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"No Doubt of Future of Canada if We Do Our Duty," Says Baron Shaughnessy After Tour

Winnipeg, Sept. 25.—Baron Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., returned here yesterday from Vancouver, and gave out a most cheering report on conditions in the four western provinces.

"The directors of the company who accompanied me," he said, "had the pleasure this year of inspecting two important lines which we had not previously seen. These are the Kettle Valley branch which affords direct communication between what is known as the boundary country and Vancouver and the Kootenay Central Line, running from Golden to Cranbrook.

"The Kettle Valley line serves the area of British Columbia in which is located the cities of Nelson, Grand Forks, Greenwood and Phoenix. Partly as a result of the war this portion of the dominion is at the present moment more prosperous than it has ever been and this prosperity is reflected in Vancouver where business conditions show material improvement. Mining operations are being carried on with very great activity and there is also a very marked increase in fruit production.

"The capacity of the smelter of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company at Trail has been doubled. It is now the largest on the continent and it is being operated to its limit. The smelters at Grand Forks and Greenwood are also being operated to their capacity and I was glad to note that the depression which had existed in this district on the occasion of a visit three years ago has now entirely disappeared.

"The completion of the Kootenay Central railway is also regarded as a most important addition to the system by the directors. This branch opens for settlement the beautiful Windemere Valley and the Columbia Valley and affords direct connection between important sections of the country north and south."

Being asked whether he had found the system generally in good condition in the west, His Lordship replied smilingly that the superlative must be used to describe it. The road bed and the equipment could not be surpassed and the company was fully prepared for any demand which could possibly be made on it in connection with transportation.

The directors passed through the great Connaught tunnel which reduces the grade over the Rogers Pass by 542 feet and which will eliminate four miles of snow sheds.

As to immigration after the war, Baron Shaughnessy repeated what he had said in Calgary and added that the C. P. R. would continue to make every effort to aid settlers to succeed after they reached the dominion. He expected that the policy of the ready made farm would be continued, but he thought that, instead of building houses, immigrants might be furnished with materials for building at the lowest possible prices and be allowed to construct their own buildings, thus reducing the cost and affording the new-comers employment for the first months of their residence in the dominion.

"My colleagues and myself have never wavered in our abiding faith in the west," said Lord Shaughnessy, "and never has that faith been greater than at the present time. There is no doubt of the future of Canada if we do our duty. If we make up our minds that Canada is going to be the equal of any country in the world—there is no question of our ability—there will be no doubt of our position in the future."

This was the first trip of the president through the Connaught tunnel, the five mile bore that pierces the Selkirk Mountains at Rogers' Pass, and which will be opened for traffic some time in December. The tunnel is under Mt. MacDonald and the opening of it will eliminate four miles of snow sheds, reduce the grade over the pass by 542 feet, will carry a double track and will solve many hard problems of operation of the mountain section.

Baron Shaughnessy headed the distinguished party and was accompanied by R. B. Angus, E. W. Beatty and Sir Herbert Holt of Montreal; Sir Edmund Osler and W. D. Matthews of Toronto, and A. M. Nanton of Winnipeg, all directors of the company.

Inspector of C. N. R.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 25—Sir Harry Drayton and Capt. H. Smith arrived here last night, completing an inspection of the Canadian Northern Lines.

LOCAL NEWS

DURANGO AT HALIFAX

The Furness Line steamer Durango arrived at Halifax on Sunday evening from Glasgow and Liverpool.

McKENNA-OULLETTE

A very pretty wedding was solemnized by Rev. Fr. Butler, pastor of St. Joseph's church, in Lewiston, when Miss Sadie A. McKenna (R.N.), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McKenna of this city, was united in marriage to Ralph Oullette of Lewiston. The bride is a graduate of Ste. Marie General Hospital, and the groom is in business in Lewiston where they will make their home. Many beautiful and costly presents received, testified to the popularity and high esteem in which the young people are held.

FALL STRAWBERRIES

Is the climate of New Brunswick getting warmer? One might naturally ask this when told that a second crop of wild strawberries was grown this year at Hampstead. A. C. Fox arrived in the city today from that place, called at The Times office and presented a strawberry stalk with three berries on it. The berries were picked on the railroad track of the Valley road yesterday morning. "I am now seventy-three years old" said Mr. Fox, "and these are the first strawberries that I have seen growing this late during my life."

