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ROYAL BANK APPLIES TO HAVE COMPANIES MADE CO-DEFENDANTS

Motion Made in Supreme Court to Include A. & G. W. Railway Co., Canada West Construction Co., Standard Trust Co. and the J. H. Morgan Co. as Parties to Suit.

J. D. Hyndman, acting as solicitor for the Royal Bank, made a motion in supreme court chambers Monday asking that the Alberta and Great Waterways railway, the Canada West Construction company, J. H. Morgan company and the Standard Trust company, be made co-defendants with the bank in the suit brought by the government to secure possession of the money derived from the sale of A. & G. W. bonds.

The motion comes up at next Tuesday's sittings of the Supreme court and if it is successful the whole four companies will be involved in the litigation.

The Royal bank is acting independently of the other banks who are applying for interpleaders and prepared to stand aside as neutral parties. Their position will, however, not be exactly defined until the ruling of the court on the interpleader summons in Supreme court chambers on January 27th.

A BIG IMMIGRATION ALONG THE BRANCH LINES OF THE G.T.P.

The Toledo to Calgary Line is Regarded as One of the Most Likely of the Fields for Settlements—G. T. P. Laying Plans For Further Improvements on its Main Lines Already Built—Will Also Construct Many New Branch Lines.

Montreal, Jan. 6.—The large number of inquiries that have been received by the Grand Trunk Pacific during the late fall which are on the increase indicate that there will be an extremely heavy immigration, especially of the passenger class, settling along the G. T. P. in the coming spring.

Further increase in travel is expected next year when passengers over a number of branch lines will be undertaken. A line from Toledo to Calgary is expected to be completed next fall, but it is likely that a train service will be given over a considerable portion of the line early in the summer. The line from Melville north through Yorkton to Canora, which is ultimately to form part of the Hudson's Bay line, has been completed as has also a large section of the line between Melville and Regina. Track laying has been carried on considerably beyond Balmer. From Regina a branch of considerable importance is being built easterly toward the Hudson's Bay line, which will afford a more direct route to a large part of the immigration to Alberta and Saskatchewan from the West Coast. From Regina to Moose Jaw the preliminary work has been done this year on a branch line, ultimately to be extended to the Hudson's Bay line at Canora, Saskatchewan and Alberta to Calgary.

Will Require Further Work.

These branch lines will require some further work in the spring to bring up to the high standard to which the line is being raised on by the Grand Trunk Pacific, but the train service is to be looked for over them at an early date. West of Edmonton work is being rapidly pushed on the main line as far as the crossing of the Athabasca river, a short distance side of the Yellowhead Pass by the early spring. This will afford access to the Jasper Park country to the tourist and the mountain climber who have been eagerly waiting for an opportunity to get into that district.

Progress and development of towns has been more rapid throughout the year. The divisional points, especially where they are situated in the rich agricultural country. Such as Melville, Watrous, Biggar and Wainwright, have added at least one or two blocks of business buildings. The other towns which have shown considerable activity are Toleda, Scott and Holden, as all are situated in the rich agricultural country. Early this fall the Government section, that portion of the Transcontinental Railway which is being built between Winnipeg and Lake Superior Junction, a distance of 260 miles, was put in operation by the G. T. P. and used for carrying a large quantity of grain.

Improving Main Line

If all accounts be true the G. T. P. is laying plans for further extensive improvements on its main lines already built as well as taking under construction a large number of branch lines. From the preliminary work already been done at the present session of the Canadian parliament it is believed that the G. T. P. has received a large number of passenger coaches, cars, parlor, library cars, dining cars and baggage cars. These have all been built on the modern lines. A large number of each class of cars are on order for delivery early in the spring. The railway has also added a number of locomotives, both passenger and freight, to its equipment this year. Great improvements have also been made in the company's steamship service on the Pacific coast.

SPEAKER CANNON IS SUSTAINED BY HOUSE

"Uncle Joe" in Ruling Identical With That Which Was Over-Ruled Last Session Is Endorsed By Overwhelming Majority—Insurgent Republicans Resent.

Washington, Jan. 9.—Speaker Cannon had his hour of triumph in the House today. Badly battered in the three days' storm that swept the House last March and which had left him much of his power the Speaker "came back" in a way that brought a smile of satisfaction to his face and left his opponents, the "insurgents," discomfited.

