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PORT ARTHUR TO ITS OWN RESOURCES

RUSSIAN GIBRALTAR SADLY ISOLATED

ST. PETERSBURG ACCEPTS SITUATION

Japs Landed at Two Points and News of Battle is Expected Hourly.

St. Petersburg, May 7.—(2.28 a.m.)—Japanese troops swarming across the narrow neck of the Liaotung Peninsula, the railroad and the telegraph communications cut and the Russian Gibraltar isolated and left to its own resources—all this the Russians seem to accept with great stoicism.

These events have been anticipated since the outbreak of the war, and the authorities in a sense, appear to be relieved now that the blow has fallen. They assert that the fortress is impregnable and amply provisioned to stand a siege for a year, and that it can hold out until the times comes to relieve it.

At Two Places.

According to official information the landing of troops from 60 transports began simultaneously at Pitsewo and Cape Terminal, on the morning of May 5. It is also reported that troops are being landed at Kinchow, but this is not credited, as the Russians are known to have fortifications there, and it is not believed that the Japanese had the daring to land immediately under an entrenched position from which the Russians could inflict severe injury on them.

Complete details of the landing are lacking, owing to the interruption of communication. No resistance was made, the few Cossacks, however, observing the movement, retired when the warships shelled the shore preparatory to disembarkation. Ten thousand men were put ashore Thursday and the disembarkation was proceeding yesterday at the time that communication ceased. It is believed that there are over 20,000 on land preparing for a forward movement. Two Japanese regiments were hurried westward yesterday morning to cut the railroad and telegraph communication. One of these fired on a train conveying the wounded from Port Arthur.

Strength Not Revealed.

The strength of the garrison at Port Arthur is not revealed by the authorities, who will only say that it is adequate for defensive purposes. It is not believed that the force there exceeds 10,000 soldiers. A larger force is not considered necessary, as was shown from the recent withdrawal of some of the troops who were simply a drain on the resources of the garrison.

The fleet must now take a secondary position and the sailors will be used to man the shore guns, if necessary.

Vice-Admiral Skrydloff and Vice-Admiral Bezobrazoff cannot now reach Port Arthur and will probably go to Vladivostock to join the cruiser squadron there. Rear-Admiral Wittsoef, who was left in charge of the fleet by Viceroy Alexieff, will direct operations at Port Arthur. Wittsoef is a good officer, and it is believed he will render excellent service. Despite the greater number of Japanese, the general staff believes their formidable fortifications still leave the defensive superiority with the Russians, whose staying qualities, it is confident, will ensure their holding out as long as necessary.

DROVE ENEMY AWAY.

Tokio, May 6.—The report of Admiral Hosoya received to-day gives details of the landing of Japanese troops on the Liaotung Peninsula, suppressing the location of the landing place. He says:

"Our seventh division with torpedo boats and the Hong Kong Maru and Nippon Maru arrived from the advance base off the Liaotung Peninsula at 5.30 May 5. Discovering a number of the enemy's patrols, we bombarded them for a short time and then a landing party of sailors, Capt. Nomoto leading, was ordered ashore. It being low tide, it was impossible to use the boats, and the sailors plunged into water, waded breast deep for about a thousand yards and reached the beach at 7.20 p.m. Immediately advancing, they took possession of a range of hills without firing a shot and planted our flag on the hills.

"The gunboats Amagi, Oshima and Chiokai were employed to distract the enemy's attention. They discovered a hundred of the enemy and shelled them, killing several.

"The first fleet of transports on seeing our flag displayed on an eminence began landing troops at 8 p.m. The troops, who were forced to wade ashore, were in high spirits. In order to facilitate the further landing of troops, piers are being erected. Our division is assisting in the work."

The report of Admiral Kataoka, commander of the third squadron, gives additional details of the landing. The admiral reports that his squadron conveyed the first batch of the second army to the Liaotung base, and adds that the Kaga Maru grounded near the base at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She was assisted by the protected cruiser Akitsushima, which succeeded in floating the transport, which reached her destination safely at 5 o'clock the same evening.

