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D. D. MANN TALKS

Emmerson Says People of Maritime Provinces Oppose Transfer

TORONTO, Jan. 13.—In reference to a statement that the Intercolonial had fallen into the hands of Mackenzie and Mann, Vice-president D. D. Mann today said: "There is no truth in it."

He denied that any negotiations had been entered into, but if the government were disposed to sell or lease it, his company would make an attempt to secure it, as it would provide an outlet to the sea for the winter shipping of grain.

"Would you say forty millions is a fair figure for the Intercolonial?" Mann was asked.

He hesitated a minute before he said, "Oh, I have never estimated what the road is worth. As I said, the road is a natural outlet for our 5,000 miles of railway. We handle one-third of the western grain crop and it would be to advantage of the country if we had the road."

Would Go a Mistake

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 13.—In connection with the discussion which is now proceeding in the press relative to the sale or leasing of the government road, J. E. Walsh, transportation expert of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, waited on the Minister of Railways yesterday, and in the name of his association advised that the government should not part with the line on any account. Mr. Walsh thought it would be a serious mistake either to sell the government railway or to lease it to anyone.

Opposed To It

Hon. H. R. Emmerson, M. P., who is

here today, in the course of conversation stated that public opinion in the Maritime Provinces was decidedly opposed to any change in the control of the Intercolonial. It was a tact part of the confederation agreement that the Intercolonial Railway should be maintained and operated by the government. It was true it was not definitely expressed in the B. N. A. act, but the spirit of the confederation debates would show that his contention was part of the agreement.

WHO HAS MOST WIVES CAN EASILY BE KING

Men in Liberia Put to Death—Women and Children Reduced to Bondage.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Continual tribal wars in the interior of Liberia, according to William B. Thatcher, of New York, a mining engineer, have resulted in the depopulation of whole sections and in the extermination of thousands of families.

"Africa," said Mr. Thatcher, "is the most thinly populated of the continents, there being only thirteen persons to the square mile. Liberia is never without tribal wars. The natives are always fighting, to the detriment of the country. Gold, ivory and cattle, which formerly came to the markets of Monrovia, have been diverted into other directions because of better protection to life and property. This fact contributes to the scarcity of fresh meat at the capital."

"Women are invariably the cause of every contention," said the man from New York without hesitation. "Wealth among the aborigines is based solely on the number of wives, boys and cattle possessed. The man who has the most wives can easily be king. The abduction of one of the wives of a Pessy man and the refusal to give her up when demand is made is cause for bell. The men of a captured town are frequently put to death in a most cruel manner, while the women and children are reduced to object bondage. Of these the king takes the lion's share and distributes the remainder among his followers."

"The children are frequently sold, pawned or given to satisfy financial demands, very often among themselves or to members of neighboring tribes, or sometimes to Liberians, who pay the price for them and then keep them under the apprentice system until they reach maturity, when they are given their liberty, if they do not run away in the meantime."

MAN'S THIRD SET OF TEETH HAS COME AT 81

Their Role in Candy, Late Dances and Cigarettes, Says Patriarch.

CHATEAUMONT, N. H., Jan. 13.—William H. Harrington, who will be 81 years old in January, is enjoying the unusual distinction of cutting his third set of teeth. Already two new ones have come in front of the upper jaw, and others are sprouting. Mr. Harrington is about as sprightly as a boy, and exceeding proud of his latest acquisition.

"I never had the toothache in my life, and no dentist has ever had anything to do with my mouth," said the aged man. "My first teeth did not loosen and come out until I was about 80 years old, and by the time I was 80 my second ones had all come. These didn't wear as well as the first, and when I was 75 I had lost them all but two, which still remain. Sometimes they would drop out and again I would pull them out with my fingers."

"I take a drink when I want it, and have used tobacco ever since I was a boy. I always maintain that if tobacco was good enough to chew, the juice was good enough to swallow, and this I have always done. I cannot see as it has done me any harm, and when my third teeth began to prick through last June I made up my mind that the tobacco must have done it by preserving the roots."