Today the Speaker was sustained by an overwhelming majority on a ruling identical with the one he made last March when the House angrily over-ruled his decision through a combination of insurgent Republicans and Democrats. On the eve of their return to power, the Democrats voted almost solidly to sustain the chair. The insurgents—twenty-seven of them—stood in opposition to their former opponents and fought the Speaker bravely, but, deprived of Democratic support, their battle was a losing one from the start.

It was the first big manoeuvre of the session and the regulars were elated over the result. They taunted the Democrats unceasingly for their change of front. The House was in its gayest mood and during the three hours that the fight lasted, there was almost continuous laughter.

MR. BORDEN EXPLAINS A RECENT UTTERANCE

Offers Modification to Statement Credited to Him That Fate of Liberal Party Depends on Success or Failure of Reciprocity Negotiations.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—The attention of R. L. Borden, leader of the Conservative party, was drawn today to a despatch from Toronto which has been sent broadcast over Canada and which represents Mr. Borden as having declared while in Toronto that the future of the Liberal party in Canada depended to a great extent if not completely upon the success or failure of the reciprocity negotiations at Washington.

Mr. Borden said: "This is the accurate report of my remarks. I said that a commercial treaty must necessarily be subject to parliament for ratification, that the fate of such a treaty involves the fate of the Government which has negotiated for it. For this reason the Government ought to submit to parliament a clear statement of the principles upon which they intend to act so that the country and parliament may have an opportunity of expressing their opinion before it is too late."

EXPRESS CAR BURNED.

Catch Fire 40 Miles West of Winnipeg and All Contents Destroyed.

Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—The express car on the C.P.R. train 87 which left the city for the West, took fire a short distance west of Winnipeg, Saturday night, the car was run back to Poplar Point but the flames gained such headway that it was impossible to subdue them. But few particulars have reached the city, but it is stated that the contents of the car were completely destroyed.

NEWS FROM EARTHQUAKE ZONE

Damage to Town Slight But Many Lives Lost.

Tashkent, Asiatic Russia, Jan. 7.—Reports from the earthquake zone state that the damage to the town of Beshevelek was comparatively slight, but many lives were lost through landslides near that place.

THEY MUST PAY A BUSINESS TAX

CORPORATIONS PAYING PROVINCIAL TAX NOT EXEMPT FROM MUNICIPAL TAXATION.

Regina, Jan. 7.—Regina achieved a great legal victory not only for itself but for all Saskatchewan municipalities in the judgment handed down by Mr. Justice Newlands in the Supreme Court, Saturday, in the case of the Dominion Express Company vs. the City of Regina.

The City of Regina imposed a door tax on the Dominion Express Company the same as it does on other concerns doing business in the city. The express company refused to pay the tax, claiming that, inasmuch as they paid a provincial tax, under the terms of "The Corporation Taxation Act" by virtue of doing business in the province, they were exempt from the payment of all municipal taxes.

The Dominion Express Company brought a test case before the Supreme Court asking for an injunction restraining the city of Regina from collecting the tax and for a declaration that they are not liable to pay the same.

In his finding Judge Newlands declines to grant the injunction and refuses the declaration asked for. On the contrary, he holds that the Express Company is liable to the business tax. The effect of the judgment is that all corporations doing business in Saskatchewan and subject to the provincial tax on the corporations, except railways, are likewise liable to the business tax to the municipalities in which they are doing business. This means that banks, life and fire insurance companies, trust and loan companies, express companies and telegraph companies are all liable to pay the municipality tax based on the net income of the premises occupied.

THEY CALL COLLEGE A NEW UNIVERSITY

Those Interested in Calgary Institution Fight Signs For Complete Organization Made by Bill Be.

Calgary, Jan. 7.—An important meeting of several Calgary citizens interested in the Calgary University was held yesterday afternoon when plans were laid for a campaign of education to interest the people of Calgary more fully in the University which is to be established in Calgary. There was a fairly good attendance.

In the absence of Dr. Blow, who has acted as chairman at the previous meetings, Rev. Mr. Kerby was appointed chairman. He told of the condition of the Calgary University charter as far as he could.

It is pointed out that there was some confusion in the minds of the people of Calgary as to the exact condition of the Calgary University. It is pointed out that there was some confusion in the minds of the people of Calgary as to the exact condition of the Calgary University.

RACING MEET HERE ON VICTORIA DAY

Directors of the Exhibition Association Decide to Put On Series of Races on May 24th and 25th—Memberships Free May 16th and 17th.