PRAISE FOR JAPS.

London, May 7.—The British press is loud in its expressions of admiration for the brilliant Japanese strategy in dealing in rapid succession three great blows—the battle of the Yalu, the sealing of Port Arthur and the landing at Pitsewo; and the development of these opening moves is awaited with the greatest interest. It is considered to be not unlikely that the primary object will be an asault upon Port Arthur and an endeavor to capture the Russian fleet there. This idea is favored by Henry Spencer Wilkinson, in The Morning Post, a journal generally well posted on Japanese affairs.

800 TIBETANS FLED.

London, May 7.—The Daily Mail's Simla correspondent says that 800 Tibetans, coming from the direction of Shigatse, attacked the British mission at Gyantse at dawn on April 5. The Tibetans were repulsed with heavy loss and fled. The British had only two Sepoys wounded.

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MOST PROMISING.

Montreal, May 6.—William Whyte, vice-president of the Canadian Pacific arrived here to-night, and in speaking of the crop said the outlook is most promising, for, altho the seeding was later the soil was in better condition.

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JAPS LAND AT TWO POINTS.

London, May 6.—Two distinct landings by the Japanese in the vicinity of Port Arthur are reported in to-day's despatches. According to cables from Tokio and St. Petersburg, the Japanese effected a landing in force and unopposed at Pitsewo, a point on the east coast of the peninsula about seventy-five miles above Port Arthur. Another successful landing is reported to have taken place at Port Adams, which is situated on an arm of Society Bay, on the west coast of the peninsula directly opposite and about twenty miles distant from Pitsewo. The railroad that connects Port Arthur with Mukden passes close to Port Adams, and it is evident that it is now in the possession of the Japanese at this point.

A despatch from Washington indicates a landing, according to advices received there, at Binchau or Kinchow. This place is located at the extreme eastern shore of the bay of the same name on the west coast and is directly across the peninsula from the Russian port of Dalny. It is about forty miles north of Port Arthur. The strip of land between Dalny and Kinchow is the narrowest part of the peninsula. Kinchow is about half way between Port Arthur and Port Adams, and is also on the railroad. It is probable, however, that this landing refers to that at Port Adams, which is on an arm of the sea adjacent to Kinchow Bay.

Rome, May 6.—According to a telegram received here from Chefoo, the garrison at Port Arthur has been reduced to 4000 men, and all the important documents, money and field guns have been removed to Mukden.

$15,000 FIRE ON FRONT-ST. LOOKED BAD AT BEGINNING

Two Warehouses Damaged, Tho Flames Were Confined to the Upper Flat.

An alarm of fire from Jarvis and Esplanade-streets created excitement just before midnight. P. C. Beatty was on Front-street, near the market, when he saw the reflection of fire in the windows of 104 and pulled box 25. The firemen were urged to their greatest speed in responding by a glare that made it appear as if the whole block was going. The water pressure was very good, however, and District Chief Villiers directed the firemen with such effect that when Acting Chief Noble arrived from the west end the flames were well under control on the third storey of the buildings at 104 and 106 Front-street. Firemen John See of hose 5 and Harm Pritchard of No. 16 had their hands badly cut and burned, and were sent to the Emergency Hospital.

The chief losers are A. Peterson, doing business as Hutchinson & Peterson, bottlers' supplies and extracts, and the Aluminum Crown Stopper Company, a branch of the Crown Cork and Seal Company of Baltimore. Mr. Peterson stated that the loss might reach $15,000, caused mostly by water. He had about $5000 worth of stock and machinery valued at $3000. Two months ago he sold the cork business to the Crown Company for $15,000, including the building at No. 108. The buildings were valued at about $6500, but the loss to them will be under $1000.

