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RAILWAYS MUST INCREASE THEIR RATES, SAYS HAYS

PASSES ITS DIVIDENDS.
(Special to The Sun.)
MONTREAL, Aug. 14.—The G. T. R. Company has passed its dividend on the first, second and third preferred stocks.

A London cable says: The accounts of the G. T. R. system for the half year ending June 30 show a surplus of \$188,000, which, added to the balance of \$2,700 from December, 1907, makes a total amount of \$190,700 available for dividend, which will admit of the payment of the full dividend for the half year of four per cent. on guaranteed stock, leaving a balance of about \$1,600 to be carried forward. The accounts of the G. T. Western Company for the year ended June 30, 1908, show a surplus of \$1,000,000, which, added to the balance of \$18,000, makes a total of \$1,018,000.

MONTREAL, Aug. 14.—Discussing the passing of the Grand Trunk dividends, Charles M. Hays made the following statement tonight:

"The dividends of the Grand Trunk are, of course, paid out of the balance of the surplus earnings available for that purpose, and at the end of June there was not a sufficient balance to declare a dividend upon anything but the guaranteed stock. It is, however, expected that the earnings of the second six months, which is the heavy portion of the year, will be at least sufficient to permit of a resumption of dividends on the first and second preference stocks."

"And to what do you attribute the reduction in earnings?" was asked.

Heavy Depression
"To the same causes which have led so many American railways to either raise or reduce their dividends. That is a heavy depression in business and the inability of the railways to reduce their expenses correspondingly. We are all doing less business than last year, but the rates of pay to our employees are higher than last year, while the cost of fuel and supplies of all sort has not gone down to our earnings."

"Altogether, in the United States and Canada the earnings of the railways for the year so far have fallen from sixteen to eighteen per cent. in gross, and very few, if any, have been able to make corresponding reductions in their expenses."

"asked as to how this position was to be met, Mr. Hays said:

"All the railways hesitate to make any attempt to reduce the pay of their employees, because it is a question whether they are not entitled to all they are getting. Neither the Grand Trunk nor anyone else wants to reduce their pay. But the railways must either do that or increase their rates, and you know how popular that would be by the recent agitation in the United States. But there is no other solution. When receipts fall off you can only accept the same net profit by reducing expenses or increasing receipts, and to do that you must have higher rates."

General Situation
With regard to the general situation Mr. Hays said: "I do not regard the half year ending this June as indicative of the full year's earnings, as it is always the light half of the year, and we shall not get into the business caused by the handling of the crops for nearly a month yet. With the big crops that are promised and the prospects of an increase in general business consequent thereon I look for a much better six months from all points of view than that ending June 30th, which has compelled the Grand Trunk to drop its dividend on all except its guaranteed stock."

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WALTER SCOTT WILL HAVE AT LEAST FIVE MAJORITY

Saskatchewan Elections Result in a Liberal Victory
Both Leaders Succeed in Carrying Their Constituencies
Regina City Goes Liberal
—Scott Loses Few Ministers.



REGINA, Aug. 14.—Today's contest in Saskatchewan has been full of surprises and so close that while it is conceded tonight that Premier Scott is victorious, the size of his majority is very much in doubt. His most sanguine supporters still maintain that when the returns are all in the premier will have a majority of ten. Others scarcely expect that his lead will be more than five. As the returns continue to come in, however, the situation seems to improve, numbers of doubtful constituencies going Liberal, and Conservative majorities being reduced in others.

Leaders Win Out
Both leaders succeed in carrying their constituencies. Premier Scott being elected in Swift Current by 115 majority, and F. W. G. Haultain in South Qu'Appelle by 114. All Scott's ministers were not so fortunate, however; Hon. W. R. Motherwell's seat in North Qu'Appelle is still in doubt, but it appears as if J. A. McDonald, Conservative, would carry it.

In Prince Albert City, Attorney General Tupper was defeated by J. B. Bradshaw, who secured a majority of 123. Tupper, however, had a safe seat at Duck Lake, Premier Scott's old constituency. Regina county went Conservative, while Regina city, all alone considered doubtful on account of the Liberal vote, went Liberal by 129 majority over ex-Mayor Laird.

