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SWEEPING DENIALS OF N. W. EVELEIGH'S CHARGES

Hon. Mr. Tweedie investigated the Matter Thursday—Complainant Makes a Poor Witness Against Dairy Superintendents—Many Testify That No Evidence of Liquor Had Been Seen on Instructors—Farmers Relate Grievances Against Eveleigh.

Sumner, N. B., May 18—(Special)—A sweeping denial of the charges made by N. W. Eveleigh against Messrs. Mitchell, Tilley and Daigle was made today at the investigation opened before Premier Dwyer into the charges against the three dairy superintendents and the instructors of the provincial dairy school, as well as to the management of the business now being carried on in the dairy school building.

Mr. Eveleigh was first called and stated that he never saw any indication of the dairy superintendents being violent. On the other hand he had no personal knowledge further than that he had looked through the door and thought that something was wrong. Upon being asked by Hon. A. S. White, who was conducting the case for the commissioners of agriculture, what he saw that would confirm suspicion, he replied that he could not say.

The balance of Mr. Eveleigh's evidence was relative to his own management of the affairs of the Sussex Cheese & Butter Company.

Sweeping Denials. The other witnesses called were Robert Burns, Harry Hughes, James Murphy, Daniel Keefe, T. J. Cassidy, Walter Nealey, John Conrad, Walter McMonagle, Henry S. Parise and Elizabeth Hall, the first six names all being cheese or butter makers and employees of the provincial dairy school, who swore that they had never seen any indications of liquor in the school building, neither had they any knowledge of the same being kept at any time. They also testified to the efficient manner in which the instructors discharged their duties, as well as to the attention and assistance which had been rendered them from time to time by Harvey Mitchell, who superintends the work in this section, all speaking in the highest praise of Mr. Mitchell's work of instruction during the dairying season.

Complaints Against Eveleigh. The officers who gave evidence testified to the general management of the Sussex Cheese & Butter Co., by Mr. Eveleigh, all of them having some cause for complaint. In the case of Mr. McMonagle Mr. Parise said that he had received credit at the creamery for thirty-seven per cent. fat during February when tested by Mr. Eveleigh, and of having received a test of forty-eight per cent. during March when tested by Mr. Mitchell, which showed a test of more than 32 per cent. during both of these months, with his separator receiving under the same conditions.

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Mr. Hall testified that, not being satisfied with returns given him by Mr. Eveleigh, he had withdrawn his patronage. He said that from 160 pounds of cream of the same quality he had been sending to Mr. Eveleigh, he had made at home sixty-two pounds of butter, while he had received considerably less from the factory. He also said that he had received no credit on the sheet kept by Mr. Eveleigh for upwards of 400 pounds of cream delivered by him in June last, but after complaining in regard to returns received, Mr. Eveleigh gave him no credit for the amount asked.

As the conclusion of this evidence the investigation was adjourned until Thursday next, when a number of patrons will be called.

Hon. L. J. Tweedie left for Chatham this evening.

OTTAWA VOTES TO BUY OUT LIGHTING COMPANY. Majority of 453 for City to Take Over Consumers' Company at \$200,000.

Ottawa, May 18—(Special)—The civic body to give the city power to purchase the Consumers Electric Light Company for \$200,000 was voted on today and adopted by a majority of 453. The vote stood 1,883 for, 1,430 against, out of a total vote of 6,000.

The city declared on two previous occasions in favor of doing its own street lighting.

COL. DENISON STIRS UP LONDON PRESS. Montreal, May 18—(Special)—A special London cable says the Westminster Gazette says: "The letter from Colonel Denison of Toronto published in the Times containing extracts from speeches and private letters written by Lord Salisbury, the purpose of which is to weaken the testimony of Lord Salisbury's sons that he was strongly opposed to Mr. Chamberlain's proposals does not, it seems to us, add anything material to the previous controversy on the subject."

The Globe says: "Few more remarkable contributions have been made recently to the controversy over fiscal reform than the letter of Lord Salisbury which Colonel Denison of Toronto has communicated to the Times."

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "The attempt to employ Lord Salisbury's name as a veto on Mr. Chamberlain's agitation looks remarkably foolish, in face of the revelations that both statesmen have been animated by the same anxiety for an imperial outlook and even by the same apprehensions lest public opinion should not awaken, in time, to arrest the forces of disintegration."

