

BETTER TRANSPORTATION FOR P. E. I. IS URGED AT HEARING

OBJECTION MADE TO DELAYS IN FERRY SERVICE

Seven Witnesses Examined at Charlottetown Hearing

WANT C. P. R.

Trade Boards President Protests Against Running of Harvest Excursions

CHARLOTTETOWN, Aug. 6.—The transportation problems of Prince Edward Island occupied the attention of the Royal Commission investigating Maritime claims throughout this afternoon's session.

Seven witnesses in all were heard and a lengthy list of alleged grievances growing out of the operation of the Canadian National Railway and car ferry were aired, the main contention being that the Island Province deserved and should be accorded as modern railway facilities as obtained throughout the rest of Canada.

At the morning session of the commission, Hon. J. D. Stewart, Premier of the province, pleaded for an increased federal subsidy, on the ground of starved public services and the heavy burden of taxation already borne by the people. He contended that at least the subsidy now paid should bear the same proportion to the present total expenditures of the province as the subsidy paid when the province entered the confederation bore to the total expenditures of the time.

PARTNERSHIP SUGHT

Sir Andrew Rae Duncan, the chairman, pointed out that Prince Edward Island, unlike some of the other provinces, notably Nova Scotia, sought the partnership, but the Premier insisted that the union was consummated largely at the instance of the Imperial authorities.

An interesting point brought out by the Premier was that the cost of provincial legislation at present showed a decrease over the cost at the time of Confederation. He estimated the population of the Island at 85,000 and the total annual expenditure at \$74,000.

TRAFFIC DELAYS

Donald McKinnon, K. C., in presenting the case on transportation for the Associated Boards of Trade, stressed the alleged delays occurring in the handling of traffic at the terminal of the car ferry. He also protested against the practice of charging the cost of operating the ferry against the Prince Edward Island division of the road.

Previous to the introduction of the car ferry, the traffic had been handled by steamers subsidized by the Dominion government. With the advent of the improved facilities, these subsidies had been withdrawn. The province had been promised a continuous service and were not getting it.

SUBSTANTIAL COMPLAINT

The chairman pointed out that this was a substantial complaint and suggested that for this reason it was possibly unnecessary to worry about the railway company's system of book-keeping, but Mr. McKinnon insisted that every endeavor to secure better facilities for the province was met with the contention that the Island better did not pay. Concluding his statement, he pleaded that improved docking facilities should be installed at Island Point and more Canadian Merchant Marine ships should make Charlottetown a port of call.

COMPLAINTS OF TRAINS

B. R. Holman, broker, the first witness called, complained of "second rate" passenger accommodation on the trains running between Charlottetown and Saint John. He thought a pullman or chair car service should be instituted. He had heard visitors to the Island declare they will never come back as a result of their experience in crossing from the mainland. Motor cars, in his judgment, were also unnecessarily delayed. It was three-quarters of an hour's run for the car ferry from Capt. Tormentine to Bonaventure, but it required three hours in a motor car to make the trip owing to the delays getting on and off the steamer.

Chester McLure, trader, corroborated the evidence of the preceding witness and claimed that he knew of in-

stances where a narrow escape from serious injury yesterday afternoon near the corner of Main and Elm streets when she was struck by motor truck X-284, owned and driven by Richard Fielding, of 125 Millidge Avenue.

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OFF TO THE RACES



"Take 'em bicycling," advises Dr. Walter G. Kendall, 72, of Boston, here is Dr. Kendall, president of the Boston Bicycle club 40 years, which throws all the weight on the

tending visitors who had been dissuaded from coming to the Island on account of the transportation difficulties of Canada.

SECOND CAR FERRY

Edgar H. Beer, provincial fire marshal, contended that a second car ferry was required to properly handle the traffic. In his judgment, the attitude of railway officials generally was that "anything was good enough for spud Island."

Wilford Boulter, assistant provincial commissioner of agriculture and secretary of the Potato Growers' Association, complained of a shortage of cars during the busy shipping season. He also advocated the subsidizing of additional lines of steamships to handle the Island's produce.

CLOSED LOBSTER SEASON

W. F. Tidmarsh, lobster packer, announced that he had been instructed by a resolution adopted by the canned fish section of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association formally to endorse the suggestions placed before the commission by R. H. Williams, lobster packer of Halifax, that a closed lobster season be made statutory so that they might not be interfered with by politicians seeking to gain favor with the fishermen and that a deputy minister of fisheries or a fisheries board, should be located in the Maritime Provinces for the purpose of advising the department as to the needs of the industry. He also claimed that wise regulations governing the packing of lobsters were not being enforced by officials of the government.

