



Blue Ribbon Ceylon Tea

COMPANY LIMITED

Because of Concessions Said to Have Been Given to the Treadgold Syndicate.

OTHER SIDE OF THE SHIELD SHOWN

Privilege Runs for Thirty Years, But Does Not Interfere With Existing Rights.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Advices from Dawson, via Skegway, state that an order which arrived from Ottawa recently gives to the Treadgold Water and Mining Syndicate possession of all vacant ground and all ground to become vacant in the richest portions of the Klondike. There is great indignation.

Business men of Dawson see ruin staring them in the face. It is said that unless action is taken at Ottawa immediately six weeks will see Dawson deserted by the monster mining meeting was in progress when his message was sent.

So far as can be learned, says an Ottawa correspondent, the Treadgold concession gives the company the right to locate hydraulic claims on my ungranted portion of the Klondike and its tributaries, and the sole right to pump water and distribute it to other miners. It is claimed that the concession, which runs for 30 years, does not interfere with existing mining or water privileges. The company is bound to supply at least 1000 cubic inches of water by July 1, 1908, half of the quantity to be available for other miners at a maximum of \$1 per inch. It is maintained, however, that this clause has been altered to make the maximum charge 25 cents. By next December the company must spend \$250,000.

The particular grounds of objection are as to the company getting the abandoned claims on Bonanza and some of the tributary creeks, but before they get the concession a very large amount of money will require to be expended by the company. Commissioner Ross of the Yukon is now on his way to Ottawa, and the matter will no doubt come up for discussion, and if it is shown that there are any rights of the miners or the general public interfered with, the affair will be properly adjusted. Those interested in the company are the various mining companies who have applied for the concession, and seeing that they did not succeed, are now stirring up trouble against those who did.

Centre Island. I have on my list for sale at Centre Island a most comfortable detached bungalow house containing nine well-lighted rooms; paved driveway, modern verandah around front and north and south sides. The property is on a grand front only \$27.50 per annum; lease has 18 years yet to run; price \$10,000. Address: Mr. J. H. Williams, 10 Victoria-street.

BODY BROUGHT TO TORONTO. Mrs. Fannie Allen Committed Suicide on Monday.

Buffalo, Feb. 18.—Mrs. Fannie West Allen, 37 years old, who since Saturday had lived with her husband at No. 206 De Witt-street, drank a quantity of carbolic acid at 12.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and died a few minutes later at the Emergency Hospital. Her husband is J. T. Allen. They have lived in Buffalo but a few days, having come to this city from Fairport, Mrs. Allen, according to her husband, had intended to commit suicide the following night. Mrs. J. T. Allen, brother of Fannie, tried to get her to stop, but she refused to do so. The body was removed to the morgue, and the body was subsequently claimed by relatives who were taken to the morgue and taken there this evening for interment.

IRA D. SANKEY ESCAPED. Detroit, Feb. 18.—IRA D. Sankey, the evangelist, was an inmate of the Kenton lock institution, burned to death, and escaped by climbing down a fire escape.

COOK'S TURKISH AND RUSSIAN BATHS. Bath and Bed 232 and 234 King W.

REGISTRAR OF MORTALS. Montreal, Feb. 18.—John A. Nicholson, M.A., principal and Registrar of Mortals, has been appointed registrar of McGill University.

Russian and Turkish Baths, 129 Yonge. At the Price, Will Pay Any Man. Pay him in looks—pay him in style—pay him in satisfaction. He is able to buy a guaranteed quality and comfort in a stitched or tweed hat worth \$3 to get it for \$1, or a fine black or white Derby worth \$2.50 and \$3 for \$1 and weather's (21) Yonge (1) Stratford St.

Accidents Happen Every Day. Protect yourself and family by talking a policy in the Canadian Railway Accident Insurance Company. Covers all kinds of injuries, sustained anywhere. John A. Macdonald, district agent, 44 Victoria-street. Phone Main 3372.

To Commercial Travelers. See special accident and sickness contract. Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation. Walter H. Blight, city agent. Phone 2770.

Did you ever try the top barrel?

AMALGAMATION IN A YEAR

Dominion Steel and Dominion Coal Companies to Merge Within a Year.

SOME TORONTO MEN INTERESTED

And Much Buying of Coal Stock is Taking Place on Exchange.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—It goes without saying that the news of Mr. A. J. Moxham's retirement from the general management of the Sydney Steel Works has created a stir here, but returned, little can be said officially on the subject.