The Crown Cork Company had about fifty bales of cork worth over $1000, 350 boxes of sheet tin worth about $3000, and a large stock of crowns. Their plant was well covered by insurance. M. Peterson had $4000 insurance on his goods in the Gore Mutual, Phoenix and Traders' companies and not over $2500 on the buildings.

The Ontario Brush Factory, operated by Sanderson and Rossiter, were just moving out of No. 104 to No. 94, and had about $500 worth of stock left in the building, which is probably a total loss.

The cause of the fire could not be ascertained. It started in the third storey of the brush factory building, where a quantity of cork was stored, but no inflammable materials were stored there. It was said that employes of Sanderson and Rossiter were working in the building until a late hour, but there was no one in the neighborhood belonging to the firm after the fire was discovered. The flames were very fierce at the outset.

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RUSS ADMITS LANDING.

St. Petersburg, May 6, 9.30 p.m.—The ministry of war has received the following telegram from Major-General Pflug, chief of the military staff:

"According to information I have received, seven of the enemy's transports, and afterwards about forty, appeared opposite Pitsewo on the evening of May 4.

"On the morning of May 5, the Japanese began to land at Pitsewo and on the coast near Cape Terminal (about fifteen miles southwest of Pitsewo) under cover of an artillery fire.

"At this moment about 60 transports were observed bearing down upon the whole front, and our posts retired from the shore.

"All papers in the postoffice at Pitsewo were removed and the Russian inhabitants abandoned the town.

"According to Chinese reports, by the evening of May 5 about ten thousand of the enemy's troops had landed and taken up quarters in the Chinese villages near the points of debarkation.

"The enemy sent two columns of about one regiment each, one in a westerly direction and one to the southward.

"On May 6 a passenger train from Port Arthur was fired upon, a mile and a quarter outside Polandien (about forty miles north of Port Arthur) by a hundred Japanese infantrymen occupying the heights east of the railway. The train carried many passengers, 200 sick occupying an ambulance carriage flying the Red Cross flag. Two of the sick were wounded. The train succeeded in reaching Polandien.

"Tranquillity prevails in the maritime province and in Yinkow."

COAL OIL STOVE EXPLODED MAN, WIFE, CHILD BURNED

Joseph Rueben Seriously Injured and Wife Suffered Trying to Extinguish Flames.

A fire at 31 Laplante-avenue caused painful injuries to three of the inmates last evening. Joseph Rueben and family had just moved into the house. The evening meal was being cooked on a coal oil stove. There was an explosion. Whether the stove or a lamp which was being used made the trouble is not known, but there was a sudden blaze and a sheet of flame.

In trying to extinguish the fire, Joseph Rueben, his wife Rebecca and a ten-year-old daughter, Sophia, were more or less injured. Rueben's face, hands, arms and right foot were badly burned. Mrs. Rueben's hands and arms suffered and the child received several burns.

They were taken to the Nursing-At-Home Mission, where they were given every attention under the supervision of Dr. Curry. The sufferers were afterwards taken to Grace Hospital in an ambulance. The three other children were taken care of by neighbors.

Rueben is a Roumanian pedlar and has only been in Toronto a few days. He came from London. It is feared that he has inhaled the flames and that his injuries may be serious. The damage done to the building was about $150.

FAREWELL TO "DICK" BULMER.

Retiring Mechanical Supt. of Metropolitan Railway Remembered.

