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# ST. JOHN STAR.

ST. JOHN, N. B., MARCH 20, 1904.

# PORTLAND'S CONFIDENCE.

The Sun yesterday quoted from the Portland Express an interview with a steamship official "in close touch with the Grand Trunk road and its steamship lines," to the effect that Portland need not fear the rivalry of St. John or Halifax with reference to the export traffic which will be developed by the Grand Trunk Pacific. The Express, commenting editorially on the interview, endorses this assurance with a confidence born of an accurate knowledge of the conditions and fostered by information from the inside.

But even without quiet assurances from officials in close touch with Grand Trunk affairs, the people of Portland would have little anxiety with regard to the traffic of the new Canadian transcontinental railway. They know that the promoters of that railway are the leading men in a road of which their port is a terminus; a road which has spent \$25,000,000 and more in providing, around their railway, facilities for handling export freight; a road which has built up a great traffic through the Canadian middle west, all of which, when intended for export in winter, it has brought past their doors.

They know that this Grand Trunk railway will tap the new transcontinental at a point convenient for the transfer of freight, and that it will provide the shortest distance from this point to tide-water. They know that in all probability the sections of the new railway from that point of contact westward will be completed long before the sections from that point eastward to Canadian Atlantic ports, and that, for years perhaps, there will be no other outlet for the export traffic of the new line than over the Grand Trunk and through their city. They know that, though the Grand Trunk Pacific is ostensibly built to serve Canadian ports, there is nothing in the contract between the government and the company building that line to prevent the diversion of every pound of its freight away from Canadian terminals in any direction profitable to the company. And they also know that the head men of the Grand Trunk Pacific Company—who are the head men of the Grand Trunk Company—are keen, resourceful business men, who care nothing for sentiment and who will work two roads to their own interests, utterly regardless of the interests of any country. It is not much wonder that the people of Portland, Me., have, under present conditions, no fear of the rivalry of St. John or Halifax—Sun.

# A HOPELESS MISSION.

The temperance delegation which waited upon Premier Tweedie yesterday was turned down and that with more bluntness than diplomacy.

Though the delegates may feel resentment at the treatment accorded them they can hardly be disappointed at the result of their mission for, unless they are very forgetful and possessed of an unusual amount of faith, it is impossible that they expected the government, to which they made their request, to grant them any concessions.

The record of the government shows it to be decidedly opposed to temperance reform. The very act to which amendments are now proposed was passed to speed rather than to favor the temperance cause. Its real reason was to mollify the temperance people managed to get through the legislature as a private measure in 1896, making it necessary for every applicant for a license to have the endorsement of a majority of the ratepayers of his ward.

This was passed in spite of the opposition of Premier Blair who, rather than allow it to go into effect, immediately introduced, as a government measure, the present evasive and almost worthless license act which repealed the other measure. And since then the government has allowed, if not instigated, the liquor license commissioners to take advantage of the weakness of the act to continue the existence of conditions directly contrary to the spirit of the law. Every year, in brazen violation of the clause restricting the number of licenses to seventy-five, between eighty and one hundred saloons have continued to operate without interference. Arguments before the commissioners and to members of the government have been entirely without effect.

When they had utterly and repeatedly failed in their efforts to induce the government to effectively carry out the present law, it is difficult to understand upon what hope the temperance people based their action in sending a delegation to ask for radical reforms.

# A REFORMED ASYLUM.

It is an inspiration of genius that has led the government to reform the Provincial Lunatic Asylum by changing its name. Undoubtedly, they had to do something. Discontent with the conduct of the institution was rife. The management was criticised as inefficient, keepers were charged with brutality and nurses with incapability. It

was alleged that instead of an asylum the institution was a combination of poor-house, penitentiary and morgue. Clearly it was up to the government to make some move.

Then came this brilliant idea to the premier: "All these charges, all these feelings are against the Provincial Lunatic Asylum. We'll just abolish that institution altogether and start a new one. Of course it will have the same buildings, same staff and practically the same inside system, but the name will be brand new. Nobody can point the finger of accusation at the Provincial Hospital for the Cure of Nervous Diseases—at least not for a while."

