenger, but his lordship holds that the company would have been in this case liable at common law. It has also been urged that the deceased was travelling on a pass, the conditions of which, printed on the back, relieved the company from their liability. The pass had never been signed and his lordship infers that the company in its eagerness to have the deceased continue in their employment and go over to New Westminster had no intention of insisting on the conditions and so did not demand the signature.

PROGRAMME OF SPORTS FOR GROCERS' PICNIC

Many Fine Prizes Will Be Offered—Outing Promises to Be Most Successful

For the annual basket picnic to be held by the wholesale and retail grocers of the city at Sidney on Thursday next a long and interesting programme of athletic events has been arranged. The committee in charge has worked indefatigably preparing for the picnic, which promises to be the biggest ever held by the local men. It has secured a large number of handsome and useful prizes and no less than 400 of these will be offered in a tombola. The picnic will close with a dance in the Sidney hall.

Following is the programme of sports and the donors of prizes:

1. Bicycle race—Victoria to Sidney, leave Victoria 9 a. m., finish at Critchley store, Sidney—1, silver cup, value $20, by merchants of Sidney; 2, gold medal, value $10, by D. H. Ross & Co.; 3, silver medal, value $5, by Clayton & Costin and Peden Bros.; 4, goods value $3.50, by Plimley Bicycle Company.

2. Baseball match, Wholesalers vs. Retailers—prize, nine bottles Preller's claret, by Pither & Leiser.

3. Girls 8 years and under—1, 5-lb. box chocolate, by Ramsey Bros; 2, box chocolate, by Bancroft; 3, box chocolate, by Popham Bros.

4. Boys 8 years and under—1, 5-lb. box chocolate, by Ramsey & Co.; 2, fruit, value $1, by Brown & Cowper; 3, 1-lb. box chocolates, by Popham Bros.

5. Girls over 8 and under 12—1, 5-lb. box chocolates, by Ramsey & Co.; 2, 2-lb. box chocolates, by Popham Bros.; 3, 1-lb. box chocolates, by Popham Bros.

6. Boys over 8 and under 12—1, 5-lb. box chocolates, by Ramsey Bros.; 2-lb. box chocolates, by Popham Bros.; 3, 1-lb. box chocolates, by Popham Bros.

7. Girls over 12 and under 16 years—1, hand bag, value $3, by B. C. Saddlery Co.; 2, 5-lb. box chocolates, by W. W. Duncan; 3, 1 dozen jelly powders, value $1, by McLaren's.

8. Boys over 12 and under 16 years—1, 5-lb. box chocolates, by W. W. Duncan; 2, one side B. C. bacon, by B. Wilson Co.; 3, toilet soap, value $1, by W. Burt.

Lunch—Hot and cold water supplied free on ground.

9. Three-legged race for men—1, two Premium hams, by J. Y. Griffin & Co.; 2, two sacks flour, by Lake of the Woods Milling Co.; 3, one box Big B cigars.

10. Young ladies 16 years and over—1, oak salad bowl, value $15, by W. H. Wilkerson; 2, goods valued at $2.50, by C. E. Redfern; 3, one tin tea, value $1.50, by E. B. Jones.

11. Fat men's race for grocers—1, one keg beer (10 gal.), by Silver Spring Brewery; 2, three bottles King George IV. whiskey, by R. P. Rithet & Co.; 3, one pipe in case, value $2.50, by H. L. Salmon.

12. Married ladies, open—1, goods valued at $5, by H. O. Kirkham; 2, half ton coal, by J. E. Painter; 3, one ham, by Cambridge Kitchen.

13. 220 yards race, retail grocer clerks—1, one silver cup, by W. A. Jameson Coffee Co.; 2, one hat, value $3.50, by Fitzpatrick & O'Connell; 3, one ham, by Harrison & McDonald.

14. Bun race for men, open—1, one box cigars, by M. Bantly; 2, one pair Dent's gloves, by B. Williams & Co.; 3, one bottle O. O. whiskey, by Duncan & Grey.

15. Travellers, 100 yards—1, silver cup, value $10, by Bannerman & Horn; 2, six bottles King George IV. whiskey, by R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.; 3, one fancy vest, by F. A. Gowen.

