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GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

While there may be many objections to government ownership of railways in the abstract, it is difficult to understand how any Canadian of common sense can help deciding in favor of this alternative when the other is the Grand Trunk Pacific Scheme.

On a calculation which can be shown on many points to err on the side of moderation Mr. Borden placed the cost of construction of the G. T. P. at \$170,000,000.

Of this amount, we have Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson's own calculation, the corporations interested will have to provide about \$14,500,000.

The public treasury and the public credit will have to supply all the balance, namely some \$155,000,000.

When all this money is spent the result will be the property of a corporation which will make all the profit that is to be made out of it, and will make it at our expense. Not only will the company keep freight and passenger rates at a height which will enrich its shareholders, but it will carry that freight in directions most profitable to itself, without consideration of the country's interests.

The head men of the company have frankly admitted their intention of using an American port for the bulk of their traffic.

While the government is paying \$155,000,000 for which there is no hope of return, which will work for the injury rather than the benefit of the country, why in the name of common sense can it not spend the comparatively small sum of \$14,500,000 more and own the new line outright, so that rates and routes could be controlled in the interests of the people?

This, with the further condition that the road shall be freed from political control, shall be in fact what the I. C. R. is in its advertising circulars, "the people's road," is Mr. Borden's proposition against which all the arguments that were ever used against the principle of government ownership are being hurled.

CORRUPTION AND CONCEALMENT.

The majority of the public accounts committees of the legislature is strongly resisting the efforts to discover the proper value of work for which the government pays excessive prices. It was pretty conclusively shown by Mr. Clarke in his budget speech that from fifty to one hundred per cent. more than value is paid for government printing. Now it is the particular duty of the public accounts committee to enquire into public expenditure. Yesterday the committee took up the printing bill. This item amounts to over \$18,000 and is well worth investigation. Some members of the committee made personal enquiry and were informed that the price paid was thousands of dollars above the value of the work. They proposed to clear up the matter by sending for the foremen of three job offices in this city, two of them the offices of liberal papers. This motion was opposed and obstructed in all kinds of ways. Government supporters said that there was not time, though they knew the witnesses could be there at this morning's meeting. They proposed to have doubts as to the power to examine under oath, as if witnesses had never been called by the committee before. There is not the least doubt the evidence of the regular price for this work will be shut out if the machine can exclude it, and that every investigation into plundering jobs will be made futile if the government can stop the inquiry. But every transaction of this kind strengthens the conviction that the province is a victim of several kinds of official and political corruption.—Sun.

DEADLY BLUNDERS.

Yesterday's disaster at Port Arthur is a direct result of the officialdom with which Russia is cursed. In every department of the military and naval service merit is nothing as compared with "pull" and one small title covers a multitude of inefficiencies. Consequently responsible positions in both services are filled with incapables. To this condition the many costly blunders which have done more for the Japanese than their own prowess are directly traceable.

The loss to the Russian navy of one of its finest battleships is as nothing to that caused by the death of the man who was the Nelson of Russia, and both losses together will do trivial injury to the Russian cause in comparison with the fear and the paralyzing want of confidence in their leaders which will inevitably arise among the rank and file as the direct result of this crowning blunder.

The refusal of the St. John Street Railway Company to consider favorably the petition of a great number of its patrons is thoroughly in keeping with "the public be damned" attitude which it has constantly maintained in spite of the fact that it is yearly a pensioner of the public treasury to the extent of thousands of dollars. It is of little use to condemn the folly

of the civic legislators who gave the franchise which is now being abused. It is for those who rule the city now to take some action to remedy that folly and to prevent still further abuse.

Of twelve officials—six deputy returning officers and six poll clerks—charged with irregularities in connection with the last municipal election in Toronto, five have been convicted and sentenced to terms varying from one to two years, five await trial, one escapes by giving King's evidence, and one, a Liberal politician, has been allowed to get out of the country.

The sentencing of the five shows the efficiency of the law when it is properly carried out. The practical pardoning of the one man who had a strong political pull shows why, in spite of a strong law, political conditions in Canada are so corrupt.

One speaker on the Liberal side in the debate declared that the Conservative objection to the G. T. P. contract would keep the Conservative party 25 or 30 years longer out of power. We have a pretty strong conviction on the contrary that the Conservative position on the railway question may do a great deal towards bringing them into power at an earlier date than might otherwise have been the case.—Ottawa Journal (Independent).

"It not only fails to provide for the extension and development of the Intercolonial Railway, but it commits the country to a project which is calculated to postpone for fifty years, and probably for a century, any attempt to establish and develop in Canada a national system of railways owned and controlled by the people."—Borden Resolution, in criticism of the Government's policy.

PROFESSIONAL AND RECREATIONAL.

We of the morning have sung to Pan. We of the dawn have danced. Whither the fides of sun-god ran. Whither the shadows danced.