LAURIER'S HALF BROTHER CRITICALLY ILL. Montreal, May 18—(Special)—Charles Laurier, M. P., a half brother of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, is reported to be in a precarious state of health. He underwent an operation in Montreal last autumn and although he seemed improving for a time it is said that signs of blood poisoning have appeared recently and that his physicians consider that his chances of life are slight.

Truro Woman Drowns Herself. Truro, N. S., May 18—Mrs. William Reid, of this town, while temporarily insane, drowned herself in the reservoir this morning. She was 24 years of age and leaves a husband and one child three years old.

ROJESTVENSKY STARTS ON NORTHERN JOURNEY

Russian Admiral Short of Coal. Japan to Raise Sunken Port Arthur Ships and Repair Them—Heavy Rains Have Ruined Manchuria Roads—Sixty Vessels in Combined Baltic Fleets.

London, May 19—Now that it seems definitely established that Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky has started on his northward journey there is a great revival of interest here in the Far Eastern campaign. Kowangchou Bay, where the provisions for the fleet will be stored, is the most northward of French possessions on the Chinese sea and the last port which Rojestvensky can select for the final departure to meet the Japanese. It has a fine anchorage and a shelter channel where a large fleet may ride in safety.

Reports still circulate in London to the effect that the Russian Pacific fleet's coaling arrangements are extremely inadequate and have been the main cause of its prolonged stay in Indo-China waters, and that the admiral is finding over-increasing difficulty on this score.

The correspondent at Tokio of the Daily Telegraph says it is expected that the Russian fleet will sail on Saturday the 20th towards Amoy or Foochow.

Japan Will Raise Russian Ships. London, May 18—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Tokio telegraphs as follows: "The Japanese admiralty considers that the Perseus, Poltava, Revezian, Pobieda, Bayan and Pallada can all be raised at Port Arthur and repaired at an approximate cost of \$750,000 each."

Special despatches from Shanghai assert that the Pallada already has been raised and declare that the reported German landing at Haichow was for the purpose of selecting a landing place for a cable which the Germans are laying from Tsingtau to Shanghai and Java.

Russian Force Retreats. General Okta's Headquarters, May 18—8 p. m., via Fusan—At noon today a Russian force consisting of three or four companies of infantry, seven or eight squadrons of cavalry and two batteries of artillery, retreated from Changu from the direction of Penghu. After firing several shots they retreated in a northerly direction.

Rojestvensky Has 61 Vessels. Saigon, Cochinchina, May 17—Admiral de Jonquieres (the French naval commander at Saigon) who has been cruising along the Annam coast on board the cruiser Guichen, returned here today. According to the reports gathered concerning the Russian fleet, Admiral Rojestvensky declared that he was in complete independence of the Russian government and that he would not be bound by any of its orders. He said that he had received no orders from the Russian government since he had left the coast of Japan.

The explanation of the correspondent was found to be satisfactory and he was well treated. The Russian officers said they had not been asked since to take place soon. The United Russian fleet was then about to start for Vladivostok. The bottoms of the vessels of Rojestvensky's division, the correspondent asserted, appeared to be foul and the ships were weather-beaten. The entire Russian fleet comprised sixty vessels with a number of auxiliaries.

Rains Ruin Manchurian Roads. Gungbu Pass, Manchuria, May 18—After several days of rain a violent downpour set in today, which has ruined the roads and will necessitate a period of military operations, besides being apt to increase sickness in the camps of the two armies. Lush vegetation is springing up, which will furnish green fodder and so favor future operations by cavalry.

According to Chinese reports the Japanese are strengthening their left wing and also are sending important reinforcements to Korea; but no change in the position at the front has been noticed.

Garonia Floated and Sailed. New York, May 18—Freed from the mud of Flynn's Knoll off Sandy Hook, where she grounded Tuesday afternoon, the Cunard liner Garonia proceeded to sea this afternoon, none the worse for the mishap. The Garonia was floated early today, but immediately dropped anchor off Coney Island Point and waited for high water to pass over the bar. Shortly after 4 o'clock she weighed anchor and stood seaward, crossing the bar at 5:30 p. m. Not a passenger left the ship and all were well on board when she started on her delayed voyage.