16. Retail grocers drivers' race—1, silver cup, value $10, by West End Grocery; 2, three bottles Preller's claret, by Pither & Leiser; 3, one "Big Horn" shirt by Turner, Beeton & Co.

17. 100 yards, open—1, silver cup, by employees of Copas & Young; 2, goods value $5, by Burridge Mercantile Co.; 3, one ham, by W. Bryce.

18. Oatmeal race, for wholesale employees—1, half dozen Old Banff whiskey, D. D. Dewar; 2, one ham by National Packing Co.; 3, two jars Morrell's lambs tongue.

19. Shoe race, for boys sixteen and under—1, one ham, by Fry, Bruhn & Co.; 2, five lbs. of tea, by J. P. Young; 3, one box chocolates, by Popham Bros.

20. 100 yards, employers and managers of retail grocers—1, silver cup, by Wilson Bros., to be run for three years in succession, held by H. Schroeder; 2, one case Kopps Liquer, by Hudson's Bay Co.; 3, two bottles O. O. whiskey.

21. 100 yards, wholesale grocers' employers and managers—1, one clock, value $25, by S. Leiser & Co.; 2, one case claret, by Radiger & Janion; 3, one bottle Glenlivet whiskey.

22. Tug-of-war, 8 men in team, Wholesalers vs. Retailers (Grocers)—Prize, eight bottles B. C. rye whiskey, B. C. Distillery.

23. Baby show, under two year, finest baby boy—Prize, one ton of coal, by Kirk & Co. Finest baby girl—prize, gold locket, value $5, by Rennie & Taylor.

24. Most comical and best sustained character on ground. Open for ladies or gentlemen—1, $20; 2, $10. These characters must be on ground on the arrival of the second train.

Tombola drawing—300 prizes.

—The necessary notice is being given by the city clerk by advertisement of the condemnation as unsanitary of several wooden buildings on Fort street, View street, Bastion street, Langley street, Fisguard street and Yates street and the row of cabins between Herald and Telegraph streets, just west of Store street.

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—Building permits have been issued to Mrs. Jackman for a dwelling on Fernwood road to cost $1,200; to Mrs. J. Aubin for a dwelling on King's road to cost $1,415; to L. C. Rattray for a one-storey brick addition to his premises on Yates street, lot 375, block 4, to accommodate three stores to cost $4,000.

FIVE MEN ARE SUFFOCATED

PERISH WHEN SEEKING REFUGE FROM FLAMES

Mine Forman Loses Life While Trying to Save Others—Bush Fires Spreading

(Special to the Times.)

Nelson, July 18.—Leaving safety to look after others Foreman Charles Norman, of the Lucky Jim mine, Kaslo, lost his life yesterday in a bush fire which fanned by a high wind swept over the mine. Four other men were suffocated and about thirty escaped.

A party of leading mining men including Finucano, Miller and Colonel Davidson, from Spokane, and Webster, Loper and Proctor of Nelson, on coming out of tunnel 5 noticed fire rapidly approaching. They went to Whitewater and assisted to get the women and children away.

Norman went to the mine camp to warn men in the cabins. Otto Swanson led the men to the back of the tunnel No. 4 Not being room there for all several went to another part of the tunnel where smoke was swept in through the ventilating chambers, suffocating Colonel Peterson and W. A. Chesney. Dave Peterson was found suffocated at another point.

Meanwhile Norman went to look for Ted Lucas, who is still missing. He was cut off by the flames and his body was found at the entrance to the tunnel.

A special train was run to Whitewater and all the inhabitants were removed to Kaslo.

The old buildings at the Lucky Jim were destroyed. New buildings, just begun, will be rushed to completion.

The Rambler-Cariboo buildings were burned, except the mill and the part compressor plant.

Government Agent Teethel had a hot time fighting a bad fire on Arrow Lake.

There are many fires in logged areas, where in dry slashings the flames spread rapidly, but little damage has been done to good timber, and the fire recorded above is the only one resulting in loss of life or much damage to property.