York Mills, May 6.—It was a jolly party which met in the parlors of the York Mills Hotel to-night to bid farewell to Dick Bulmer, the mechanical superintendent of the Metropolitan Railway. Among those present were W. J. Hill, ex-M.L.A., Mayor John Fisher, North Toronto; Mr. Broughall, manager Dominion Bank, North Toronto; High Constable Ramsden, County Engineer Macdougall, Henry Duncan, ex-Reeve York Township; J. W. Moyes, manager Metropolitan Railway, Hume Cronyn, D.L.S.; T. H. Brunton, Major Allan, T. H. Lloyd and Danforth Roche of Newmarket, Alex. Dixon, Mr. Beecher, W. McGuire, Mr. Stewart, Dave Birrell, W. W. Carson, Mr. McLennan, Mr. Maule and others. T. H. Brunton was chairman and after luncheon proposed the toasts: "Parliamentary and Municipal Institutions," which was responded to by Messrs. Hill, Ramsden and Duncan; "The Metropolitan Railway" coupled with the name of Mr. Moyes, was enthusiastically received. The general manager paid a well-merited tribute to the retiring superintendent, who had been associated with the railway for 14 years and enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all his associates. The loss which the railway would sustain would be almost irreparable. County Engineer Macdougall declared that the Metropolitan was, in point of equipment and management, excelled by no suburban line in Canada. Mr. Ramsden alluded in flattering terms to the management of the railway. The legal profession was responded to by J. T. Lloyd of Newmarket, and banking institutions by Mr. Broughall of the Dominion Bank. Commercial interests elicited responses by Major Allan, and Danford Roche of Newmarket. Mr. Beecher contributed a vocal selection, "The Prodigal Son." As a slight evidence of the esteem in which he is held, County Engineer Gibson, on behalf of the management, presented Mr. Bulmer with a handsome dressing case, while W. J. Hill, on behalf of the general manager, likewise tendered a surveyor's level. Mr. Bulmer expressed his appreciation and in his new home the memory of the happy relations which had always existed would afford him great satisfaction. Special cars were in waiting at the close of the banquet to convey the guests to Newmarket and the city.

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BREWERS SAY STRIKE OVER WON'T DEAL WITH STRIKERS

Declare That Business is Going on Better Than Ever and Will Continue to Do So.

"The strike is over already as far as we are concerned.'

This was the statement made by representatives of Reinhardt's and O'Keefe's breweries last night to The World. It was thought that the first day of the brewery workers 'strike would cause these concerns considerable trouble at least, if not tie up the establishments altogether, but from the statements made last night it would seem they have not suffered at all.

"We have turned out more beer to-day than on any other day this spring," was an assertion from the O'Keefe firm.

It has also been stated by both breweries that they are done for all time with the striking employes. The work is of such a nature that it can be done by almost anyone, and help can be secured without the slightest difficulty, as was the case yesterday. At a meeting of the Brewers' Association, held yesterday afternoon, the question of a general lockout in the five other breweries was discussed without arriving at any decision. But all concurred that in future they will engage as many boys as possible to do the work of bottling and other work inside the breweries, as is done by rival breweries thruout the province.

Union Men Are Sanguine.

The union men in their turn are equally sanguine of winning out. They met yesterday in Richmond Hall and discussed the advisability of calling all the brewery workers out of the five other places, thus forestalling the intention of a lockout. Representatives were deputed to go around the other unions which met last night and advise them of the fact that Reinhardt's and O'Keefe's were on the unfair list, and favorable resolutions were adopted by all locals so visited. The bartenders are powerless to do anything in the way of sympathetic action without orders from their international executive in Cincinnati.

It was reported yesterday from Hamilton that the price of beer and ale would be advanced all over the province. This action, it was further stated, was first agitated by the Toronto brewers. Last night the statement received an official denial. There will be no increase in the cost of beer to the retailer whatever. It was admitted that an attempt had been made some six months ago to increase the price, but nothing came of it, and efforts to carry out the plan had been abandoned.

TEAM DRIVERS MAY STRIKE.

Seek Advance in Wages—About 500 Men Affected.

Another strike is imminent. The Team Drivers' Union have made a demand on their bosses, the Team Owners' Union, for an increase of from $10 to $12 per week.

The Team Owners' Union met last night in Cameron Hall and decided that under no condition would they accede to the demand. They could not afford it and had not, in any event, received sufficient notice. It is customary to have a three months' notification. This year only a few weeks have been given.

