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THE BLOOMFIELD VERDICT

The inquest at Bloomfield yesterday established that the crossing at which the brothers Floyd were killed is a very dangerous one, and that buildings which to some extent obstruct the view should be removed as soon as possible.

But while the speed may have been somewhat excessive, or may in this case have caused the accident, the importance of the verdict lies chiefly in its bearing upon this and other dangerous crossings; and the railroad authorities should recognize the necessity for immediate action in the matter of additional protection to the public at every danger point.

Believing in his simple, innocent way that "Thou shalt not steal" is still good doctrine, the Rev. J. M. Chew, of Newburg (N. Y.), stood up at the convention of the New York diocese of the Episcopal Church the other day, and read, honorably, this resolution--

"Whereas, the members of this convention are aware of the many difficulties and temptations which surround a business man's career, and are sympathetically mindful of the Apostle's affectionate and solemn warning against the haste to be rich which often leads men into a snare and draws souls in perdition.

"Resolved, That the convention cannot afford to pass unnoticed the resolutions being made in the daily newspapers, beneath its eyes, of the tampering with trust funds by men in high positions of privilege and confidence in the business world, constituting a most discouraging evidence of moral laxity and bad example among those from whom the Church and nation have a right to expect better things.

"Resolved, That this convention proclaim anew that word of God which says: 'It is required of a steward that he be found faithful.'

"Resolved, That no talent for high finance, no useful service to the community, no beneficence to the Church, or to objects of philanthropy, can excuse or atone for dereliction in trust, contempt for the rights of others or disregard of the rules of common honesty."

agitation in the resolution. Its outstanding fault is that it is offensive to rich and powerful adherents of the churches of many of the gentlemen who heard it in disapproving silence.

Does the fact that some Albany politicians--not the courts--are investigating the life insurance companies make it improper for the church to denounce wrongdoing in high places? Dr. Chew and Dr. Huntington answer in the negative.

FUTURE OF THE PORT

The coming session of Parliament bids fair to be productive of developments favorable to the future of St. John as a port. The Transportation Commission is expected to make its report, and if Mr. Ashdown's sentiments are those of his colleagues, which is probable, a recommendation favoring the nationalizing of this among other harbors is to be looked for.

The statement that there will be traffic enough for all the valuable Canadian Atlantic ports was reiterated, but without much supporting testimony. It would not require a vast traffic to overtax the present facilities at both St. John and Halifax; but if the new railroad verifies the predictions of its promoters it will in time bring from the West a really vast traffic. Furthermore, if all the Canadian planitoids good, this vast traffic must come to the Canadian Atlantic seaboard in winter, in which case St. John, as the nearest outlet, would fall heir to the bulk of the freight for export.

Mr. Young, the Western member of the Transportation Commission, spoke very frankly as to the importance of expense in determining the routing of traffic. He dwelt upon the advantages of Buffalo in point of cost of shipment. It is to be remembered that the Transportation Commission, when appointed, were instructed to investigate the causes giving advantages to American routes and ports of shipment, and to devise, wherever possible, methods of transferring those advantages to Canadian routes and ports.

KIPLING AND THE GERMANS

Remembering that a French newspaper recently distorted or imagined an interview with President Roosevelt, one may be inclined to regard skeptically a remarkable interview with Rudyard Kipling, now given to the world by the Paris Figaro.

The anti-German feeling in England today is surely strong enough without inflammatory utterances from the real poet laureate; yet the Figaro represents him as writing the Teutons hip and thigh. Mr. Huret, who writes the Figaro interview, says the poet sneered at the German army.

"For a long time there has been perceptible among us a vague feeling of dread, on the score of what may possibly happen in certain parts of Europe. There Cassarian reigns and is becoming menacing. Against this retrograde and medieval spirit, which struggles there successfully with the force of liberty, it is necessary to put the counterweight of the two great free nations--England and France. Our two countries have perceived this in time."

A SECOND SURVEY

The decision of the Transcontinental Railway Commissioners to order another survey of the St. John Valley route naturally gives hope and comfort to many who are convinced that line is naturally the best for the purposes of a high class road. Recent indications were that the central route would be favored by a majority of the influences which will settle the matter.

