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QUEBEC TO BAR EXPORT OF PULP

Pulpwood Cut From Crown Lands To Be Denied Export, Declares Gouin.

Policy of Ontario With Respect to Natural Preserves Advocated By Quebec Legislature.

Special to The Standard.

Quebec, April 12.—Premier Gouin this afternoon announced in the House the new policy of the government as regards pulpwood. The premier said it had been decided to prohibit the exportation of all pulpwood cut on crown lands, before it was manufactured in Canada, secondly to increase the stumpage dues by sixty per cent. and thirdly to increase the ground rent per square mile from $3 to $5.

This important announcement came at the end of a speech lasting two and a half hours, in reply to the criticisms of the leader of the opposition on the budget speech of the provincial treasurer. In taking up the matter of the forestry question of the province, premier Gouin said that he had made a preliminary announcement some time ago as to the intention of the government of the province to follow the example of Ontario and prohibit the exportation of pulpwood cut on crown lands before manufacturing in Quebec.

Reiterates Policy.

"I have said that it was our intention to prohibit these exportations of pulpwood before it is manufactured in this province and repeat that now," said the premier. In giving the reason for the delay in making the public announcement in the House, Premier Gouin said that it was well known that there had been a threat of a tariff war between Canada and the United States.

"Such a war concerned the province indirectly, and the desire was not to embarass the federal government though Ottawa had not asked for any delay," declared Premier Gouin.

"It is the intention of this government to prohibit the exportation of pulpwood cut from crown lands before it is manufactured in the province of Quebec, in the same way as the prohibition applies in Ontario. We also intend to increase the stumpage dues which have not been increased for ten years. The increase will be about sixty per cent. finally as regards the ground rent the increase will be from $3 to $5 a square mile.

Subsequent to the meeting Premier Gouin was asked when it was the intention of the Government to stop the exportation of pulpwood, he replied an order-in-council would be issued this session of the assembly. The premier during the course of his remarks on the pulpwood spoke as if the new order of things would be enforced in the near future, on the three points he mentioned:

Far Reaching Policy.

The announcement of policy of the Government on the important question of the Quebec national preserve was listened to closely. The declaration occupied but a small part of the time required for the long arraignment of the Conservative party, but its importance was seized upon as being the most far reaching declaration of the afternoon or perhaps the whole session. It has been suspected that the exportation of the pulpwood had been determined upon but it was not known until this afternoon that the government was going the whole way and raise the bars all round, as regards rent of land for timber privileges, the cutting of timber and the exportation of the wood.

Premier Gouin gave as explanation for the prohibition of the exportation of the raw material the example of Ontario and indicated in an unmistakable manner that Quebec had decided to protect its own interest against the industry of American investor who will in the future have to leave more of their money in the province if they want Quebec pulpwood.

New York, April 12.—John Norris, chairman of the paper committee of the American Newspapers Publishers Association, commenting on the situation in Quebec, tonight, said:—

"This announcement by the Quebec premier precipitates a serious situation in the paper trade and tends to embarrass many paper mills which have supplies of pulpwood cut but not yet delivered to the United States. The understanding was that any act of prohibition by the Quebec authorities would not take effect until September 1, 1910, but it is evident that some developments on the American side have provoked the provincial authorities to immediate action. It was understood that some negotiations between Canada and the United States would occur as soon as the Dominion parliament adjourned, probably in May, when Mr. Fielding would be free to take up the matter with the American authorities."

FRIEL TRIAL TO OPEN ON MONDAY

Houlton, Me., April 12.—The trial of Charles R. Friel and Ellis Black for the fatal shooting of John Friel, will begin in the supreme court at 10 a. m. next Monday according to an announcement made tonight.

ANTI-COMBINE BILL BEFORE THE COMMONS

Mackenzie King Measure Alleged to be Aimed at Trusts Before House Yesterday — Progress Reported.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, April 12.—The whole day has been spent over Mr. Mackenzie King's anti-combine measure. The debate taking place not on the bill itself but on the resolution upon which the bill is founded.

