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ONE YEAR FOR STEEL BUSINESS

Official of Steel Company Tells of Increased Production - Thinks Industry Should be Protected.

PRICES WERE UNUSUALLY LOW.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—The past year has shown a considerable increase in volume of business and the largest outputs of iron, steel and finished products in the history of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, but to some extent this was offset by the satisfactory trade conditions which prevailed during that period.

"During the entire year prices were extremely low, owing to the depression in the European markets, and the utter demoralization of the American trade, and during the latter months particularly, Canadian iron and steel makers were forced to meet dumping conditions and slaughter prices abroad as the only alternative to large curtailments of output and operations."

DESTROYER CIRCLES MAURETANIA TWICE AT HIGH RATE OF SPEED

Newport, R. I., Jan. 2.—Naval officers here regard as of much interest a feat accomplished recently by the torpedo boat destroyer Mayrant, which twice encircled the Mauretania while both vessels were at full speed.

COMMUNICATION TO BE IMPROVED WHEN CANAL IS OPENED

Washington, Jan. 2.—Six large fast steamers will be in readiness to inaugurate a new passenger line between Valparaiso, Chile, and New York when the Panama Canal is completed. This information was received today at the Pan-American Union, and was interpreted as meaning that a "new era of communication between the United States and the Latin-American countries of the Western Hemisphere would dawn with the opening of the big canal."

CANADA COMES IN FOR REDUCED RATE IN CABLE SERVICE

Berlin, Jan. 2.—The deferred cable service at half rates, which became effective on January 1, by order of the Imperial Post Office to the United States, the German-African colonies, various Chinese cities and some of the British colonies has been extended to include Canada.

THRONE HAS TAKEN NEW LEASE OF LIFE

Premier Yuan is Determined to Oppose Establishment of Republic—Resignation of Tang Shao Ti Accepted—Manchu Troops Threaten Destruction of Palace if Not Delivered Over to Them.

Peking, Jan. 2.—The feeling in Peking tonight is that the throne has taken on a new lease of life. Indeed there are some competent observers who believe that Premier Yuan Shi Kai is still determined that he can succeed in preventing the consummation of a republic. The Imperial cabinet has accepted the resignation of Tang Shao Ti, who was sent to Shanghai as the representative of Premier Yuan Shi Kai, and the Imperialists at the peace conference between the representatives of both parties there. The government has also telegraphed to Dr. Wu Ting Fang, the leader of the revolutionaries at the peace conference, stating that in future it will negotiate telegraphically.

"The government is of the opinion that Tang Shao Ti went beyond his instructions when he signed the agreement as to the calling of the national convention to decide on the future form of government of China with Dr. Wu Ting Fang. Yuan is firm."

Premier Yuan Shi Kai adheres to two points of his original suggestion regarding the national convention, namely, that he insists on the proper selection of delegates to the national assembly, and also that its gathering place shall be Peking.

Premier Yuan Shi Kai again offered his resignation this morning, but it was not accepted. The court also received a round robin from the generals commanding the imperialist troops in the vicinity of Peking in which they demand the withdrawal of the Manchu troops from the vicinity of the palace.

TO DUST GOULD AND ASSOCIATES FROM CONTROL OF WABASH

New York, Jan. 2.—George Gould and his financial associates will be ousted from the control of the Wabash Railroad Company, now in the hands of receivers, if the plans of the protective committee for the four per cent refunding bonds, headed by James N. Wallace of the Central Trust Co., are successfully carried out. This is the committee organized in opposition to the Pierce committee, representing the Equitable Trust Company, trustees of the bonds, who plan to reorganize the road to receive the endorsement of Mr. Gould and is supported by the banking of Kahn Loeb and Company, holder of a large amount of Wabash obligations.

According to the announcement by the Wallace committee today, calling for deposits of bonds, the January interest on which was today defaulted because of the bonds are to be made good "that the interests responsible for the management of the road during the past years, which has led to the present receivership and this default, shall not in the future continue in control."

PROPOSE RAILWAY TO PENETRATE PERSIA TO INDIAN LINES

London, Jan. 2.—British, French and Russian bankers, are to hold a meeting in Paris during the coming week, to organize a syndicate with a capital of \$20,000,000 to carry out a survey of a proposed Trans-Persian railway. Great Britain and Russia have both already approved of the scheme although the route to be taken by the railway remains to be decided. The proposal contemplates the construction of a line from the seaport of Baku, in Russia Transcaucasia, to Astara, on the Caspian Sea and to Teheran, the capital of Persia. From that point it will pass through the Province of Kerman in the south-east of Persia, on to Gwetar on the Arabian Sea. It will continue through Baluchistan and them connect with the Indian railroads going to Kurreech.