TWO FIREMEN ARE INJURED AT KAMLOOPS

Loss Caused by the Recent Fire Exceeds Fifty Thousand Dollars

Kamloops, July 14.—Two firemen were injured during the fire here which destroyed property valued at over $50,000. Ed. Guerin, driving the hook and ladder wagon, was thrown violently to the ground by the horse taking too sharp a turn when near the fire, and the rig went over him. His leg was broken in two places and he was taken to the hospital. D. Brown, driver of the hose wagon, was badly burned about the face at the beginning.

The fire was discovered in the roof of the old C. P. R. freight shed, recently used at a warehouse by Stevens & Allan. An alarm was turned in and the brigade responded promptly, but ere they had reached the spot the whole building was one sheet of flame, and in a few minutes several cars loaded with merchandise standing in front of the shed, caught fire. A stiff breeze blowing northwest, carried flames and sparks across Lorne street, and the residences of M. Novaglia, Mr. Vegna and Mrs Ricona were soon blazing. Spreading with incredible rapidity, the flames attacked John Milton's warehouse, adjoining that of Stevens & Allan, containing many tons of coal briquettes and fifty tons of hay.

On Lorne street, the fire jumped across the gap between Mrs. Ricona's house to that of Mrs. Wilson, and spread from there to S. Brooke's store.

In one of the cars standing before the burning warehouse was a lot of furniture. This was quickly removed. Standing on the second track was a string of east-bound freight cars, all loaded. No effort was made to remove them for some time, but finally an engine was brought out on another track and a chain attached by which the cars were hauled away, but not before three cars of lumber had caught fire. These were cut out and drenched with water, although they kept smoldering for a considerable time.

Meantime, the fire had secured a firm hold of Milton's warehouse and contents and volumes of smoke with jets of flame emerged from the next shed, that of Ramsay & Philip, Ltd. The wind shifted a few points, blowing northeast instead of northwest and slowly but surely the persistent work of the firemen began to tell. The losses are: Stevens & Allan, $5,000; insurance $2,400; Marriott, baker, flour stored in Stevens & Allan's warehouse, $500, covered by insurance; R. McCall, furniture stored in the same building, a total loss, no insurance, no value given; J. H. Clements, new show cases and fittings for new store, $3,300, $2,000 insurance; Okanagan Milling Company, Armstrong, flour and feed, $1,000, no insurance; J. Milton, $2,500, insurance $1,000; S. Brooke, $8,000, insurance $2,500; Ramsay & Philip, Ltd., $700, no insurance; one car of binder twine, value $1,000, consigned to several merchants but not delivered, was burned, no insurance; a carload of mixed merchandise consigned to Thomson & McClughan for distribution, and valued at $2,500, and three cars of lumber in transit; three of the box cars were totally destroyed and four so badly burned they will have to be rebuilt. The loss to the C. P. R. for cars, merchandise in transist, buildings, etc., is estimated at $20,000; Mrs. T. W. Graham, loss $1,500; Mr. Whitmore, damage to house and furniture, $500; Mrs. Ricona, $2,500, insurance $800; M. Novaglia, $1,500, insurance $700; Mr. Vegna, loss $2,000, insurance $1,000.

SOLE AGENTS FOR LADIES' "BURBERRY" COATS

Campbell's

SEE NEW NECKWEAR RECEIVED FROM LONDON

Specials for Beginning of the Week

There are Only a Limited Number of the Articles Mentioned in This Ad.

Children's Reefer Coats

NAVY SERGE REEFERS for children of 4 years of age. Regular price $3. Beginning of the week $1.50

CHILDREN'S THREE-QUARTER TWEED REEFERS, ages 6 to 10, red collars and cuffs, brass buttons. Regular $6. Beginning of the week $2.00

THREE GREEN, 2 FAWN AND 1 GREY, made up in Ladies' Cloth, 2 to 6 years. Regular price $6.50. Beginning of the week $2.00

NAVY BLUE REEFERS, with brass buttons, for children of 8, 10 and 12 years. Regular $6.50. Beginning of the week $3.00

SAME STYLE AS ABOVE, only in red. Regular price $6.50. Beginning of the week $3.00