We of the morning have laughed at Strife. Kissed him our finger-tips; Drunk with gladness and danced with Strife. Jesting with careless lips.

We of the morning have dwelt with Spring. Spring of the flower-sweet face, Told of our loves on an idle string, Prayed for a lover's grace.

II.

We of the evening have dreamed our dreams. We of the night have wept; Stars have faded from twilight streams. Stars in the skies have slept.

We of the evening have borne a cross. A cross on a whirly hill; Counted his gain where we reckoned loss. Suffered, smiled—and been still.

We of the smiling have had the morn. We of the night, the dawn; Ashes of misty memory, rather than Whither to fame have gone. —Emery Pottle, in the Reader.

FREDERICTON, April 13.—The debate of this afternoon and evening was full of interest. After the effective addresses of Messrs. Clarke, Hartt and Hazen, closing Mr. Hazen's amendment condemning the violation of the independence of parliament act by the members of the legislature, the government side took up the defence. Dr. Pugsley was followed by Robertson, Jones, Hill, Carpenter and Copp. The defence was a rather feeble one, payment of money to lawyer members was that they could not collect fees for their services and the payment was voluntary. In case of George Robertson Dr. Pugsley said the member for St. John was not under contract. He performed the service for a favor and the payment was a "gratuity." Hazen's amendment was defeated, 25 to 9, and the house went into supply, passing every item.

RADIUM ABANDONED AS A CURE FOR CANCER.

The radium treatment has now been abandoned at the Cancer Hospital, London. It has never been viewed with much hope there, and a few days ago the last experiments with it were abandoned.

Trials were made at the end with a case containing five grains, covered only with mica-sheeting, probably the largest morsel in any hospital in Europe, and the effect was always the same, though it might vary in degree. The surface of the skin became inflamed, a blister formed and dried up, and that was all.

Sixteen cases have been under treatment, the longest period of a single application having been three hours, and the longest total time of application having been about twenty-five hours; and the only favorable result has been an occasional cessation of pain. On the other hand several patients have complained of an increase of pain.

The authorities of the Cancer Hospital are now devoting all their money and time to improving the high frequency treatment, especially as regards the economy of waste of electricity power which distinguishes the present use of the Röntgen rays. A current of 200 volts is to be transformed into a fifty-volt current, and this again reduced without wastage to a twenty-five volt current, the latter being the present use in the present application of the rays.

For cases of internal cancer experiments are being made with certain new lamps which can be inserted into a cooling tube containing water and then introduced into the body. Both these however, require some weeks to perfect.

LOCAL NEWS.

The Fernhill Cemetery Co. directors met yesterday. The following officers were elected: H. D. McLeod, president; W. E. Anderson, secretary; treasurer, John B. Clayton, superintendent. Standing committees were also elected.

Members of the South African contingents met in Berryman's hall last evening and completed the organization of the association. Capt. F. G. Jones offered a room for the use of the association, which offer was accepted. Walter Irving, the secretary, was also given the duties of treasurer.

Lawrence Totten, the boy who was arrested Tuesday night on the charge of stealing twenty-four cents from a north and fruit dealer, was before the magistrate yesterday. He was adjudged guilty but was let go, with the promise of four years in the reformatory if he ever again appeared in court.

Bishop Kingston held a confirmation service last evening at the Mission church, Paradise Row. There were eight candidates, five male and three female. The bishop held his remarks to the new communicants on the words, "It is expedient that I go away from you." He showed how the sacrament of confirmation had been foretold by the prophet Joel, and that in the New Testament St. Paul had instituted the ceremony.

ROYAL ARCANUM. AMHERST, N. S., April 12.—The second session of the Grand Council of the Royal Arcanum of the Maritime Provinces, was held with the Amherst and Marshland councils here yesterday. Delegates being present from the different councils throughout the three provinces. A most interesting session was held and the reports from the different councils showed the association to be in a wonderfully prosperous condition.

The following officers were elected and installed: Grand Regent—G. A. Kimball, St. John N. B. V. Grand Regent—Sydney Grey, Charlottetown, P. E. I. Orator—J. A. McQueen, Dorchester, N. B. Grand Secretary—J. F. Allison, Sackville. Grand Treasurer—C. W. Burnyeat, Moncton, N. B. Grand Chaplain—F. A. Masters, Kentville, N. S. Grand Warden—Mr. Francis, Halifax, N. S. Grand Secretary—Mr. Goudy, Yarmouth.

Trustee—A. W. Moffat, Amherst. Deputy Supreme Regent Dickinson, of Springfield, Mass., and District De-Farrington, of the Anson House, Bangor, Me., were present and gave splendid information as to the workings of the order.

The next session will be held at Charlottetown, P. E. I., in August, 1905.

DETECT FEIGNED DEAFNESS.

