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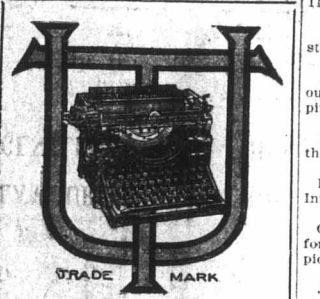
(Special Staff Correspondence.) Ottawa, May 23.—Dr. Pugsley complained yesterday in the House of the lack of energy on the part of the Government in making ready arrangements for the completion of the G.T.P. This, he said, was quite in keeping with the policy of the Government in degrading the line. Apparently, he declared, and for some reason which he could not fathom, the Government was determined to bring lethargy and disaster upon the railway project planned by the late Government.

BAR ASSOCIATION MEETS.

(By Leased Wire to the Journal of Commerce.) Washington, May 23.—Plans for the next meeting of the American Bar Association, of which William Howard Taft is president, were made public yesterday through letters received from the former President. The organization is to meet some time in October the exact date not yet having been selected. Among the speakers will be Senator Elihu Root, Chief Justice Fitzpatrick of Canada, and Ambassador Nason, of Argentina. President Wilson will receive the delegates at the White House, and the organization is planning for a special tribute to the Supreme court of the United States.

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News of World Told in Brief

Opinion Fairly General that Senate Will Sanction Repeal of Tolls SITUATION ACUTE News from Belfast is anything but Encouraging—Mayor Martin Gets No Sympathy in Ottawa—To Arrest Burns. Democratic leaders in the Senate are confident to-night that the Panama tolls exemption repeal bill and the arbitration bill will be disposed of next week. Senator Kern, leader of the majority, said a vote would be taken May 23, or shortly thereafter, and the repeal bill would be passed by a majority of at least ten.

News from Belfast shows that the situation is becoming acute there, so much so that the Ulster volunteers in rural districts have been certain to open within a fortnight. A sensation was caused in Belfast by the publication in the Irish News, the Nationalist organ, of a secret order emanating from Sir Edward Carson's headquarters, the tone of which suggested that the provisional government should be put into operation immediately the bill reading in the House of Commons.

John Wilson, cashier of the Canada Cement Company at Exshaw, had his head blown off by things yesterday as he was about to enter the works with the sum of \$2,314 in cash to pay the tax. The robbers opened fire without warning. They grabbed the bag and escaped across the Bow River on a raft, making for the bush. Where they are said to be surrounded by a force of one hundred men who started on their trail. Mounted police and C.P.R. detectives left Calgary for the scene on track motors just before noon.

Unemployment in Montreal furnished a fruitful subject for discussion in the House of Commons yesterday. The statement that thousands of workless men gathered in the Champ de Mars and that they demand something to do was known that wages had been threatened by others in similar cases. Mayor Martin's course was criticized by Conservative members, who stated he had brought his troubles on himself by publicly stating that he would give work to all unemployed and causing the current rate to be higher than last year. He said that it was a "disgrace" since men out of work had flocked to the job. A chemical solution similar conditions existed in other Canadian cities was denied.

The American Iron and Steel Institute concluded its meeting last night with a dinner attended by about 500 guests. The institute is a trade from all parts of North America. President Plummer, of the Dominion Steel Company, said: "We in Canada have the most splendid feeling for our brothers on the other side of the line." He stated that the iron and steel business in Canada took pride in the following list of progressive competitors in the United States.

Table with 3 columns: International Standing, National League Standing, American League Standing. Lists cities like Buffalo, Baltimore, Toronto, etc. with Won, Lost, Pct. statistics.

As a result of negotiations between newspaper associations and the Postmaster-General, the public was advised to secure modification of the scale of charges which the latter proposed in view of Hon. L. P. Pelletier's refusal to contribute to the whole cost of sea-carriage and delivery in Great Britain. The tender at \$14.35 a ton in magazine rates: 6 oz. 1d; 1 1/2 lbs. 1 1/4 d; 2 lb. 2d; 3 lb. 3d; 4 lb. 4d; 4 1/2 lb. 4 1/2 d; 5 lb. 5d. It is not expected that any change will be made immediately in the rates now in force of 1d. a pound.