The despatch from Sydney, which states that no immediate successor to Mr. Moxham is to be appointed, and that the general conduct of the work will be under the supervision of Mr. David Baker, with Mr. James Ross as managing director, and Mr. C. R. Duggan as assistant, is correct so far as it goes; but the purpose of the amalgamation of the Dominion Steel and the Dominion Coal Co. is to appoint Mr. Christopher Shields, the present general manager of the Dominion Coal Co., to be general manager of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. also.

It is now generally believed that the amalgamation of the Dominion Steel and the Dominion Coal Companies will take place within a year with Mr. James Ross as president. It is significant to note in this connection that the heavy buying of coal company's stock has been mainly on the Toronto Exchange, and it is known that the Toronto capitalists, while holding very large holdings of steel stock, have hitherto held very little coal stock.

Messrs. Cox, Rogers and Pellatt have had millions of dollars of steel stock, but comparatively little coal. They are now, it is said, busy acquiring coal stock in order to strengthen their hands in the big concern.

WITNESS FOR REFERENDUM.

Admonishes Prohibitionists Not to Let It Get Shelved.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—In an article on the Ross referendum to-day the Witness says: Let us deal with our politicians as we think they deserve at the right places and time. Let us not let this referendum shelved for another seven years by kicking against it, and let us reserve our best powers to showing clearly when the referendum comes that Ontario wants and demands prohibitory legislation.

FOR MARKET GARDENERS.

Readjustment of Duty on Garden Products to Be Asked.

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Mr. Leonard, the new Conservative member for Laval, will move in the House for such an adjustment of the duty on garden products as will give effective protection against foreign competition.

C.P.R.'S PURCHASE.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—Some \$150,000 has been paid by the C.P.R. for the land required for their great shops in the east end. The following are the sellers: Mr. Henry Hagan, who owned 77 arpents, \$150,000, and Montreal Land and Improvement Co., for 90 arpents, \$100,000; and Robert and Robert, \$50,000. Land and Robert, 29 arpents, \$50,000. The area purchased by the company includes 109 arpents, in addition to the properties named above. The land is divided into small lots among a score of owners. The total area of the land approximately 580 arpents, and is situated on the C.P.R. tracks on the west to the city limits at Maisonneuve on the east, and from Notre-Dame-street to the south to the city limits on the north.

Patents for Herstonough & Co.

King-street West, Toronto, also Montreal, Ottawa and Washington.

KILLED WIFE FOR BEING LATE.

Pennsylvanian Walked Eight Miles to Commit the Deed. Bellefonte, Pa., Feb. 18.—Because his wife failed to appear at the time he had set for her return, Frank M. Beckwith walked eight miles to the place where she was staying and killed her. Mrs. Beckwith went to Sandy Ridge Saturday night to get her trunk, and when she returned home she found her husband had returned and trampled the right side of her trunk, and murdered her on sight. Beckwith is in jail.

RICHARDSON IS DEFEATED IN ESSGAR

BY MR. SIFTON'S CANDIDATE STEWART

Liberal Won, But a Majority of Over 500 Pronounced Against the Government—Had Not Toombs Split the Vote, Richardson Would Have Won Hands Down—Toombs Loses His Deposit.

Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—The electors of Lisgar, who are electing Stewart, Ottawa's candidate, to-day by a majority of probably a thousand, pronounced at the same time, in the aggregate vote, against the government by a majority of over five hundred votes.

Stewart's vote at 11.25 p.m., with eight polls to hear from, was 3142, Richardson, Independent, 2166, and Toombs, Conservative, 1512. It will be seen that Toombs kept out of the running and the votes rolled for him gone to Richardson, as they would have, Richardson would have defeated Stewart by 526.

The majority for Sifton's candidate was made up of an almost solid French and Memphite vote, and three towns, Richardson receiving a large majority in the English-speaking farming section.

Many leading Conservatives in the riding were strongly opposed to the opposition put up against Richardson by a wing of the Conservative party, and took no pains to hide their feelings.

They naturally express no regret that Toombs lost his deposit, as they say that had Toombs kept out of the field Richardson would have given a hard blow to marching politics as practised by the Ottawa government, and abundance of whiskey to-day the support of the "barrel" and abundance of whiskey.

Intense interest was shown in the city as the returns were posted by the newspapers and at the clubs.