The principle of Mr. Kings bill is to compel an investigation under every circumstance of publicity whenever any set of persons feel aggrieved at the manner in which a trust combine or merger is conducting its business and make out a prima facie case before a judge that there is undue enhancement of prices. When such a case has been made out the judge is to order the calling of a board—the impeached industrial interests shall nominate one member, the aggrieved consumers shall nominate a second and the chairman shall be a judge. The procedure is to be the same as that which obtains in industrial disputes.

Discussion Curious.

The discussion which followed Mr. Kings speech which was of portentious length lasting for three hours and a half was curious. For example Dr. Michael Clark of Red Deer, the only living specimen of an English free trade radical in captivity in Canada, broke loose and made an old time downright ding dong free trade "protection creates the trusts" speech. Abolish the tariff he besought his leaders, and cheaper living will be added unto us.

When it was all over Mr. John Haggart observed cheerfully that it quite took him back to old times thirty or forty years ago when the protectionists who now sit on the treasury benches made just such speeches.

Mr. E. N. Lewis had a policy of his own, a permanent commission to control trusts and combines, even as railways are controlled by the Railway Commission.

There was square opposition from some who observed that Mr. King's bill would enable aggrieved persons to prosecute a labor union for enhancing prices. Also there was much miscellaneous information unloaded on the House.

Kindly Attitude.

Mr. King in his speech, which was a voluminous treatise on the whole subject of trusts, was careful to assume an attitude of something like entire friendliness to them. The trend of the age is towards combination and organization, he said, and the proper policy is to avail ourselves of the tendency, but to take precautions to assure the consumer of fair treatment and of his proper share of the benefits gained from combination.

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COAL COMPANY OFFICES TO GO TO SYDNEY

Auditing Officers With Machine And Repair Shops To Be Moved To Sydney Upon Completion Of Merger.

Special to The Standard.

Halifax, April 12.—The general offices of the Dominion Coal Company at Glace Bay will be removed to Sydney during the next few months, as soon as the pending negotiations in regard to the merger of the big companies have been completed. It is likely that the auditing office work will be centralized at the Sydney offices of the company in order to combine and facilitate the work of this important department and the staff will be removed there. The report has not been officially made but it is generally believed that it is correct. It is also likely that the locomotive repair work will be done in Sydney, and for this purpose the company will erect a large general machine shop on their plant this spring where all this work will be attended to promptly.

DICKINSON CLAIMANT FAILS TO CONNECT

Cambridge, Mass., April 12.—In scathing words, Judge George F. Lawton today branded the Dickinson claimant to half the estate of the late Daniel Russell, of Melrose, worth half a million, as an imposter and dismissed three petitions alleged to have been brought by Daniel Blake Russell after a record-breaking trial of 194 days.

NATIONAL CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION POSTPONED BY CAUCUS AT CAPITAL

Party Executive Decides To Postpone For Year Proposed Demonstration---Approaching Provincial Elections In Nova Scotia and Situation In West Among Reasons For Decision.

Official Statement Issued at Close of Meeting Nails Government Press Canards of Disruption In Party---Unswerving Allegiance and Loyalty Pledged To Mr. Borden as Leader.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, April 12.—Considerable progress was made in clearing up the political situation today. In the morning an important and generally attended caucus of the Conservative members was held and in the afternoon there was a meeting of the committee of preliminary arrangements for the Conservative convention. At this, it was resolved to postpone the national convention, which probably will take place next year.

The caucus had a direct bearing upon the widely circulated reports that there are dissensions within the Conservative party and in particular upon the allegations that there is disloyalty to Mr. R. L. Borden. Under the circumstances, Mr. Borden after meeting the members, repaired to the House, where an important bill was being moved by the government, thus permitting the most unrestrained expression of opinion.

Official Statement.