The Atlanta Police Commission tonight ordered the arraignment of William J. Burns in the police court. The order includes C. T. Tedder, Charles Sears, Dan Lehon, W. D. McWorth, W. W. Rogers and Whitfield, who are employed in his detective agency. They are charged with operating the agency without the consent of the Police Commission. The report also requests Recorder Broyles to bind all these defendants, with the exception of Sears, over to the State Court under a statute passed in 1892 governing the operation of detective agencies.

Lehon said Burns would return to Atlanta to-morrow. He will be arrested on his arrival. At his home on Sixth avenue, Vancouver, last night, John E. Newton shot and seriously wounded his wife, then shot and killed himself. The wounded woman is well-known in Vancouver musical circles, as Mme Este Newton, a violinist and musician. She is in a critical condition.

Frau Stern, widow of the millionaire manager director of the National Bank of Germany, who died last April, was found drowned yesterday in the Baltic near Potsdam. She had gone out in a canoe. At the side of her husband's body on the day of the funeral she declared she would not live long without him.

Madame Clara Butt who with Kennerley Rumford has resided here after an eighteen months' Australian tour, appeared to be unfavorably impressed with the musical progress of Canada. She declared, had more genuine knowledge of music than Canada, the latter having made hardly any progress in musical matters during the last twelve years. Toronto, she said, was the only place in the Dominion which possessed a really adequate concert hall.

The tender of the Canada Floors Company was \$13.25, but it was claimed the higher priced material would give better in the construction of the Chief Engineer was followed, though the lower tender in a letter declared their asphalt was of good quality.

Plans for changes in the interior layout of the City Hall were under consideration by which it is proposed to give the controllers more commodious quarters fronting Notre Dame Street. After a discussion it was decided to leave the matter in abeyance as it appears the plans would require to many changes. Some modifications will be made.

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AROUND CITY HALL GREAT FUTURE BEFORE CANADA CEMENT INDUSTRY

Mr. F. P. Jones, General Manager of Canada Cement Company Thinks Same Applies to Other Activities MAKE ECONOMICAL ROADS

State of Michigan With Roads in Which Principal Ingredient is Cement Pays Only \$25 a Mile For Upkeep, Whereas New York Pays \$300 per Mile for Macadam Maintenance.

(By Professor W. W. Swanson.) "I can see absolutely no grounds for pessimism," said Mr. F. P. Jones, general manager of the Canada Cement Company, Limited, to me in the course of an interview today. "Industrially Canada has every prospect of a great future; and in no direction does success appear more certain than in the cement industry. The demand for this basic product is increasing year by year. Almost every day finds a use to which it can be put.

"The great congress just held in Montreal in connection with the good roads movement has disclosed the necessity for constructing permanent through highways to link up country, village, town, and city. One of the reasons for the prevalent high cost of living is the handicap placed upon the farmer bringing his produce to market. Some of our highways are a disgrace to Canadian civilization. Everywhere it is being more and more realized that the amenities, the comforts, the luxuries and the necessities of a civilized society depend upon a proper scheme of transportation.

"Bad roads not only isolate the producer and the consumer, but they keep neighbor and neighbor apart. They cannot be constructed more and more interest necessary to building up a feeling of good Canadian citizenship and solidarity without a proper scheme of transportation and communication.

"It is here that the Canadian cement industry will play a great role. Cement is the great essential of modern construction, whether for factory, office or home. It is being used more and more in the farm and in the city. It is destined to link country and city together as never before, and thus make place not only for the progress of sympathy and understanding between farmer and merchant and hand, Michigan, especially Wayne county, has been experimenting with road construction in which cement is the principal material for upkeep. As activities for the development of New York State, the annual cost in Michigan is \$25 per mile of highway. The good roads movement seems destined to be the salvation of the cement industry in this country. While the demand has increased from year to year, yet the volume of trade has not kept pace with the facilities of production. We have in Canada today a total capacity of between fourteen and fifteen million barrels of cement, and an actual output of eight and one-half million barrels.