Capes for Elderly Ladies

IN BLACK CHIFFON, beautifully faced with silk. We have only 7 of these, as follows: One at $9.00; three at $9.75, and three at $12.75. Any one of these seven will be sold for—Beginning of the week $5.00

Ladies' Princess Jumpers

PRINCESS JUMPERS of dainty floral muslin, trimmed with embroidery and lace, 32 to 38 bust. Regular price $6.50. Beginning of the week $3.00

Ladies' Muslin Kimonas

MUSLIN KIMONAS, in pink, sky and navy, which regularly sell for $2. The sixteen should all go, when the price will be for Beginning of the week $1.00

Ladies' White Underskirts

WHITE UNDERSKIRTS of fine cotton, with deep flounce of embroidery, and dust ruffle. These readily sell for $2.25 and $2.75. Beginning of the week $1.50

COMMISSION HAS CONCLUDED WORK

J. B. BABCOCK REPORTS SALMON RUN LARGE

Says Fishermen Ascribe Good Season to Action of Dominion Government

(From Monday's Daily.)

The salmon run in the north is phenomenal for the time of year, according to J. P. Babcock, deputy fisheries commissioner, who has just returned from the north. This, he says, is due to the action of the Dominion government in cutting away the Indian barricades at the entrance to Babine Lake and allowing the fish to spawn in that fine sheet of water and its tributaries.

In June the minister of marine and fisheries appointed Mr. Babcock to act in conjunction with John T. Williams, Dominion fisheries inspector in northern waters, to be a boat rating commission for the northern district of British Columbia. They were given instructions to make a detailed inspection of the canneries on Rivers Inlet, Skeena, Naas and outlying points, to gather such information as should be deemed necessary, and to submit this to the minister, together with a recommendation as to the total number of boats to be fished in each district, and the number to be allotted to each cannery.

The commission commenced work at once at Smith's Inlet and worked northward, covering the entire district 1,100 miles in extent. They interviewed managers of canneries, took inventories, and made measurements, concluding their work on the 14th inst. The report is now being drafted and will be submitted to the minister before any of the details are given out. This report is expected to be ready before August 10th, the date at which Mr. Babcock leaves for California to again take up work as executive officer of the California Fish Commission, the position which he resigned some years ago to come here, primarily for the purpose of studying the salmon of the Fraser and other northern waters.

Speaking of the run this year Mr. Babcock said that at all points it was so far greatly in excess of last year, and it is claimed by those interested that it is greater than any year since 1892. The fish are exceedingly large running on an average less than twelve to a case, whereas ordinarily it takes fourteen to a case.

Mr. Babcock said the good run was attributed largely to the action of the Dominion authorities in removing the obstructions at the entrance to Babine Lake. This was done four years ago, and caused considerable trouble at the time. The Indians threatened to do all sorts of unreasonable things, but they were finally pacified, and, since that, have been supplied with gill nets by the government. Before that time the Indians caught enough fish for themselves and smoked them, and besides this they sold enormous quantities to the Indians of the Northeast and to the Hudson's Bay Co. It was stated at the time that the Hudson's Bay Company bought as much as 150 cords of fish every year, not to be used for human food, but to feed the dogs on the long journeys into the frozen northland. When it is considered that a cord of fish was measured in the same way as a cord of wood, it is easily seen that this was an immense lot of fish. A cord measures 8 feet by 4 feet by 4 feet.

Mr. Babcock says that Babine Lake is the largest and most extensive spawning ground tributary to the Skeena River or any northern water, and opening it has undoubtedly had a great influence on the conditions there.

CHOIR SURPRISE PARTY.

The members of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church choir Friday evening gave a "surprise party" to two of their members who have just recently been married, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Mortimer.

The choir assembled at the church at 8 o'clock and then went in a body to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer on Broughton street, where a most pleasant evening was spent in games and music. One of the pleasing features of the evening was the presentation of a silver and oak salad bowl, and an oak and silver butter dish and knife, accompanied by an address, showing in a small way the esteem the young married couple are held in by the members of St. Andrew's choir. Refreshments were served, and the merry party broke up in the early hours of the morning, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer a long, happy and prosperous life together.

