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RE-EXAMINATION IN RAILWAY CASE

This Morning's Proceedings At Fredericton Trial

THAT MISSING CONTRACT

Stewart Says He Believes Pinder Took It—Estimates of Contractors' Engineer and the Matter of Rock Work on the Road

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 9.—The cross examination of John E. Stewart in the Southampton Railway case was concluded this morning and F. B. Carvell began re-examination. The time was mostly taken up with a review of the evidence previously given and denials of questions put forward by the defendant's counsel.

The witness denied emphatically that his contract to build the road had been based on a letter signed "A. J. Danforth," concerning the authenticity of which the defendant's counsel had thrown doubts. The witness was very indignant because Mr. Teed had endeavored to confuse William J. O'Keefe, his son-in-law, with a saloon keeper in St. John.

On re-examination the witness testified to paying \$884 out of his own pocket for the original survey. Mr. Stewart produced estimates of Mr. Brown, engineer in work for the contractors who actually built the road, to show that rock work on the road completed cost only \$890. He would be very much surprised if it were estimated that the rock work cost \$19,000 and would defy any engineer to find that much there. He considered that \$8,000 would be more than sufficient interest on capital during construction.

MORE PROTECTION FOR THE STEEL INDUSTRY?

This is Prediction at Annual Meeting of Sydney Board of Trade

Sydney, N. S., Jan. 9.—The first annual banquet of the Sydney Board of Trade was held last night. Among the speakers were J. W. Maddin, ex-M. P.; J. C. Douglas, M. P.; J. P. G. Gunn; C. S. Martin, general superintendent of the Dominion steel plant and H. C. Burchell, C. E.

Mr. Douglas predicted that additional protection for the steel industry would be forthcoming at an early date.

MAY BE VIOLENCE IN SOUTH AFRICA RAILWAY TROUBLE

Capetown, South Africa, Jan. 9.—The strike of railway men has badly disrupted the railway service in the Transvaal and the Orange Free State today and traffic was suspended as far south as Klerksdorp, about 120 miles southwest of Johannesburg.

BULLET IN HIS HEAD; REVOLVER IN HIS HAND

Quebec, Jan. 9.—Jules Dupuis, about thirty years old, of St. Roch Des Aulnais, was found dead in bed in a rooming house yesterday, with a bullet hole in his head, and a revolver grasped in his right hand. An inquest will be held.

Weather Bulletin: Issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

AMHERST HOCKEY TEAM HERE: The Amherst hockey team arrived in the city this morning to meet the local puck chasers in the first local game of the Inter-provincial Hockey League.

IN TWO SECTIONS: The Montreal train came to the city in two sections today. The second had about 200 passengers for Halifax, on their way to Europe.

Snow or Rain: Partly—East and south winds increasing to strong breezes or gales, or rain on Saturday.

MORE INDUSTRIES FOR ST. JOHN HEARD OF BY TIMES MEN

Meat Packing Plant For South End—Desk Works to Coldbrook—A Glass Warehouse

The revival of business and the improvement in financial conditions are making their effects felt in St. John and the result is being shown in the announcement of new enterprises for this city. In addition to the two new automobile factories and the nail and wire works at Coldbrook, arrangements are being completed for several other new industries, including two packing plants and a wood-working factory.

The New Brunswick Packing Company, which was recently organized, is now closing negotiations for a site in Lower Cove to establish a modern meat packing plant. The company already has two farms, one at Rothesay and another at Salisbury where stock will be raised to supply the packing plant.

The St. John Desk Company, which has a factory in Brussels street, has found it necessary to secure larger quarters for their growing business and are preparing to erect an up-to-date wood-working factory at Coldbrook. In addition to the industrial development St. John's advantages as a distributing centre are being more widely recognized and the latest illustration of this is the decision of a large Montreal concern to establish a branch here for preparing to erect an up-to-date wood-working factory at Coldbrook.

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SCOTTISH MINISTER ACCEPTS A CALL TO CHURCH IN MONTREAL

Rev. G. D. S. Duncan to Be New Pastor of St. Andrew's, There

London, Jan. 9.—The Edinburgh Presbytery has received a letter from Rev. G. D. S. Duncan of St. Colville's Church in Montreal, asking to be called to the St. Andrew's Church, Montreal. The call to Canada, as his birth place and the scene of his father's honored ministry in the Church of Scotland in the dominion has a special attraction for him which he says he is unable to resist. He asks for an early release from St. Colville's so as to proceed to Montreal in March. He will verbally support his written request before the Presbytery, on the 21st instant.