The caucus broke up amid hearty cheering, and the chairman, Mr. G. H. Perley, issued the following official statement:

"At a Conservative caucus this morning, a discussion took place regarding the extraordinary reports that have lately appeared in the newspapers concerning dissensions in the Conservative party and alleged criticism of the leadership of Mr. R. L. Borden.

"There seems to have been no real foundation for any such reports and the caucus unanimously passed a resolution expressing its explicit confidence in Mr. Borden as the leader of the Liberal-Conservative party and its unanimous desire that he should continue to hold that position and pledged to him its allegiance and loyalty."

The meeting of the committee of preliminary arrangements was large and was attended by the following:

Alberta—Senator Lougheed.
British Columbia—A. S. Goodeve, M. P.
Manitoba—W. D. Staples, M. P.
New Brunswick—O. S. Crocket, M. P., Senator Wood.
Nova Scotia—Clarence Jameson, M. P., John Stanfield, M. P.
Ontario—Col. S. Hughes, M. P., A. E. Kemp, A. C. MacDonell, M. P., P. D. Ross.
Prince Edward Island—A. L. Fraser, M. P.
Quebec—Charles Beaubien, P. E. Blondin, M. P., J. U. Emard, D. O. Lesperance, W. B. Nantel, M. P., G. H. Perley, M. P., D. Watson, Col. Worthington, M. P.

Question of Postponement.

The result of the discussions of the committee which were full and careful was that the holding of the convention should be postponed. Prior to the holding of the committee a circular had been addressed to all the members of it by Mr. Borden, requesting a statement of opinion on the question of postponement.

The particular date selected, it was stated in this circular had proved most inconvenient for many of the party in Ontario, while a consideration which pressed for attention of the Maritime Province delegates was the extreme probability that the definite fixing of the date for June would be followed by the prompt calling by the Nova Scotia government of the provincial elections with the object of placing the Nova Scotia Conservatives in the dilemma of either abandoning the convention or of absenting themselves from the struggle in a year when there were musually good hopes of success. In addition the Manitoba registration would make the attendance from that province difficult.

The replies from those members of the committee who were unable to attend showed varied opinions, the preponderance of opinion on the whole being in favor of the delay, and all expressing complete readiness to adopt the decision of the committee and of the caucus. Under the circumstances it was resolved that the better course was postponement.

This decision will be reported to a caucus of the party which will be held tomorrow. Some other points of organization were discussed and the committee adjourned.

LETTERGRAM SERVICE FOR CANADIAN PACIFIC

Important Move Made By Telegraph Company Permitting Of Material Reduction In Cost Of Night Messages.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, April 12.—The Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph announces that beginning Wednesday day, April 13th, they will render a night letter servoce between all C. P. R. offices as well as to connecting line offices in the United States, not including telephone points. The new service will be known as the "Night Lettergram Service."

The charge for a night lettergram of 50 words or less will be regular day rate for ten words, and one-fifth of this rate will be charged for each additional ten words or less. Messages must be written in plain English code or cipher prohibited. Lettergrams may be accepted either prepaid or collect under usual regulations, and will be taken at counter or over telephone or collected on call any time up to midnight, but as in the case of other night telegrams will not be put on the wires until night, and when wires are clear of full paid day business. Night lettergrams will be delivered free within one half mile of company's office in towns of 5,000 population or less and within one mile of such office in other cities or towns. Beyond these limits the company does not undertake to make delivery; but will without liability at sender's request and as his agent and at his expense endeavor to contract for him for such delivery at a reasonable price.

This service is inaugurated at practically one-half the cost of the former night service and will no doubt be taken advantage of to a great extent by the company's patrons.

NOTED LUMBERMAN DEAD IN MAINE

Bangor, Me., April 12.—David T. Sanders, a famous lumberman and merchant of Greenville, died at his home in that town Monday night aged 74.

ALBERT COUNTY NAMES DELEGATES FOR OTTAWA

Enthusiastic Gathering Of Conservatives At Hillsboro Appoint Delegates To Ottawa Convention.