In the address, signed on behalf of the choir by Jesse A. Longfield, the organist and choirmaster, they said:

"We, your comrades in song, wish to tender our hearty congratulations to you both on your entering on life's journey as partners, and hope that it will be, all through life, all for the better and none for the worse, and that you may have a long, happy and prosperous career together.

"We now ask you to accept this token as a memento of the esteem you both are held in by the members of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church choir, and we hope for many years to come to have your assistance in leading the praises of Almighty God at the church where you were made one."

—The city clerk draws the attention of owners and householders to the by-law requiring the cutting down of all thistles before they come to flower.

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—The charge of driving an automobile to the common danger, which was brought against James Anderson, Colwood, was continued in the city police court Thursday afternoon and ended in the charge being dismissed.

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—L. C. Rattray, of Victoria, is erecting a two-story office building on Fifth street, Stewart City, nearly opposite the Bank of Commerce. The ground floor of 30 feet is divided into two stores, while upstairs provision is made for six offices.

Warm Weather Beverages

LIME JUICE, West India, per bottle ..... 20¢
LIME JUICE, Rowat's, per bottle ..... 25¢
LIME JUICE, Stower's, per bottle ..... 35¢
LIME JUICE, Ross', per bottle ..... 50¢
SHERBET, Morton's, per bottle ..... 25¢
SHERBET, Batger's, per tin ..... 25¢
LEMONADE, Eiffel Tower, per tin ..... 25¢
LEMONADE, Dalton's, per tin ..... 10¢
ROOT BEER, Hire's, per bottle ..... 25¢

The Family Cash Grocery

Cor. Yates and Douglas Streets. Phone 312

BUSH FIRES WORK SERIOUS DAMAGE

Arrowhead Lumber Company's Loss Placed at $1,000,000—Family Rendered Homeless

Nelson, July 18.—That forest fires have wrought immense damage to the districts surrounding the Arrow Lakes is the information brought by W. M. Boyd, proprietor of the Halcyon Hot Springs. "Two million feet of logs at Galena Bay, a few miles north of Halcyon, had been destroyed, as well as the camp and other property of Arrowhead Lumber Company, which is also the owner of the logs that were burned. The company's loss will be $1,000,000 at least.

The bush fires to the south of Moyie developed a serious aspect Friday evening. Some 200 men were fighting the conflagration Friday evening. All the employees on the afternoon shift at the St. Eugene mine were liberated for this purpose and the crew of the government road construction gang were also members of the fire-fighting army.

A bush fire, which had its origin from a spark from a locomotive south of Aldridge, about two and a half miles from Moyie, Friday spread so rapidly as to endanger the lives of at least one family who reside in close proximity to the point at which the bush became ignited. Within a comparatively short time after it started the conflagration had rendered Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Weir and family homeless, and had destroyed their buildings and stables.

Rain has extinguished the fire at New Michel and reports are that the fires at other places are under control.

GIFT TO UNIVERSITY.

London, July 15.—Lord Strathcona has given £10,000 towards a chair of agriculture in Aberdeen university.

B. C. GAZETTE.

Provincial Appointments—New Companies Which Have Received Charters.

(From Friday's Daily.)

This week's issue of the B. C. Gazette contains announcement of the following appointments:—John Conway, Prince Rupert, to be mining recorder for the Portland Canal mining division; Francis E. Dockerill, Trail, clerk in government office at Nelson; Stanley B. Beyts, Lillooet, provincial constable, to be deputy gold commissioner, deputy assessor and collector, and deputy registrar; Vice Athol C. Dufort, resigned; Walter Prescott Jedway, provincial constable, to be deputy mining recorder for the Queen Charlotte mining division, with sub-recording office at Jedway; Andrew Henderson, M. D., Powell River, to be medical health officer for Powell River district; Walter H. Spalding, Victoria; Angus F. R. Mackintosh and Leslie C. Ford, notaries public.