DEBATED WOMAN SUFFRAGE

An Interesting Evening in New Rooms of Leinster Street Baptist Church Baraca Class

Interesting arguments in favor of allowing women the right of franchise were presented last evening in the new rooms opened for the first time for the young men of Leinster street Baptist Church while male champions of the exclusive masculine franchise advocated strongly against granting the opposite sex the vote.

The Baraca Brotherhood Class conducted the debate and they invited to meet with them the members of the "Room-for-one-night" Class. The Baraca class has flourished greatly since being organized and the new rooms which have been opened for them for social purposes are heartily appreciated. The subject of debate last evening was "Resolved that woman suffrage would be detrimental to the best interests of the nation." The affirmative side was composed of C. K. Ganong, Regional Dean and Edwin Davis, while the negative cause was upheld by Mr. and Mrs. W. Herbert Downie and Miss Nettie Thorne. Hartley Wansmaker presided as judge and there were a jury consisting of Messrs. Hillman and Collins and Misses Davis and Gray.

After the arguments on each side had been presented the jury retired and after a little deliberation returned a verdict in favor of the affirmative. Following the debate, refreshments were served. The evening was much enjoyed.

ASSEMBLY LAST NIGHT

The second of the series of Young People's Assemblies was conducted last evening in Keith's Assembly rooms and proved a bright and pleasing function. A large number of young people were present and a fine programme of dances was enjoyed. The chaperones were Mesdames F. E. Sayre, Simon Jones, W. Malcolm Mackay, P. R. Inches, H. E. Schofield and F. W. Thorton. The committee in charge consisted of John Sayre, Malcolm Mackay and Colin Mackay. Jones' orchestra furnished music.

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IN TWO SECTIONS: The Montreal train came to the city in two sections today. The second had about 200 passengers for Halifax, on their way to Europe. The first section was twenty minutes late, the second, thirty.

SELLING WATER IN MONTREAL IN FAMINE TIME



For more than a week a general water famine prevailed in Montreal as the result of a break in the water intake main. Several serious fires were prevented only by the use of snow. In the picture is shown water carriers vending the precious fluid in restricted quantities to the residents of Montreal.

An Indian Trapper Falls a Victim To Pack of Wolves

Slays Nine With Hunting Knife Then Sinks Exhausted and is Torn To Pieces

Port Arthur, Ont. Jan. 9.—Word which has just reached here tells of a fierce battle with a pack of wolves in which Peter Nigosh, an Indian trapper, was killed in the Lake of the Woods country on Sunday. The encounter occurred near the Canadian boundary on the Canadian Northern Railway. Nigosh was returning from his traps a few miles up the lake, when he was suddenly attacked by the wolves. He had not time to scale the nearest tree, and had only a long hunting knife to protect himself.

LOSS OF EMPRESSES FACTOR IN SLACK WINTER FOR WORKMEN

More Requests Than Usual and No Places to Give—City, Too, is Out of Revenue

Although St. John is usually a very busy city about this time of the year, there is generally accommodation for all the workmen offering, at the present time there seems to be a depression in labor circles without any visible hope of betterment. The Times learned yesterday of the case of a middle-aged man, a carpenter, and his son, a young man, who have been endeavoring to secure work in the city for some time but without success. Both men are industrious and made every effort to obtain employment. The father has a fairly large family dependent upon him and his wife is unable to do more than a few hours of work. The son is also a carpenter and has been working on the arrival of the Royal George the first time, but when he presented himself for work on the arrival of the Royal George this week, he could not get employment.

Besides the loss to the longshoremen, it is felt that the withdrawal of the Empress boats from the port of St. John will mean a loss to the city in other ways. In the first place the Empresses made weekly trips to St. John, while the Royal Line, schedule calls for only fortnightly sailings. The fact that these steamers are docking at the Intercolonial pier instead of one of the city piers on the west side will cause the city to lose the revenue derived from this source. Again the hotels, as well as the laundries and merchants, who have been supplying the Empress steamers are losing a great deal of trade which they would otherwise have received.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

The following transfers of freehold properties have been recorded: St. John County: Trustees of Henry Gilbert to E. J. Broderick, property in Second street. F. P. Patterson to J. H. Crandall, property in St. Martins. John Quinn to Martin McGuire, \$200, property in Simonds. Oliver and Elizabeth Hallett to S. H. White, property in Sussex. Oliver and Elizabeth Hallett to G. M. Hayes, property in Sussex. Isabella Orr to Mary E. Dobson property in Sussex. Samuel Johnson of Camden street, North End, has sold his farm at Maugeville to Lemuel Shankle, of LeHave, N. S., for \$5,000. The farm contains 150 acres with farm dwelling and barn.