ROYAL TEMPLARS DENOUNCED THE REFERENDUM

BEFORE GRAND COUNCIL OF ONTARIO AT GUELPH

Adopted Report of Committee on Temperance and Prohibition Declares Premier Ross is Shirking His Responsibility and Calls on Legislature to Strike Out All Reference to Referendum.

Guelph, Feb. 18.—The mass meeting of the annual provincial convention of the R. T. of T. held at Knox Church here to-night, was the largest and most enthusiastic gathering the city has had in temperance work for years. Mr. E. R. Bollett occupied the chair and addresses were presented from the Mayor, the W.C.T.U., and the Ministerial Association. The speakers were: J. A. Austin, Toronto; George W. Lees, Hamilton; John Buchanan, Wingham, and W. W. Buchanan of Winnipeg.

The Ross bill was the one topic dealt with by all speakers. The address of the evening was made by W. W. Buchanan of Winnipeg, for many years the chief officer of the Royal Templars for Canada. He described the Manitoba Act, and claimed that it was not a sweeping measure of prohibition, but a modest measure, which did not touch vested rights nor invade the realm of personal liberty. It was a simple attempt to destroy the places of public temptation, which should command the support even of those who oppose the principle of prohibition but recognize the evil of the public drinking places.

When he came to deal with the Ontario features of the act now before the legislature, things became interesting. He ridiculed the Ross referendum, not with denunciation and invective, but with clear cogent reasoning, showing that it was an evasion of responsibility, a direct violation of the pledge of the Premier, and even in its details shapen not to suit the prohibitionists.

He called upon the temperance people to stand by the victories of the past, hold the government up to its pledges, and precipitate the issue immediately in the provincial election campaign.

He defended responsible government, and declared that every lover of stable administration and friend of political morality would be completely satisfied with the temperance forces if they forced their issue into practical politics.

At this afternoon's session the Grand Council of the Royal Templars adopted the following resolution from the Committee on Temperance and Prohibition: "The government of this province has legislated in a manner which has prohibited legislation to the full extent of the law. The government has defined by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, the electorate of this province in two plebiscites and by overhauling majorities have declared the prohibition to be the principle of prohibition.

"After the plebiscite of 1884 Sir Oliver Mowat asserted that the vote must be regarded as expressing strongly and emphatically the sentiments of the people. On the same day the Hon. G. W. Ross endorsed the statement of Sir Oliver, and also said: 'I expected a large vote, but not so large a vote. The government that will not accept the verdict of the people will be known by its spitting rather than by its acts. A year ago Mr. Ross stated that the policy of the government had not changed. You know what our predecessors have promised. It is not necessary to repeat this story. We stand where we always stood. Your committee cannot look upon the bill now before the government as a fulfilment of the government's pledges. Inasmuch as responsibility is evaded by the proposed referendum, therefore your committee recommends this grand council to enter its emphatic protest against such an evasion of responsibility and calls upon the legislature to amend the act, striking out all reference to referendum.'

MAYOR DECLINED TO RECOGNIZE A LARGE MAJORITY.

City Councillors Voted to Make an Offer to Buy Out Gas Company, But Were Overruled on a Technical Doubt.

In order, was put to a vote. He gained the majority. Another important feature of the resolution was that it made an offer to buy out the gas plant at the Council meeting yesterday afternoon. There was a vote taken on Ald. Oliver's resolution to make an offer to the company to buy the Gas Company, and submit to the qualified ratifiers the bylaw to raise the necessary money. The resolution was carried by a majority of 14 to 9. The Mayor refused to say that the resolution was carried, taking the ground that the Corporation should decide whether a two-thirds vote was necessary. His ruling was strenuously objected to, and another vote was taken, the result being 13 to 8 in favor of the resolution.

Corporation Counsel Fullerton was brought in as referee, and he announced his inability to state whether the Mayor's position was legal or not, on short notice, and, in the meantime, His Worship declared "Lost," the resolution which had a two-thirds majority if His Worship had not voted against it, and which, in any event, had a very large majority in the Council.

Several Incidents. The meeting was almost a repetition of the one of the day before in point of disorderliness, and was prominent particularly on account of the expected clash between His Worship and Ald. Spence, which eventually resulted in the latter standing on his rights and refusing to allow business to proceed until a motion, which he claimed to be legal, but, in the meantime, the Council moved an amendment. This was another offer made to the Gas Company for the purchase of their plant. The Mayor is instructed to appoint an expert to take into consideration the great advances that have been made in gases and electrical energy, with a view of giving us a report whether in the affirmative or negative.