"I have always eaten heartily of meat and avoided sweet stuff. That's what ruins the teeth. If the young folk would stop eating so much candy and smoking cigarettes, and not stay out late nights at dancing parties, they would have better eyes and better teeth and be stronger every way. The boys are too slow, and the girls are more for ornament than use."

THE SWAFFHAM TINKER AND HIS DOG

Two quaint figures are carved on the two top pews and reading-deck of Swaffham Church, England. According to legend a tinker had a dream, bidding him to go to London Bridge and a stranger would reveal to him how to find a pot of money. So off he went with his dog, and at the bridge a stranger stopped him, saying, "Last night I had a dream, bidding me to go to Swaffham and dig in such and such a place and there find a pot of money; but I don't believe in dreams." Then back went the tinker, dug for, and found the pot as described, and also an inscription bidding him dig deeper, which he did, and found another, and with them restored Swaffham Church. The carvings were put up to perpetuate his memory.—The Strand.

HAZEN'S HIGHWAY ACT EVIDENTLY THE LIMIT

RICHIBUCTO, N. B., Jan. 13.—The Kent County council, by a vote of twelve to nine, refused to consider the request of the provincial government for suggestions pertaining to the amendment of the highway act. The opinion was expressed that the government should carry out their promise in this matter made to the people before the last provincial election.

A New Court House

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Jan. 13.—The county council at its meeting today voted almost unanimously in favor of the erection of a new court house in the town of Woodstock. This has been a vexed question for many years. The present building is an antiquated structure situated at Upper Woodstock, two miles from town, and has been soundly condemned by judges and grand juries for many years. Never until today, however, has the council been favorably disposed towards erecting a new structure. The council directed the building committee to call for plans and specifications for the new building, which are to be laid before a special meeting of the council in March. The idea is to have the court house erected before fall.

The Hazen highway act received a body blow today, the council, after a brief discussion adopting without a dissent a resolution proposed by Coun. Raymond, Conservative, con-

demning the \$2 poll tax feature, and asking that the amount be reduced to \$1.50.

Caused Excitement

The greatest excitement was caused over the Scott act, a determined effort being made to oust Inspector Colpitts. The majority report was by Couns. Melville and J. Hay, who alleged incapacity on the ground of old age. They declared themselves in favor of a younger and more active official. Fault was also found concerning the deficit of some \$300 in the year's operations, caused largely by the active prosecution of outside liquor shippers.

A motion was carried by a vote of 18 to 6 calling upon the inspector to resign.

The reverend gentleman flatly refused, much to the delight of his friends, whereupon a motion for dismissal was made which was lost, 11 to 13, falling short even of majority not to speak of the necessary two-thirds vote. Just what other cause may have induced certain of the councillors to oppose Inspector Colpitts is not known to the public.

Already a Conservative worker of the parish of Richmond, John McLean is understood to have been ready for the position, but of course the anti-Colpitts temperance councillors strenuously deny that politics cut any figure in the matter.

THE CANADIAN WINTER DISCUSSED IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Jan. 13.—There has been much interest evinced here in the controversy which is going on in Canada as to the holding of a Winter Carnival in Montreal with an Ice Palace attached.

The interest is all the keener in view of the fact that the chief issue rests on the probable effect this winter sport business would have on the minds of Britons who might be contemplating removal to the Dominion, and might be scared off by the intrusion of a too rigorous winter climate. In some quarters the view is taken that the fear of Canadians in that connection are inclined to be somewhat exaggerated, but this is pardoned by those who remember the talk which was created by the former carnival when the climatic conditions in Canada were not so well known as they are today, and before the vigorous campaign was inaugurated which made so widely known the summer fruitfulness of the various sections of the Dominion. It is pointed out, for instance, that Switzerland, in her brooding winter weather and sports has discovered a valuable asset, and the question is asked: "Why cannot Canada turn her winter to the same account?"