There are about 500 team drivers in the union. Should they not receive a favorable reply to their demands, it is said they will take action before June 1.

QUESTIONS RE TORONTO.

E. F. Clarke Wants to Know If Privy Council Decision is Active.

Ottawa, May 6.— (Special.) E. F. Clarke will ask the government whether the order made by the railway committee of the privy council, respecting the construction of a high level bridge at the foot of Yonge-street, Toronto, has yet been served on the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways. He wants to know what is the causes of the delay in proceeding with the construction of the bridge, and whether the government proposes to expedite the work.

Mr. Clarke will also ask what work has been done during the present fiscal year to protect Toronto Island from being washed away, and what deepening has been done in Toronto harbor.

PLUMBERS ARE PACIFIED.

There will be no strike of the plumbers, according to a statement made by one of their officers last night.

They have accepted the terms offered by the master plumbers, with some slight alterations.

Just what the terms agreed upon were could not be learned.

This decision was reached at their meeting last night.

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TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Rifle practice at Long Branch, teams leave the Union Station at 1 p.m and 2.10 p.m.

Osler trophy contest, Toronto Golf Club, 2.30 p.m.

The Hounds, Rosedale, 2.30 p.m.

Toronto Harriers' race, High Park, 3.30 p.m.

Recital, auspices Rosedale Art League, St. Enoch's Church, 3 p.m.

Canadian Institute, annual meeting, 8 p.m.

Borden Conservative Club, Temple Building, 8 p.m.

G.G.B.G. Band promenade concert, 8 p.m.

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JACK CANUCK—"There is something that has got to go, driver—don't forget it."

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP MAY PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION HOTELS DENY

Citizens' League Not Moving in Matter Lest Interference in Business Be Charged.

Toronto Junction, May 6.—(Special.)—Toronto Junction is now passing its first days under the regime of local option and the sensations are peculiar to the people. The town has not had time to settle itself to the new conditions, and as a result there is no little confusion as to what will be done in regard to looking after the traveling public and farmers, who have heretofore patronized the local hostelries, but who have now no place to rest their head. There is no accommodation for either the wayfaring man or beast. The hotels have closed both the bar and stable doors to the general public since the night prohibition went into effect, and no sign of reopening can be noticed. Nor do they intend to do so, according to several hotelmen spoken to to-day, at all events not before the courts decide up upon the validity of the bylaw which deprives them of the privilege of selling liquor.

What is to be done in the matter is the question that it now causing concern in the minds of the public-spirited men of the town. They are thoroly alive to the fact that unless something is done at once, Toronto Junction will be materially affected in a financial way. The farmers will not make this a point to stop at en route to and from the city, for they will have no choice but to give the place the go-by.

Municipal Ownership May Solve.

But this condition of affairs will not be permitted. It is stated on good authority that if the hotelkeepers do not see fit to open their establishments for the convenience of travelers, the town will at once set in motion a scheme by which this accommodation will become a publicly owned service. There is no anxiety to do this in opposition to private enterprise and it will only be after it is clearly shown that no one is prepared to give the facilities the trade demands. The idea is not as yet clearly defined in the minds of those considering it. The first steps will likely be to build a market and stable accommodation to provide for all farmers who come to town. They will leave the matter of housing and feeding the travelers to individuals till such time as it becomes apparent that this service, too, is being neglected.

But, so far, it is the impression that there are many who will only too gladly go into the business of supplying food and accommodation to the traveling public; in fact, it is thought the hotels will resume that part of their business immediately upon settling the question of whether or not the passing of the local option bylaw was illegal. It was stated that there have already been two caterers making inquiries for a central location where they can establish restaurants, to serve from one hundred to one hundred and fifty guests.

Don't Want to Compete.

Meanwhile the temperance people are not taking any steps to make arrangements for town visitors. Their reason, as made public, is to the effect that they do not want to appear as wishing to interfere in any way with the legitimate business of the hotel men. It is not the desire of the local optionists to set up any opposition to the hotelkeepers. All they wanted was the abolition of the bar.