"If the people only realize what good roads mean to them, it will mean not only the transformation of rural life and conditions, but the placing of the cement industry on a sound and permanent basis.

Satisfied With Protection. "Are you satisfied, Mr. Jones, with the present degree of protection—ten cents per hundred pounds?" "Perfectly satisfied," was the answer. "This moderate duty permits us to meet foreign competition with some hope of ultimate success. Indeed, we are present more than holding our own. Increased trade is being followed by these good roads propaganda. The United States used last year five and one-half million barrels of cement on country roads alone; and this aspect of the trade is capable of very great development in Canada also.

"I seem quite optimistic and hopeful of the future of the cement industry. If we do not view Mr. Jones, but confine our attention to this year, what is the outlook?" "It is exceedingly good. There will be at least as much cement used this year as last. Cement manufacturing

is one of the basic industries of the country, with iron and steel; and I think it speaks well of Canada to show an undiminished output, when other countries are in the depths of depression.

A Temporary Check. "It is true we have met a check in our general industrial expansion. While business, big and in the large, will not be so good throughout Canada as last year, yet the country is doing, relatively to other nations, remarkably well."

"Do you look for any considerable decline in the inflow of British investment? Will the British investor continue to find Canada a favorable field for investment?" "Such people as 'Why should he not?' came the quick and ready reply. 'While Britishers have lost a little in some wild-cat investments in Canada, they have gained enormously on others. If they have lost, whose fault is it? They are experienced in finance; and Canada is not the only country where they have prospered. Such people as need waste no sympathy upon them. To the Britisher who looked for a sound, safe and conservative investment, at a fair rate of interest, capital reward has come. His investment has been as safe and as lucrative here as in China, Brazil, Mexico, the Argentine and Egypt. I have no nation with those who are commiserating with the English investor. He saw a good thing in Canada and he got it. The facilities will lose money anywhere, at all times; and it is no reflection on Canada that a few get-rich-quick financiers from across the water have lost some money. Such people always have and they always will."

Expansion in West. "May I, in conclusion, ask you a question regarding your policy of locating mills in the West? What is the object of this policy on the part of the Canada Cement Corporation?" "We wish to eliminate cross-freight and unnecessary expense of production. Our mills at Winnipeg, Calgary, and Medicine Hat will be among the finest in the world. We want to place the product near the consumer, and finally, and perhaps in an indirect way, we want to show the Westerners that their best interests lie also, along with Easterners, in building up home industries for the development of Canada. "Do not misunderstand me. Not every kind of industry can have a natural growth in the West. But I believe there is a great future for the cement industry in the prairie provinces, and we want to associate the people so far as we can, with the industry. "One final word, Mr. Jones. We persist in smiling under present financial and industrial conditions. "I cannot do otherwise. Our particular business is in a sound and growing condition. I see a brighter and bigger future for it than it has ever had. And for Canada as a whole, nothing can keep her back. We have the people, the resources, the enterprise, and the capital. Nothing can hold this nation back."

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Immigration is Only About Half

A Tremendous Decrease in Volume Is Noted for Month of April 35,432 CAME LAST MONTH

(Special Staff Correspondence.) Ottawa, May 26.—A tremendous dropping off in immigration into Canada is noted by the statistics for the month of April last, prepared by the department.

The decrease is shown in the arrivals from all countries. The total immigration to the Dominion for April last was 35,432, as against 73,285 for April, 1913, a decrease of about 52 per cent. British arrivals for April last totalled 10,032, as against 25,566 for the corresponding month last year; American arrivals totalled 11,748, as against 19,260 for the corresponding month last year; while continental and other arrivals totalled 13,652, as against 28,459 for the corresponding month last year.

The policy now adopted of encouraging none but agriculturists and domestic mechanics has evidently had its effect on the number of the new arrivals.

INCREASE IN CATCH. Halifax, N.S., May 26.—An increase of 125,000 pounds is shown in the catch of lobsters for the season just closing on the Southwest Shore. The quantity packed and the lobsters shipped alive have shown substantial increase. For the past six or seven years the number of lobsters shipped on the south shore has been increasing. The industry is being vigorously worked, and good results have been obtained, considering the late time and growing scarcity of lobsters.

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