Special to The Standard.

Hillsboro, N. B., April 12.—Notwithstanding the conditions of the roads, a large and enthusiastic gathering, representative of all parts of the county, held here today, concluded the business of an adjourned meeting of the Albert County Liberal Conservative Association and chose delegates for the Dominion convention in Ottawa. The delegates met in the town hall, with Councillor Theodore Stevens in the chair and R. C. Prescott, secretary. The delegates chosen were William Rommell, Geo. D. Prescott (M. P. P.), C. A. Peck, W. B. Dickson (M. P. P.), John E. Steeves, Lewis Smith, W. B. Jonah, Horace Goddard.

Alternates—Barzillia Conner, Ira E. Copp, Isaac C. Prescott, W. H. Duffy, Hazen Folkins, T. A. Goggin, David Moore, W. H. Martin, J. A. Cleveland, S. C. Murray (M. D.), W. T. Newcombe, J. L. Peck, Albert J. Steeves, Havelock E. Mitton, Judson Bishop, Walter M. Steeves, John Garland, Frank Gray, Captain Coonan, Jordan Steeves, I. J. Dobson, C. Allison Peck, Chas. Ayr, C. L. O'Regan, Carl Duffy, J. G. Davis, Harvey Steeves, T. E. Colpitts, H. D. Cleveland.

COL. EDWARDS MAY COMMAND BISLEY TEAM

Important Appointment Is Offered St. John Man—Ontario Officer Asked To Accept Minor Post.

Ottawa, April 12.—Lieut. Col. Edwards, of the 62nd St. John Fusiliers has been offered the appointment of commandant, and Major J. E. Hutchinson 43rd Rifles, Ottawa, has been offered the adjutancy of the Bisley team.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPES IN I.C.R. WRECK

Immigrant Special Plunges From Track Near Campbellton Wrecking Five Cars, But All Live—Several Injured.

Special to The Standard.

Campbellton, April 12.—At about 8 o'clock this morning as the immigrant special train was approaching the Mill Creek bridge, just on the outskirts of the town, the tender of the engine left the rails taking with it five cars. The cars were thrown together in a tangled mass, the passenger car being badly wrecked, it being jammed between two baggage cars and thrown around at right angles to the track. All the cars but three left the rails and were all more or less damaged and torn from the trucks. The tender was turned completely over one end resting on top of the baggage car.

Many miraculous escapes are reported and in fact it is indeed a wonder that any of the passengers in the colonist sleeper are alive to tell the tale. One man who was washing at the time was thrown through a window and escaped with slight injuries. Another was shaving and beyond cutting himself with the razor and receiving a bad shaking emerged none the worse for the experience. A number were injured but the most serious were those of a little girl whose collar bone was broken. Another girl who was knitting was pierced through the arm by one of the needles, and one man had his leg badly bruised.

Cause Of Accident.

It is believed that the accident was caused by a faulty pair of wheels on the tender or a loose brake beam which dropped down under the wheels, although this has not yet been finally determined.

The work of clearing the line is progressing favorably although considerable delay has been caused by the fact that the crane had to be brought from Moncton. It only arrived on the scene a little after six o'clock. It is expected that traffic will be resumed before midnight.

During the day the scene of the wreck was visited by hundreds of people. On every hand were heard expressions of astonishment that there were not a number of fatalities. One could hardly believe it possible that any one could escape death sitting in the passenger car where it was struck by the baggage car, although a number, including several children, were in that position and escaped without serious injury.

Some of the passengers lost all their money in the wreckage, one man claiming to have lost five hundred pounds sterling. It is fortunate that the accident occurred just where it did for had the train gone but a little further, the loss of life might have been very great, as just at that point there is a high embankment, over which the train must have fallen.

CHARLES TUPPER WEDS MISS MARY DICKEY

Fashionable Event At Edmonton Yesterday In Which Son Of Sir H. Tupper And Amherest Girl are Principals.

Special to The Standard.

