INTERESTS IN WESTERN CANADA LARGE

Canadian Agency Owns Over Fifteen Hundred Acres of Land Near City of Winnipeg

Winnipeg, Man., June 8.—Western Canadian interests of the Canadian Agency are very extensive.

The directors of the Canadian Agency are: A. M. Grenfell, chairman; R. N. Grenfell, D. C. Newton, C. Ponsonby, and J. S. T. Samborne. The agency has branches in Western Canada at Edmonton, Saskatoon, and Calgary.

The company is largely interested in the South Winnipeg, Limited, which appears to be their chief investment in the city of Winnipeg. The directors of this company are F. T. Griffin, F. W. Hubach, Major-General S. B. Lane, C. Ponsonby, and J. S. Tuppert, K. C. The company has a capital of $1,850,000 with £300,000 of five per cent. debenture stock. The company owns 1,574 acres of land to the southwest limits of the city of Winnipeg. The residential section forms part of what is known as Tuxedo Park, and contains about 414 acres, between the old Agricultural College and the City Park, while the industrial section contains about 1,100 acres, and lies south of the Canadian Northern Railway and runs out as far as the Canada Cement works. In the latest publication of the Canadian Agency, Limited, this land is given an estimated value of £608,500, with a debenture debt against it of £300,000.

The Canadian Agency also owns the Western Canada Land Company, with a capital of £500,000 and five per cent debenture stock of £500,000. Maj-Gen. Lane is chairman of this company. This company owned on December 31, 1912, 347,724 acres in the Saskatchewan Valley near Edmonton.

The latest statement of the company shows that 152,000 acres of this have been sold, leaving a balance of 195,000 acres. This company also practically owns the Pembina Coal Company, Limited, holding $1,000,000 capital stock and $1,000,000 of six per cent, debentures. These coal fields are sixty miles west of Edmonton, comprising an area of 10,000 acres of freehold land. The company has also a subsidiary company known as the Western Canada Mortgage Company Limited. This company has headquarters at Edmonton under the direction of a Canadian board made up of H. M. E. Evans, A. R. Scoble and J. E. Erskine This company has ordinary shares to the value of $2,500,000 and 5 per cent First mortgage bonds to the extent of $300,000, all held by the Western Land Company, which in turn is owned by the Canadian Agency.

One of the largest of the company's investments is undoubtedly the Southern Alberta Land Company with a share captain £700,000, 5 per cent. debenture stock to the value of £690,000 and a debenture stock to the value of £250,000. The directors of this company are Major General Lane chairman, W. H. Ellice and A. M. Grenfell. The company owns 396,000 acres of land on the Canadian Pacific Railway between Calgary and Medicine Hat. Large irregation works were commenced on this property in 1909 and are expected to be completed by next year. The public statements of this company put the property as follows: 160,000 acres of irrigable land at £8, £1,280,000; 211,000 acres of dry land at £5, £1,055,000; total, £2,335,000 against this there is a total debenture debt of £940,000.

The company is also understood to be interested in the General Reality Corporation Limited of the City of Port Arthur, which has been developing property between the cities of Port Arthur and Fort William, but the particulars as to this investment are not as yet available.

MR. PUGSLEY FAILED IN HIS DUTY NO NEW BRUNSWICK

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During the evening sitting Dr. Pugsley brought up a motion of censure on the government in connection with the National Transcontinental.

The member for St. John charged that changes in grade had been made in the eastern section of the N. T. R. without consulting the chief engineer of the G. T. P., and in violation of the agreement between the government and the Grand Trunk Pacific; that the construction of terminals at Quebec had been greatly delayed as a result of the dilatory methods of the present government; that criminal delay had also taken place with regard to the terminals for which land had been purchased at St. John and that the government's action had given rise to such uncertainty that no one, including the G. T. P., itself, knew what was going to be done as regards the eastern section of Maritime Province ports. No attempt had been made to operate separate sections of the road though the late President Hayes had offered to do so.

Mr. Pugsley's Amendment.