New companies include: Bagnall Box Factory, Ltd., Beaver Oil Co., Ltd., British and California Factory, Ltd., Columbia Properties Corporation, Ltd., Fidelity Trust & Savings Co., Ltd., General Trustees Corporation, Ltd., Grand Trunk Lands Co., Ltd., Islands Mines, Ltd., Kootenay Silver Lead Mines, Ltd., Luney Bros., Ltd., Mainland Stock Exchange, Ltd., Merchants Trust & Trading Co., Ltd., Okanagan Realty Co., Ltd., Pacific Lime Co., Ltd., Portland Consolidated Mining Co., Ltd., Princeton Collieries, Limited, Progressive Towing Co., Ltd., Revelstoke Meat Market, Ltd., Standard Milk Co., Ltd., Stewart Townsite Co., Ltd., United Trust & Investment Co., Ltd., Vancouver Creamery Co., Ltd., Vancouver Co., Ltd., Westminster Presbyterian Church & Manse Fund, Ltd., West Lake Water Co., Ltd.

EXPLOSION KILLS THREE.

Perpignan, France, July 18.—A dynamite explosion killed three and fatally wounded five other workmen employed in the construction of the trans-Pyrennees tunnel.

INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC RA

PROPOSED APPOINTME OF JOINT COMMIS

Heads of Canadian Railway and U. S. Commerce Com sion Will Confer

Washington, D. C., July 14.— ternational commission with s cry authority over the railroad United States and Canada wi ably be the result of the actio yesterday by the government appointment of Chairman Knapp, of the Interstate Co Commisison, as the represent the Uinted States to confer wi Mabee, chairman of the railwa mission of Canada, on the su the joint control of internationa rates. It is understood that between Mr. Knapp and Mr. Ma take place in the United States ada, or both, during the summ upon the completion of the co a report will be submitted by t missioners, either jointly or s ly, to their respective governm

The appointment of Judge Kn Mr. Mabee is the result of a able period of correspondence lomatic changes between Can the United States, in which pointed out that the increasin between the two countries wou full control over rates in th more difficult unless some joi was taken. It was realized acquisition of Canadian term American roads and of Americ and terminals by Canadian presented ever-increasing di In the present circumstances possible to compel railways o companies to establish joint rates to and from points in countries.

The reasonableness of rates points in the United States a dian points also is a question ous importance to shippers. to determine any given quest rates that may arise it is nece the shipper to institute proce fore the interstate commerce sion and the Canadian railway sion, and even then the resu satisfactory.

Out of this situation grew gestion that a joint internati mission should be created, whi have supervisory authority o national and interstate traffic by rail or water, between countries. It has not been d yet whether such a commiss better be created by concurr or whether it might be bet lished through treaty arrang tween the countries. At the c where the subject will be this will probably be deter

No definite arrangements been perfected between the It is likely that Chairman Mr. Mabee will meet in Ott time in August. It is not that a subsequent conferen held in Washington. It will b of the representatives of t ments to adjust the matter make it possible to submit a recommendations before the of the session of the Ame gress in December.

The intention of the conf effect an agreement by whi mon basis of freight charges sportation arrangements sha between Canada and the Uni Many railroads in the north the States operate in Canad the other hand four of the Canada run into the United is the desire to so adjust the transportation privileges as them practically common be countries.

MINERS FORCED TO FLEE FO

Cloudbursts in San B Mountains Cause Dam Mining Propert

(Times Leased Wi

San Bernardino, Cal., July burents in the San Bernard tains have caused heavy mining property, according reaching here to-day. In th valley torrents swept down compelling several miners their lives. Reports from and Seven Oaks indicate sev was done there. A clou White Water ridge washed tracks of the Southern P line and overland trains w for more than four hours.

REMARKABLE CASE

Washington, July 14.—M Del Carrington, U. S. A., y ceived official notice of his by the war department passing of Carrington is c the most remarkable cases the United States army.

Carrington, in 1903 served ippines as captain. He was misappropriation of funds insular courts, where an a is presumed guilty until p cent, was convicted and s a long term in prison.

The captain's appeal fin the Supreme court. There ed man was presumed in proved guilty. The highes versed the lower tribunal re-trial Carrington was a

In the meantime Carrigt dismissed from the army conviction in the islands. passed a measure in 1909 him. Carrington endeavore his number in the army ill health intervened and h retirement with the rank