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The Canadian Mexican Pacific Steamship Co., announces that it has arranged for the purchase of a steamship of about 7,000 tons capacity, to commence service in March, to replace the s.s. Henley, the charter for which expires in Feb. Capt. T. H. Worsnop, General Manager, states that by the autumn, another vessel will be added, making three in the service between the B.C. coast and Salina Cruz, Mexico.

Application is being made to the Dominion Parliament to incorporate the All Red Steamship Co., with powers to own and operate steamers from Canadian ports on the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, and waters contiguous thereto, and to build, own and operate harbors, docks, wharves, piers and other works in connection therewith. E. N. Armstrong, Montreal, is solicitor for applicants.

The U.S. Government has brought action against a number of steamship companies, including the C.P.R., Allan Line and International Mercantile Marine Co., and against a number of persons, connected therewith, including B. J. Allan, of the Allan Line, Boston, Mass., as members of the Atlantic Conference, for making an illegal contract, and asks that they be enjoined from further agreeing or conspiring to injure or destroy the business of any corporation engaged in carrying steerage passengers between points in the U.S. and Europe. It is stated that the action is a "friendly" one, and also that so far as purely Canadian companies are concerned in Canadian business, there is no jurisdiction. It is claimed that the action has been taken at the instance of a steamship company, not a member of the Conference, and which claims that "all the competitive devices of the conference are in full force" against it.

Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland.

The city of St. John, N.B., received from harbor fees, dues and wharfage, during 1910, \$92,835, against \$84,649 during the previous year.

The New Brunswick Public Works Department has received tenders for the construction of a low water wharf at Maudersville, in Sunbury county.

The Dartmouth, N.S., Ferry Commission, it is reported, has decided to order a steel ferry steamboat, to be built in Glasgow, Scotland, at a cost of about \$62,000.

J. McGill recently launched, at Shelburne, N.S., a schooner named Lloyd George, for Zwicker & Co. Her dimensions are, length, 108 ft., breadth, 26 ft., depth 10 ft. 5 ins.

The s.s. John Irwin, which recently stranded at Queensport, N.S., has been docked at Halifax, and tenders have been called for repairs. It is stated that 29 new plates will be required, in addition to minor repairs.

W. D. Reid, President Reid Newfoundland Co., in an interview recently, indicated that the establishment of a Pasques and North Sydney, is a probability of the coming season.

The Governor of Newfoundland has declared, by proclamation, that the provisions of chap. 121 of the Consolidated Statutes concerning outport pilots and pilotage, shall apply to Port aux Basques, effective July 1.

The Reid Newfoundland Co.'s coastal bay service, which completed its season on the last day of the year, handled a considerable increase in both passengers and freight, over the previous season, and without any fatal accident.

The name of the schooner Rowena, register no. 103261 at St. John, N.B., which was wrecked some time ago, has been changed by order in council, the requirements of the law having been complied with, to Ethel McLeod.

The St. John, N.B., city council ferry committee, decided recently in response to the offer of the Pennsylvania Rd., to sell one of its ferry steamers, to send the Superintendent of the ferry service to New York, to inspect the vessel and report.

S. Brookfield, of the Halifax dry dock, recently offered the use of the plant to the city, for the construction of two, or more, steel schooners for the deep sea fisheries. The city council and board of trade are taking the matter up, with a view to giving practical effect to the offer.

The Government s.s. Stanley, which, with the s.s. Earl Grey, has been running to Charlottetown, P.E.I., was compelled to change to the Georgetown route, Jan. 4, on account of the heavy formation of ice. The latter vessel is able to continue on the Charlottetown route.

Bowring Bros.' sealing steamer, Stephano, which is under construction in Glasgow, Scotland, will, it is stated, be completed by the end of March, and is due to arrive at St. John's, Nfld., early in April. She will be operated on the St. John's, Halifax and New York route, with the s.s. Florizel.

The survey of the St. John River, which is being undertaken by the International St. John River Commission, is being continued throughout the winter. When completed, a complete survey of the river, with its tributary streams and lakes will have been obtained. The work is in charge of H. M. Ranney.

The Port Elgin Fish Co., Ltd., has been incorporated under the New Brunswick Companies Act, with a capital of \$24,000, and office at Seal Cove, to carry on a general fishing and fish dealing business along the coast of New Brunswick, and in connection therewith to own and operate boats, wharves and all the necessary facilities therefor.