Mr. Pugsley concluded by moving the following amendment:

"This house regrets that since the present government came into power there has been an apparently systematic and determined effort to defeat or delay the accomplishment of the great national objects for which the Transcontinental Railway was undertaken, of carrying traffic at a low cost between east and west, and to secure to the utmost extent possible the transportation of Canadian products and merchandise through Canadian channels and Canadian seaports, both in summer and winter, such effort being evidenced:

(a)—By reducing the standard of construction:

(b)—By so doing without the consent of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company, and thus giving the company an excuse for refusing or delaying the operation of the eastern division:

(c)—By delaying the construction of terminal accommodations at Quebec and Maritime Province ports, and also by great and unnecessary delay in the making of provision for suitable connections therewith to be used by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company;

(d)—By neglecting to arrange, as provided by the statute, for the operation of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company of the sections of the Transcontinental Railway already completed, which, if it had been so arranged for, would have already brought about considerable development of traffic in the districts served by the sections so operated."

Where Was Mr. Pugsley?

Hon. Robert Rogers replied that by his present amendment, in view of what the N. T. R. investigation had disclosed, and also in view of the fact that the present government had done more for the development of Canada's national ports in three years than the late government had in fifteen, Mr. Pugsley was adding insult to injury. If the N. T. R. were of little use to New Brunswick; whose fault was it? and where had the member for St. John been when his own government had adopted a policy that made it of no use to that province?

Mr. Rogers went on to point out that nothing in the agreement obliged the G. T. P. to take over the N. T. R. in separate sections, and that therefore the government was justified in not calling upon them to do so The minister then dealt with the railway policy of the late government as shown by its unhappy results. If the present government had failed to lower rates in the west, it was because of this heritage. Mr. Rogers said that fifteen children in an elementary school could have made a beter agreement with the G. T. P. than that contracted by the late government.

As to the momentum grades, etc., complained of by the opposition, $200.00 would correct all that existed. As a matter of fact, the specifications for the road had been so indefinitely worded that millions of dollars had been lost in their interpretation which had been approved by the government.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier declared, in reply, that he did not propose to enter into a bragging contest with the Minister of Public Works. The government had replaced the board of N. T. R. commissioners by one commissioner Major Leonard, and yet had this session introduced a bill to get rid of him—of course letting him down as easily as possible in the process. Sir Wilfrid said that Mr. Rogers had at least admitted it had damaged the N. T. R. by changing its grades, and that these might have to be changed afterwards.

The leader of the opposition then turned his attention to the alleged delay of the government in providing terminals at Quebec, stating that the plans of the former administration for terminals and car shops there had been altered, and in the end nothing had been done.

The vote on Dr. Pugsley's motion of censure was taken at an early hour this morning. It was declared lost on division and the house adjourned.

TALKED WITH THE SPIRIT OF TITANIC VICTIM

Sir Alfred Turner Tells Weird Story of His Experience During Spiritualist Seance.

London, June 4—"As a soldier, I am naturally pugnacious. I believe in fighting for what I know to be true and holding to it through thick and thin. I know that I have facts, as anybody would know who took the trouble to investigate them. People who say that these things are all hallucinations only show their own stupidity."

The foregoing words were spoken in the course of a lecture "My Psychic Experiences," delivered by Major General Sir Alfred Turner in the salon of the Royal Society of British artists.

Among other "experiences" described were several encounters with the spirit of the late W. T. Stead, who was lost on the Titanic, and concerning which Sir Alfred said:

"On the Sunday following the sinking of the Titanic I was visiting a medium when she told me that on the glass of the picture behind my back the head of a man and afterward his whole form appeared. She described him minutely, and said that he was holding a child by the hand. I had no doubt that it was Mr. Stead, and wrote immediately to Miss Harper, Mr. Stead's secretary, who replied that she had witnessed the same phenomenon at the same time.

"A few days later at a private seance, the voice of Stead came almost immediately and spoke to me. He told us what had happened in the last minutes of the wreck. He was asked to show himself to the circle, but replied, "Not now, but at Cambridge House." At the meeting which took place there, not everybody was sympathetic, and the results were poor, except that Mr. Stead, dressed exactly as he was when on earth.

"Since then I have seen and conversed with Mr. Stead several times, but he said very little. On the occasion of his last appearance he said 'I cannot speak to you. But pursue the truth, pursue the truth. It is all true.' "

In relating the details of his most memorable ghostly experience, Sir Alfred said:

"I have studied psychic phenomena closely for eighteen years, but have not sought publicity for my researches not because I care one jot for the mockery and disbelief of the world, but because I thought it pure waste of time in view of the general attitude toward psychic matters. Now, however, a welcome change has come about in that attitude, and I think it is my duty to tell people what have seen and heard myself.