DISAGREE AS TO SITE FOR QUEBEC MEMORIAL CHURCH IN HONOR OF GENERAL WOLFE

Quebec, Jan. 9.—The proposal of Canon F. G. Scott, a Canadian poet, to erect a memorial church in honor of General Wolfe in the Avenue Des Braves is opposed by the Quebec St. Jean Baptiste Society. The society does not pronounce itself against the idea of honoring Wolfe but objects to the site for the reason that this is hardly within the area covered by Wolfe's troops. The same argument has already been employed by Lt. Col. W. Wood, author of the "Fight for Canada" and other works. Three persons are reported killed, and twenty injured in a wreck near Corcielo.

A BORDEN COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER LANDS AND RESOURCES IN THE WEST?

Calgary, Jan. 9.—The Morning Alberta (Liberal) publishes a story from a source that it considers trustworthy to the effect that the lands and natural resources of the three prairie provinces will be administered under a commission to be created by the Borden government at the forthcoming session of parliament. While the administration of the natural resources will be in the hands of federal officials, the revenues arising therefrom will pass through the commission into the treasuries of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

FIND NATURAL GAS UNDER COSTLY NEW TORONTO BANK HOME

Pressure Enough to Shatter Massive Building—Boring Stopped and Well Sealed

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 9.—Natural gas with a pressure sufficient to shatter the new Dominion Bank twelve story building, the corner of King and Young streets was found yesterday at the bottom of a well bored 110 feet below the surface of the ground. It was excavated in search for water. A match was applied to the gas and a flame shot up fifteen feet high. Preferring the million dollar skyscraper in its entirety to a most bountiful supply of natural gas obtainable, Mr. Pearson ordered the boring sealed up.

40 MAINE CONVICTS HAVE BEEN PAROLED

But Single One Has Violated Conditions on Which Freedom Was Given

Thomaston, Jan. 9.—There are 186 convicts in the state prison at the present time, this being the smallest number for many years. This is due to the fact that forty convicts have been released under the new parole system. The first nine months of this law have ended and those who have to do with it feel, they say, that it has been a success. This boon is granted only upon certain conditions. There must be circumstances which warrant the board in feeling a prisoner is entitled to this consideration. This can come from various causes. Since the law became operative forty prisoners have been paroled. Of this number but a single one has violated the provisions by which freedom was granted him. He was returned to the prison. It is felt by members of the board that this is an excellent showing. Among the requirements is that of the first of each month the paroled man shall report to their "first friend," who in turn must make a written report to the proper authorities of what the paroled man has done during the month; how much he has worked and earned for all that, been a good citizen, and "first friend" is paid \$1 by the state.

FREE FOOD CURSE TO FARMERS THE CONSERVATIVE DOCTRINE

Hon. Arthur Meighen Addresses Meeting in Moosejaw

Moosejaw, Sask., Jan. 9.—Arthur Meighen addressed a large audience at the Collegiate Institute last night on federal issues. He declared emphatically that the government was first and all else last. He criticized the Conservative doctrine of free food would be a curse to the farmers. He declared emphatically that the government was first and all else last. He criticized the Conservative doctrine of free food would be a curse to the farmers.

CANON GOULD NOW IN LONDON ON WAY TO EASTERN MISSION WORK

(Special to Times) London, Jan. 9.—Rev. Canon Gould of Toronto, secretary of the Anglican Missionary Society of Canada, has arrived here on an extensive tour of the Far East. He will visit India, China and Japan, and examine the situation from a mission point of view. He will leave London next week.

ROCKWOOD SLIDE REOPENED

The recent high fall of snow has been sufficient to enable the toboggan slide at Rockwood Park to be reopened. There are two slides, which have been constructed on a steep hill, running parallel with each other, separated by a mound to ensure safety and termination on the Allison playgrounds. A separate path has been constructed for the return of the tobogganists. Slides and skiing will not be permitted on the slide as they tend to cut and destroy the runs. To find the slide reopened along Gilbert's Lane, past the tennis courts and the old Gilbert Homestead, afterwards the Davenport School, then turn to the left through the main entrance to the golf mill pond into which Lily Lake empties, and thence on, keeping to the right the way will be seen indicating the right.