POLITICAL MEDDLING

When asked by the chairman for a specific instance of political interference, he promised to supply the commission with the report of a speech delivered by a former minister of marine in which he had promised the fishermen of northern New Brunswick that the mounted police, who had proved effective in the enforcing of the fisheries regulations would be withdrawn from the district and not returned during his term of office.

John Agnew, fish merchant, told of an experience he had had traveling with a sick daughter from Moncton to Charlottetown, and claimed it was impossible to obtain reliable information as to the movement of the trains from railway officials along the line.

AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC

John O. Hyndman, president of the Associated Boards of Trade, claimed that when the car ferry service was inaugurated in 1916, it was not contemplated that any considerable amount of automobile traffic would develop. When asked to enlarge on the point, he explained that at the time automobiles were not allowed on the island. He contended that while affording excursion fares from Winnipeg to the Pacific Coast, the Canadian National had declined to entertain the subject of excursion fares from Winnipeg to the Atlantic seaboard and he had had with Sir Henry Thornton and other officials on the subject.

WANTS C. P. R. SERVICE

He thought that the Canadian Pacific Railway might be induced to extend their system to the island, contending that more competition was required. He protested against the harshest excursions conducted by the railways and the activities of the mail order houses and concluded with the statement that anything done to improve conditions in the steel and coal industries of Nova Scotia would be immediately reflected in increased prosperity for Prince Edward Island.

The sessions of the committee will be continued tomorrow and on Monday the board will proceed to Sydney.

Miss Mabel Strong Is Struck By Truck

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SEEKING MEN WHO HELPED HIM DESERT

Former Soldier Longs to Meet Comrades Who Freed Him 60 Years Ago

LONDON, Aug. 7.—A white-headed man of 87, John Hawkins, has been lying in his bed in a little house in Bethnal Green, for five years longing to meet, before he dies, one of the six men who helped him to escape from the army 60 years ago.

So anxious is he to see one of those men that he has asked the press to appeal to any of them who may be alive to come forward. He adds that their journey would not be in vain. On the contrary, "it would be to their advantage."

The monotony of Mr. Hawkins' existence has led him back to the days when he was Corporal J. Hawkins, of the 1st Battalion Military Train.

"It was an unhappy day for me when I was transferred to Aldershot from Bristol," said Mr. Hawkins.

ARRESTS SUSPENDED WHILE FAIR IS ON

Unique Custom is Carried Out at Honiton, England, Fall Show

LONDON, August 7.—A centuries-old ceremony associated with the opening of Honiton fair was observed recently at midday.

The town crier, resplendent in a blue and scarlet uniform and gold-braided hat, appeared in the centre of the town carrying a pole adorned with rambling roses and other flowers and surrounded by a grey-leather glove. Ringing his bell, he called out three times, schoolboys of the town repeating the words: "Oyes, oyes, oyes, the glove is up, the fair has begun; no man shall be arrested until the glove is taken down."

Then, followed by the boys and police, the town crier walked to Honiton's oldest, best, the King's Arms, where, on a flower-decked balcony, he fixed the pole and glove. Pennies

which had been collected at inns were thrown, according to custom, by landlords from their windows and scrambled for in the roadway by the boys.

The most interesting scene was witnessed at the King's Arms, where, from an upper window, Mrs. Sansom, aged 108, entered into the fun of the fair by throwing several scoops of peace bread on a stove to the boys below. She also tossed nuts to them.

and Capt. Fred Newcomb on the coming training, and everyone in the company feels that a good training course will be ready for the company in a very short time. The latter part of the evening was enjoyed in games.

Machine Gun Officers Here Organize Club

The officers of the 7th M.G. Battalion of No. 1 Company at a meeting at the Armistice have decided to form a club, to be the 7th Emma G. Officers' Club. The president elected was Major H. Cunningham, the O.C. of the company. Lieut. O. J. Lawson was elected secretary. Those present were Major H. Cunningham, Capt. Fred J. Newcomb, quartermaster of the battalion, Lieut. O. J. Lawson, Lieut. K. Nelson, Lieut. F. H. Gordon and Lieut. P. Nasc. Lieut. O. J. Lawson and Lieut. K. Nelson received word that they had qualified in their machine gun examination, which took place at Camp Sussex last July.

A great talk was given by the O.C.