Races will be held at the Exhibition grounds on May 24th and 25th according to the decision of the directors of the Exhibition Association at their meeting. This step has been taken by the directors after long deliberation and the consideration for the rights of the Provincial Government in connection with the racing on Victoria Day without competition.

It was felt, however, as one of the officials expressed it this morning, that with the increasing number of horses in training in this part of Alberta, Fort Saskatchewan did not hope to offer substantial enough purses to hold them here on May 24, and the majority would go to Calgary, thus benefiting neither Edmonton nor Fort Saskatchewan. The Fort would draw a crowd anyway, for the foot-races and other attractions, and leave over-ought to ostracize Edmonton horse races.

D. C. Robertson was appointed representative of the Edmonton horse racing to the meeting of the Alberta Pairs Convention, to be held at Lethbridge, February 1st and 2nd, which is the date of the Alberta fair, which is definitely fixed.

In response to communication from the Provincial Government it was decided to ask them for two judges for the stallion show, which it is hoped to hold in connection with the exhibition in the summer.

The exclusive committee was instructed to draw up a series of by-laws governing the admission and status of members. So far the recommendations of the department of agriculture have been followed. One dollar meant admission to membership, and once a member always a member; but serious complications arise out of the removal of shareholders and a good many shares are now in existence which are never put into use. It is proposed to make the payment of the one dollar fee annual, and to have the share lapse in case the fee remains unpaid or two of three years.

\$234,470,650 LOST IN FIRES LAST YEAR

Statistics Just Made Public Show These Enormous Fire Losses—Much of This is Due to Carelessness—Average Insurance Decreased in 1910.

Chicago, Jan. 9.—Statistics made public here today show that losses by fire in the United States and Canada exceeded \$234,470,650 last year, which is \$50,000,000 more than the losses in 1909. December losses were \$23,000,000 more than the corresponding month of 1909. There were thirty-five fires during the year which caused damage of \$999,000 or more, and in ten the loss exceeded \$1,000,000 each.

Federal and state officials agree that the majority of these losses are preventable, most of them being due to carelessness of one form or another, and are urging that the reduction of this fire waste be made a part of the campaign for the conservation of natural resources. In spite of the increasing losses, it is said that the average rate of fire insurance shows a reduction in 1910.

EDMONTON WHEAT BEST OF SIX YEARS

This is Opinion of W. J. Dobie, One of Most Experienced Millers in District—Cleaner and Freer From Stalk Than in Many Years.

That the quality of the flour produced from the wheat 1910 is superior to that produced from any crop of the last six years in Edmonton, is the statement of W. J. Dobie, miller for Campbell and Ottewill.

Mr. Dobie has had six years experience in milling in the west and previous to that had some twenty years experience in Ontario. Edmonton wheat he considers superior to the Ontario product, but might be much improved if the farmers only attempted to cultivate their land better. That is responsible for the dirty wheat.

There is, however, a market improvement and last year a remarkably good wheat was produced. It is rather discolored but in spite of that and was pulled out and milled and is cleaner and freer from smut than the wheat has been in six years.

MRS. E. A. PULFORD DEAD.

Was Descendant of General Grouchy of Waterloo Fame.

Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—A descendant of General Grouchy, of Waterloo fame, died in this city on Saturday in the person of Mrs. E. A. Pulford, mother of A. H. Pulford and Walter Pulford of Winnipeg, and Dr. P. W. Pulford of Detroit, Mich. The venerable lady was 76 years of age and had been born in Jersey, but resided for some years in London, Eng. Later, with her husband, she travelled to Australia, around the Horn, and then came to America, spending some time in the United States before moving to Winnipeg, Ont., and later to Winnipeg.

BOMB OUTRAGE IS THREATENED

MONTREAL OFFICIALS WARNED OF PLOT TO BLOW UP PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 7.—During the present month the Archbishop's Palace and the city hall were to be blown up by an anarchist, but warning letters to this effect have been received by Mayor Guerin, Archbishop Bruchet and Chief Provincial Detective Carpenter. The warning letter of his worship read as follows:

Two Anarchists.

Two anarchists of thirty will blow up the city hall and the Archbishop's Palace in the course of the month. They have compromising papers with them, their names are: Nap. Theriault, 625 St. Hubert, and F. Tella, 828 St. Hubert.

This communication is signed by F. Lapointe, trader. The other letters are to the same effect, the wording being slightly changed to suit the circumstances.