When local option was first spoken of, and the question of how travelers would secure accommodation, the citizens' league made the declaration that they would see that this was attended to, meaning to take the matter up themselves. But they have since decided not to enter the field as competitors of the hotelmen, for the same reasons as the local optionists. At least, they will do nothing in the matter for some time yet.

Mayor Chisholm's View.

Mayor Chisholm is more than confident that housing and feeding of strangers within the gates of Toronto Junction will be properly looked after. It is his idea that nothing could be done by the council as a body, or by any other organization, to disturb the business which belongs to the hotels till such time as it becomes absolutely certain that the hotels are not going to give the service. Then something must be done, and he declares something would be done. As to it being a profitable business, he says:

"I do not see why it would not be. There are many boarding-houses and restaurants in the city which make a good living out of it. It is quite certain that the farmers and traveling public would be willing to pay what it was worth, so that the hotels could ensure it being a profitable undertaking. But no matter who goes into the business, the demand will be supplied."

CASES ARE NOT THE SAME IN BRITAIN AND ONTARIO

Premier Ross Says the British Bill Pre-Supposes a Continuance of the Licensing System.

Hotels which have been deprived of their licenses under local option bylaws are no longer under public control or supervision, and their owners can not be compelled to yield accommodation.

"That is absolutely correct," said Mr. Saunders of the license department yesterday, when F. S. Spence's statement to this effect was read to him. "There is no legislation whatever touching them, and they are now private houses so far as we are concerned. We have no measure like that in Quebec, and it would require entirely new legislation to apply to the present conditions. Whether there will be legislation is, of course, a matter of policy with which I have nothing to do, and you must see the minister about it."

Matters Will Right Themselves.

The premier said it would be a matter for consideration.

"Nothing can be done till the next session of the house, and matters will regulate themselves. People with hotel property are not likely to keep it idle on their hands. The city can pass any bylaws it needs, but how can we make a man take out a license? You can't compel a man to open his house for travelers. If he is in the habit of doing so he might be compelled to take out a license, but we must see how it works out."

No Vested Rights?

The proposals of the imperial parliament in their new licensing bill to raise $5,000,000 a year as a compensation fund for the benefit of those deprived of licenses in the public interest where licenses are too numerous, and not on account of any fault of the owner, were familiar to the premier.

"Yes," he said, "that is a very ingenious plan the British government has proposed for compensation—a kind of compulsory insurance against possible loss. But it pre-supposes the continuation of the licensing system. There can be no possible objection to it from that point of view, for the licenseholders have to provide all the money themselves. Chamberlain has spoken in favor of compensation, and where there are vested interests it is no doubt a good plan. But here there has been agitation going on for years, and people have been pretty well warned what to expect, and investments have been made under that knowledge. The cases are not the same."

Two Months More at Ottawa.

Mr. Ross had a pleasant trip to Ottawa, but had nothing to say on political matters, except that the Dominion house was likely to sit for two months to come.

He stated that nothing had yet been done about the vacant registrarship.

To Exempt From School Taxes.

A report which the premier declined to discuss was circulated yesterday that a measure is contemplated by the government for next session which would exempt all companies from the payment of school taxes, which were granted exemptions from general taxation by municipalities. It is believed that such a measure would obviate the difficulties raised by the Sturgeon Falls situation, and the precedent in the special legislation enacted thereupon in the session just closed.

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BLENHEIM'S BUSIEST WEEK THO HOTELS ARE CLOSED UP

Residents Cherish Reputation for Hospitality and Will Keep Open House.

Blenheim, May 6.—(Special.)—The hotelkeepers here to-day carried out their threat of closing up their houses. Some annoyance has been caused, but arrangements are already made to provide for the wants of travelers.

The people of the town are determined that their reputation for hospitality shall not suffer. Pickering's and Wharrani's Restaurants, as well as the private houses of generous citizens will furnish what is needed.