DANGEROUS WORK

A small boy, arrested yesterday on a charge of throwing a cartridge into the armory, the same exploding and striking a young soldier in the back, appeared in the juvenile court this morning. He pleaded guilty, but said he had no thought that it would explode and he had not intended to harm any person. Several people spoke highly of the youth, and he was allowed to return home after he had promised not to fool with cartridges again.

"A GAME OF CHANCE" SOLD

W. Bert Lint of Fredericton has sold his well known racing horse, "A Game of Chance," to racing enthusiasts in Rochester, N. H. The price secured for him was $8,500. "A Game of Chance" is by Patchen Boy and has a mark of 2.13, in addition to holding several track records in the maritime provinces and Maine.

WILL LEAVE ON WEDNESDAY

M. G. Murphy, district passenger agent of the C. P. R., who was recently promoted to the general agent for the passenger department and ocean services of the C. P. R., with headquarters in Detroit, will leave for his new field of labor on Wednesday. En route there he will attend a convention of passenger agents in Philadelphia. His successor, N. R. Desbrisay, will take office about October 1. He is at present spending a few holidays in Bathurst.

MRS. Z. O. WILSON

After a lingering illness, Nora Lucinda, beloved wife of Z. O. Wilson, passed away, in the 56th year of her age. She was an active member of the Main street Baptist church. She is survived by a loving husband, two sons and one daughter—Bennett W., now on active service with the Div. Amm. Column, now in France; Percy, at home, and Mrs. F. D. Hoffman of this city; also two brothers—Jas. T. Brown of Calgary, and Walker at Narrows, N.B. There will be a funeral service at her late residence, 104 Metcalfe street this evening at 8 o'clock. Interment will be on arrival of the steamer Majestic at the Narrows.

TROTT-McDONALD

The Catholic church at Welsford was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Friday morning at six o'clock, when Rev. Wm. M. Duke united in marriage W. J. Trott and Miss Mamie A. McDonald, both of that place. The bride is a daughter of Patrick McDonald, and the groom has been a prosperous young farmer at Welsford. The bride was the recipient of many gifts, including a check from her brother in Washington. After spending two weeks in St. John, at the home of Mrs. Wm. B. Day, 77 Portland street, Mr. Trott's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Trott will go to Butte, Montana, to reside. They will bear with them the best wishes of many friends.

GENERAL PUBLIC BARRED FROM THE TRAIN SHED

The management of the I. C. R. will put into force this afternoon the inspection of all passengers' tickets in the Union depot for outward trains. Those not holding tickets and not in the company with one who does, will not be allowed to proceed into the train shed.

It is thought that allowing the public to pass through the gates has been overdone, and in many cases crowds have gathered and not only blocked the way of passengers on the incoming trains, but also the way of the passengers on the outgoing trains. So starting from this afternoon the gates in the depot will be closed to the general public.

BATTLEFIELDS LIKE SWAMP

Vienna Says Snow and Rain Are Causing Halt in Operations

Vienna, Sept. 22.—Via London, Sept. 25—(Delayed)—The unusually early setting in of autumn, in addition to hampering manoeuvres on the other fronts, has caused a slowing down in the operations in the Transylvania where the higher points already are covered with four feet of snow. Torrential rains on all the fronts where the Austro-Hungarians are engaged have converted the battlefields into quagmires and the indications are that a long lull in offensive movements is coming, although the freezing of the ground would improve the condition of the terrain.

Once more the Russian onslaughts in Bukowina and in East Galicia have stopped. In Transylvania both sides are handicapped by the snow and mud. In Dobruja everything is knee-deep in mud and mire, while the Austro-Italian front is enjoying regular cloudbursts and snow storms in the higher altitudes.

There are persisting rains in Macedonia and reports reaching here from the western front tell the same story, so that all of Central Europe literally is a swamp from the military viewpoint.

CHRISTMAS CHEER FOR BOYS IN WAR

Many Boxes Being Sent Away Through S. C. A.

A Busy Place is Association Headquarters in C. P. R. Building, King Street — Another Shipment This Week

That Christmas, the day of good-will and cheer is not only to be celebrated in this country of ours where peace reigns, though we are at war, but also in the trenches both in France and in Belgium, is seen at a glance by the visitor to the office of the Soliders' Comfort Association in the C. P. R. building. There one can see boxes of all kinds and description, containing socks, gum, tobacco, condensed milk, cigars, cigarettes, handkerchiefs, candy, soap, towels and various other articles, piled up in every corner awaiting to be packed in larger boxes to be shipped on the first stage of their journey to France.

