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MERGER TALK CONTINUES TO COME OUT
Statements that seem to be from a source conversant with what is going on in the minds of the directors of the Bank of Montreal and the Royal Bank of Canada, are to the effect that the directors of one of the banks have passed a resolution in favor of the merger. The source generally accepted by stockholders is that the directors will go on to the merger in 1914.

PLAN FOR BIG BOND ISSUE
NEW YORK, April 22.—Bathlehem Steel Co. stockholders will be asked to authorize an issue of \$50,000,000 of 5 per cent. general mortgage bonds, of which \$10,000,000 will be sold in near future. This will provide for refunding certain notes and bonds.

Who Pays the Price?
The London Economist estimates \$30,000,000 as the industrial loss from the recent coal strike. A great part of the increased cost of living, it adds, "has fallen mainly upon the poor, who have neither the means nor the space to hoard reserves of fuel. This is a fact which those who inspire and lead the labor party ought to have remembered."

CANNERS ARE SUED.
The Justice of the Peace in the non-jury civil court yesterday afternoon began hearing of a suit for \$800 damages brought by Warren Bros., wholesale grocers, Toronto, against John MacKay & Co., Ltd., canners, Bowmanville. The action is for loss sustained by reason of the canning company failing to deliver to the plaintiffs the full amount of an order. The defence is that there was a notice on the end of the agreement calling attention to the fact that they would not be held to fulfill orders.

STEEL MARKET SHOWS BETTER TENDENCY
NEW YORK, April 22.—Manufacturers are firmly of the belief that steel prices will be advanced above the present level. Sales of steel bars are being made at \$1.15 per 100 pounds, which is the minimum price. It is believed that as a result of the advance in spot, black and galvanized sheets will be advanced in the near future.

It will be a long time before the Steel Corporation gets the benefit of higher prices, due to the fact that the 5,000,000 tons of business on its books was taken at the very low prices. This must first be worked off. The 5,000,000 tons means the employment of the corporation's mills for the next six months. Certain of the independent mills are not so unfortunate as they are not booked so far ahead on low-priced material and can devote considerable rolling capacity to material sold at the higher prices.

IN WAITING MOOD
Charles Head & Co. wired J. E. Osborne: "The market to-day was a listless affair, with traders awaiting the outcome of the trouble between the engineers and the railroads, which has reached an acute stage. There was weakness during the early trading, with a subsequent partial recovery, but this did not help sentiment materially. Apparently, the professional element were not especially desirous of selling on strike news, which probably pans out rather disappointingly. The business situation is still looking up, and money conditions as evidenced by Saturday's bank statement are not unfavorable to speculative activity. We still advise a traders' attitude, but feel that on good reactions the better-class issues can be bought for fair prices."

TO PORT McNICOL
The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has decided to change the running of the steamboat express from Toronto to Port McNicol instead of to Owen Sound. The distance will be about thirteen miles shorter to the steamboat terminal. The change will be introduced when the new June timetable is established.

STEEL TRUST MAY SHOW A BIG DEFICIT
WALL STREET, April 22.—There are many interests in Wall-street who now hold the opinion that earnings of the United States Steel Corporation in the first quarter of 1912 will be around \$3,000,000, which is from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 below the more popular estimate. If this low estimate is correct, the United States Steel Corporation would show a deficit of from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

It is estimated that in January deliveries amounted to 800,000 tons, in February 800,000 tons, and in March 1,200,000 tons, total of 2,800,000 tons. If earnings prove to be \$2,000,000, the ratio of earnings per ton of steel sold must have been in the neighborhood of \$7.10. The March deliveries were at the rate of 1,400,000 tons a year. It is evident from the foregoing figures that the corporation operated at a terrific pace and that depreciation charges, if anything, should be larger in the first quarter of the year than in the last quarter of 1911.

STRIKE NEWS
Erickson Perkins & Co. (J. G. Reedy) wired: "In connection with a current report that the sub-committee of operators and miners have agreed upon terms of settlement of the anthracite wage question, prices were bid up in the last hour, under the lead of the coaliers. The engineers' case, however, looks troublesome, and we doubt that the government officials can do anything to refuse to work, and nothing, he added, can compel it to arbitrate. Until we get something definite regarding this consideration, stocks seem about high enough for the moment. Do not buy except on drives for quick turns."