Eight Killed and Four Injured in Freight Collision. Louisville, K. Y., May 18—Eight men were killed and four injured in a freight collision near Echols, (K. Y.).

F. B. Wade Improved. Ottawa, May 18—(Special)—F. B. Wade was much better today and able to take some nourishment.



REAR ADMIRAL NEBOZOFF, COMMANDER OF THE RUSSIAN THIRD PACIFIC SQUADRON

WILD DISORDERS IN PHILADELPHIA COUNCIL CHAMBER

Crowd of Excited Citizens Shouted "Thieves" When It Was Voted to Lease City Gas Works to Company for Seventy-five Years—Police Had Hard Struggle to Clear the Gallery—Mayor Said to be Against the Scheme.

Philadelphia, May 18—Amid scenes of disorders unprecedented in the annals of Philadelphia's legislative bodies, the city council tonight voted to lease the city's gas works to the United Gas Improvement Company for a term of seventy-five years for the total sum of \$25,000,000, the money to be paid in various amounts before the end of 1907. Council members and committee members crowded with excited citizens protesting against the lease from 1 p. m. until after 8 p. m., when the select council passed the bill and sent it to the mayor.

The climax was reached when the vote in the common council was announced after three hours of debate. The moment President George McCord, of the common council, announced the vote a great uproar was started in the gallery, which was crowded to the door. From all over the gallery came hisses and cries of "thieves."

The outbreak was somewhat startling to the presiding officer, who made a vain effort to quell it. Finally he sent for a squad of police to clear the gallery which started the disorder anew. The crowd continued to hiss and call the councilmen thieves and other names until the police arrived and started to clear the gallery. As the people moved out they sang uncomplimentary songs. In clearing the gallery there were several clashes between the police and some of the spectators, but no one was hurt.

All through the session of the common council there was disorder. In select council there were so many policemen on duty that no one dared to interrupt the proceedings. There was neither a cheer nor a hiss when the bill passed that body. The agitation against the passage of the bill resulted in the common council amending the measure for a slight reduction in the price of gas.

Mayor Weaver has announced himself as unalterably opposed to the lease and in favor of a postponement of the whole question until 1907 when the first ten years of the present 30 years lease to the United Gas Improvement Company will expire. At that time the city has the right to take back the works on payment to the gas company of the amount of money expended in improvements.

Mayor Weaver is expected to veto the bill and in that event both chambers will probably pass it over his veto. The vote in common council was 74 to 9 and in select council 37 to 4. There is some talk tonight to clear the gallery the lease to take the matter to the courts.

The committee of nine appointed recently to a town meeting, issued a statement declaring the action of the council to be "the most insolent affront ever given to the people of any great American city." The committee calls upon the people to rally to defeat the measure when it comes up for consideration "over the mayor's veto."

SIX-YEAR-OLD BOY DEAD FROM WHISKEY. Farm-hand Got Three Lads, the Oldest Ten, Drunk and One Succumbed—Man Arrested. Kentville, Ont., May 18—(Special)—The farming community of Pleasant Valley, Dundas county, is disturbed over the death of the six year old son of James Farrell, who died from the effects of whiskey given him by a farm hand, John Leizer, who brought a jug of whiskey to the Farrell house and gave to the three boys ranging from six to ten years.

All were set beastly drunk and the youngest never regained consciousness. Leizer has been arrested.

Irish Guards' Band to Honor the West. Toronto, May 18—The Irish Guards Band, of His Majesty King Edward's household brigade, will visit the Northwest Territories and British Columbia next September, after their engagement at the Toronto exhibition. I. E. Seckling, of Toronto, will have charge of the tour. Lord Roberts is honorary colonel of the Irish Guards.

Senate Adjourns to June 6. Ottawa, May 18—(Special)—The senate adjourned tonight until June 6.

WANTS RETALIATION AGAINST AMERICANS

Ontario M. P. Calls Parliament's Attention to Recent New York State Law Prohibiting Import of Canadian-caught Fish—Minister of Marine Admits Yankee Fishermen Are Hard to Get Along With.

Ottawa, May 18—(Special)—In answer to Mr. Wilson in the house today, Mr. Oliver said that the government had not received a copy of the report of H. Rider Haggard to the imperial government respecting the workings of the Salvation Army colonies in the United States.

