

REGISTRY OFFICE MUCH CONGESTED VALUABLE DOCUMENTS LIE EXPOSED TO FIRE

Attorney-General Takes No Action on Complaints—Will Be Again Approached

A casual reference was made at the recent convention of the Union of B. C. Municipalities to the matter of delays in the registry office...

Taking the law as it stands, a property owner is entitled to the municipal franchise as soon as he or she appears on the register as such.

No complaint can be made as to the manner in which its members endeavor to serve the public, but in numbers it is ridiculously small.

So congested have conditions become that the invaluable books and papers which are permanently or temporarily in the office are greater in volume than the available space.

A conference was lately held between representatives of the board of trade, the real estate association, the bar association regarding the matter, and the needs of the case will once more be placed before Mr. Bowers on his return from the east.

The index system in use in the office is an antiquated one, and causes loss of time even to those most accustomed to it, besides loss of temper to the man who wants to find something in a hurry.

There is no doubt that when the deputation waits upon the attorney-general the case will be put before him in very plain language, as the grievance is one which gets worse all the time and calls for immediate action.

EARL GREY ON CO-PARTNERSHIP London, Nov. 18.—Earl Grey is taking an active interest in the co-partnership movement and also in the agitation for proportionate representation in Scotland.

INVENTOR DEAD New York, Nov. 18.—George D'Entreville, a French inventor, who was instrumental in the development of the modern duplex telegraph system, is dead here at his home of heart disease.

SEES HOPE FOR TARIFF REFORM EARL SELBOURNE ON CANADIAN ELECTIONS

Austen Chamberlain Speaks on Commercial Unity of Empire

London, Nov. 18.—Speaking before the Conservative convention at Leeds, Lord Selborne, a former colonial secretary, said the government was quite right not to interfere in Canadian affairs publicly, but there was another side to the question quite apart from the relations of Canada to the Empire.

While these reciprocity negotiations were going on the government ought to have tried to obtain from America the good terms for home manufacturers as the Americans were prepared to give Canadians.

Speaking at Louth, Prof. W. A. S. Hewins said that during the years of Mr. Balfour's leadership there has been a risk of the break-up of the Empire owing to the entangling alliances foreign countries were forcing on our dominions.

The Birmingham Post says: "Unquestionably the Canadian reciprocity has impressed the imagination of the country, and by offering further striking encouragement to imperial preference has struck a swinging blow at the prestige of the government which so complacently hastened in advance to celebrate the obsequies of tariff reform."

Conservative oratory at the Leeds convention, says that for it to be possible to take Earl Grey's testimony that Canada does not want the result of her election exploited in the interests of tariff reformers.

Amoy, Nov. 18.—The foreign consuls have assumed control of the Imperial customs and the post office. Several days before Amoy declared for a republic the Imperial authorities became inefficient and the consuls refused to recognize the provisional government.

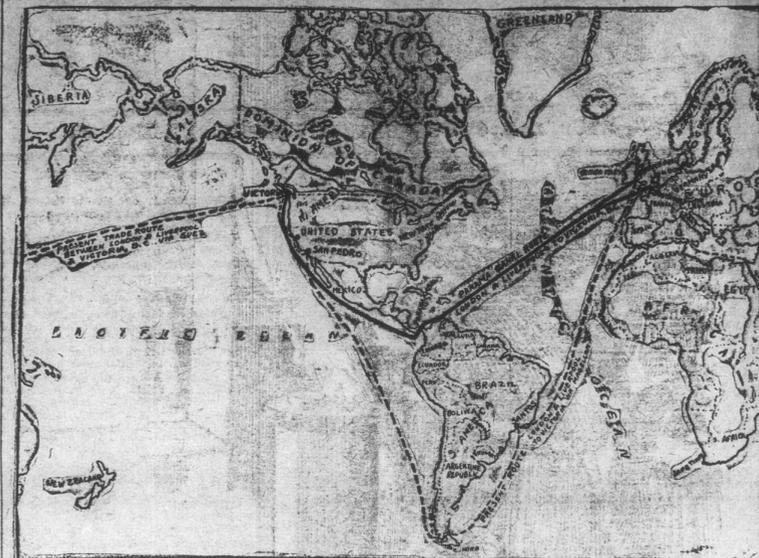
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PANAMA CANAL VERSUS CAPE HORN This diagram shows the route taken by the steamships operated at present by the Harrison line via Cape Horn and the one which they will take when the big ditch is complete. This will save over 6,000 miles.

IMPERIAL TROOPS AND REBELS CLASH FIGHTING IN THE VICINITY OF NANKING

Revolutionary Leaders Have Large Forces Ready to Press Attack

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The rebel strategists have planned their attack carefully. During the last three days a large body of rebel troops with guns, provisions and ammunition and horses have been dispatched from Shanghai for Chin Kiang by rail.

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BRITISH RAILWAY MEN MAY STRIKE TROUBLE FEARED BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Miners in Wales and North of England Also Threaten to Quit Work

London, Nov. 18.—The directors of great British railway companies are looking forward with anxiety to the prospect of another great railway strike before Christmas.