Lost Baggage.
Only once a year strays trunks, valises, suitcases, umbrellas, bicycles, are sold by auction. Do not overlook this opportunity. The Government's 41-49 East King-st., Thursday, April 25, at 11 a.m.

Would This Were Record Of Porcupine

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, April 22.—The Chamber of Mines statistics for 1911 show that the gold production of the Transvaal for that period amounted to 8,237,728 fine ozs., valued at \$24,981,620, of which the Rand was responsible for 5,848,470 and the outside districts for 2,389,250 of the total value. This is a record production, the yield during 1910 (also a record) being 7,280,842 fine ozs., valued at \$22,007,755. As the output increases, it is not surprising that the Rand is in the same proportion, but still in a sufficiently marked degree to warrant a request for an explanation. Labor scarcity is the usual alibi. This brings us to the question of policy and it seems that the lesson to be learned from the results of the last year or so is that we must have more scientific methods and less craving for spectacular effect. The Transvaal dividends for 1911 were: Rand, \$7,710,610; Outside districts, 203,251.

ONTARIO
The speaker at the Canadian Club luncheon at McConkey's yesterday was E. F. B. Johnston, K.C., who spoke on the Province of Ontario, taking in its history from away back in the Upper and Lower Canada days, thru all its political stripes, thru the petty rebellions up to the present day, then going forward ahead into Ontario's probable future. He referred to the various epochs in its history and the various pioneer settlements as having "dreams" of the future. In the first place, Canada was discovered by the dream of Spain and other great countries of the day, the English, the French, the Dutch, and Lord Durham had a dream when he submitted his report to the crown, "and events of to-day show that" his "dream has come true," said Mr. Johnston.

Who Can Tell?
"Who can tell just what dreams Gov. Simcoe had for the future of Ontario when he opened up great natural highways for the development of Ontario?" "And in regard to this good road system as having 'dreams' of the future, hundreds of years, has slept, certainly not the sleep of the righteous, but the sleep of the sleeper." "No person can overestimate the importance of the English language as the language of a nation in the country where you find the English language, there you find the English thought, the English ideas, and English customs, coupled with the 'well-known' English methods of life." "In regard to Ontario's future," said Mr. Johnston, "I, too, may dream, not of annexation—'loud applause'—not of independence, but of greater Britain—I may see, and can see, Ontario taking part in the leading councils of the world. I can see her, the home of peace and progress and plenty."

Results at Queen's
KINGSTON, April 22.—(Special.)—The following additional results were announced at Queen's University this afternoon: B.D.—A. F. Menzies, M.A., Ottawa; C. E. Pitcher, B.A., Kingston; E. B. Wylie, M.A., Sault Ste. Marie; Theology Testamaria—W. H. Briggs, Sault Ste. Marie; Sault Ste. Marie; Bay: A. L. Laine, B.A., Owenstown; Sault Ste. Marie; M.A., Ottawa; S. G. McCormick, M.A., Lynn; A. H. Semeriville, M.A., Ottawa; B.A., Edmononton; McLennan prize, in Hebrew, C. W. James, B.A., Regina, Haydon prize, in colonial history, Mary E. Staples, Cobourg; McIntyre prize, in classics, C. B. Owens, M.A., Tottenham; Mowat prize, in political science, T. M. Walsh, Perrytown; Loehnd prize, in epigraphy, C. Master, Berlin; Professor prize, in history, Kathleen Wingard, B.A., Morrisburg; Professors' prize, in European history, W. G. Kelly, Sault Ste. Marie; Composition prize, in theology, Sarah McLennan, Waddell, \$150; George Telford, Scotland; Chancellor's, \$70, D. E. Foster, B.A., the Ontario; D. E. Foster, B.A., the Ontario; Anderson, No. 1, \$40, J. W. North, B.A., Elm Creek, Sask.; Anderson, No. 2, \$35, W. E. McCrea, Sault Ste. Marie; Law, \$40, W. H. Burgess, B.A., Turbul, Ont.; and E. Wylie, B.D., Sault Ste. Marie; \$50 S. A. White, B.A., Ont.; St. Andrew's Church, Toronto; \$45, A. F. Mansfield, B.D., Ottawa; Rankine, No. 1, \$45, S. G. McCormick, M.A., Lynn; Rankine, No. 2, \$45, W. A. Beecroft, B.A., Woodville; \$45, A. G. Day, M.A., scholar in physics, Harvard University.