No difficulty is anticipated in connection with the raising of the capital, or in obtaining the necessary concession in Persia.

WILL HAVE CONTROL OF THE REVOLUTION EARLY THIS MONTH

Paris, Jan. 2.—The French minister at Asuncion, Paraguay, has succeeded in settling through by a circuitous route, a despatch to the foreign office dated Dec. 23. He says that the revolution continues, but without serious fighting. The capital is blockaded and all communications are badly interrupted. The Paraguayan authorities demand the control of the situation, adds the minister, early in January. This is the only telegraphic communication that has reached the foreign office from Paraguay since the revolution broke out.

PLAINTIFF BECOMES DEFENDANT

Pinkertons Take Action Against David Russell, Whose Recent Suit Against Them Attracted Attention.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—Suits in a \$250,000 damage action on behalf of the Pinkerton National Detective Agency and \$50,000 on behalf of J. W. McNamara, local superintendent of the Pinkertons, have been entered against David Russell, plaintiff in the famous Russell suits against the Pinkertons, which was dismissed by Mr. Justice Archer, a month ago, and which were based on an alleged conspiracy.

Kenneth R. McPherson acts for the Pinkertons. Mr. McNamara would not discuss the suit today and Mr. Russell was unavailable.

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Ottawa, Jan. 2.—The Canadian section of the International Waterways Commission held a meeting here this evening, at which the appointment of a secretary was considered. While nothing was decided officially, there is reason to expect that the appointment will be given to Lawrence Burpee, at present librarian of the Carnegie Library of Ottawa.

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PREMIER FLEMMING SPENDS NEW YEAR'S DAY AT ANNOVER

Special to The Standard. Annover, Jan. 2.—Premier and Mrs. Fleming spent New Year's Day here as the guests of Senator and Mrs. Baird and last evening a very large and enjoyable reception was tendered to them. The guests were introduced by A. Herbert Baird, and a very large number of the residents of the county called to present their respects to the premier.

CONDUCTOR TAKEN SERIOUSLY ILL ON CAMPBELLTON TRAIN

Special to The Standard. Moncton, Jan. 2.—Conductor Thomas Corbett, who runs on the accommodation between Moncton and Campbellton, was stricken with partial paralysis shortly after leaving Campbellton this morning. He was given treatment at Bathurst and brought on to Moncton, where he was taken to his home in the ambulance. He was resting quite easily this evening, but will be unable to resume duty for some months.

ELDEST SURVIVING SON OF NOVELIST DIES IN HOTEL ASTOR

New York, Jan. 2.—Alfred Tennyson Dickens, eldest surviving son of Charles Dickens, the novelist, died suddenly of acute indigestion, at the Hotel Astor here late today. Mr. Dickens was in this country on a lecture tour.

INTERESTS ARE FULLY PROTECTED

Premier Fleming at Banquet of Meductic Board of Trade in His Honor, Recounts Measures Taken to Safeguard Interests of People in Valley Railway Contract - The Toast List.

Special to The Standard. Meductic, Jan. 2.—Premier Fleming, by the Meductic Board of Trade, was a splendid tribute to the untiring zeal of a man who has labored long and successfully in the best interests of the province, and whose latest achievement in the form of the signing of the Valley railway contract, will do much toward placing the province well along on that road to great prosperity upon which it is now entering.

The banquet was a thoroughly successful function and attended by a fine representative body of the best men in the country. The Meductic public hall, where the tables were laid, proved to be small to accommodate all who wished to do honor to the premier, and many were unable to obtain tickets. Altogether 140 sat down to an excellent dinner.

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PACKERS REGULATED PRICE TO BE CHARGED AND PAID FOR BEEF

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Documentary evidence that the price of meat was fixed and the business apportioned on a non-competitive basis by the packers at their weekly meetings, was introduced by the government today at the trial of the ten Chicago packers, before United States District Judge Carpenter.

MINIONS OF THE LAW NOW WEAR SKIRTS IN NEW YORK COUNTY

New York, Jan. 2.—True to his promise to appoint several women deputy officers, Sheriff Julius Harburg during the day selected Mrs. Caroline Trux, wife of the Justice Trux, of the state supreme court, and endowed her with authority of Deputy Sheriff of New York County. The sheriff has other applications from prominent women and will probably soon name additional feminine deputies.

LAURIER EXPECTED TO MAKE STATEMENT OF PLANS OF LIBERALS

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier will go down to Montreal on Monday next and will address a great demonstration in the Monument National, under the auspices of the Young Liberal Club of the Montreal district.

