

COMPENSATION ACT WILL MEAN LESS MONEY PAID TO LAWYERS

Ontario Bar Association Hears Sir William Meredith Speak on His Proposed Measure—Right of Appeal to Privy Council Upheld by Sir Al an Aylesworth.

Sir William Meredith, workmen's compensation commissioner, yesterday afternoon pointed out the principles of his bill to the members of the Ontario Bar Association in Osgoode Hall.

The bill, said Sir William, might be a detriment to the legal profession. It would result in a great number of cases being settled out of court, and therefore the lawyers would lose fees.

The German Empire, continued Sir William, was the first to adopt a law whereby injured workmen did not become a burden on their friends or on the community.

In framing the act, said Sir William, he had tried to avoid giving the courts power to intervene or alter decisions. The manufacturers had wanted the group system used in framing the bill, and wherever possible this rule had been applied.

Continuing, Sir William stated that the bill provided assessments for meeting claims, and the board should have the power to make additional assessments for any future claims.

STEAMBOATS WILL FIGHT RAILWAYS

Competition Between Chicago, New Orleans and Kansas City to Be Keen.

(CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—(Can. Press).—Steamboats are to enter into active competition with the railroads for freight and passenger traffic between Chicago and New Orleans and Kansas City next spring, according to reports from the city which reached Chicago merchants today.

The new line is made possible through the development of the Missouri River, according to an official of the local company. Barges loaded with freight will leave Chicago and pass through the drainage canal to LaSalle, Ill., then down the Illinois River from that city to the Mississippi.

Freight intended for Kansas City will be transferred at St. Louis. There is said to be a ten-foot channel in the Illinois River at low water. The government has recently expended \$20,000,000 in reclamation.

Officers of the local company declare that the new service will result in a saving of 20 to 30 per cent. in freight rates. It is proposed to make the trip to New Orleans in six days, and the return in eight days. Eight barges and three steamers are to be used.

Recent improvements in the Hennepin Canal are said to have made it serviceable for barges from St. Louis, Ill. Disks, and smaller points, and this will be used as a feeder for the Chicago line.

RAILROAD TELEGRAPHERS DECIDE AGAINST STRIKE

Conferences With St. Louis-Frisco Line Are Proving Quite Satisfactory.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 29.—(Can. Press).—There will be no strike by telegraphers on the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad, according to indications tonight.

The strike committee of the Order of Railway Telegraphers will meet the receivers of the road again tomorrow in an attempt to reach an agreement.

Conferees that began this morning continued, with one intermission, until late this evening, and when adjournment was taken for the night, James V. Lusk, chairman of the receivers, said he thought an agreement would be reached.

"If I am elected to the board of education I intend to join forces with the members who will put up a stiff fight for reasonable progressive measures," said Fred Hogg, one of the candidates in ward three.

"The board needs strengthening for clean and businesslike administration of the educational interests of the city. I will also work for more supervised playgrounds, as the physical as well as mental development of children should be conducted simultaneously."

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The decision of the board had been objected to by the Manufacturers' Association, Sir William said, but there could be few questions of law arising. All that had to be decided was whether a man met with injury during the course of his employment. Also the decision of the medical referee appointed by the board was to be considered final.

Hon. Mr. Justice Riddell related the progress of the principles of international arbitration. He said that you could not always win, even with the best of judges, in referring to the courts of law. The case of the State of Maine when she "stuck her elbow into the ribs of Quebec." The boundary line, said he, was considered to be satisfactory. If Canada and the United States could get along with arbitration, what nation was so proud that it could not afford to follow their example?

During the morning session, Mr. H. Ludwig, K.C., the retiring president, addressed the meeting. Sir Alan Aylesworth, honorary vice-president of the association, followed with a spirited speech in defence of the retention of the right of appeal to the privy council. Sir Alan held that there were better judges and lawyers in England, and that the right of appeal, no matter how expensive, was one of the privileges of wealth which could not be taken away any more than could law be enforced to prevent rich people owning motor cars, just because poor men could not buy them.

Sir Alan said that ever since the City of Toronto had been beaten by a certain company when the case was taken to the privy council there had been a crusade against that body. He did not see that because one litigant was poor and the other rich, the power of the privy council should be destroyed, or appeals to that body abolished.

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Hon. C. J. Docherty, minister of justice, was present.

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BOSTON AND MAINE TO ACQUIRE FEEDER

Hampden Line Fifteen Miles Long is to Be Linked Up.

(BOSTON, Dec. 29.—(Can. Press).—The directors of the Boston and Maine Railroad today voted to acquire a fifteen-mile feeder line from the Hampden Railroad. The terms as to price and conditions, it was announced, will be such as to be approved by the public service commission. It was decided to take over the road as now constructed.