WE OFFER ON BEHALF OF THE OWNERS: AT PAR, \$100 PER SHARE \$500,000 CAPITAL STOCK OF **Peace River Land & Investment Company** LIMITED (Incorporated under the Dominion Companies Act) **AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$1,000,000** **ISSUED 10,000 SHARES OF \$100 EACH \$675,000** **SUBSCRIPTIONS** Subscriptions for the above issue will be payable 35% on application, 35% April 1st, 1913, and 30% April 1st, 1914. **OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS.** **PRESIDENT:** HONORABLE GEORGE TAYLOR, Senator, Guelph, Ont. **THOMAS GIBSON, Esq., General Counsel, Lake Superior Corporation, Toronto, Ont.** **HONORABLE PATER TALBOT, Senator, La. J. A. HARVEY, K.C., Vancouver, B.C., Canada, Alta.** **JOHN FLETT, Esq., Manufacturer, Toronto.** **H. W. GUNDY, Esq., Broker, Calgary, Alta.** **Dr. D. E. Neely, M.P., Humboldt, Sask.** **HONORABLE PETER McLAREN, Senator, Hamburg, Ont.** **HEAD OFFICE:** KENT BUILDING, TORONTO, ONTARIO. **J. F. Gundy, Secretary-Treasurer.** **TRUSTEES:** The Trusts and Guarantee Company, Limited, Toronto. **BANKERS:** Merchants Bank of Canada. In offering these shares for conservative investment we draw attention to the following salient features: The shareholders of the Peace River Land and Investment Company will have an exceptional opportunity of sharing in the full growth and development of the entire Peace River district. The Company has a broad charter, which gives it the power not only to buy, sell and deal in lands, but also in townships, timber, coal and other minerals, etc. This charter makes the position of the Company particularly strong in a rich and promising country. The capital stock now being offered constitutes the only securities of the Company, there not being any bonds or preferred stock ahead of it. As a result all profits that will be made by the Company, either through the sale of its lands or any other deal, will be available for distribution as dividends upon the present capital stock. The Company has acquired approximately 100,000 acres of selected agricultural land in what is regarded as one of the most promising sections of the Peace River District. The block of land secured adjoins the Dominion Government Block in British Columbia, and extends along both sides of the Half Way River, one of the tributaries of the Peace River. The British Columbia Government, by order-in-Council, April, 1911, withdrew from sale all lands in the Peace River District, and the block owned by this Company is the only one of its kind secured from the Government prior to the withdrawal from sale. This, coupled with the fact that the holdings of the Company are in one solid block, adds greatly to their value. The Alberta Legislature has passed legislation guaranteeing the bonds of three distinct lines of railway which will run from Edmonton into different parts of the Peace River District. Active construction is now under way, and a short time will be required to complete the lines. The Government of British Columbia has also guaranteed the bonds, and actual construction will commence at once on a line of railway through the Peace River District, establishing direct communication with Vancouver. The Government of the Province of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, is in the process of availing themselves of the Government wagon road from Edmonton and the boats on the water route from Athabasca Landing, to which point the railway is already completed from Edmonton. Mr. E. A. Conroy, Commissioner of the Indian Department, Ottawa, has advised that the lands of the Company a number of times, and has prepared a special report dealing with them. This is on file at the office of the Company. In his report Mr. Conroy says in part: "I have no hesitation in saying that the lands of your Company are as fit for agricultural purposes as any lands in the Province of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. It is moreover, fit for all sorts of agriculture, not for wheat growing and stock raising only. Last Autumn I saw in that district the finest small fruits I have ever seen in any part of the west; blueberries, raspberries, currants, red, black and white, grow in great profusion and to a great size. There was abundant evidence that early fruits had been very plentiful, strawberries and raspberry vines being found in all soils suited to their growth. The native hay, both bluestem and bunch grass, attains remarkable luxuriance. Along the small streams and small streams, which are numerous, there is a fine growth of spruce, poplar and cotton wood. Birch is the principal hard wood and is quite plentiful. There is lots of timber for all purposes of settlement." The Company has on file complete reports on each section of land contained in the tract purchased. A special circular giving full particulars concerning the Company and containing a map of the Peace River District and application forms may be obtained from your own broker. **Any Branch of the Merchants Bank of Canada, or from GUNDY & GUNDY 703 Kent Building TORONTO Des Moines, Iowa.**