Both the companies and the men at the time offered loyally to abide by the findings of the commission, although the men now allege they gave this promise only on the understanding that the strike would not be the two days affair of August last, which in itself was sufficient to paralyze the whole commerce of the country.

Before the commission the leaders specifically stated that it was part of the settlement that both sides should accept the decision of the commission, but now that the commission's report has failed to give recognition, the railway unions have repudiated it on the ground that they were not bound to accept it if it was not wholly satisfactory.

DISMISSED FROM SHIP. Lieut. White, Navigating Officer on Nobe, Found Guilty of Negligence.

Winipeg, Nov. 18.—All four members of the gang which victimized Winnipeg hotelkeepers to the extent of \$3,780 on or about September 15, by passing forged C. P. R. time cheques, have been arrested south of the boundary line and now face trial for a similar series of forgeries in Philadelphia, according to C. E. Herbert, proprietor of the Savoy hotel.

SENTENCED TO DEATH. Toronto, Nov. 17.—For murdering James Loughheed on August 27, Joseph Jessamine was sentenced to death by Mr. Justice Riddell yesterday, the date set for the execution being February 22nd.

Scranton, Pa., Nov. 18.—William Peter Bishi, 22 years old, of Kingston, Pa., discharged Thursday from the United States Express service, was arrested to-day for the murder of Express Messenger Irvin C. Berger, on the Lackawanna Railroad between Taylor and this city last night.

WILL VICTORIA BE IN THE RUNNING WHEN PANAMA CANAL IS OPEN FOR TRAFFIC?

Is the Question Agitating Shipping Men—Docking Facilities Must Be Provided

Will Victoria be any better prepared for receiving her share of the trade which will come to Puget Sound after the opening of the Panama Canal than she is at present?

The transcontinental lines for years have been carrying a great deal of the freight shipped from the United Kingdom through to cities on the Pacific coast. Owing to the length of time taken by steamships in making the run from England via the Straits of Magellan or the Suez Canal to this coast, shippers who needed their goods within a few weeks' time have to resort to the railroads as it takes over two months for freighters to come via the Horn and three months by way of the Suez.

One of the steamships making the run from England here via the Horn was in port on Friday afternoon, the Harrison liner, Director. Nearly 65 days were consumed by the vessel in making the passage, and the cargo brought by consignees in making the run consisted of whisky, nails, glass and paints, which are not urgently needed by the consignees.

As the time of the passage is almost cut in two, the steamships will take from the transcontinental lines a great deal of the trade which they now handle, and with the keen competition which will result among the steamship companies, freight rates will be greatly reduced.

During her run out from Liverpool, the Director after clearing from Swansea called at only one port in South America. She stopped at Santos, Brazil, to load a shipment of coffee, and then sailed for the east coast of Africa, and the heads of these are sizing up the various ports on the Pacific seaboard. How does Victoria loom up in their views? Under the present conditions the shipping men in other parts of the world cannot look upon her as a favorable stopping place.

Capt. Gibson, vice-president of the Grand Trunk Pacific Dock Co., who has returned to Seattle from a trip to Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 15, says that eight out of forty of the electricians in the McNamara murder trial pleaded in court to-day in answer to questions after preliminary examination, that men were told to return Monday and thirty sentenced to life imprisonment.

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BY-LAWS' DEFEAT WAS STAGGERING ONLY ONE TO PASS

Some of the Causes That Contributed to General Defeat Caution and Indifference

RESULTS. The Dallas Road Sea Wall By-law For ... Against ... Total ballots cast, 1,081; spoiled ballots, none; minority over three-fifths of total vote, 76.

The foregoing figures represent in telling colors the tragic result of the battle of the by-laws which was held Friday in the market building, one out of the four measures proposed, the by-law proposing to increase the appropriation of the docks and sea wall by the sum of \$45,000, was able to secure the support of the necessary three-fifths of the total number of votes cast.

And what was the cause of this "curious and cussedness" were given by the defeated voters as the two prime motives which culminated in the disaster. While it seemed to answer the question as far as it applied to one or other of the measures the enthusiasts who had devoted their energies to arousing interest in a particular measure in order to assure its passage could not but be late adherents of them.

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REBELS PREPARED TO ATTACK VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN REBELS

Manchu Nobles Power, Threat for New

San Francisco, Nov. 18.—The Chinese rebels are preparing to attack today by the Chin this city. The dispatch says the new cabinet of Manchu nobles has power and that it is not friendly.

Another dispatch from the Free Press says Chiao, the new vice-board of justice, appointed Ting Chia Chao, a dispatch said he were not friendly.

Honan has declared and the governor, according to the dispatch, is to be executed. Eight thousand men started from Kwang and in the attack.

Paris, Nov. 17.—The Chinese rebels stand that there is an approximate three hundred mile distance against it out of a total of nearly eleven hundred.

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