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TOURISTS TO SAINT JOHN

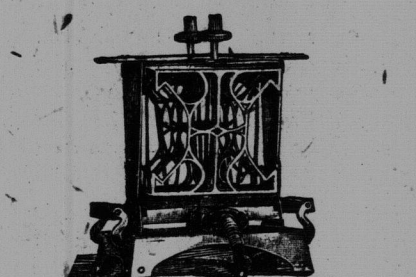
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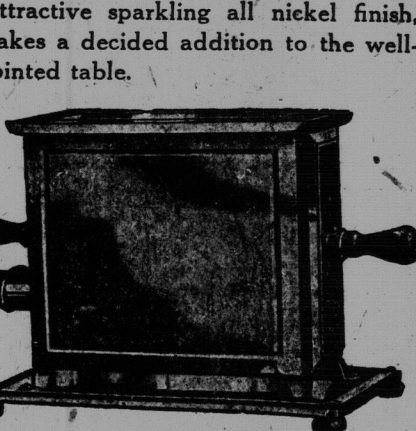
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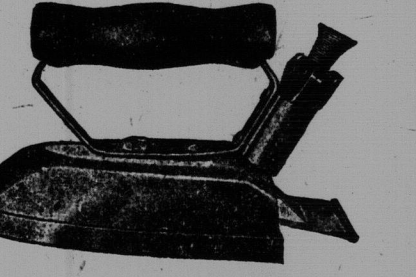
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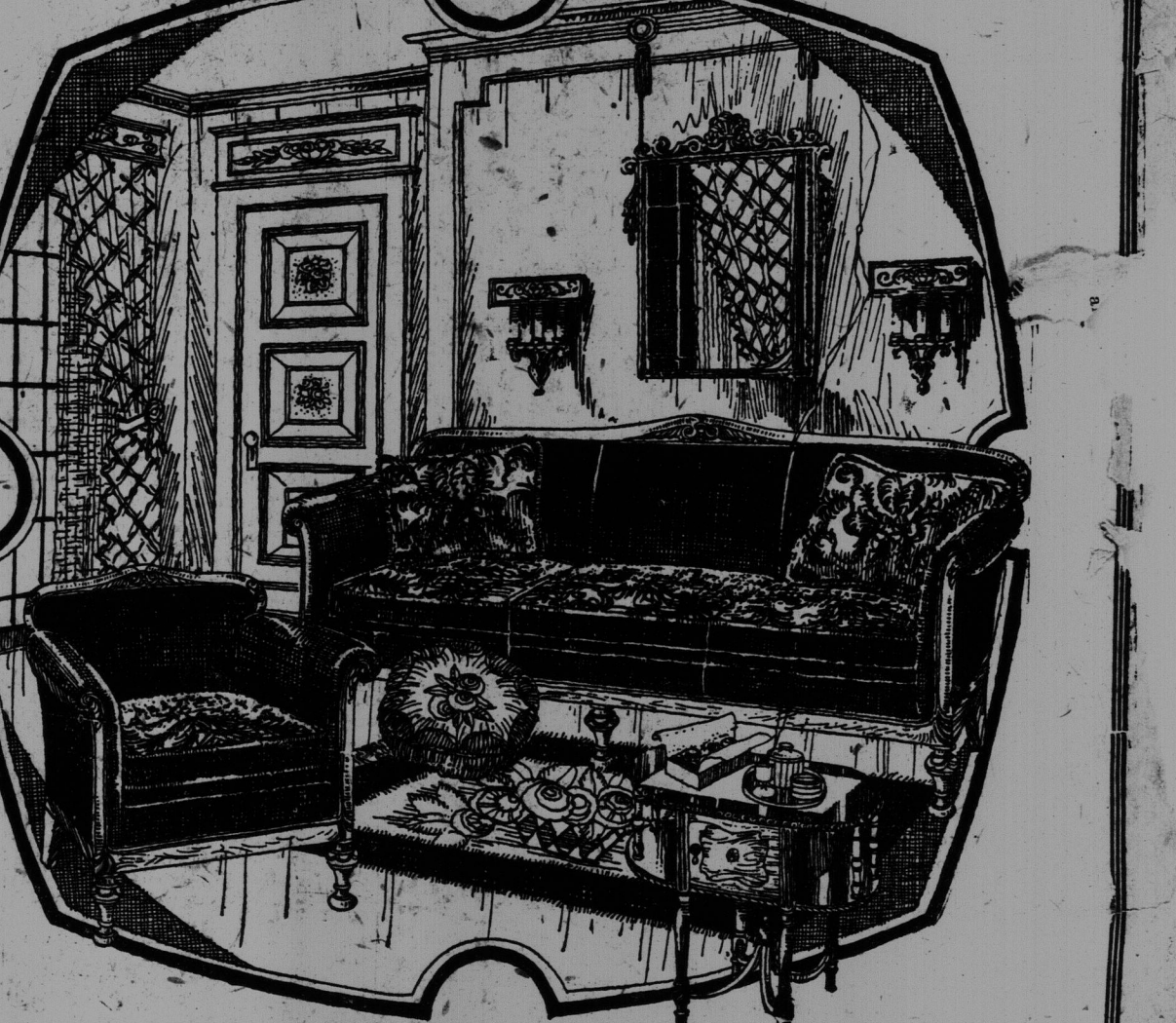
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