Not only are these packages to be shipped to units but also to individuals and more than 600 of such boxes have already been sent.

The first shipment left Canada on last Thursday and consisted of twenty-nine cases. These cases are about one foot and a half wide, about two and a half feet long with a depth of about one foot and a half and are very strongly built.

Boxes from most all the important centres in the province have been received, including a shipment from the Soliders' Comfort Association at Chipman which is undoubtedly worthy of mention. The packages are put up in white bags and stockings and on the outside of the packages are written in red ink, very appropriate phrases such as "Good Luck" "A bit to help a bit," etc.

Shipments have been received from the ladies of Grand Bay, Hammond River, Hampton, Fairville Methodist church, St. Judes' church, West End, Lepreaux, Valcartier Chapter, I. O. D. E., and the Girls' Circle of the S. C. A.

The management of the association have arranged to distribute large socks in the stores in the city with an accompanying card "Help a Lone Soldier" and those who desire to make a contribution to the man in the trench when buying Christmas gifts can do the same. The sock is a very large one and is made of khaki colored cloth, with red top.

The asociation trust that they will be able to furnish at least 400 cases this season and at the rate the boxes are coming along, there is no reason why that number should not be reached. A special appeal has been made for boxes for the 26th Battalion, the 115th Battalion and the Ammunition Column Mrs. Barker, wife of Major Barker, commanding officer of the 131st Siege Battery, has supplied a box for every man in the battery as has Mrs Pidgeon for every man in the Army Service Corps to which her husband is attached. The next shipment will be made on next Thursday and then on every successive Thursday until the lot is shipped.

MINISTERS AND HEAD OF I. C. R. CONFER OVER THE WINTER BUSINESS

Particularly Heavy Traffic to and From Maritime Province Ports

An Ottawa despatch says: "Particularly heavy traffic to and from maritime provinces' ports is anticipated when the St. Lawrence closes. Apart from the extensive movement of troops, there will be big shipments of wheat, munitions and general supplies.

"To make the necessary provision for this business, Hon. Frank Cochrane, Hon. J. D. Hazen and F. B. Gutelius were in conference on Saturday. Arrangements for adequate rolling stock, ocean transport and siding terminal accommodation were under consideration and details are being worked out."

POLICE COURT

David Higgins pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness and threatening to kill his wife. He said he must have been crazed with liquor. His wife said he broke furniture and had frequently in the last two years threatened to kill her if she did not procure liquor for him.

Terrance White was fined $88 or twelve monthst in jail on a charge of drunkenness and violently resisting Policeman Winter. On the fine of $8 or two months in jail he was sent in on commitment, but the other charge was left standing against him until enquiries can be made regarding his recent behaviour.

Myer Nice was arrested for interfering with Policeman Witner while making the arrest. He had two witnesses in court who swore that the defendant had only remarked that it was a shame to arrest White. He was warned that he should not make any remarks while an arrest was being made as it had a tendency to incite a crowd to riot. He was allowed to go with a fine of $16 standing against him.

Nicholas Robichaud appeared to answer a serious charge. He was arrested on Saturday night by Sergeant Sullivan and Donahue for an attack upon an elderly woman in Rockwood Park on Saturday evening. She gave her age as sixty-five. After the complainant testified this morning the prisoner was remanded.

Four men arrested on drunkenness charges were remanded. One was a cripple and the Magistrate said he would endeavor to procure work for him in Hampton.

Erick Pargram was remanded on a charge of drunkenness and supplying liquor to a soldier.

BYE-LAW MATTERS

Michael Cullinan, H. R. Roberts, Lorenzo Crosby, J. Dufferin Mitchell, Bernard Gallagher and Elmer E. Morrell were before the court charged with having defective rear lights on their automobiles and a fine of $50 was struck against them and $5 accepted.

William Boone was reported for allowing his horse to stand on the sidewalk in Union street. He explained that he had done so while he was removing a load of coal. A fine of $10 was struck, but allowed to stand.

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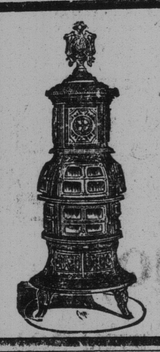

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