Edmonton, April 12.—In All Saints church at noon today, Charles Tupper, eldest son of Sir Hibbert Tupper, of Vancouver, and Miss Mary M. Dickey, daughter of the late Hon. A. R. Dickey, of Amherst, N. S., were married, the ceremony being performed by Arch Deacon Grey. The church was beautifully decorated.

The bridesmaids were Miss Dickey and Miss Dorothy Dickey and the groom was assisted by Dr. McLaren, of Calgary.

MR. PINCHOT SMILES BUT DECLINES TO TALK

Porto Muarizio, Italy, April 12.—After spending another day with Mr. Roosevelt the afternoon being occupied in another long tramp into the mountains, Gifford Pinchot left for Zurich tonight, seeming in a happy state of mind. He still declined to make any statement with reference to the result of his conference with the ex-president, but his beaming countenance was as eloquent as words.

"Will you say whether you are satisfied with the result of your visit?" was asked. But Mr. Pinchot only smiled broadly

VALLEY RAILWAY SURVEY ORDERED

NATURAL GAS FOR MONCTON LIKELY NOW

Good News For Railway City In Announcement Made To City Council Last Night—New Well Discovered.

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, April 12.—That tenders are to be invited for 45 miles of pipe that another promising gas well has been located in the field in Albert county and that an expert has been engaged to come and give an estimate tion to have natural gas in any quantgas plant in Moncton, is the cheering information given by Mr. Beggs, of the Maritime Oil Fields, Limited, at a meeting with a committee of the city council this evening.

Dr. Henderson, the English capitalist, who is at the head of the company, said it expected to be in a position of the cost of installing a natural ity this fall and in addition to supplying Moncton they hoped to be in a position to extend their service to Hillsboro, Dorchester and other towns.

Another Proposition.

Dr. Henderson who is also at the head of the company that has acquired the charter of the Moncton Street Railway Company has made a proposition for the leasing of the city electric light and gas plant with a view of their joint operation and the basis of an agreement has been arrived at which will shortly be completed for submission to the electors.

Under this agreement the company is to pay the city three per cent. of its gross earnings on electricity and gas natural or manufactured, for the first five years, four per cent. for a furthe period of five years, then five per cent. for five more years, and thereafter six per cent. for the balance of the period of forty years, which is the term of the proposed lease or the guaranteed minimum amount to be so paid the city being $10,000 a year.

The price fixed for electricity for lighting is 11 cents per kilowatt with discount of five per cent. for payment and natural gas not more than 50 cents for heating and lighting and for manufacturing purposes not more than 40 cents, revision to be made in ten years subject to the provisions of the Public Utilities Act. City arc lights of 1200 candle power are to be supplied at $65 each and incandescent street lamps of fifty candle power at $17 each. The agreement is regarded as very favorable for the city.

ALLAN D. ROGERS DEAD AT SPRINGHILL

Prominent Nova Scotian Merchant Passes Away After Brief Illness—Funeral To Be Held Tomorrow.

Special to The Standard.

Springhill Mines, April 12.—The whole town was surprised today to hear of the death of Allen D. Rogers, which occurred at an early hour this morning at his residence McFarlane street. He had been ill for a few weeks and his sudden death was quite unexpected, even by his immediate relatives.

Mr. Rogers who was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Rogers, was an esteemed and highly respected citizen and his early demise has cast a gloom over a large circle of relatives and friends. The degeased was one of Springhill's most progressive merchants, being managing partner of the firm of D. Rogers and Sons, one of the largest business houses in town. Mr. Rogers, who was only 38 years old is survived by a widow and two small children.

The funeral will take place Thursday afternoon from his late residence.

ONTARIO MAN NAMED TO SUCCEED AYLESWORTH

Toronto, April 12.—It is stated in well informed legal circles that A. H. Clarke, K. C., of Windsor, Ont., will succeed Hon. A. B. Aylesworth, as minister of justice and attorney general for Canada in the near future. Mr. Aylesworth's retirement on account of his deafness has been foreshadowed for some time. Mr. Clark was created a King's counsel in March, 1902. He is a past president of the Ontario bar association.