The action of the hotelkeepers is regretted, but the general opinion is that accommodation must and will be provided for strangers.

The various church sheds have long been used by farmers coming into town, so in this respect the condition of matters is unchanged.

The hotels are rigidly observing the law and there is nothing strong to drink obtainable.

Business is good in all general lines of trade, this week's transactions so far being the largest of the year.

STANDARD OIL REPRESENTED.

James Stillman and William Rockefeller Join M.C.R. Directorate.

Detroit, Mich., May 6.—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Michigan Central Railroad, held here to-day, the board of directors was increased from nine to thirteen members. The four new members are William H. Newman, William Rockefeller, James Stillman and Frederick S. Winston.

The annual report of the company for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1903, a preliminary outline of which has already been published, was issued today, and showed gross earnings, $22,552,201, an increase of $3,507,118; operating expenses, $17,973,469, an increase of $3,055,027; net earnings, $3,689,581, an increase of $112,802; total income, $1,244,773, an increase of $134,127, and surplus, $495,253, an increase of $134,127. The profit and loss surplus was $8,119,753, an increase of $495,253. The great increase in operating expenses was due to an increase of $2,295,273 in the cost of transportation and $1,074,340 in the cost of maintaining equipment. Maintenance of way and structures decreased $300,178.

The general balance sheet showed an increase of $2,007,859 in construction accounts (this cost was chiefly defrayed by an issue of bonds), an increase of $5,816,786 in investments, an increase of $1,659,991 in cash, an increase of $5,500,000 in bills payable, and $1,665,357 in accounts payable.

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Bacteria in City Water.

The starting statement made by Dr. Amyot in his report at the quarterly meeting of the Board of Health, published in The Globe of the 5th inst., should be read by everyone with great interest. Dr. Amyot sounds a note of warning in his statement, in regard to Bacteria in the city water.

Householders, to be on the safe side, will keep a supply of Radnor Water in the house.

Radnor comes from an absolutely uncontaminated source in the heart of the Laurentian Mountains, and is bottled with the greatest care.

Radnor can be obtained here from all the principal wine merchants and grocers.

Go to Watts' Cigar Store on Saturday for a shine and get a leather ticket case free.

NORTHRUP AND ROCHE.

Montreal, May 6.—W. B. Northrup and Dr. Roche, M.P.'s, delivered telling addresses this evening before the Junior Conservative Club, and both gentlemen were loudly applauded.

Barbers are the only people who understand honing razors. 66

DEATHS.

ANDERSON—At his late residence, 165 Bleecker-street, May 7th, John Anderson, in his 69th year.

Funeral notice later.

HAINES—At Toronto, May 5, 1904, Ed. C. Haines (druggist), in his 30th year, at 374 Queen-street West.

Funeral from the E. W. Matthews & Co.'s Chapel at 7.30 o'clock a.m., on Monday to Union Station, thence to Owen Sound for burial.

BRITISH COLUMBIA ALIVE TO PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

Influence of Ontario Men in Affairs of Pacific Province Most Marked.

FROM G. C. PORTER.

Vancouver, May 6.—(Staff Correspondence.)—Mining, lumber and the fisheries are the three great industries on which the prosperity of British Columbia depends, but public interest to-day is diverted from these toward that issue that overshadows all others in the west—transportation. It is perhaps an example of the popularity of the principle of public ownership of the great highways of trade in the Dominion and the growing public recognition that the Pacific Coast is as keenly interested i nthis policy as Ontrio or Manitoba.

In fact, one of the chief object lessons presented of the virility of Ontario people is the extraordinary influence that section exercises in the affairs of this part of the country, three thousand miles westward. Ontario men are to be found all over British Columbia, Ontario capital supplies the energy that moves the wheels of commerce in many districts and settlers from that province are to-day coming in considerable numbers to teach the region that has scarcely known agriculture except as an adjunct to ranching, the science of farming. In just what measure the people of Eastern Canada are responsible for the growth of the sentiment of public ownership of railroads may be gauged from the impetus they have given the substantial industries into which they have put their money and their thought and their labor.