The London paper, referring to this matter, has this to say on this subject:—

"Wilfrid Laurier once said that winter was one of Canada's greatest assets. But it is an asset of which little use is made. It may be likened to the talent that was wrapped up in a napkin and put out of sight. Indeed, so far from being regarded as an asset, one might suppose if we were to judge from expressions of opinion lately uttered by certain Canadians, that it was rather a liability that must be concealed at all costs. When this proposal was made to hold a winter carnival in Montreal the idea was vigorously opposed on the ground that if the carnival were advertised, and pictures of it were scattered, as they would be, all over the world, a totally wrong impression of Canada would be given. People, it was argued, will be prejudiced against Canada as a land

of snow and ice, and would-be emigrants will be frightened. Further it is said that the pictures of the huge ice palace that was built in Montreal the last winter a carnival was held in 1891, are still operating to the prejudice of Canada."

"We must confess that we listen to these arguments with amazement mingled with amusement. We who have enjoyed the delights of a Canadian winter and are filled with regret that we must spend the season in the muggy atmosphere of London, yearn for the bright, dry, cold that characterizes the character of Canada in winter months."

"Switzerland does not wrap her talent in a napkin but puts it out to the world. Her cold winter is recognized as a valuable asset. Ice and snow figures in advertisements as attractions. Moreover, it is not only a health resort that Switzerland makes money in the winter but also as a playground. Winter sports, tobogganing, skiing, and other amusements which are dependent on plenty of ice and snow attract crowds of visitors. Every effort is made by the local authorities to trumpet forth to the world the merits of their toboggan 'runs' and of the sports that are to be held in their own particular locality."

The question "Should we let the world know the joys of a winter in Switzerland and in Canada is why does one country make a profit out of ice and snow, and the other treat them as if they were a curse?" There is nothing that can be said in the health-giving qualities of the air of Switzerland in the winter that could not be said with equal justice of Canada.

"Why should not English people resort to Canada for health and for sport? They might do so if Canada did not hide her light under a bushel. We believe that in these days, when Canada is only a few days further off than Switzerland from England, English people would flock into the Dominion in the same way as they do now into Switzerland and for the enjoyment of winter sports."

SCHOONER HAS TERRIBLE TIME FOREST FIRES REVEAL CRIME

Schooner Abbie and Eva Hooper Badly Damaged—Captain Exhausted

MACHIASPORT, Me., Jan. 13.—The three masted schooner, Abbie & Eva Hooper, New York for St. John, light, slowly worked into the harbor today after a trying experience with gales and cold weather. Capt. Richardson was on the deck constantly all night and day after leaving Vineyard Haven a week ago and was exhausted from exposure and loss of sleep.

When 6 miles southwest of Machias the schooner encountered a blizzard—a gale carried away flying jibs, foresail and spritsail boom. A mass of ice formed from the spray dashing against the bow gave the craft the appearance of an iceberg. The weight of the ice trimmed her by the head so that it was almost impossible to manage the vessel. Repairs will be made here.

NOT HIS FAULT

Dad—Johnnie, your teacher tells me that you are at the foot of your class. How's that?

Johnnie—That ain't my fault, dad, they've taken Tommy Tuff out and sent him to a reform school—Ex-change.

Body of Murdered Man Discovered in Woods—Arrest Made

NORTH BAY, Jan. 13.—Maurice Ryan, awaiting trial here on a charge of highway robbery, was today charged with the murder of his brother about November 18, 1897. The preliminary hearing begins before Police Magistrate Weeger tomorrow morning.

Detective Greer has been working on the murder case since the discovery of Joseph Ryan's body in a bush near North Bay in October last. The body of the murdered man was well concealed under a mass of brush and leaves in a wild, unenclosed section, but bush broke through the covering which had hidden the remains for nearly a year, and the crime was revealed. The bullet from a 32 calibre revolver was found in the body.

The murdered man had considerable money and was the keeper of a resort a short distance from North Bay, well patronized by sporting characters. On the night of his disappearance he started to leave town to escape being served with a warrant charging him with keeping an unlawful resort, and proposed driving to Callander, the next station on the Grand Trunk from North Bay, leaving arrest if he boarded the train at North Bay.