Written in French.

Chief Carpenter last night said: "All three missives are written in French and are in the same handwriting, which seems slightly disguised. The writing is cramped and the printer apparently is not accustomed to the quill."

CONFLICT HAS ARISEN OVER LAVERGNE ACT

Quebec Notary Refuses to Accept Ticket Because Not Printed in French. Is Ordered Off Train and Issues writ Against Company.

Quebec, Jan. 7.—The first conflict respecting the Lavergne Law, passed at the last session, occurred on Saturday last, and as a result actions of damages will be instituted by Mr. Trudel, notary of St. Roches, against the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway Company, and against Conductor Richard.

Refused Ticket.

Mr. Trudel resides at Charlebourg, but comes to town every day, and on Saturday morning he asked the railway agent at Charlebourg for a ticket printed in both languages. As there were no such tickets to be secured, Mr. Trudel refused to purchase any other and got on board the train.

When Conductor Richard came along, Trudel informed him that he had no ticket, and the conductor offered to sell him one as it was not printed in French, he refused to accept it.

As a result, he was ordered off the train at Lamourette station and had to walk into the city and gave his counsel instructions to issue a writ against the railway company and the conductor.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES TO MEET AT WETASKIWIN

Fifth Annual Convention of Provincial Association of School Trustees to be Held Jan. 25th and 26th—An Interesting Program Has Been Provided.

The fifth annual convention of the Association of School Trustees for the Province of Alberta will be held in the assembly hall of the Alexander school, Wetaskiwin, on January 25th and 26th. Every school district in the province is entitled to representation at the convention, and a large attendance is expected. City and town districts may send two delegates and rural districts one delegate each. The Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Minister of Education, has promised to be present at the convention and it is expected that a representative of the department will attend all the sessions.

The Opening Session.

On the morning of Wednesday 25th the convention will be opened by the delivery of the president's address, by H. A. Malcolm, of Innisfail. At this session also a paper will be read by G. H. Hutton, superintendent of the Experimental Farm at Lacombe, on "Agriculture in Rural Schools" to be followed by a discussion of school gardens, their establishment and maintenance.

The afternoon of Wednesday will be devoted to reports and the naming of committees, and an address on "Manual Training in Rural Schools" with demonstration and exhibit of material, by J. C. Miller, B.S., instructor at the Agricultural Experiment Station, and himself and by Fisk remains unshaken in the main.

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In the preliminary hearing which has lasted since Tuesday, last, twenty-two witnesses were examined, over a hundred are expected at the main trial.

FISK GOES UP FOR TRIAL OF MURDER

Evidence of Robertson, the Prosecution's Chief Witness, Remains Unshaken After Severe Cross-examination—Trial to be Held About Feb. 11.

Calgary, Jan. 7.—John C. Fisk was this morning sent to the Supreme Court by Col. Walker, the officiating magistrate in the defence was reserved. The chief witness, Thomas Mitchell Robertson, was on the stand all morning and his story of the crime, which he says was participated in by himself and by Fisk remains unshaken in the main.

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THE SHAREHOLDERS MUST PAY.

Farmers Bank Shareholders May Have to Meet Liability.

Toronto, January 7.—G. T. Clarkson, curator and interim liquidator of the Farmers Bank, will tomorrow issue his first report on the actual condition of the bank's assets and liabilities. This will probably be followed by the granting of a permanent winding-up order by the courts with Mr. Clarkson as permanent liquidator. An immediate call upon the shareholders for their unpaid subscriptions and their doubt liabilities is also expected.

FELL THROUGH THIN ICE.

One Child Drowned and Another Has Narrow Escape.

Halifax, Jan. 7.—Two brothers, Annis and Miles Martin, aged 12 and 10 years respectively, were crossing Choccolite Lake on the outskirts of Halifax this afternoon. The ice was weak and both children went through. The older child, Miles, was pulled out and was sent out of sight almost immediately and was drowned. The younger child, Annis, was pulled out and was sent out of sight almost immediately and was saved.

THE NEW YORK COPS LAUGH AT THE LONDON POLICE FORCE

Prominent Members of Gotham Force Ridicule Battle Between Two Anarchists and Hundreds of Constables, Aided by Troops—Say That Metropolitan Would Have Been Sent to Make Arrest in Any of the Big United States Cities.