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WARD TWO CONSERVATIVES

About Three Hundred Attended Their Annual Smoker Held in Victoria Hall.

SPEAKERS PREDICT PROVINCIAL WIN

Rosa's Referendum His Latest Bungle—Plenty of Pipes, But No "Pipe" Stories.

It was the general opinion of the 300 who attended the annual smoker of Ward 2 Liberal-Conservative Association last night in Victoria Hall that the event was one of the most successful of its kind ever held in Toronto.

A number of Toronto's most prominent Conservatives were present, and the speeches delivered were bright, brief and breezy. A capital musical program was rendered by Henry Bennett, John Atkinson, John Foy, Norman Teddy, Master Manston Butler, Chas Gordon, George T. Beales and John Brown. Refreshments, cigars, pipes and tobacco were served in abundance.

Ald. Thomas Foster occupied the chair. On the platform were: J. J. Foy, K. C. M. L. A. R. Whitesides, Emerson Costworth, Jr., Ald. Daniel Lamb, Capt. Robson, M. L. A. for East Middlesex, Isaac Lucas, M. L. A. for Centre Grey, F. G. McDermid, M. L. A. for West Egin, John Greer, John Wickett, Joseph E. Thompson, John H. Pritchard, James A. Macdonald, R. S. Neville, ex-Ald. E. Strachan Cox, J. W. Moyes, Dr. Pyne, M. L. A., ex-Ald. Thos. Davies, Nicholas Murphy, John Abery, Napier Robinson, Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, A. H. Birmingham, Dr. John Noble, Wm. Crawford, J. A. McMillan, T. L. Church, S. W. Burns, Williams.

The chairman, in his opening address, referred to the death on Monday of ex-Ald. Thompson, for many years a member of the association. Mr. Birmingham, vice-president of the North Toronto Conservatively Club, attacked the government for their timber policy and their slowness in developing the resources of the province.

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Mr. McDermid presided over the party at the forthcoming election. He ridiculed the Provincial Secretary for his action in finding offices for those who had worked against the interest of the people. The government's latest move was in providing for the people the referendum. In two hours he had no need to raise the ground his pledges and professions of his time. The government, he declared, had not been true to its word, and he said, had been revised and abused by his opponents.

The vigor of the young men would be required in the coming campaign, said Mr. Foy. He had no doubt that the old warriors in the fight again.

E. Strachan Cox thought that the opportunity was remaining to think that they had been reassured. The Conservatives were opposing to him would soon be at hand, and he hoped to see the party take advantage of it. The government was opposing to him would soon be at hand, and he hoped to see the party take advantage of it.

Mr. Lucas came from Grey County, which was the best in the province, and between the two parties. He urged that the party would be returned by a large majority.

Mr. Moyes declared that he was going into the campaign in East York, where he was once whipped, but he had no doubt that he would be returned by a large majority.

Dr. Pyne said that for 30 years the province had been lagging behind. His mineral and other resources were not being developed to any great extent, and the educational system was all wrong. He thought that if the government remained in power another 30 years, the population of the province would remain at 2,250,000 people.

Mr. Foy said that he was a candidate in East York at the coming election. He said, "If I am elected, I will be a light to the people. He thought that the party would be returned by a large majority.

The smoker closed with cheers for the King and the Queen, and the arrangements for the smoker.

Lilac Trees in Full Bloom. Such a sight is refreshing and they remind one so much of spring. Gorgeously decorated with frills and ribbons, they make a most acceptable present. See the other glorious spring flowers at Dunlop's, 5 King, West, 445 Yonge.

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DEATHS. ALLEN—At Buffalo, N.Y., on Monday, Feb. 17, 1902, Fannie Vele, beloved wife of Thomas Allen, formerly of Orangeville. Funeral from her late residence, 173 Fairview-avenue, (Mrs. Wm. Johnson), 173 Fairview-avenue, Wednesday, the 19th, at 2.30 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

SAT ABOUT TWENTY MINUTES

Finance Minister Did Not Insist on Proceeding With the Estimates Yesterday.

MEMBER FOR KINGSTON INTRODUCED

Showers of Petitions Presented—Cowan's Bill re Railway Act Dropped.