DOMINION OIL COMPANY (Incorporated Under the Laws of Arizona) **AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, \$1,000,000** Divided into 1,000,000 Shares of the par value of \$1.00 each, 500,000 Shares of which are Treasury Shares, and all of which are fully paid and non-assessable. **President.....WM. GRAY, London and Toronto, Ont.** **Vice-President.....GEO. D. FORBES, Hespeler, Ont.** **ROBT. G. LIND, Toronto, Ont.** **Secretary.....REV. JAMES REED, Montreal, Que.** **T. E. BRADBURN, M.P.P., Peterboro, Ont.** **F. FRED SHURLEY, Galt, Ont.** **JAMES LOVE, Toronto, Ont.** **BANKERS: MOLSONS BANK, TORONTO.** **Offices:** Proven Oil Lands, Consisting of 240 Acres, King's County, Coalinga, California, U.S.A. **"Gold was King" in California, 1849. "Oil is King," California, 1912. The Above Statement is Becoming More Apparent Every Day.** Applications for shares in this Company are coming in from all over the country, because it is a well-known fact that the purchase of oil stock in a company having land in well-proven fields, and where the public can be assured of honest treatment, offers the biggest opportunity of making big money. FORTUNES HAVE BEEN MADE IN OIL IN THE DAYS GONE BY, WHEN THE DEMAND FOR OIL WAS NOT WHAT IT IS TO-DAY, OIL IS TO-DAY TAKING THE PLACE OF COAL AS A FUEL, AND THE DEMAND IS DAILY INCREASING. DOMINION OIL SHARES AT 75c OFFERS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A SAFE INVESTMENT, WITH TREMENDOUS DIVIDEND POSSIBILITIES, AND A BIG RISE IN THE PRICE OF THE SHARES AT AN EARLY DATE. **GET THESE FACTS FIRMLY FIXED IN YOUR MIND:** The Company own 240 acres of proven oil lands conservatively valued at \$2000 per acre. Their well is drilled to a depth of over 2835 feet. At 2200 feet they encountered a 33 gravity oil, and on a very little additional drilling a big flow of high gravity oil is practically assured. The Directors are all well and favorably known Canadian business men, who have not only bought and paid for their stock, but have spent in the neighborhood of \$70,000 of their own money in bringing their well to its present state of development. The Dominion Oil Company is an oil company, and not a stock-jobbing affair. The proceeds from the sale of stock is going into the property itself, and not into the pockets of any Director or Promoter. Although the Company's property is situated in California, the Directors all live in Canada. They have their reputation to sustain, and if you do not know their stand, ask Bradstreet's, or better still, your own banker. If you BUY SHARES TO-DAY at 75c, when the big flow of oil is encountered, your shares will be worth many times what you gave for them. Less than two months ago the shares of the Canadian Coalinga Company could have been purchased under \$1.00. To-day it is doubtful if you could secure them for \$20.00. If we put you into an investment that will make you a big profit we have made you a friend of ours forever. We want your friendship, and therefore conscientiously recommend the purchase of shares in the Dominion Oil Company at once. **WRITE US FOR ILLUSTRATED PROSPECTUS AND FULL PARTICULARS, or, better still, come in and see us and let us show you sample of oil from the well of the DOMINION OIL COMPANY.** If you have \$50.00 to invest, it will pay you to investigate. If you have \$1000, you cannot afford not to. Do not delay. Delays are dangerous. Act at once. **BROKERS: J. A. MORDEN & CO., SUITE 239, Confederation Life Chambers, TORONTO**