"When I was about twelve years of age I was once fishing with an older companion in the River Medway. I fell into the water and was nearly drowned. What happened is as vivid in my memory as though it occurred yesterday.

"I remember the short, sharp struggling for breath and life, and then I appeared to be gliding over the river to the opposite bank, behind which lay a wonderful country, where the sun was shining brightly on a garden full of beautiful flowers and sweetly singing birds. On the bank, looking at me, were three figures draped in white. I stretched out my arms to them, but a voice said: 'Not yet; not yet!' Then all was darkness and the slow struggle to return to earthly consciousness. It will be said that my vision was due to hallucinations caused by great mental excitement during the struggle in the water, but I have seen those three friendly faces over and over again, and I feel sure they are my spiritual guides in this world. I am getting well on in years now and the next time I see them they will not say, 'Not yet! Not yet!'

"In 1900 I suffered a very grevious bereavement. One night I awoke to find the room illuminated with a lurid find of light, and a few feet above me there floated a figure draped in black, exactly the double of myself. I felt deadly cold, and thought that my last hour had come, but apparently the intention to quit the body was changed, for the figures vanished, and my temperature rose again. This experience was very much like what death must be.

"A few nights after this I woke again and found the spirit of the one I had lost standing beside my bed, absolutely fully materialized. We conversed for a moment or two, and then 'elemental,' a thing like a huge lizard, with the face of a man, strove to get in between us, I pushed at the thing with my hands, without reaching it, and this action of mine caused the whole vision to vanish.

"On another night my lost one appeared to me, and at the same time an old gray bearded man, like a monk, stood at the foot of the bed as if to keep away the evil 'telementals.' A few nights later, having performed the commission which the spirit had intrusted to me, I awoke to find the room quite dark, and the same spirit draped in white as before, but radiant in the light, appeared on the frieze of the room, nodding and smiling to me. It moved along the frieze to the corner, and then disappeared.

"A few years ago I was dining at a house in Chelsea which has since had two or three tenants. As I went into the hall I saw a monk in a brown robe and hood walk up the staircase in front of me. As we went in to dinner I inquired for the monk or priest I had seen, but was told that other persons had seen such a spectre, and this house was at one time badly haunted, but it now appears to be so no longer. I was once sitting in the music room of this house when two musical instruments from which the strings had been removed, began to play in perfect harmony. There was no one sitting anywhere near them, and there was no medium present.

"About eight years ago," continued Sir Alfred, "I was at a house in Norfolk where there was a haunted room. It was in a part of the house much older than the rest. It was a large, dark room with oak panelling, and in it stood a huge four-poster bed. Early in the afternoon, accompanied by two ladies, I went into the haunted apartment. We took our stand by chance at the foot of the bed. In an instant something unseen but very tangible seized each of the ladies by the nape of the neck, at the same time pressing into my back, and a blast of cold air passed over us. Then all manifestations were at an end. All I could learn in explanation was that centuries ago a horrible crime had been committed in this room."

CHURCH UNION WAS DISCUSSED YESTERDAY

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ville, treasurer, which had been made by the latter in the course of his explanatory remarks incidental to the presentation of the auditors' report. Dr. Sommerville had said that the home mission board, of which Dr. Grant has been chairman, had been making continually increasing demands on the budget and declared there had been a deficit at the end of each year for several years.

Dr. Sommerville had advised caution, and suggested that payment of the salaries of missionaries out of the church funds instead of being guaranteed should be made conditional upon the state of the budget.

Dr. Grant declared that Dr. Sommerville had no right to comment upon the financial policy of the home mission board and that the treasurer's criticism had filled him with disgust. Were there a necessity of a policy of retrenchment, Dr. Grant would have the salaries of the officials made conditional.

The increasing demands on the budget were going to increase. If there was to be any criticism the committee room was the place for it. If there must be retrenchment, Dr. Grant would have it upon the extent of the work, not upon the salaries of the men doing the work. The report was adopted.