SCOTT ACT MATTERS OCCUPY THEIR TIME

Albert County Councillors Argue Over the Case of a Drug Clerk

HOPEWELL CAPE, N. B., Jan. 13.—The second day of the county council session saw some lively discussions, and many hours spent with apparently scant result.

Scott Act matters made up the chief subject of the debate and though the Scott Act inspector's report had not come before the board the question of an individual case wherein a conviction has been recently entered at the police court, opened up a general discussion on Scott Act matters.

The case in point was that of a drug clerk in a Riverside pharmacy who had a fine registered against him for accepting a doctor's prescription which, although it bore the physician's signature, that the liquor required was for medicinal purposes did not have the name of the patient or the bearer.

C. A. Peck, K. C., counsel for the defense addressed the council, stating that his client had accepted the certificate in good faith and with good intent, and asked the council to appoint a committee to investigate the matter and report at the July session. After much discussion the committee as suggested was appointed on motion, a number of councillors, however, voting against the motion and others declining to vote, claiming that the council has no such jurisdiction, an opinion that was concurred in by the clerk of the peace, the council's legal adviser. A motion to reconsider is to come up tomorrow, there being a strong opinion that it is not within the power of the council to do so.

The matter will come up again tomorrow. The report of the Scott Act inspector will also be presented at tomorrow's meeting. At today's session a committee was appointed to look into the new provincial highway act and present the report to the council tomorrow as to their opinion as to Mr. Hazen's much talked of road law.

WAVE SURELY SWEEPING THE SUNNY SOUTH

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 13.—The bill to prohibit the sale of all intoxicating liquor in Tennessee passed the lower house of the general assembly tonight by a vote of 52 to 36. Twenty-two Republicans voted for and one against the measure.

The measure now goes to Governor Patterson, who, it is expected, will veto it. Under the constitution his veto only operates as a suggestion, not as a stay, and a bare majority may pass a bill over the executive's unfavorable action.

The bill provides that prohibition become effective July 1, 1909.

The contest preceding the passage of the prohibition bill was probably the fiercest that ever occurred in the Tennessee house of representatives. When the final vote was announced the cheers from the galleries were deafening. The demonstration on the floor and in the galleries lasted several minutes.

Tonight the "state-widens" are jubilantly asserting that the bill will be passed over the governor's veto.

SENATOR KERR MADE SPEAKER

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—At this afternoon's meeting of the Cabinet council Senator J. K. Kerr, of Toronto, was appointed speaker of senate in the new parliament in succession to Speaker Danbarr, who had held office during the past four years. Another appointment made today was that Mr. Geo. Smith, ex-M.P. of Woodstock, to be county judge of Essex in succession to Judge Mickie.

PROFESSOR LOWELL SUCCEEDS ELLIOT

BOSTON, Jan. 13.—Harvard's new president will be Professor Abbott Lawrence Lowell, author and lawyer, now holding the chair of the Science of Government in the university and who today was elected to succeed President Chas. W. Eliot, when that well-known educator lays down the reins of academic government next May, after nearly forty years of service.

The selection of Professor Lowell was made by the president and fellows of the college, known as the corporation.

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SUFFERS SECOND STROKE

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—J. Lorne McDougall, ex-auditor general of Canada, suffered a second paralytic stroke today, and tonight the doctors in attendance hold out little hope of his recovery.

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Hard to Learn

COFFEE knocked Dorando out twice, once in London at the Marathon race and again in New York. Read the Doctor's report:

From the New York World, Dec. 16, 1908.

DORANDO'S HEART IN BAD SHAPE AFTER RACE, SAYS DOCTOR

By Dr. Jos. Graemer.

"Examined Dorando immediately after he was carried from the track. His heart was in bad shape and he was in a state of total collapse. In my opinion, the condition of his heart was due partly to overstimulation. His handlers gave him stuff from a bottle which they said was coffee. Even coffee taken in such quantities would be likely to affect his stomach and cause his collapse. There wasn't a bruise on him to show that the fall did any damage."

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