Gofseyer tells the military candidate feigning deafness that his sense of hearing is the best first. Various tests are made with pins, etc., on various parts of the body. Then a clothes brush is rubbed across his back a few times, and he is asked whether he feels it. The sound of the brush is unconsciously associated with the sensory by those who can hear. If the examiner now passes his hand lightly over the candidate's back and at the same time caresses the brush over his own clothes the candidate who can hear will think the brush is still being rubbed over his clothes. The examiner will then pass the hand or the brush is used. The same correctness will be observed in healthy persons when the ears are closed tightly. This is because when the hearing is eliminated the difference in the sensation between the hand and the brush passed over the clothes is noticed more acutely than when the sound of brushing accompanies the procedure and confuses the observer.—New York Medical Journal.

APRIL SNOW STORM.

NEW YORK, April 14.—For the first time in many years New Yorkers today witnessed a real snow storm in mid-April. The down-pour began in the early morning hours and continued in fitful flurries until after 8 o'clock, when it assumed the proportions of a regular winter storm, accompanied by low temperature and a biting wind. Although the fall of snow was rather heavy it melted as fast as it fell. At the local weather bureau it was said that while a snow storm was unusual so late, it was not unprecedented. Thirteen years ago, according to the records of the bureau, there was an extremely light flurry of snow as late as May 6.

HELD ON MURDER CHARGE.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 13.—Henry Bottiller, the man arrested at St. Margarets Bay a few days ago on a charge of murdering Charles White, of Springfield, was brought before County Stipendiary McDougall today for preliminary examination, and at his close Bottiller was committed for trial on a charge of murder.

DEATHS.

BISHOP-MACMILLAN—At 56 Dorchester street, April 12th, by the Rev. Howard Sprague, Wm. B. Bishop of Aylesford, N. S., and Alice M. Macmillan of St. John, N. B.

WILSON-PROSSER—At Drury Cove, Kings, April 12th, by Rev. W. Camp, Matthew Herbert Wilson to Miss Nettie May Prosser, both of the parish of Sussex.

LAW-WALTERS—At Sussex, April 12th, by Rev. W. Camp, David Herbert Law of Urey to Miss Helen Clara Walters of South Branch, both of the county of Kings.

JEFFERY-RESE—At the home of the bride's parents at Cumberland Point, Queens Co., N. B., on Wednesday, April 13th, at 5 o'clock p. m., by Rev. H. H. Gilles, Mrs. Della M. Reese, daughter of Wellington Reese, to Frederick I. Jeffery of Johnston, Queens Co.

DEATHS.

PRINCE—Suddenly, on the 14th inst., at his residence, 17 Dorchester street, James Prince, leaving three sons and one daughter.

Funeral from the residence of his son, A. E. Prince, 15 Westworth street, on Saturday, the 16th inst., at 2:30 p. m. Friends and acquaintances—respectfully invited to attend.

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(New York Herald.)

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While she was at luncheon with her lawyer, during the noon recess of court, the girl's nerves broke down under the burden, and she collapsed. So severe was her fit of hysteria that Dr. Farrington, of the Anson House, responding to the emergency call, would not let the young woman return to room in spite of the doctor's assurance that physician confirmed the diagnosis and said that Miss Haines was in no condition to testify further, though possibly she may resume the witness chair today.

Miss Haines is the plaintiff in a suit for \$15,000 against Mrs. Mary Reynolds Ireland. The money is alleged to be due her as compensation for her services as secretary and companion, and it was while telling what her duties were in those positions that the young woman yesterday related stories of graveyards that caused shills to creep down the spine of the warm spring sunshine that came in through the windows and made a square in which the young woman sat, her pallor accentuated by her black dress, which seemed a shadow in the broad patch of light.

When asked by Albert I. Sire, her counsel, to explain some of her duties, Miss Haines said she used to go to the receiving vault in Saratoga, where Mr. Ireland was buried, raise the lid of the coffin and look upon the face of Mr. Ireland, to see if he was still there that she might be able to inform Mrs. Ireland of that fact.

"How often did you do this?" asked Mr. Sire.

"Sometimes every day. If we had been away it was the first thing I did on my return. Sometimes Mrs. Ireland accompanied me and sometimes I went alone." Her voice trembled and her hands were clinched as she spoke.

"What else did you do in the tomb?" "I made for Mr. Ireland's casket a mantle of purple velvet bound with white satin."

"Where did you make it?" "In the receiving vault, in Saratoga. I went to the vault, fitted the mantle over the casket and made it in that vault."

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These times, the witness said, comprised the popular tunes of the day.

STRONG ALLY.

The goat had devoured all save the last page of his favorite magazine, when a line of poetry caught his eye. "He kissed her on the marble brow," read his goatee. "Say," he said unto himself, "if I had a brow like that I'd go over and help the Japs beat Russia off the map."

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