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GRAND TRUNK PEOPLE NOT SATISFIED WITH NEW G. T. PACIFIC DEAL.

George Allen, Who Resigned as Director December 28, Says Bargain is Fundamentally Wrong, and Will Ruin the Road--An Edinburgh Stockholder Hopes That the Scheme Will Not Be Approved at Today's Meeting.

Montreal, March 7--(Special)--A special cable says: "George Allen, was one of the directors on the board of the Grand Trunk railway from Sir Henry's regime, but has resigned. He says the report to be dealt with tomorrow is fundamentally wrong and will gradually ruin the Grand Trunk. When he resigned on December 28, the line across the mountains had not been surveyed, the length of the line was unascertained, and the estimated cost had not been ascertained. The government wants the line which will take all the new traffic off the Portland section, it ought to build it itself. "Sir Wilfrid Laurier had stated that the government ran no risk, while the risk to the old line is dangerous and imminent. He thinks that the agreement should not be confirmed. "An Edinburgh holder of a considerable quantity of Grand Trunk railway stock hopes that no decision will be arrived at at tomorrow's meeting. To guarantee the second mortgage bonds of the company in the weak position of the Grand Trunk Pacific to an unrestricted extent would be to declare, ruin to the Grand Trunk railway."

CONTESTS IN FREDERICTON ELECTION.

Mr Palmer and Two Aldermen Returned by Acclamation.

W. B. Students Fined for Disturbing School Exercises--A Scott Act Violation--Death of Mrs. John Campbell--Boles town.

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JAPS HAVE RUSSIAN SQUADRON IN BAD BOX.

Czar's Ships Are Away from Vladivostok and Can't Get Back.

Mikado's Warships Are Reported to Have Pounded the "Gibraltar of the East" All Day Yesterday--London Thinks That Its Defences Are Weak--Russians Strongly Fortified on the Yalu River, and Japs Have a Hard Proposition Ahead of Them.

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ALBERT COUNTY PORT MAY DO EXPORT BUSINESS OF PROPOSED G. T. PACIFIC.

Minister of Railways Tells Delegation That Wants Salisbury and Harvey Road Extended to Moncton That the Project May Mean Much to That Section of the Country--Assistance to Be Asked from Both Governments.

Moncton, N. B., March 7--(Special)--The minister of railways who spent today in Moncton had a busy time of it. He was interviewed by several I. C. R. deputations representing the order of Railway Clerks and Machinists, who are asking for the adoption of schedules bettering their condition. This afternoon the minister met the committee taking the proposed extension of the Salisbury and Harvey railway to Moncton in hand, in the board of trade rooms. Among those present besides the minister were Hon. A. R. McCallan, Hon. C. W. Robinson, Hon. F. J. Sweeney, J. T. Hawke, C. J. O'Connell, S. S. Ryan, M. P. P. Albert, J. L. Peck, A. Sherwood, Hon. J. L. Peck, and F. W. Sumner, president of the board of trade; F. Taylor, of Hillsboro, and numbers of other leading citizens of Moncton and Albert. The views of the promoters of the project were presented to the minister by Dr. I. Welch, J. L. Peck, Robinson, Sweeney, O'Connell, and others, after which Mr. Emmerson addressed the meeting in reference to the proposal. All the speakers heartily endorsed the project, but the minister of railways pointed out that a combined railway and highway bridge should be included in the proposal. It is proposed to build a branch from Salisbury to Moncton, bridge a distance of eight miles and the minister expressed the opinion that the scheme should not be taken before the governments asking for subsidies without including the bridge which must, evidently come if the proposed branch is built. It was decided to set forth the whole project of railway and highway as suggested by Mr. Emmerson in the preamble and memorandum the dominion and local governments to grant subsidies to the railway. Hon. J. L. Peck, Hon. F. W. Sumner, has agreed to build the branch to Moncton if subsidies are granted. During the discussion the minister of railways pointed out the possibility of export traffic from the west seeking an outlet through ports in the lower part of Albert in winter if railway facilities were provided. All the representatives present promised their support to the project. The minister left tonight with his family for Ottawa.

BRITISH FOOD TAX NOT PRACTICABLE.

Balfour Announces This in Parliament, and He Says Chamberlain Has Arrived at Same Conclusion.