Financial Report

The report of the finance committee, eastern section, was highly satisfactory, showing total receipts for the year of $151,204.32, an increase of over $10,000. The report was presented by Judge Forges of St. John, N. B.

The report of the board of Sabbath schools and young people's societies, which was adopted, recommended among other things, that ministers and all religious workers be earnestly charged to make a special study of the needs of boy life, attention being drawn to the fact that a large proportion of the boys were being lost to the church. The committee would have boys conferences, community work, and other like movements in behalf of the boys. The committee recommended that Rev. J. C. Robertson, Sunday school secretary, be appointed representative on the new international Sunday school lesson committee.

Rev. W. J. Knox, of London presented the final report of the committee on religious education, deploring the fact that only fifty per cent. of children in their teens attended Sunday school. Great difficulty, said Mr. Knox, was being found in securing efficient Sunday school teachers and superintendents; family worship, the committee had found, was being conducted in but twenty per cent. of the homes, which had considerable to do with so few young men entering the ministry. The speaker deplored the fact that so much more money was being spent upon church buildings than upon Sunday schools. He would also have the Sunday schools co-operate more with the day schools in the matter of teaching religion.

Dr. A. S. Grant told the assembly tonight that he was looking forward to a two million dollar budget by 1920 and declared his conviction that the amount in question could be raised without difficulty.

Dr. Grant said he would have the wealthy members within the church contribute a certain definite sum each year, and made a plea for increasing giving all around to maintain and extend the missionary work, both at home and in the foreign fields.

Dr. Grant saw no reason for a policy of retrenchment in connection with the missioary expenditure of the church, and declared that the budget system had meant a new era for Presbyterianism in Canada.

J. Campbell White of New York City, general secretary of the International Laymen's Missionary Movement, was with Dr. Grant in his appeal for a two million dollar budget, and declared the realization of the amount in question should by no means be an impossibility.

HORRORS OF EMPRESS OF IRELAND DISASTER DEPICTED BY CAMERA

Herewith we present the horrors attending the great Empress of Ireland disaster, in which 969 lives were lost when that vessel went to the bottom of the St. Lawrence River after a collision with the Storstad. In the photograph are shown bodies of the victims lying on the pier at Rimouski. It is the first picture received from that point.

LATE SHIPPING.

Quebec, June 8.—Ard stmrs Canada, Liverpool; Iona, Middlesborough; Ausonia, Southampton; Montreal, London; Carlton, Shields; Rockpool, Shields; Englishman, Bristol; Stigstad, Sydney; Georgetown, Dalhousie; Wacouta, New York.

New York, June 8.—Ard stmrs Minnehaha, London; Columbia, Glasgow; Kursk, Libau; San Guglielmo, Naples; Nordam, Rotterdam; Geo. Washington, Bremen.

Boston, June 8—Ard stmr Numidian, Glasgow.

Glasgow, June 8.—Ard stmr Caledonia, New York.

Bremen, June 8.—Ard stmrs Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm, New York.

Trieste, June 8.—Ard stmr Carpathia, New York.

Portland, Maine, June 8.—Ard schs Alice M. Lawrence, Newpor, News; Ruth E. Merrill, do.; Fred A. Emerson, Port Reading; Thomas H. Lawrence, Jersey City.

Boothbay Harbor, Maine, June 8.—Ard schrs Wesley Abbott, New York; Rhoda Holmes, do.

Newport News, June 8.—Ard schr W. P. Hood, Boston.

Not Ready Yet.

A story is told of a Dutchman who arrived in the United States on Decoration Day, and noticing the flags flying and the people going to the cemettery with large bundles of flowers, he asked what it meant. "Why, this is Decoration Day," said one. "Don't you know what that is?" The Dutchman confessed that he didn't. The man then explained it. "Isn't there someone at rest in the cemetery whose grave you would like to decorate with flowers?" asked the man. The Dutchman shook his head, and replied: "Dose peeble vat graves I like to degorate are not dead yet."

"Gettings Up."

A countryman, passing through a town, was attracted by a notice in a shop window which read: "Good Habits for Sale." After reading it he went inside.

"Well sir," said the assistant, "what can I do for you?"

"I want to get a good habit, pease," said the countryman.

"What kind would you like, sir?" said the assistant.

"The one of getting up early in the morning," replied the countryman.

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