

GREAT BUILDING STRIKE DECLARED

Fifteen Hundred Bricklayers and Stonemasons in Montreal Suddenly Cease Work

Montreal, July 5.—The strike of the union bricklayers and stonemasons for recognition of their union and a standard rate of wages, struck this morning.

The matter stands to the extent of the strike is not definitely known, but it is claimed by the general committee which has charge of the strike that in the neighborhood of fifteen hundred men quit their jobs and reported at the Labor Temple instead of at their regular work.

A meeting of the general committee was held this evening, making preparations for carrying on the strike when it was stated that practically all the union bricklayers and stonemasons in the city had obeyed the strike order, and that this involved about 1,500 men.

To Offset Previous Strike. This is an attempt to offset the effects of the bricklayers' strike of three years ago, which the men declare was really a lock-out, since the Master Builders took action before the men were ready to strike and so won out.

It is intimated by the general committee that while the Master Builders won the last struggle, owing to superior organization and support, they are in a better position now to make it stand.

The union here, it is stated, had the support of the international union and were prepared to make a fight to the end, no matter what it might cost. All arrangements being under way for strike pay for as long as the men might be out.

Fight to a Finish. A fight to a finish was decided upon by the Master Builders at a meeting held by a number of the leading contractors to consider the situation. The leading contracting firms of the city were represented and it was decided that they should put up a firm and united stand against the demands of the union men for recognition of the union and the closed shop. Not only did the various firms agree to this, but they also agreed to each put up a deposit of \$1,000 as a guarantee that they would stand by their agreement and see the fight through.

It was stated at the meeting that the contractors might as well put up a fight now as any other time, and that unless they did so the present trouble would simply mean that a number of similar demands would be made which would result in the business being pretty much run by the unions. The general feeling of the contractors was that a fight was inevitable and that the sooner it was met the better their chances of winning it.

HOUSES DEMOLISHED BY TERRIFIC STORM

Rothenberg's Terrible Storm—Many Buildings Hoisted—Demolished—Hail Destroys Much Grain—Damage Will Reach Thousands of Dollars.

Rothenberg, Sask., July 5.—The worst storm in the history of Rothenberg occurred here on Sunday night. The wind was terrific, and lasted over an hour. The rain which accompanied the wind was very heavy, literally soaking the district.

During the storm houses and barns were blown about like chaff. The roof of Henry Vogt's house, four miles east of here, was blown off, and the family nearly drowned by a deluge of water which resembled a cloud burst. Vogt's stable was also blown to pieces and his horses ran away.

Stable and Shed Smashed. John Bennett had a stable and shed smashed by the storm. The sheds at the church, east of the town, were blown into a neighboring field.

A water tank was carried fifty yards and not damaged. A windmill on Bennett's farm was badly damaged. A new barn adjoining the town was blown down, and lumber six inches square broken.

A stable at the race track in Rothenberg was blown to pieces, sections being carried five hundred yards.

At East Rothenberg there was also a hail storm which destroyed considerable grain.

The damage will reach thousands of dollars.

Montreal, July 5.—The St. John engineers representing Messrs. Harland and Wolff, English shipbuilders, reported favorably on the Courtenay Bay site for the dry dock. It is expected that plans of the dock will be filed, and a subsidy requested within the next two months.

Lt. Howe Is Promoted. London, Eng., July 5.—Lt. P. H. W. Howe, R.N., appointed to Ottawa as naval adviser, has been promoted to rank of engineer commander.

THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE OFFICIALS

Rev. Dr. McQueen, Chairman of the Board of Management, Names Board and Senate—Principal Will Be Appointed by the Latter Body.

An abstract from the records of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church in Canada, relative to the establishment of the theological college in connection with the Provincial university at Strathcona has been received by Rev. Dr. McQueen, who was appointed chairman of the board of management by the assembly.