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Supply being the only government business really and the Auditor-General's report not being distributed to members, the Finance Minister did not insist upon proceeding with the estimates, so that about 20 minutes sufficed to put through the business of this afternoon's sitting of the Commons.

At the opening of the sitting a shower of petitions was presented in reference to the construction of proper caferails at railway crossings, respecting the Bell Telephone Company, and asking for the appointment of a railway commission.

Mr. Harty, the new member for Kingston, was introduced by Sir Richard Cartwright and D. Fraser and took his seat amidst ministerial cheers. Mr. Cowan's bill respecting drainage across railways was introduced and read a first time.

Mr. Cowan's other bill, to amend the General Highway Act, was dropped. The House adjourned at 3.20 p.m. To-morrow the House will go into committee on supply and discuss a bill for civic government which probably will be taken up.

OPPOSED MANCHURIA TREATY

Chinese Minister Who Wanted to Resign Not Allowed to.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 18.—Yang Yu, who died yesterday, was asked by the Emperor in April of last year he had given his mission of the Emperor to resign rather than sign the treaty giving Russia control of Manchuria, which was then pending. A few weeks later it was announced that Yang Yu, who had suffered from a long illness, had died of the strain of the treaty negotiations, and the difficulties of his position. A Paris rumor, however, gave another explanation of his illness. It was said that he had been insulted by Count Lamsdorf, Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, and that the Count's servants had thrown the Chinese Minister out of the house, injuring him. In May Yang Yu returned to China, and several men were named as probable successors. However, after a short vacation he returned to his post.

REV. TSILKA ARRESTED.

Charged With Complicity in Kidnapping of Miss Stone.

Paris, Feb. 18.—The Temps this evening publishes an article stating that Constantine, which announces that Miss Stone has been released from her captors, who have held her captive since Sept. 8 last, and has been handed over to good health to the dragoman of the American legation.

The newspaper adds that the "Rev. and Tsilka" has been arrested on the charge of complicity in the kidnapping of Miss Stone.

NOT TILL NEXT YEAR.

London, Feb. 18.—A futile attempt was made in the House of Lords yesterday to obtain a hearing for a bill abolishing the "conscientious objection" clauses in the vaccination act, but even with a grave snail-pox epidemic threatening the government determined not to retreat from its present position, intimating that the foolish clause will be retained when the time limit expires next year.

CONOR O'KELLY AGAIN.

Dublin, Feb. 18.—Conor O'Kelly, member of parliament for North Mayo, was released from Castlereagh Prison yesterday. Afterwards O'Kelly addressed a meeting in Clonsilla where he said his views in regard to grabbers and grabbing were unchanged, and that he was a "Funch and Judy" man.

AMERICAN GIANT IN LONDON.

London, Feb. 18.—A sensation was caused in parliament to-day by the appearance of an American visitor from Georgia, named J. F. Skinner, who stands 7 feet 1 inch high. Sir Howard Vincent, M.P., escorted the giant through both Houses.

CONTINUED GOLD.

Metropolitan Office, Toronto, Feb. 18.—(8 p.m.)—The storm is now centered over the Bay of Fundy, and is moving very slowly east. Light rain and sleet have fallen to-day in the Maritime Provinces, while in Quebec a gale has prevailed with light snow, and in Ontario a very cold, strong wind has been blowing. The weather has turned quite mild in the Northwest Territories.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 10 to -6; Victoria, 40 to -5; Kamloops, 30 to -4; Calgary, 26 to -3; Prince Albert, 18 to -2; Qu'Appelle, 16 to -2; Winnipeg, 12 to -2; Port Arthur, zero to -18; Parry Sound, -18; Toronto, 1 to -20; Ottawa, 14 to -24; Montreal, 20 to -28; Quebec, 22 to -28; Halifax, 32 to -42.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fresh northwesterly winds; mostly fair, but occasional cold showers. Upper St. Lawrence—Strong northwesterly winds; clearing and colder. Lower St. Lawrence—Northwesterly gales; snow furries; but clearing and colder. Gulf—Northwesterly and northwesterly gales; cloudy, with occasional light snow; becoming lighter snow falls. Maritime—Strong winds and gales, wet and north; cloudy, and becoming clearer; occasional light snow falls. Lake Superior—Fine, and moderately cold. Manitoba—Weather becoming milder; light local snow falls.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Feb. 18. At. From. Kaiserin M. Th. New York. Gouca. Liverpool. New York. Antwerp. New York. Rotterdam. Antwerp. London.