A LESSON

Telephones have certainly proved their usefulness in more ways than one. This morning a clerk in one of the local banks was given a lesson in politeness. A North End merchant had called a city bank on the phone relative to certain business matters, and the young clerk who answered could not distinctly understand him. Turning to one apparently his senior, he said, "Here, see what this 'queer guy' wants." Unfortunately for him (or possibly fortunately for his future manner of speech), the mouthpiece of the instrument was uncovered and the merchant heard the remark, which he did not consider complimentary to himself, a patron of the institution. It did not take him long to say so, either, and the bank clerk will probably be more careful in future.

ACCIDENTS

Two foreigners met with slight accidents at Courtney Bay this morning. One man was brought into the hospital about ten o'clock with his hand badly jammed as the result of a stone having fallen on it. One of his fingers was broken. The other man had his left foot crushed. An explosion occurred in a mine of the Mound Coal Company this morning. Six men are believed to be fatally burned.

CABINET UNIT AS TO ARMAMENTS

Important Pronouncement By British Solicitor-General

POLICY IS DEFINED: Same Now as Always, to Preserve Empire Beyond Risk of Safety—Hope to Lay the Ghost of Suspicion and Distrust Among European Nations

(Canadian Press) London, Jan. 9.—Speaking at Kebley last night, the solicitor general, Right Hon. Stanley Owen Buckmaster, made a statement on the armaments question which, in view of recent utterances from Lloyd George and Churchill will be regarded as of the highest importance. He assured his vast audience that there was not even a rift in the Liberal ranks on this issue and that their policy remained what it had always been namely: "In the first place to preserve beyond the risk of safety, ourselves and our dominions, and to establish and maintain the unassailable superiority of the fleet." "At the same time, and with no less emphasis we mean to make it plain that neither for aggrandizement nor aggression, will we add a single unit to our naval strength. Our object is to show that, as we only wish to maintain our own rights, so we do not seek to menace the rights of others, but desire the goodwill and friendship of all." "It is our hope that this policy may be plainly expressed and steadfastly pursued, and that it will in the end, eradicate the nightmare of suspicion and distrust under the pressure of which the nations of Europe are gasping for breath. Nothing could more deeply shock the very soul of liberalism, than that our party should accelerate the rate of increase in armaments or lend itself to the promotion of war scares between this nation and our fellow citizens of Europe."

FOREST OF TIMBER AND MOUNTAIN OF STONE FAIL TO FILL "SINK HOLE"

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 9.—The sink hole at Sucker Lake which is holding up the opening of the new Lake Shore Line of the C. P. R. is a mystery to the engineers. It is only about 200 feet across the shallow end of the small lake. A forest of timber and a mountain of stone and gravel were thrown into the sink hole to fill the hole. It had been filled in, but has caved in.

LAST OF CONFEDERATE GENERALS IS DEAD

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 9.—General Simon Buckner, former governor of Kentucky, and candidate for vice-president of the democratic national ticket in 1896, died last night, aged 91. General Buckner was the last surviving lieutenant general of the Confederacy.

VOTES FOR WOMEN AG IN LINE SUBJECT FOR ONTARIO M. P.'S

Glencoe, Ont., Jan. 9.—J. C. Elliott, M. P. P., for West Middlesex, is to reintroduce into the legislature at the next session his bill to grant the municipal franchise to married women owning property, if otherwise entitled to vote. Last session two bills, dealing with this matter, were introduced, one by Mr. Elliott, and the other by F. G. Macdunnid. The latter was withdrawn. Mr. Elliott's bill was voted down by a party division of 97 to 48.

Ontario School for Miners

Cobalt, Ont., Jan. 9.—It has been practically settled that a school of miners for North Ontario will be established, at first on a small scale. Eighteen students have already been enrolled.

Watching the Wheels Go

Remember how, when you were little, you liked to open the back of a watch and see the wheels go round? That's just what you do today when you watch the advertising in your favorite newspaper. You are watching the whir of the wheels of progress. You are catching a real glimpse of the good old world as she whirls along and gets better. Advertising is the most fascinating news in the newspaper today. It is constructive and instructive. It mirrors activity. It has ideas and ideals. As you study the advertising you catch a glimpse of the personalities of the men and women who are doing things in your town. If you have not grasped the possibilities that come to you through a study of the advertising, begin today by turning over the pages in The Telegraph and Times. You will thank us for the suggestion.

Honor for Toronto Doctor: London, Jan. 9.—The quarterly meeting of the council of the Royal College of Surgeons yesterday admitted H. D. Harrison, M. D., of Toronto University and Middlesex hospital as a fellow.