So what was yesterday the despised lunatic asylum has been reformed and faces the world today as a hospital for the cure of nervous diseases, with a record yet to make. It is forced upon us occasionally that the country does not fully appreciate the sagacity of this government of ours.

# LET'S BE PARTNERS.

"Let's be partners," says Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, president of the Grand Trunk to Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Unless general opinion is very far astray they are in closer partnership now than is for the interest of the country. And the end will be like that of the old story about the man with money who took as a partner a man with experience—at the end of the year the first man had the experience and the other had the money.

The asylum commissioners might make the capacity to learn by heart and repeat without prompting the new name of that institution a test of the sanity of patients.

# THE EARTH'S AWAKENING.

Past is the winter's biting blast. For spring, God's gentle messenger from the sun, has come at last. Again the earth is filled. With gladness again is thrilled. With the ecstasy and the mystery of her renewing life.

Ended is the storm's fierce strife; After the gloom and chill; The morning beautiful; each hill a harmony; a melody each hill. The sun is shining brightly; Winds are wafting lightly From the vibrant woodlands, where Arbutus scents the air; From the field exultant voices; Each feathered bird is singing; While nature sings her psalm Of love and balm. And promise gives our souls Of greater goals.

—Griswold Barry in Leslie's Weekly.

# THEY WANT MORE.

The Grand Trunk Pacific Co Says to the Government, "Let's be Partners."

OTTAWA, March 23.—This afternoon Sir Wilfrid Laurier brought down the latest correspondence with the Grand Trunk Pacific, in the form of a letter from Sir Rivers Wilson, dated at London, December 15, 1903. The letter is addressed to Sir Wilfrid and deals with the Grand Trunk Pacific deposit.

The letter says that the burden of the financial liability should be shared between the Dominion government and the G. T. P. Co. in equitable proportions, owing to the fact that both are partners in the enterprise. The letter adds that too large a proportion of the burden has been placed on the company and attributes this as the cause for the delay of the forthcoming of the \$2,000,000 deposit.

The letter concludes with the intimation that the amendments to the G. T. P. contract with the government which the shareholders propose are only meant to allay fears in the minds of the shareholders and questions are upon themselves too much of the burden. The amendments, it says, will have the effect of moving in an essential particular the terms of the Grand Trunk Pacific bill.

Most of the petitions in favor of better Sabbath day observance were presented this afternoon, including quite a number from the maritime provinces.

Laurier submitted the contract as amended with the Trans-continental Pacific Railway Co. Dr. Sproule asked that the old agreement be printed side by side with the new one. A number of private bills were read and referred to their respective committees and the order paper with regard to notices and questions was quite speedily disposed of.

# FRIENDS FROM HOME.

Officer Collins, of the I. C. R. depot, yesterday by the merest chance ran up against two young men hailing from Arvanstown, which is Mr. Collins' native town. It is forty years since Officer Collins left Arvanstown, County Farnham, Ireland, for this country, and his pleasure can be imagined at meeting people from the very spot in which he passed his early boyhood days.

The young men whom he met go by the name of Montgomery, and are on their way to Ontario to settle.

# WANTED—A case of Headache that KUMPORT Powders will not cure in ten to twenty minutes.

QUEER CUSTOMS OF JAPS. In all the countries of the world marriage is the signal for the perpetration of customs which are often very picturesque. When a wedding takes place in Japan the teeth of the bride are stained black, and remain so throughout her life, to denote that she is either a wife or a widow. The birth of a child is celebrated by the father planting in the garden or courtyard of his house a tree, which is cut down when the child has grown up and taken to himself a wife or to himself a husband. Its timber is made into useful receptacles for household linen.

# AIMED AT "SENATOR" DEVILIN. (Successor.)

W. B. Yents, the Irish poet, was asked the usual question as to what impressed him most in America. "The fat Irishmen I see here," he replied. "We have none at home."