London, March 7--In the house of commons tonight, on a motion of adjournment for the purpose of giving the premier an opportunity to relate the circumstances surrounding the resignation from the cabinet last autumn, Mr. Balfour reviewed at length the entire situation prior to and after the crisis. Referring to his pamphlet which was sent to the cabinet members in August, the premier said Lord George Hamilton, former secretary for India, had failed to deny the statements attributed to him until Mr. Balfour had publicly declared them to be "totally untrue." It was not within the region of practical politics to suggest a tax on food, the premier continued, and Joseph Chamberlain had reached a similar conclusion. The following represented the maritime provinces: Nova Scotia--E. B. Elderkin, J. W. Black, Ingles, C. Craig, S. J. Greenman, Albert. New Brunswick--C. H. Giles, Frederick, P. C. Poyas, Fredericton; W. W. Hubbard, St. John; C. F. Rogers, Woodville; M. M. Campbell, Apohaqui; and F. A. Peters, Fredericton. Prince Edward Island--J. W. Caulke, Augustine Cove; Rev. Father A. E. Burkes, Alberton. Lord Alton formally opened the proceedings and was presented with an address. The fat stock show, the poultry show and the horse show are all on this week. The meeting passed the following resolution: "That the Canadian government is hereby asked to take steps to regulate the further importation of horses, catfish and swine and further that animals for breeding purposes may be admitted free of duty when pure bred registered in the authorized books of record of the breed originated and when owned by a British subject resident of the dominion." "That all the records now in existence be amalgamated into one national record, based on the generally accepted standard as understood by the majority of owners interested in each breed." "That when amalgamation takes place every animal at present registered in any herd book of the proper standard be accepted free of cost." "That in all cases the rules and regulations governing each registration in any national record shall be decided by the resolution of the duly qualified members of the association representing each particular breed and be subject to approval by the minister of agriculture." "That steps be taken to organize a record association for breeds of live stock now recorded in any Canadian live stock registers." "That a special report of independent department for year ending June 30 last, was issued today. It shows that in addition to 3,000,000 acres land given away in homesteads by the government there were over 4,000,000 acres sold by land companies, making in all a grand total of 7,000,000 acres taken up for settlement during year.

MAINE FIVE-MASTER SUNK BY STEAMER.

Newport News, Va., March 7--The five-master schooner Gardner G. Deering, Captain Ross, of Bath (Maine), was run down and sunk early today by the Merchant's and Miners Transportation Company's steamer Essex, Captain Johnson. The Essex arrived in this city at 3:45 o'clock this afternoon. Captain Johnson of the Essex, refused to make a statement regarding the accident. It is said that the heavy fog on the Chesapeake Bay was responsible for the collision. The crew of the schooner, numbering eleven men, were picked up by boats from the Essex. The schooner was owned by Gardner G. Deering, of Bath (Maine), and was barely a year old. All three of these young men are natives of Anheerst and the appointment in each case is highly satisfactory.

SPRINGFIELD, O., MOB LYNCHES A NEGRO.

Thousand Armed Men Battered the Jail Doors In and Took Their Victim to the Street Where He Was Riddled With Bullets and Then Hanged to a Lamp-post--The Man Had Killed a Policeman.

Springfield, O., March 7--A mob of 500 men gathered at the county jail tonight with the avowed purpose of lynching Richard Dixon, of Cynthia (Ky.), the negro who shot Policeman Charles Collins yesterday. Sheriff Floyd Routzahn appeared on the jail steps and pleaded with the mob to disperse, but he could be heard with difficulty. His appeal was ineffective and he was compelled to go within. There is little or no drunkenness in the crowd. The jail is practically impregnable and it is not thought an attempt will be made to storm it. Collins died at noon today and there is a strong feeling throughout the city that unless the negro is killed by mob violence, he never shall hang. Collins was shot by Dixon Sunday morning while the latter was in his room in a hotel here removing his baggage. He had decided to quit the place and fearing trouble with Anna Corbin, a woman with whom he was acquainted, Dixon asked Collins to go to the hotel with him, while in his room Dixon and Miss Corbin quarreled and Dixon is said to have shot her in the breast. The policeman attempted to arrest Dixon when the latter fired into the other's body, inflicting fatal wounds. At 9 o'clock the mob had increased to 800 men and the jail yard to the south and east was completely filled. The electric lights leading to the sheriff's residence and the jail are out and both places are in darkness. The mob has three inch gas pipes and is battering at the east door but as yet have not effected an entrance. The leaders have a rope and there is a rumor of another mob forming down town. At 11 o'clock the negro, Richard Dixon, was taken from the jail and shot to death in the jail yard and the body was taken from there to the corner of Main street and Fountain avenue and hung to a telegraph pole, where the mob spent the next half hour riddling the body with bullets from several hundred revolvers. The mob forced an entrance to the jail by battering in the east door with a railroad iron.

BANK CLERK PREFERENCES DEATH TO DISGRACE.

G Appleton, of Molson's Bank, Toronto, Summoned to Montreal to Explain Irregularities in Accounts, Shot Himself Dead While Waiting for an Audience With the Manager.