Conservatives Elected
Following are the Conservatives elected: Francis, Dr. Mahon; Lost Mountain, Anderson; Lloydminster, Mills; Moosejaw City, Wellington; Maple Creek, Wylie; Moose Mountain, Dr. Elliott; Moosemin, Dr. Mills; North Qu'Appelle, McDonald; Pleasant Hill, Welsby; Pelly, Dundas; Pipestone, Gillis; Prince Albert City, Bradshaw; Red Berry, Evans; Souris, Riddell; Saskatchewan City, McRobb; Swift Current, Scott; Wadena, Pierce; Yorkton, Gary; Regina City, Bok.

The Liberals elected are as follows: Canora, Robertson; Duck Lake, Tupper; Estevan, Bell; Humboldt, Neely; Moosejaw City, Chephard; North Battleford, Pindlayson; Rosthern, Enns; Saskatchewan City, McRobb; Swift Current, Scott; Wadena, Pierce; Yorkton, Gary; Regina City, Bok.

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BIG CUSTOMS SUIT AGAINST RAILWAY

MONTREAL, Aug. 15.—The customs department of Canada has entered an action in the Exchequer Court against the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. to recover \$250,000, out of which it is claimed the railway defrauded the country by means of fraudulent entries, under-valuation, etc.

It is stated that the alleged frauds were committed during the period in which a C. P. R. Customs clerk committed extensive frauds for which he is now serving a long sentence.

In one instance it is alleged that bridge material to the value of \$37,000 was entered as soap iron.

WILL LIKELY RECOVER.
NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Tony Pastor, the well known theatrical manager, who was yesterday reported as near death at his home at King Island, L. I., was today resting easier and believed to be out of any immediate danger.

LAURIER WILL FINE HARVEST TOUR ONTARIO IN SEPTEMBER

OTTAWA, Aug. 14.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier left today for a week's stay at his old home in Arthursville, Que. The premier is arranging for a tour of Ontario next month, beginning about the 15th with a political rally at Niagara Falls. He will be accompanied by Hon. Geo. P. Graham and will visit some ten or twelve towns and cities in various parts of the province. The itinerary is now being arranged. The tour may be followed by a similar series of public meetings through the west during the following month, but that has not yet been definitely decided. A proposed scheme of the Ottawa Garrison in winter campaigning. It is proposed that a company of about 100 men shall march in January next from Ottawa to Prescott, using snowshoes and a complete winter campaigning outfit to be supplied by the militia department. The headquarters staff views the scheme favorably.

GIRL KIDNAPPED THREE TIMES BY FAMILY

French General Objects to His Daughter Becoming a Social Reformer.

PARIS, Aug. 15.—Mlle. Bassot, the daughter of General Bassot, who was formerly abducted in a motorcar from Reuil, being seized as she came out of church, returned to Paris today and related her experience to her barrister, Maître Clusnet. Her family kidnapped her, it is alleged, because she is determined to devote her time to charitable work of which they disapprove.

THIRTEEN DEAD IN FIERCE GYPSY FIGHT

Revolvers, Knives and Other Weapons in Battle Between Two Rival Bands.

VIENNA, Aug. 15.—A regular battle took place last night between two bands of gypsies attending the horse market at Friedhof, Silesia. The trouble began in a quarrel between gypsies belonging to rival bands over the sale of a horse. The quarrel resulted in one of the men shooting the other dead in the garden of a beerhouse.

The other gypsies at once joined in and fought fiercely with each other with knives, revolvers and other weapons. Eleven of the gypsies had been killed before the police approached to interfere. All the gypsies who were not horsed combat then sprang into the river, with the object of swimming across. Two were so exhausted by their wounds that they sank and were drowned.

The others, when they reached the other side, found that their vans with their wives and children were in the hands of the police. The vans were found to contain a miniature arsenal of weapons and a large hoard of stolen goods.

MAINE BOY IS POISONED.