Mr. Oliver also informed Mr. Wilson that Mr. Nall, who was looking into the position of immigrants from boards of guardians in Britain had not made any proposal to the government, in reference to the immigration to Canada of selected children from English work-houses.

On motion to go into committee of supply Mr. Demers, of St. John's and Irvilinge brought up the Lake Champlain fishery dispute.

He called the attention of the government to the fact that the legislature of the state of New York has passed an act forbidding the admission of Canadian-caught fish. This action had shut the Canadian fishermen out of a profitable market and had caused them considerable financial losses. The New York law was a retaliatory one passed because the Canadian government declined to make the regulations for fishing in Missisquoi Bay, which the United States authorities demanded. It was retaliatory legislation.

Mr. Demers suggested that Canada should take back on the New York embargo and go a step further. The tools of the Champlain canal should be re-established against United States craft. The canal was principally used by the United States boats.

Can't Get Along With Yankee Fishermen. The minister of marine said that there had often been trouble with the United States over fisheries. It was hard for Canada to get along harmoniously with the American fishermen. There had once been an agreement with the United States by which restrictions were placed upon fishing operations in Lake Champlain and Missisquoi Bay for the purpose of preserving the fisheries. In 1902 it was found that the United States fishermen were not living up to the agreement. They were sealing openly. Representatives from Ottawa had produced no results. Objections had been raised to Canadian fishermen to cast their nets in Missisquoi Bay and take their share of the fish of those waters.

The house adjourned at 8 on account of a state ball at Rideau Hall.

CAN DIG GEORGIAN BAY CANAL FOR \$70,000,000

New Survey Finds a Better Route at Much Less Cost Than Former Estimate.

Ottawa, May 18—(Special)—Preliminary reports of the engineers and surveyors of the Georgian Bay canal made to the department of public works indicate that much more advantageous routes than those previously surveyed have been located and while the estimates have not yet been completed the project is estimated that the cost may not exceed \$65,000,000 or \$70,000,000 in place of from \$85,000,000 to \$100,000,000 that has been previously estimated.

UNION PACIFIC MEN NOW IN CONTROL OF NORTHERN PACIFIC ROAD

New York, N. Y., May 18—After more than two years of delay resulting from the Northern Securities litigation, a shareholders meeting of the Northern Pacific Railway Company was held today and resulted in the election of new directors to succeed E. H. Harriman, Wm. Rockefeller, James Stillman, Brydson Ives, Samuel Ray, Eben Thomas and H. McK. Twombly.

The stock held in the name of the Union Pacific interests of the new board. Most of the shares represented at the meeting were voted by a proxy committee consisting of J. P. Morgan, Daniel Lamont, J. J. Hill and John S. Kennedy. The new board is as follows:

For three years from the first Tuesday in October, 1904—John S. Kennedy, D. Willis James, George F. Baker, John Sloane, Robert Bacon. For two years—Daniel S. Lamont, Lewis Cass Lodge, Howard Elliott, Charles Steel, George W. Perkins. For one year—Wm. P. Cough, James N. Hill, Amos Tuck French, Alexander Smith Cochran, Payne, Whitney.

\$200,000 HAIGHT & FREEZE FUNDS ARE MISSING

Boston, May 18—James D. Cok, receiver for the Haight & Freeze Company, stock brokers, today filed a bill of complaint in the United States Circuit Court here, in which he charged that \$200,000 of the company's funds is missing.

ANOTHER RUMOR ABOUT POTTINGER RETIRING

Montreal, May 18—(Special)—It is reported here that D. Pottinger, general manager of the Intercolonial Railway, is endeavoring to retire. It is believed that the government is considering the name of H. B. Spencer, superintendent of the Ottawa division of the C. P. R., as Mr. Pottinger's successor. Mr. Spencer is a brother of C. W. Spencer, superintendent of transportation of the C. P. R. in Montreal.

Ottawa Doubts It. Ottawa, May 18—(Special)—At frequent intervals during the past nine years reports have been published in the press about Mr. Pottinger retiring from the Intercolonial. There is as much truth in the report today, so far as can be learned, as there has been at any other time in the past.

Gomez Improving. Santiago, Cuba, May 18—General Gomez, who has been critically ill here and who underwent a serious surgical operation which is now believed that he will recover.