NEW DISTRICT COUNCIL EXAM. OF PATRICIA WILL VANISH **Additional Ontario Territory Has Been Named After Daughter of Canada's Governor-General.** "Patricia" is the official name of the new territory or district—comprising in all about 145,000 square miles—that has been added to the Province of Ontario as the result of the Manitoba boundary settlement. The territory extends north from the Albany River to Hudson Bay. Sir James Whitney made the announcement yesterday afternoon. "Before this new district is divided up," said Sir James, "it must be given a name and the name has been decided. It will be Patricia, in honor of the Princess Patricia, the daughter of the Duke of Connaught and his daughter to the name being given." Princess Patricia herself stated that she was very glad that her name should be associated with the increased dimensions and prosperity of the Province of Ontario. **Dictograph Reveals Crime.** The dictograph, the sensitive instrument which has lent itself so marvelously to the purpose of securing evidence of crime, is described in an illustrated article in the April Popular Mechanics Magazine. The instrument comprises a most sensitive transmitter, a receiver, a small battery and as much wire as is necessary. The entire outfit can be held in one hand and, not cover all the fingers. The transmitter can be placed anywhere in the room where the person whose evidence is desired will be most likely to talk. In the Ohio bribery cases it was put under a sofa in a hotel room. In San Francisco it was placed beneath the bed in a cell of the city jail. At Toronto, Canada, where it was used in a hotel, it was placed on a table under a picture or a calendar. An ordinary pen being strong enough to hold it in place, six-covered wire can be run from the transmitter to whatever room the operator desires, and when connected, the person holding the receiver to his ear hears distinctly every word uttered in the room where the transmitted has been placed. Stenographers, if so equipped, can make a verbatim report of such conversations, as has been done in several criminal cases. **DIVIDEND NOTICE.** **MURRAY-KAY, LIMITED** Toronto Notice is hereby given that the regular quarterly dividend of One and Three-quarters Per Cent., being at the rate of Seven Per Cent. per annum, has this day been declared upon the preferred shares of the Company for the quarter ending April 30th, 1912, said dividend to be paid on the first day of May next to the shareholders of record at the close of business on the 30th day of April, 1912. The transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 21st to the 30th day of April, both days inclusive. By order of the Board, **J. E. FEATHERSTONHAUGH, Secretary.** **Poisonous Metals in Food Supplies.** Most metal salts are poisonous, and are liable to occur in acid foods and drinks from chemical action on containing vessels. Lemonades and other acid drinks so popular in America, and even carbonated waters, often contain lead. This comes not only from metal utensils used in preparing the drinks, but also as impurities in tartaric acid and in carbon dioxide gas; and even in minute quantities taken often may be a real danger, as lead tends to accumulate in the tissues of the body until it causes illness or even death. Copper was found in nearly all canned green vegetables, its use for tinning such products being emphatically condemned. The finding of much manganese in certain vinegars was a surprise, but special inquiry showed that potassium permanganate is used to correct the taste of cheap vinegars made from refuse and rotten fruit. The manganese is probably not harmful, vinegar from such materials should be prohibited. Arsenic in wines sometimes comes from insecticides used on vines, and the use of arsenical insecticides was lately forbidden in France. The investigator recommends aluminum cooking and containing vessels as quite harmless. **NIAGARA FALLS DUSTRY** **NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., April 22.—(Special.)—**The ratepayers to-day voted to raise \$3900 to purchase a site for the Bellard Iron Works Company, which agreed to locate here if the city would give a free site. Local trolley employees will receive an advance of twenty per cent. in wages May 1, bringing up the rate to the average paid in the States. A large delegation will go to Washington from the American side tomorrow to urge an appropriation of \$7,500,000 for the hundred years' peace celebration.