Important Announcement Made By Premier Hazen at Meeting of Provincial Government.

A. Bowder Appointed Provincial Representative at London, Eng.--Other Business.

At a meeting of the local government held in St. John yesterday, Mr. David F. Maxwell, of St. Stephen, was appointed chief engineer of the St. John Valley Railway survey. Mr. A. Bowder, of Marysville, was appointed to the position of provincial representative at London, England, and the Rev. T. Hunter Boyd, Mr. Daniel Mullin, K. C., and Dr. A. J. Murray of Fredericton Junction, were appointed members of the Board of Health, in place of Hon. James Holly, Judge Barry and Dr. Benson resigned.

Appointments were also made to the public utilities commission, but the names of the men selected to perform the important duties with which the commission is charged were not announced. All the members of the government were present, and two sessions were held during the day.

The Survey.

At the close of the afternoon meeting Premier Hazen made an announcement of the appointments mentioned above, and stated that no grass will grow in the St. John Valley before the surveying parties are set to work. Mr. Maxwell, who has had 40 years experience in railway surveying and has recently been employed on the Transcontinental, will be given instructions to proceed immediately with the work of organizing the survey.

Two parties will be employed, one operating between Fredericton and Welsford, and the other between Woodstock and Andover. Each party will consist of twelve or more men, and it is intended to have the survey completed if possible within three or four months.

No survey will be made of the route between Fredericton and Woodstock, as that particular section has been surveyed pretty thoroughly before, and all the necessary data is available.

Mr. Bowder's Appointment

It was decided to abolish the position of agent general of the province in Great Britain, and appoint a live-wire immigration agent with offices in London who will be known simply as the provincial representative at London. Mr. A. Bowder will fill this position at a salary of $1500 a year. He will be provided with offices in a central part of London, and will devote the most of his time to the work of encouraging immigration to the province.

He will be instructed to select an office on a ground floor with a large show window, where pictures of farming scenes in New Brunswick may be exhibited, and samples of New Brunswick products placed on view. A large reading room well stocked with literature dealing with the agricultural possibilities and natural resources of the province in general will also be provided.

It Well Fitted.

Mr. Bowder is peculiarly fitted both by training and temperament for the new position, and it is believed his appointment will result in a great increase of immigration to this province. He is the first practical farmer to be selected to represent New Brunswick in the Mother Country, and what is equally important he is enthusiastic about the agricultural possibilities of the province.

For the last seven years he has successfully conducted one of the biggest farms on the river opposite Fredericton and he not only thoroughly understands farming conditions here, but being an English immigrant himself, he will be able to make a much stronger appeal to the interests of his fellow countrymen than a native born Canadian could hope to do.

Knowing by practical experience the conditions here and the type of immigrant most needed and most likely to succeed he will be able to institute a process of selection which by giving the province immigrants who will make a success of life in this country, will do much to advertise the resources and possibilities of the province and increase its prestige in the Mother Land.

Provincial Board of Health.

The government appointed Dr. E. O. Steeves of Moncton, chairman of the Provincial Board of Health, and E. B. Fisher as secretary. The board as reconstructed is composed of the following members: Dr. E. O. Steeves, chairman; E. Bayard Fisher, secretary; Dr. C. C. Jones, chancellor of N. B. University; W. W. Hubbard, secretary of agriculture; Daniel Mullin, K. C., Rev. T. Hunter Boyd, Dr. L. M. Curren of Fairville, Dr. T. Sprague of Woodstock and Dr. A. J. Murray of Fredericton Junction.

During the afternoon the members of the government paid a visit to the Provincial Hospital at Fairville. They found everything there in a satisfactory condition and spoke appreciatively of the work of the patients carried on under the direction of Dr. J. V. Anglin, the superintendent. A new stairway is in process of construction in the building, and a number of other improvemets are being made