The editor of one of the four big dailies of Vancouver remarked to The World that he believed the laboring element and the middle classes of British Columbia were quite in favor of government construction of the new transcontinental railroad. He had found this the sentiment unmistakably. Personally he believed the solution of the transportation problem lay largely in this direction. He qualified this, however, by saying candidly the masses wanted a new transcontinental railroad—another great highway that would throw open a vast stretch of virgin territory—too keenly to reject the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme in the last resort. The other side of the proposition, however, was supplied by the observation made to The World by the manager of one of the great banks of the city, that he did not believe there was any crystalized sentiment in British Columbia in favor of a transportation scheme of such vast proportions directed by the government. It was merely the difference in the impressions of the two types—the editor and the banker.

Wants Ontario Farmers.

The banker, continuing his remarks to The World, said that on one thing there were no two opinions in the extreme western district of Canada: the construction of the G. T. P. from the Pacific at the same time the work was commenced in the east. This British Columbia would insist upon. In the

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Have You Noticed Them?

Those stylish brown derby hats you see these days are not to be obtained at every hatter's in the city. They are an exclusive line and a hatter may come to handle them only after a long and honorable association with the reputable manufacturer. Dineen Company are exclusive agents for Heath's and Dunlap's English and American hats. These makers set the standard of style and excellence for the Anglo-Saxon world. The W. & D. Dineen Company, Limited, corner Yonge and Temperance-streets, are the sole Toronto agents for these exceptional lines.

A. T. C. Smoking Mixture, 25c and 50c tins at M. M. Vardon's, 73 Yonge-street.

FAIR AND WARM.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, May 6.—(8 p.m.)—Showers have been general to-day in the Lake Superior district, and they have occurred very locally in Manitoba. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has remained fair.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 34—48; Victoria, 44—50; Calgary, 36—56; Qu'Appelle, 38—60; Winnipeg, 40—60; Port Arthur, 38—50; Parry Sound, 44—80; Toronto, 52—66; Ottawa, 44—70; Montreal, 42—66; Quebec, 36—64; Halifax, 30—54.

Prababilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Moderate winds, mostly east and south; showers and local thunderstorms, but partly fair and continued warm.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fine and warm to-day; some local showers or thunderstorms during the night or on Sunday.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fine and a little warmer.

Maritime—Light to moderate winds; fine and a little warmer.

Lake Superior—A few showers or local thunderstorms, but partly fair and moderately warm.

Manitoba—A few scattered showers or thunderstorms, but generally fair and moderately warm.

Edwards, Morgan & Co., 26 Wellington Street East, Toronto. Edwards & Ronald, 48 Canada Life Building, Winnipeg, Chartered Accountants.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

May 6.	At.	From.
Laurentian	New York	Glasgow
La Lorraine	New York	Havre
Hibernian	Halifax	London
Bleucher	Plymouth	New York
Canopic	Marseilles	Boston
Noordam	Boulogne	New York
Iona	Father Point	Newcastle
Sardinian	Father Point	Glasgow

HOW THE WORLD SELLS REAL ESTATE

The World has received the following letter from Winnipeg, which speaks for itself:

BOWERMAN & CO.,
Real Estate Brokers

Winnipeg, Man., May 4, 1904.

H. E. Smallpeice, Esq., Advertising Manager, The World, Toronto:

Dear Sir,—In answer to our advertisement offering Winnipeg real estate published in The Toronto World, we received dozens of letters from investors in Toronto and towns in the vicinity. As a result the three hundred lots we offered were sold within a week of the first appearance of the "ad.," and we had to telegraph instructions to make an announcement to that effect, so numerous were the inquiries. Yours very truly,

Bowerman & Co., per T. M. B.