New York, Jan. 7.—The manner in which American police are likely to regard the efforts of the London police in dealing with their two anarchists on Tuesday is indicated by interviews with several New York police officials published here yesterday. These officials declare there never was a time in the history of any big American city when such a thin crowd have occurred.

"I cannot conceive of a few men getting into a house in New York, barricading themselves and so harassing the police that troops would have to be called," said Inspector Williams, who has been a member of the New York force for thirty years. "If the affair resolved itself into a shooting match the police would be more than able to hold their own."

"The story from London reads to me like a poor fairy tale," said Inspector Brooks. "Such a thing would be impossible in any American city. Six policemen from any precinct in New York could have gone into that London house with their night sticks and taken those fellows out of it, and probably without bloodshed. It is all right to argue that the London police were not armed with revolvers, but that does not make any difference to the man in New York. They would go in with or without firearms."

New York Police Laugh.

"Why did not the Londoners call out the warships?" asked Inspector Thompson, whose opinion of the London affair was sought. "New York police laugh at the idea of troops and firemen being called out for assistance against a lone pair of offenders. If it took a thousand policemen together with troops, firemen and artillery to arrest two men in New York, the force would get a piece of shooting overhauling in a minute. I've had those two anarchists here, we would send the policeman on the post after them single-handed. If he could not get them, he would call for the reserve, and they would batter down the door. There would not be many shots fired before the prisoners would be in hand."

SELF GOVERNMENT IN CUBA IS SUCCESSFUL

General Gomez's Administration More Firmly Entrenched Now Than At His Inauguration—Favorable Reception at Various Points of the Facts.

Havana, Jan. 7.—As the second year of Cuba's independence draws to a close, it brings the administration of General Gomez more firmly entrenched than ever. So far as appears, on the whole, the administration under the situation and enters on the third year of his administration under better auspices than those which attended his inauguration.

This apparent stability of government is curiously at variance with the many alarming reports of insurrection and revolution and an impending third, and last, intervention which have recently been circulated in the United States and which have been received here with expressions of astonishment, coupled with the general belief that they have been largely manufactured by a propaganda inimical to the experiment of Cuban self-government.

The president has not been able to enlist the better elements of Cuba, has lost the support of many of his followers and incurred the animosity of some of the most influential. General Gomez is well seated in the saddle. The government finds itself facing a period of probable inactivity from agitation, but with little doubt will continue.

SENATOR LORIMER MAY TENDER RESIGNATION

Senator Lorimer is Alarmed at Opinion Which Threatens in Senate, and Shows That He Will Have Strong Opposition.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Senator Lorimer, appalled at the storm which will break in the Senate on Monday over his election, may resign. Causes of the Senate are bringing out a surprising amount of strength in opposition to the seating of the Senator. Predictions are freely made that Lorimer will be forced out of the Senate if he does not resign, and his colleagues are voicing their criticism that he should not appear on the floor at all while his fate is in the balance.

One of the striking developments in the situation is democratic strength in opposition to Lorimer. Enquiry among the Senate yesterday disclosed that probably not over a third of them will stand by Lorimer. If Lorimer does not resign before Monday, the fight will open then and will go to a finish this session.

THOUGHT TO BE WESTERNER.

Man Drowned at Port Hope Believed to Be Identified.

Port Hope, Jan. 7.—The man drowned in the harbor here early Friday morning is thought to be John Fishleigh of Weyburn, Sask.

Fishleigh was a former resident of the township of Hope. He returned from the west Thursday evening, and left his crib at the St. Lawrence hotel, stating that he would return in the morning. Nothing has been heard of him since. The grappling operations today had to be discontinued owing to the large quantities of ice.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.

Liverpool Jan. 7.—John Rogers and company report here today that there was only States cattle on the Liverpool head market and although trade was slow, prices held firm. The steers sold were halfly, an good quality at 12 1/2 to 13 1/2 cents per pound.

HALIFAX JAN. 7.—F. M. BROWN, GENERAL PURCHASING AGENT OF THE DOMINION STEEL CORPORATION, HAS RESTATED TO ACCEPT THE POSITION OF VICE-PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER OF THE NEW SCOTIA CAR WORKS LIMITED.

Halifax, Jan. 7.—F. M. Brown, general purchasing agent of the Dominion Steel Corporation, has restated to accept the position of Vice-President and General Manager of the Nova Scotia Car Works Limited. Brown has been with the steel corporation since its inception.