The following ministers and laymen of the Presbyterian church are named as members of the board of management:—

Dr. G. McQueen (Edmonton), J. M. Miller (Strathcona), John A. Clark (Calgary), A. Maberry (Calgary), F. D. Roseburgh (Olds), Or. George Arthur (Vegreville), A. D. (Ponoka), A. C. Bryanston, W. D. Reid (Calgary), J. R. Munro (Taber), with the principal ministers and the Hon. Frank Oliver, M.P., Hon. C. W. Cross, M.P.P., John A. McDougall, M.P.P., Robert Lee (Edmonton), A. P. Swing (Edmonton), J. M. Douglas, M.P. (Strathcona), Professor Edwards (Strathcona), D. H. McKinnon (Strathcona), D. G. Revell, M.D. (Edmonton), Justice Stuart, chancellor of Alberta university (Calgary), George J. Bryan (Calgary), James Shors, K.C. (Calgary), Lieut. Col. J. Walker (Calgary), A. M. Perill (Calgary), George S. Dingle (Calgary), T. Humphries (Calgary), George G. Welbourn, Winterburn (Winterburn), H. A. Calder (Strathcona), James B. Holden, M.P. (Vegreville), W. Day, Daysland, A. J. McCauley (Tondel), George P. Smith, M.P.P. (Camrose), H. Jamieson (Red Deer), Mr. McGeorge, (Red Deer), T. B. Miller (Sylvan Lake), J. Shannon (Midnapore), R. B. Douglas (Strathcona), E. J. Fairmoult, M.D. (High River), Hon. C. R. Mitchell (Medicine Hat), J. D. Higginbotham (Edmonton), with power to add four additional names from the southern part of the province.

Subject to the regulations of the general assembly, the duties of this board will be in general the making of appointments and the control of finances.

The following ministers and laymen will constitute the Senate: The Principal, J. E. Duncos, Edmonton; C. A. Myers, Edmonton; D. G. McQueen, D. D., Edmonton; C. D. Campbell, Edmonton; John A. Clark, Calgary; W. D. Reid, Calgary; W. Simons, Vermilion; G. A. Lang, Vegreville; M. White, Ladangombe; W. G. Brown, Red Deer; A. McKellar, Midnapore; P. Henderson, Claresholm; A. M. Gordon, Lethbridge; W. Brydon, Lethbridge; John T. Ross, chief inspector of schools, Edmonton; Professor J. A. McEachern, Strathcona; D. S. McKenzie, deputy minister of education; Edmonton; A. Fullerton, Edmonton; T. M. Turnbull, Edmonton; D. S. Moffat, Calgary; Dr. Laferriere, Calgary; J. C. Butchart, P.S.I., Vegreville; A. A. Gibson, Red Deer; Robert Henderson, Fincher Creek; K. W. McKinnon, Edmonton, with power to add two additional names from the southern part of the province.

Nomination of Principal. The duties of the Senate are in general to frame courses of study, conduct examinations and administer discipline.

The nomination of a principal is left to a joint meeting of the board of management and the Senate, to be called by the Rev. Dr. McQueen, by whom the first meeting of the board of management is to be called.

The assembly urges congregations, members and adherents of the Presbyterian Church in Alberta to contribute loyally to the maintenance of the college.

The board of management is empowered to make temporary arrangements for classes as soon as it deems advisable.

Chinese Railway Agreement. London, July 4.—Sir Edward Grey is not being allowed much rest from inquiries regarding British and American interests in China. Mr. Gerid Arbuthnot, who is particularly assiduous in this matter, yesterday asked the foreign secretary if the Chinese government is a consenting party to the terms of the agreement signed in Paris, May 25, for financing the construction of the Hankow-Sze-Chuen railway by representatives of certain British, French and American groups, and whether the terms and conditions of this agreement were communicated to and approved by the British government. Sir Edward Grey replied that the Chinese government was asked to agree to the terms of the arrangement recently come to in Paris. The British government was generally aware of and approved the conditions of the agreement before its conclusion.