The returns of trade at the port of St. John, N.B., for the portion of the winter season to the end of 1910, show Canadian exports of \$1,785,267, against \$2,355,476 for same period 1909. There was also a decrease of about \$43,000 in foreign exports through the port. The chief falling off was in the export of lumber to Great Britain.

The Star Line Steamship Co., Ltd., is applying in the N.B. courts for a winding up order. J. W. Smith, President, is reported to have said, in St. John recently, that this action was necessary, in the interest of the creditors, as the company had been going behind. The sale of the assets would probably follow the granting of the winding up order.

R. G. Reid, General Superintendent Reid Newfoundland Co., in a conference with the representatives of the Longshoremen's Protective Union, at St. John's, Nfld., recently, effected a settlement of the dispute with the men, which provides that the company will not employ non-union men, except in cases where the demand for men cannot be met by the union.

The Dominion Public Works Department will shortly call for tenders for the construction of a steel sand suction dredge for work in the Maritime Provinces. The specifications provide for a dredge 110 ft. over all, 30 ft. beam, and 7 ft. 8 ins. deep, fitted with a 15 ins. suction, triple expansion engine, Scotch marine boiler and service condenser adapted for salt water. The discharge will be on the pontoon system.

Press reports from Halifax state that

the Nova Scotia Fish Co., is being organized, to own and operate 25 vessels, two of which will be of steel, and two fishing stations, one on the Newfoundland coast and one at Cape Breton. It is proposed that after the fishing season, the vessels will take the fish to the Mediterranean and Brazil. It is stated that French capital is chiefly interested in the scheme.

The Naval Service Department recently received tenders for the supply of a schooner for the Naval Service Supply service. The vessel required is to be of 100 tons burden, not more than three years old and well and strongly built of oak, built along the lines of those used by fishermen along the Newfoundland banks, complete with all gear, sheathed with greenhart, and equipped with auxiliary engine. The two latter items are optional.

The Labrador Whaling Co. has ordered a whaling steamship to be built in Norway, to replace the steamer Cachelot which was lost during last summer. The new vessel will bear the same name, but will be larger and stronger, and will be equipped with the latest patent gun, which is claimed to be a distinct advance on the weapon at present in general use. She will be ready in the spring, and will reach St. John's in time for next year's operations.

The Hilyard Dock and Construction Co. is applying for incorporation in New Brunswick, with a capital of \$250,000 and office in St. John. Among the powers asked, are those for the building, owning and operating of steam and other vessels, wharves, docks, graving docks, etc., and to carry on a general transportation business. The applicants are, A. H. and G. A. Hilyard, G. G. Murdoch, W. H. Harrison and H. A. Powell, St. John.

The Dominion Government quarantine steamboat Alva, which has been built at Dartmouth, Eng., for the quarantine station at Halifax, N.S., arrived there Jan. 8, after a lengthy and stormy passage from England, which she left Nov. 22, via the Azores and Bermuda. Her dimensions are, length, extreme, 89 1/4 ft.; length from stem to stern post, 83 1/2 ft.; beam, molded, 19 ft.; depth, 10 ft.; draft with 15 tons of water and 30 tons of coal, 8 ft. at stern and 6 ft. at bow. Her cost is \$22,600. A full description was given in our Mar. 1910, issue.

Province of Quebec Marine.

The Quebec Harbor Commission recently received tenders for the construction of a bascule, single track railway bridge.

The city of Quebec recently received tenders for the erection of a bascule span, or a swing bridge, to span the St. Charles River, in Limoullou ward.

The Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Co. will move its head office in Montreal, in March or April, to the building it has secured in Victoria Square, where it will occupy five of the seven stories, the remaining two being let as offices.

The Department of Marine has arranged for a series of lectures to be given on subjects connected with navigation, seamanship, rules of the road, etc., for the benefit of candidates who wish to qualify for the examination of masters and mates.

Aqueducts, Ltd., has been incorporated under the Dominion Companies Act, with a capital of \$100,000 and office at Quebec, Que., to carry on a general contracting business. The incorporators are, R. O. Sweeney, A. H. Hall, F. A. La Rue, J. B. Churchill, and A. Leofred, Quebec.