The directors also voted to follow the recommendation of the public service commission that the Boston and Maine should acquire the Hampden road in petition to the legislature for relief from the obligation to build branch lines into Chicago, St. Louis and St. Paul.

A Baby Line. The Hampden Railroad is a single track road about 15 miles long in the northern part of the state. It runs nearly parallel to the Athol branch of the Boston and Albany Railroad from Bondville, where it connects with the Massachusetts Central and Albany, two miles from Springfield station.

According to the Hampden Co. officials, the new service will result in a saving of 20 to 30 per cent. in freight rates, while the public service commission fixes the proper coat at \$2,200,000.

HURST NOT RUNNING ON LIQUOR TICKET

Candidate for Alderman in Ward Six Surprised to See His Name on List.

When he saw his name on a ticket supposed to have been decided upon by the liquor interests in an evening paper last night, S. H. Hurst of ward six was quite surprised. Mr. Hurst is an aldermanic candidate in the sixth ward, but he is not running on the liquor or any other "ticket," but on his reputation as a business man. "I am not on any other ticket," he said to The World last night. "I have not been approached by the liquor men, and I certainly have not approached them."

DR. EMMA MUSSON IS DEAD AT PHILADELPHIA

Was Prominent Throat Specialist, Formerly of Dr. Grenfell's Staff.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—(Can. Press).—Dr. Emma E. Musson, professor of otology at the Women's Medical College, and well known throughout the country as a throat specialist, died yesterday at her home in this city. She was 50 years old and had done much research work in bronchopathy. During the summer of 1909 she worked with Dr. Grenfell in Labrador, operating and giving medical assistance.

Dr. Musson was a leader in suffrage movements, and was a member of the County Medical Society and of the American Medical Association.

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HOMESTEADERS IN ALASKA WANTED

Government of U.S. Prepared to Offer Liberal Concessions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(Can. Press).—Liberal concessions to the homesteaders of Alaska, upon whom the future development of the natural resources of the territory depends, are recommended by the commissioner of the general land office, Clay Tallman, in his annual report submitted to the secretary of the interior today.

In order to encourage the homesteader to go to Alaska, Mr. Tallman points out: "It is necessary that the laws be made as liberal as possible, commensurate with proper protection to the public from fraudulent acquisition of the lands." The homestead laws now applied to Alaska have been found to be unsuitable to conditions in the territory.

Commissioner Tallman recommends that the area of entries subject to homestead usages should be reduced to 160 acres; the area required cultivation should be reduced to one-fourth of the entire area the second year, and one-twentieth the third year, and an absence of six months each year to homesteaders should be permitted, and, further, that the right to make a homestead entry in Alaska should exist notwithstanding that the applicant may have acquired title to a homestead outside of the territory.

"MONA LISA" AT MILAN STIRS UP ENTHUSIASM

Great Crowds Viewed Masterpiece and Special Medal Was Coined.

MILAN, Italy, Dec. 29.—(Can. Press).—The "Mona Lisa," which was yesterday handed over to the French ambassador at Rome, arrived here today and was placed on exhibition in the Brera gallery. Great crowds gathered to view the masterpiece, which was first inspected by the count of Turin and the civic authorities.

A special medal has been coined to commemorate the event. It bears the name of Leonardo da Vinci, and the inscription, "May her divine smile ever shine."

So dense were the crowds about the gallery that 200 police officials and carabinieri had difficulty in preserving order. Later the painting was removed to a larger hall where it was on exhibition until midnight.

C. P. R. GETS CHARTER FROM STATE OF MAINE

Will Build Line Out of New Issue for Fast Mail and Passenger Services.

(MONTRÉAL, Dec. 29.—(Can. Press).—The establishment of an improved line from Halifax to Montréal is believed to be the object of the C.P.R. in securing a charter from the State of Maine to enable it to build a railway from Carleton Place, Me., to Westbrook, Que., to replace the present Megantic-Sherbrooke route for the fast mail and passenger services. The new line is \$2,000,000 in cost, it is said, will be used for the coast of this line.

The C.P.R. has already been known as the Minto branch already built, and with other connections will be able to join the I.C.R. a short distance west of Montréal, on the St. John branch of the government system. Whether the C.P.R. will use the I.C.R. for all time or three months is creating much doubt, and a great many are of the opinion that the company will sooner or later run into Halifax on its own rails.

NO ANTI-JEWISH SPIRIT AT TORONTO UNIVERSITY

Rabbi Jacobs and President Falconer Do Not Support Zionist Charges.