Montreal, March 7--(Special)--The head office of Molson's Bank on St. James street, was the scene of a tragedy this afternoon when L. G. Appleton, a clerk in the Toronto branch, shot himself dead just inside the office of Manager Elliott. The only witness of the suicide was a girl, who watched the man through the glass of a telephone booth. Appleton was summoned to the head office to explain irregularities in his accounts. He arrived from Toronto in the morning and reported at headquarters, but made no attempt to meet the manager later in the day. When he called on the second time Manager Elliott was engaged. After waiting up and down the corridor, Appleton turned out into a passageway, pulled out a revolver and shot himself through the brain. The clerk in the bank who heard the pistol report rushed out and found Appleton lying dead beside his smoking revolver. The management of the bank declines to give out the extent of the clerk's irregularities. Appleton was an old employe, thirty-six years of age and had a wife and family.

AMERICAN LOCOMOTIVE COMPANY GOBBLES MONTREAL CONCERN.

Deal Closed Monday Whereby the \$50,000,000 Yankee Corporation Got Control of the Plant at Longue Pointe.

Montreal, March 7--(Special)--For some months S. R. Callaway and his associates of the American Locomotive Company, have had their eyes on the locomotive and machine company works of Montreal. It is now understood that an important deal will be completed today by which the American company will get control of the local one. Negotiations were opened a few weeks ago with a view to an amalgamation or absolute purchase and apparently a good understanding has been reached, for Mr. Callaway has arrived here.

In an interview he said the deal would be brought to a close today by an exchange of securities. The Canadian company has a capital of \$30,000,000, while its big rival across the border is capitalized at \$50,000,000.

A. O. U. W. LODGE WILL NOT EXPEND FUNDS DURING COURT FIGHT.

Boston, March 7--An agreement was reached by the contending factions of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., in the United States circuit court this afternoon by which the officers of the supreme lodge and the officers of the grand lodge who favor continued affiliation with the higher body promised to expend none of the lodge's funds unless it be for death benefits.

The controversy was before the court on the question whether the temporary injunction issued to restrain various seces sion members from interfering with the recognized officers should be made permanent. Judge Aldrich retained the agreement, which will continue effective until the merits of the case are passed upon later.

Salvation Army Changes Rumored.

New York, March 7--The World this morning says: "It is believed in the Salvation Army, although denied at the army headquarters yesterday, that Commander Booth Tucker will retire soon from the command in America to do literary work in London and will be succeeded by Commander Thos. B. Coomes, now in England."

Chinese Bandit Band 2,000 Strong.

Tien Tsai, March 7--The report that Russia has organized the Sin-Min-Tan railroad and taken possession of the telegraph lines is incorrect. A resident of Tien Tsai has had an interview with Chang Chieh of the bandits called "Chang Chieh." According to this man, Chang commands 2,000 men, who are well drilled, and Russian agents are reliably reported to have penetrated south, as far as Kiung-Sung. The earlier Russian movement into northeastern Korea was regarded as a diversion but it now appears that a considerable force participated. It is thought that the Russians may occupy and fortify some strong position on the Tumen river. Reports regarding Russian movements in the north of the Yalu is being increased, but it is doubted if any considerable number of Russians have crossed the river.

Japs Considering Finances.

Tokio, March 7--The Japanese cabinet is expected to meet tomorrow to finally consider the programme of financial legislation made necessary by the war, which is to be submitted to the special session of the diet. It is understood that it has been decided not to introduce legislation affecting the tobacco monopoly.

Seoul-Ping Yang Railway Ready in September.

Tokio, March 7--The construction of the railroad from Seoul to Ping Yang will be completed by September.

Port Arthur Quiet.

Port Arthur, March 8--Everything is quiet here.

IMPORTANT AMHERST VACANCIES FILLED.

T. Sherman Rogers to Succeed Late Recorder Townsend.

William G. Pugsley to Take Place of Late Captain Loverson as Registrar of Probate--A. G. McKeezie the New Stipendiary Magistrate.

Amherst, N. S., March 7--(Special)--At the regular meeting of the town council tonight T. Sherman Rogers was appointed recorder to succeed the late J. M. Townsend. The appointment is one that will give general satisfaction, as Mr. Rogers is a man of splendid character and good ability and as a partner of the late Recorder Townsend had become thoroughly conversant with the business connected with the office. Alexander G. McKenzie has been appointed stipendiary for the town. This office was also held by the late Mr. Townsend. William G. Pugsley has received the appointment of registrar of probate made vacant by the death of the late Capt. Richard Loverson. All three of these young men are natives of Amherst and the appointment in each case is highly satisfactory.

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