\$75,000 Debt Completed. Sherbrooke, July 5.—Mr. Frank Thompson, director of the Sherbrooke Railway and Power Company, completed here today the deed of sale conveying all the properties and powers, etc., purchased by the railway company from the British American Land Company. Mr. Thompson paid over the purchase price of \$75,000.

Dr. Osler Opposed To Pensions. London, Eng., July 5.—Closing the tuberculosis conference, Dr. Osler, referring to the proposed of a national system of insurance against disease strongly opposed any such intervention of the state as has been proposed in the matter of non-contributory old age pensions.

NELSON THREATENED BY DISASTROUS FIRE

Blaze Which Started in Shingle Mill Destroyed Into Serious Conflagration, Destroying Property to Value of \$51,000.

Nelson, B.C., July 5.—A fire today destroyed over thirty thousand dollars' worth of Nelson property, and was the most dangerous and costly conflagration experienced here in a decade.

The fire broke out in the Kreyescher shingle mill on Water street early this afternoon, and, fanned by a strong wind, threatened to fire the east end of the city.

When brought under control it had destroyed the shingle mill, the Kootenay Engineering Works' plant, the Kootenay Laundry building, a houseboat and four other residences.

Mystery surrounds the origin of the fire, which broke out in sawdust and shingle cuttings far from any known fire, as the mill was operated by electric power.

By the time the brigade arrived the shingle mill, engineering works and bathhouse, occupied by Kreyescher and family, were a mass of flames, and several roofs of neighboring houses were ablaze.

The heat was so intense that the firemen could not approach within 50 yards of the fire, and the water turned to steam and floated away on the breeze. Showers of sparks and flying embers increased the danger, and caused the fire to break out far from the scene of the main fire.

After heroic efforts the fire was got under control.

No insurance was carried on the shingle mill, the loss of which is five thousand dollars.

The Kootenay Engineering Works is valued at twenty thousand dollars, and was insured for twelve thousand. They were not operated, and debenture bonds are held by the Imperial Bank.

C. W. Whitmore, of Big Harbor, Washington, owned two of the burned residences, valued at three thousand with no insurance. George Trimm, of Spokane, owns the building of the Kootenay Laundry, valued at \$2,200, with \$500 insurance.

Captain Patterson's residence was also burned, valued at \$1,000, with \$800 insurance.

Two streams of water are still playing on the ruins, which are surrounded by piles of lumber owned by the Yale Columbia Company.

Prominent Montrealeur Ill. Montreal, July 4.—Ex-Judge Denoyers is very low. The last rites of the church have been administered.

OVER-CLASSIFICATION ON N.T.R.

Ottawa, July 4.—Although the work of the arbitrators appointed to adjudicate upon the disputed classification of material on the National Transcontinental Railway is not yet completed, the preliminary report of the arbitrators after thorough examination is only about \$200,000. On section "E" the overclassification amounts to less than \$25,000. The Government is amply protected against any loss from over-payments made to the contractors, the percentage of payment held back on the progress estimates being several times larger than the total sum now in dispute. The publication of the final report of the arbitrators, which will not be ready for some time yet, will show that the wholesale charges made by the Opposition with regard to overclassification are absolutely without foundation.

BRAZIL TO HAVE BIGGEST WARSHIP

Place Order in England for Super-Dreadnought of 32,000 Tons, Carrying Twelve 14-Inch Guns. London, July 6.—A super-Dreadnought of 32,000 tons, with an armament of twelve fourteen-inch guns, and twenty-eight six and four-inch guns, will be built in England for Brazil. The announcement of the placing of the order with the Armstrong company was made today and caused a building sensation. The biggest battleship afloat displaced but twenty-two thousand tons and is armed with but twelve inch guns with a small secondary armament. Brazil's move will radically affect the building program of the admiralty and probably also the program of foreign nations.

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Morse, 8
Cox, 7
Lusi, 6
Spencer, 5
Quigley, 4
Brennan, 3
Hickey, 2
Totals, 24

Calgary. 10
Paddock, 8
Carney, 7
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