

Bank, is seeking to recover from the United Counties Ry., a former title of the Q.S.R., several thousand dollars on a promissory note. The action re the South Shore Ry. amalgamation came before the courts Feb. 18 on a motion to commit H. A. Hodge, President, for contempt of court in neglecting to produce certain books, and the motion was enlarged, Mr. Hodge having attended court and promised to produce the books.

The South Shore division is also involved in some legal difficulties of its own. The Hochelaga Bank secured judgment for \$56,247 for money advanced, and a writ for the seizure of the property has been in the hands of the sheriff since Jan. 1. Suit has also been commenced by Hon. R. Prefontaine, Minister of Marine, to recover \$54,000 money advanced at the time of the purchase of the Great Eastern Ry. some years ago.

Suggestions have been made that the Dominion Government should purchase the South Shore line and operate it in conjunction with the I.C.R.

**The Shawinigan Falls Terminal Ry. Co.** will apply at the next session of the Quebec Legislature for power to borrow to the extent of 75% of its paid-up capital, and pledge its property as security therefor.

**Shuswap and Okanagan Ry.**—Net earnings for nine months ended Sept. 30, 1902, \$10,838, against \$9,839 for same period 1901.

**The St. John's, Nfld., Street Ry.** was in operation for nine months to Dec. 31, 1902, the gross receipts being \$23,102.95, out of which 2% or \$462.05 has been paid to the city.

**St. Thomas Electric Ry.**—The city clerk of St. Thomas recently stated that the line was doing one-third more business than it had done under the old company's management.

**Teniscouata Ry.**—Net earnings for Nov., 1902, \$197.

**Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Ry.**—Earnings for Jan. \$41,379.78, against \$34,405.15 for Jan., 1902; making for eight months ended Jan. 31 \$300,801.20, against \$312,325.50 for same period 1901-2.

**Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Ry. and Navigation Co.**—It is understood that the V. V. and E. Ry. and N. Co. is now entirely controlled by the Great Northern Ry., U.S. Mackenzie, Mann & Co. previously held a considerable interest in the charter.

An action is before the courts at Victoria concerning the share capital of the Co. Dr. Milne at one time held about one-half of the stock, and during his absence in England gave R. Hall, of Victoria, power of attorney to dispose of it. Hall sold the stock for \$22,000, a depreciated value under the then existing circumstances, and it is alleged by Dr. Milne that D. G. Macdonnell, a Vancouver barrister, wrongfully misrepresented facts to Hall, and so induced him to sell the stock. The action is for damages.

**Vancouver, Westminster and Yukon Ry.**—Application will be made Mar. 12 at Ottawa for the approval of the purchase by the V.W. and Y. Ry. Co. of the charter and assets of the Vancouver, Westminster, Northern and Yukon Ry. Co.

**White Pass and Yukon Ry.**—Gross earnings from July 1 to Dec. 31, 1902, \$1,133,978.

We were officially informed recently that the press reports sent out from Seattle, Wash., that the transfer of the offices to Vancouver, B.C., had been made with a view of transferring the line to the C.P.R., were without foundation.

**Yarmouth Street Ry.**—This Nova Scotian street railway, the third to be operated by electricity in the Dominion, has been in operation since 1892. It has not paid, and was closed down Feb. 3. The Co., in addition to running the street car service, supplied current for lighting, heating and power purposes in the own.

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