# LOCAL NEWS.

W. F. Hatheway, J. S. Martin, W. L. Smith, D. W. Puddington and C. E. S. Robinson met Monday morning and organized the W. F. Hatheway Co., Limited. After the organization the following were chosen officers: W. Frank Hatheway, president; W. L. Smith, vice president; and C. E. S. Robinson, secretary and treasurer. The new company has taken over the business of W. F. Hatheway. The company will carry on a general wholesale grocery and tea trade.

On Wednesday evening several young men of this city will leave for the west in search of fortune. Henry Forbes, Sandford Evans, Fred McConagie and Henry West, all formerly in the employ of Manchester, Robertson, Allison, Ltd., are of the party. The first named goes to Calgary to meet his brother Robert, who left St. John about a year ago. The other three intend to locate at Winnipeg. Andrew Irvine, from Waterbury & Rising's, is also bound for the same city, while Robert Graham may locate at Brandon or Oxbow.

# RECENT DEATHS.

MONCTON, Mar. 23.—Donat Comeau died at his home here on Sunday from consumption, aged nineteen years. A brother, C. E. Comeau, is a brother. The body will be taken to Petit Rocher.

FREDERICTON, March 23.—Miss Rosella Sherman, youngest daughter of Warren Sherman, of Maryville, died this morning of consumption, aged twenty.

CHATHAM, N. B., March 23.—Mrs. Wilkenson, wife of Judge William Wilkenson, and daughter of the late Rev. Samuel Bacon, formerly rector of Chatham, died at her home, Bushville, last night.

The death of Lydia A. widow of Philip Nasse, occurred at her home, 194 Main street, Indianopolis, yesterday. Deceased, who was Mr. Nasse's second wife, was Miss Vanwart, of Wickham, Queens county.

One son, Otto Nasse, a dental student in the University of Maryland, Baltimore; also several stepchildren survive. A. L. Slipp of North Sydney, is a half brother, and I. S. Vanwart, of Hampstead, a brother; a sister, Mrs. Elsie Slipp, resides in Jacksonville, Carolina county.

# NO ASYLUM NOW.

FREDERICTON, March 23.—The house met at three o'clock. Hon. Mr. Tweedie introduced a bill to change the name of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum and for other purposes. He said the bill proposed to call this institution The Provincial Hospital for the Cure of Nervous Diseases. It authorizes the commissioners to employ two disinterested and competent medical men, with the superintendent, shall examine all patients and see who ought to be in the asylum and who should be sent elsewhere.

Mr. Tweedie informed the house of the resignation of Hon. A. T. Dunn, and said he would act as surveyor general until a new appointment is made.

The house in committee agreed to an amendment to the bill for the removal of garbage and other refuse matter from the city of St. John.

The amendment of the highway act occupied the rest of the session.

To cure Headache in ten minutes use KUMPORT Headache Powders.

# GROCERS COMPLAIN.

At the meeting of the Grocers' Association last night in Forester's hall, Charlotte street, some loud remarks were made of the dishonest way in which berries are packed. There is a good deal of fraud practiced every spring by putting berries of an inferior quality in the bottom of boxes and good ones on top. The Association intends to look into the matter with the object of putting a stop to it.

Complaints were the order of the evening. The manner in which all sorts of butter are allowed to come into the market without inspection was strongly expressed itself, very strongly against wholesalers selling groceries to the consumer.

# MARRIAGES.

ALBERT-BLIZZARD—At 181 Wainwright street, on the 23rd of March, by Rev. C. T. Philp, George Albert and Florence Blizard, both of this city.

# DEATHS.

MERRIMAN.—In this city, on 28th inst., at his late residence, 418 Charlotte street, Henry Merriman, aged 55 years, leaving a wife and two sons to mourn their loss. Funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p. m.

# Boils were so painful could not sleep at night.

APPEARED ON NECK, LEGS AND ARMS.

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| TAPESTRY SQUARES,  | 3 by 3 yds.,         | 6.50 Each    |
| VELVET SQUARES,    | 3 by 3 1-2 yds.,     | 16.00 Each   |
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