Certainly the men who have fought so vigorously in favor of the Valley district, and who have succeeded in having another survey ordered are to be congratulated upon their preliminary success. If the commissioners were debarred by act of Parliament from considering the Valley, they would not now be ordering another survey on the ground that the first was inconclusive.

It never was to be supposed that the road can be made to twist and turn in order to reach this locality or that, since the shortest, practicable line is to be sought, but at least there should now be positive assurance that the case will be decided by the engineers on its merits.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Burpee has been a name much respected in St. John. It is a pleasure to read that the man who accused Isaac Burpee of wrongdoing in the far north, and who put him to much trouble, expense, and suffering, has signed a complete retraction of his charges.

French School Readers

Mr. LaBilloy returned recently from Halifax, where he had an interview with Dr. McKay, chief superintendent of education, with respect to a series of readers for the Acadia schools in the province. He saw the new series of English readers, which are to be introduced into the public schools of Nova Scotia and was much pleased with them.

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Hon. C. H. LaBilloy Speaks on Published Report, and in Regard to His Claims.

Hon. C. H. LaBilloy, chief commissioner of public works, was seen yesterday by a representative of the Telegraph with reference to a published statement that his appointment to one of the vacant senatorships was unofficially announced at the meeting of the local government.

"There is another reason," continued Mr. LaBilloy with a smile, "why the senatorship may come my way. Resignation has never had a senator, neither has any of the four northern counties of the province, so geographically my claim is also a strong one."

A few drops of alcohol rubbed on the inside of lamp chimney will remove fat from a few drops of water when water is in a few drops.

TO REBUILD A BORDER BRIDGE

New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Jointly to Erect Mt. Whately Structure

PLANS FOR PALMER'S POND SPAN ORDERED

Other Matters Enjoying Attention of Chief Commissioner LaBilloy--Public Opening of One of the Finest Bridges in the Province--The French School Books.

Hon. C. H. LaBilloy, chief commissioner of public works, had an interview with A. B. Copp, M. P., of Westwoodland county, at the Barrington Hotel, Wednesday with regard to the Mount Whately bridge, on the border between New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Other Bridge Work

Speaking to a representative of the Telegraph of other work in his department, the chief commissioner said he had given instructions to the provincial engineer to complete his survey for a bridge over the river at the mouth of the York county, and finish his plans and specifications in connection therewith.

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Church Anniversary

The thirty-sixth anniversary of the Carleton street church will be celebrated next Sunday by special services in the church. The sermons morning and evening will be preached by Rev. J. W. McConnell, of Moncton, and an address by Rev. G. M. Campbell will be delivered in the Sunday school in the afternoon.

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New Clothing Store. BIG OPENING SALE TODAY

Our new store, formerly occupied as the MONTREAL CLOTHING STORE, but now connected with ours by a rear alleyway, will be opened today with a Big Sale in both Stores, which will continue for a short time only.

- A FEW OF THE BARGAINS: Men's \$6 Suits Sale \$3.95 Men's \$10 Suits Sale \$5.00 Men's \$5 Suits Price \$3.95 Men's 8 1/2 Suits Price \$5.00 Men's \$11 Suits Sale \$6.98 Men's \$12 Suits Price \$7.50 Men's \$10 Raincoats Sale \$7.50

J.N. HARVEY, Youths' and Boys' Clothier.

ELITE ENAMELED WARE. Superior in finish and quality--made to wear. We have just received Preserving Kettles, Saucepans, Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Rice Boilers, Etc.

HUGE LUMBER DEALS COMPLETED

Richards Property Sale to Americans; J. E. Moore Buys Salmon River Lands. LARGE SUM OF MONEY IS INVOLVED. Actual Transfer of Richards' Property Not to Be Until December--Land Bought by Mr. Moore was That Held by J. A. Patterson of Grand Falls.

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A.A. LEFURGEY, M.P., RETAINS HIS SEAT

P. E. Island Election Court Dismisses Petition Against Him.

Fairville Pastor Welcomed

The social gathering to introduce Rev. F. W. Bishop and his wife to the congregation of the Fairville Baptist church took place Thursday in the basement of the building and was well attended.

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