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This will be his first political appearance outside of the parliament since his resignation of the premiership, and there is reason to believe that he will set forth his ideas of the policy which the Liberal party should follow in the future, especially as regards the trade and the defence issues.

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SCOTTISH MEN LOST MOST OF GAMES

Nova Scotia Stone Heavers Have the Advantage of Visitors by Twelve Points - Friendly Games.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, Jan. 2.—The Scottish curlers played the opening game of their Canadian tour today, when they lost to the Nova Scotia "stone heavers" by 12 points. The visitors are good sports and fine players.

PLAY FOR CUP STARTS THURSDAY.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, Jan. 2.—The Scottish curlers will start to play for the magnificent cup donated by Lord Strathcona on Thursday, after which they will go to Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg to compete for the same trophy. The following are the results of yesterday's play:

Table with names and scores: D. R. Gordon 6 Amherst, G. Wolfe 6 Wm. Curry, A. Dougal 6 H. W. Rogers, R. Allan 6 Wm. Knight, Skipper 14 Skipper 11.

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Table with names and scores: Captains No. 4 Halifax, A. Brown 1 B. Sheffer, L. Hamilton 1 J. W. MacMillan, Maj. Campbell 1 M. McF. Hall, James Telford 1 A. Costley, Skipper 14 Skipper 16.

Table with names and scores: Scottish Curlers Bridgewater, James Cameron 1 C. Grundy, John T. Ross 1 D. L. Fraser, T. B. Murray 1 V. Paton, Jas. T. Ward 1 W.A. Thretheway, Skipper 10 Skipper 20.

Table with names and scores: Scottish Rink Windsor, H. Coleman 1 W. H. Roache, N. Brown 1 C. Forsythe, A. Mitchell 1 D. J. McNab, J. Hewitson 1 J. W. Bianhand, Skipper 15 Skipper 14.

Table with names and scores: Scottish Curlers Westville, J. W. Bennett 1 E. W. Crawford, John McLeod 1 E. W. Crawford, Robt. Connell 1 H. Blenkinsop, James Keane 1 W. McNairn, Skipper 13 Skipper 9.

Table with names and scores: MacKenzie New Glasgow, J. E. Bett 1 W. Litgow, R. Wardrop 1 R. McGregor, T. A. B. Sheriff 1 T. A. McGregor, A. C. Riddell 1 McCall, Skipper 16 Skipper 12.

Table with names and scores: Scottish Curlers Windsor, A. Altkenhead 1 J. Hastie, J. McLeod 1 F. Burgess, R. Connell 1 M. S. Gurdie, J. T. Keane 1 M. C. Currie, Skipper 16 Skipper 9.

Table with names and scores: Scottish Curlers Sydney, J. P. Ross 1 Hugh Ross, J. T. Ward 1 J. H. Hearn, J. C. Kennedy 1 C. B. Ross, T. Murray 1 J. Turnbull, Skipper 8 Skipper 18.

Table with names and scores: Scottish Curlers Amherst, H. Solomon 1 F. S. Wheaton, W. Brown 1 C. B. Ross, A. Mitchell 1 J. A. Cosman, A. Blair 1 J. N. Payne, Skipper 12 Skipper 17.

ROOSEVELT FOR ONCE SOMEWHAT RETICENT TO DISCUSS RUMOR

New York, Jan. 2.—With a general refusal to "confirm or deny any rumor," Colonel Theodore Roosevelt declined today to discuss a report that a movement was afoot in New Jersey to place his name on the presidential primary ballots. The former president was asked if he had been approached by any one of consequence or authority in New Jersey politics with a view to having his name placed on the ballots. "That necessarily involves a definition of the phrase, any one of consequence or authority," he replied. "I must decline to confirm or deny any reports or rumors of this sort."

WANTS CANDIDATES TO MAKE WAY FOR TEDDY ROOSEVELT.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 2.—Governor Chase S. Osborn, in a statement here today proposes that President Taft and Senator La Follette both withdraw as presidential candidates in favor of Theodore Roosevelt or ex-Senator Albert J. Beveridge.

HYDE'S TRIAL IS STAYED FOR A WEEK

New York, Jan. 2.—By an order of the Supreme Court, the trial of Charles H. Hyde, former city chamberlain, for alleged bribery, was stayed today for one week, to afford him an opportunity to complete his fight for a change of venue.

RICHESON CAUSE OF ANOTHER DEATH?

Boston, Jan. 2.—Worry over the custody of Rev. C. V. Richeson, is said to have been responsible for the death of Sheriff Fred H. Seavey, of Suffolk county, which occurred today.