Rabbi Jacobs in a reference to the protest at the Zionist meeting in Montréal in relation to students at college states that no anti-Semitic feeling was ever shown at Toronto University. He had several times accepted invitations to lecture before societies there.

President Falconer stated that he had never even thought of such a thing as any discrimination against any way against Jewish students at the university.

ANOTHER SALE OF BAY ST. PROPERTY

Deal Put Thru for Block of Land South of King Street.

It has been rumored that negotiations have been in progress for the purchase of another large Bay street property below King street. The World interviewed Mr. V. H. Edwards, who is supposed to be engineering the deal, and he admitted a purchase had been made, but did not wish to give out any particulars at the present time. He stated, however, that the purchase price was a large one and above figures paid recently for Bay street property. The percentage of cash involved was much larger than is usually paid on downtown property.

PROPOSAL OF MARRIAGE BY MEANS OF WIRELESS

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Frances D. Thompson en route from Glasgow to Superior, Wis., yesterday admitted today that she had received a proposal of marriage by wireless from a man on the liner Calcutta. Mrs. Thompson now a widow, had a lover years ago in Frank MacIntyre of Superior. MacIntyre wrote her a long proposal of marriage ten years ago. The letter was lost in the mail. This time MacIntyre took no chances and proposed by wireless.

Mrs. Thompson will visit her brother in Superior and will give MacIntyre his answer while there.

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APOPLEXY CAUSED DEATH OF FORMER JOURNALIST

William J. Shaw Had Been Secretary of Cincinnati Board of Trade.

The sudden death by apoplexy yesterday morning of William J. Shaw, 227 Leslie street, removed a well-known figure, a man of sterling worth and unlimited energy. The late Mr. Shaw was born 73 years ago in Whittby, Ont., remaining in Canada until he grew to manhood, when he removed to the United States, settling in Cincinnati, Ohio. He entered daily newspaper work there and was connected with The Gazette and later with The Post. For many years he was secretary of the Cincinnati Board of Trade. After 27 years' sojourn in the United States, he returned to his native country, where he has resided for the past eight years. Since returning he has been identified with the promotion of the International Tool Steel Company, which have their works at Port Hope. He discovered the process of producing tool steel from the magnetite iron sands, which there are large deposits near Port Hope.

The late Mr. Shaw leaves a widow and one daughter, Miss Corrine M. Shaw. His other child, a son, predeceased him some years ago. The funeral will take place from his late residence on Wednesday.

BISHOP OF CHRISTIANIA HAD A NOTABLE CAREER

Primate of Norwegian Church Passed Away at Christiania Yesterday.

(CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Dec. 29.—(Can. Press).—The Rt. Rev. Anton Christian Bang, bishop of Christiania and primate of the Norwegian Church, died today. He was born in 1840.

Bishop Bang was at one time secretary of the late King Oscar of Sweden and was decorated with the Order of the Dannebrog and Sweden were united under one flag.

Bishop Bang delivered the coronation sermon when King Oscar was crowned on the Danish Prince Charles in 1905.

ANNIE LOUISE CARY

And Her Favorite "Robin Adair." The indisputable queen of song in her day was Annie Louise Cary. She was one of the world's famous vocalists, and her voice was heard on the operatic stage at the very height of her career in opera. She was born in Carleton Place, Ont., and studied in Milan. For three years she delighted European audiences before making her debut in America. For over twelve years, with the exception of a brief European tour, she delighted American audiences with the charms of her voice and personality. But to hear her sing "Robin Adair," that simple old song, and that masterpiece of Arthur Sullivan's, "The Lost Chord," and Longfellow's "The Day is Done," with the rich tones of the audience breathless and spellbound. In the sunset of her sweet life she occasionally sang for deserving charities with that sweet charm of her youth which made her the popular favorite of her day.

"Robin Adair," "The Lost Chord," and many other favorites of Cary, are to be found in "Heart Songs" now being distributed to the readers of this paper. See coupon elsewhere in this issue for terms.

FORMER JOCKEY DEAD

(Special to The Toronto World). BROOKVILLE, Dec. 29.—B. B. McGregor, a resident of Brookville for many years, succumbed to consumption following a severe attack of typhoid fever. He was born at Kempsville, and was long prominent in the Wellington County Council for several years, but for the past thirteen years a resident of Guelph, died yesterday after a short illness.

DEATH OF GUELPH RESIDENT

GUELPH, Dec. 29.—(Special).—John Scott, formerly a prosperous farmer of Peel Township and a member of Wellington County Council for some time, but for the past thirteen years a resident of Guelph, died yesterday after a short illness.

ALEXANDRA MATS. THURS. and SAT. at 2 SHARP EVENINGS. "SHAKESPEARE GLORIFIED"

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