THOMASTON, Me., Aug. 14.—As a result of eating unboiled turnips or potatoes, the five year old son of Chas. W. Robinson, of Warren, died of acute poisoning today. With a companion of his own age, young Robinson spent the day in the fields. When he returned to his grandfather's house, where he was visiting, he became ill, and after a few hours of suffering, died. The physicians certificate gave the cause of death as acute poisoning.

SOUTHWARK ABLE TO CROSS OCEAN

Dominion Liner Little Damaged GOT OFF BY HERSELF

Big Steamer Didn't Need the Assistance of the Ottawa

QUEBEC, Aug. 14.—All anxiety as to the safety of the passengers and crew on the Dominion liner Southwark, which grounded Monday night and after lying for a day and two nights on the rocks of Brassey Island resumed her voyage to Liverpool, was alleviated today when the sister liner Ottawa arrived with the news that the Southwark had sustained little if any injury and that there was no risk in her attempting the passage of the Atlantic after the mishap.

Captain Evans of the Ottawa disclaims any credit for the floating of the Southwark. All through Wednesday night the Ottawa had tugged and pulled without succeeding in her endeavor to pull her off. Then in the morning at the highest tide the Southwark came off under her own steam. Captain Williams then signalled the Ottawa that, as the Southwark was intact, he was going ahead to Liverpool.

Captain Evans says that the Southwark was lying close in to shore, less than a cable's length out. Though her bow was astern, there was fourteen feet of water under her stern. The Ottawa anchored with nineteen feet of water under her bow close enough to plan her cables. The shore was rocky and strewn with boulders. No matter how much the ship might have been injured, the passengers and crew would have been in no danger, for the weather was perfectly calm and the sea smooth.

Cables Attached
Cables were attached to the Southwark at night, but the bits on board to which they were attached, broke with the strain and came away. In the morning it was arranged that the Ottawa should take off the passengers and bring them up to Quebec in case the ship did not come off at high tide, and the boats of both vessels were consequently lowered for the purpose. As already mentioned, however, the Southwark did come off by her own unaided efforts, though she may have been shifted somewhat by the hauling of the Ottawa. Capt. Evans then signalled the captain of the Southwark, asking what he intended to do, and was told that as the ship was intact he was proceeding to sea.

FOLLOWED HER MOTHER'S EXAMPLE.

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BOAT CAPSIZES IN BAY LAST EVENING

Young Men Struggle Desperately

Four young men narrowly escaped being drowned last night in the bay, but were rescued before any serious injury was done.

At dusk Clifford Atchison, another young man named Long and two others whose names could not be learned, started out in a boat from the West Side to enjoy a sail on the harbor. They sailed for some distance, and upon reaching a point near Sand Rock they began to rock the boat, but no thought of the danger they were running entered their minds. A heavy swell was on and after a short time had been spent tossing from side to side the sail boat suddenly went over the water. Two of them caught the oars and the others hung on to the boat. They managed to keep themselves from sinking until their plight was noticed by those on the gasoline launch Mayflower, which was lying near Piasinco. The launch reached them in time to save all four, and dripping wet they were hauled on to her deck. None of them seemed to suffer much from their experience.

NEW COP SWORN IN LAST NIGHT

Chief Clerk addressed another officer to the police force last night when Thomas T. McFarland was sworn in. Officer McFarland fills the vacancy made on the force by Officer Burchall who was appointed janitor. McFarland is a stalwart looking fellow and presents a commanding appearance in his blue uniform. He is 39 years of age, weighs 190 pounds, and stands 5 feet 10 inches. Previous to his present appointment he spent four years at Robertson's paint works. Last night he was patrolling the Market square beat.

BOY CONFESSES TO MURDER OF HIS FATHER

BATAVIA, Ohio, Aug. 14.—George Vail, Jr., 20 years old, charged with the murder of his father, George Vail, Sr., 61 years old, who disappeared suddenly June 10th, 1907, has confessed to having committed the crime. To the authorities here he said that he had quarrelled with the older Vail previously to killing him and had shot him only after he himself had been threatened. According to the confession, young Vail, after killing his father, took the body into a hollow near his home and burned it. The finding of the bones led to the arrest and the confession last night.

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