

FRUIT MEN ARE HERE

Discussing Grievances With the Express Company Officials.

The Companies Object to Making Changes in Contract, And Railway Board Will Likely Have the Say.

At the Board of Trade rooms this morning the Niagara District Fruit Growers' Association's committee met the representatives of the express companies to consider certain conditions in the contract the companies hold with the shippers.

Mr. A. E. Kimmins, vice-president and chairman, J. Bryce, wine-producer and general manager of the Canadian Express Company; W. Williamson, superintendent of tariffs; E. Allan, superintendent; G. W. Hickey, route agent; J. F. Bryce, assistant to the general manager; R. G. Wilson, general agent at Toronto; W. Walsh, of Toronto, and C. A. Dobson, agent at this city for the Dominion Express Company, were the representatives present.

The meeting was the aftermath of the meeting held in the Waldorf Hotel on Friday last, when the special committee of the Niagara Fruit Growers' Association drew up several clauses that it wished the companies to adopt. The idea was to reach an understanding before the matter is taken before the Railway Commission.

Major Roberts, for the association, wanted to know what the companies intended to do for the fruit growers.

Mr. Bryce, speaking for the representatives of the companies, said that he did not like the demands of the fruit growers, but they had come together for the purpose of conferring with them, and to that end he asked that the proposed clauses be read separately.

The contract was then read, and Mr. Bryce took a strong objection to the changing of the existing agreement, as any alteration might be considered a discrimination.

Mr. Kimmins wanted to know who owned the Canadian Express Company, and Mr. Bryce said that most of the stock was owned by the Grand Trunk Railway. He made it plain that the express companies have no control over the operation of the fruit trains, and it was a responsibility that the express companies were not ready or willing to accept.

Major Roberts was of the opinion that as fruit is a perishable commodity, there should be a special contract for shippers. This was not accepted by Mr. Bryce, he holding that the companies had other perishable freight beside fruit to carry, and he went on to say that fruit was only a small portion of the amount of freight carried during the year.

The better part of the morning was taken up on the question of the adjustment of claims.

The fruit growers proceeded to go after the officials, who had a warm time for a while, many of the members of the association taking a crack at the officials. Some thought that the companies did all they could to shelve claims made by the growers.

The officials of the company took strong exception to these statements, especially Mr. Walsh, of the Dominion Express Company, who defied any man to prove that his company had ever shelled any reasonable claim. He said that he personally went over every claim presented to the company, and if the claim was reasonable it was promptly paid and no questions asked.

Some of the fruit growers were willing to admit that the Dominion Express Company was more reasonable in its adjustment of claims than the Canadian Express Company.

This brought the officials of the latter company to their feet, and Mr. Bryce said that all reasonable claims were given prompt attention.

Some of the growers said that they had claims against the company which dated back some years, and they had not been able to get a settlement as yet, and some of them even went so far as to state that they had seen baskets of fruit stolen by employees of the company.

Mr. Bryce said he had no control over the private actions of the individuals. Going further, Mr. Bryce said that in 1907 the Canadian Express Company had 750 claims and paid out \$1,638.12 on them. He would not admit, however, how many other claims the company received. He charged the shippers in many instances with gross carelessness in the putting up of the fruit and the flimsy construction of the baskets. He said that the company had always had a supply of baskets on hand at the different centres, for the purpose of putting the fruit in when the baskets were broken. Yet the fruit growers were not willing to make any acknowledgment of that fact.

In reply to Major Roberts, Mr. Bryce said that the companies would not consent to confining the settlement of claims to 30 days, and having interest accrue at 5 per cent. for all time over that period, for at the present time the contract covers all classes of merchandise and cannot be confined to fruit growers alone.

At this point Major Roberts suggested an adjournment until this afternoon, to discuss the rest of the proposed clauses.

MARRIED IN CATHEDRAL.

A very quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Mary's Cathedral by the Rev. Father Lyles on Monday morning, when Charles William Doherty, of Blinbrook, and Sarah Foster, of Caistorville, were married. The ceremony was witnessed by a number of immediate friends and relatives. The numerous congratulations extended to the groom and the many gifts presented to the bride showed the high esteem and affection in which they are held by their host of friends.

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TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

Ice cutting operations were resumed on the bay this morning.

Mr. C. G. Bird, who has been quite ill for a week or more, is improving, but is still unable to be up.

The police have a letter for Miss Stapleton, formerly of Dundas, whose present address is unknown.

Mrs. J. Rymal, 181 Hess street south, was removed to the City Hospital today, suffering with a broken arm.

It is announced at Ottawa that Lady Aberdeen will attend the International Council of Women to be held in Toronto in June.

Mrs. C. L. Shafer, nee Armstrong, of Glanford, leaves on Monday next for Angola, N. Y., her future home. Mr. Shafer is already there.

The friends of Mr. E. W. Bateman, 67 Victoria avenue north, will be sorry that he is seriously ill. The doctor gives little hope of recovery.

Rev. Delos Smith, of his city, will give an address at the Burlington Literary and Dramatic Association meeting to-night, and Mr. Gerwin will recite.

Christ's Church Cathedral Literary Society meets this evening at 8 o'clock, when a lantern lecture will be given by Mr. A. H. Baker on "Charles Kingsley, his Works and Country."

Mrs. Zilph Gibson, 41 Ontario avenue, left today for a week's visit among friends who are sick in Barrie, Ont. Her aunt and son Harold are keeping house during her absence.

Percy Dean, John street south, was arrested on a warrant to-day, charged by Amy Hands with seduction. Constable Brown made the arrest. The girl is under sixteen years of age.

The Hamilton Debating League is holding its third and fourth debates of the series in the schoolrooms respectively of St. Paul's and St. John Presbyterian Churches to-night.

Miss K. Loosley, one of the teachers at Stinson Street School, fell on the sidewalk near the school on Tuesday and broke both bones of one leg. She will be laid up for a considerable length of time.

The officers of the Girls' Home have been informed that some one is soliciting subscriptions for the institution in the north end of the city. No one has a right to do so. The Society has no canvassers out.

James Morgan, of this city, is exhibiting at the annual agricultural exhibition of the Toronto Agricultural Society and Gardeners and Florists' Association. His Princess violets are proclaimed by the Toronto papers to be particularly fine specimens.

For the concert and minstrel show by the Knox Church Young Men's Union to-morrow night, ticket holders are reminded that the doors will be opened at 7 p. m. sharp, and the concert will commence at 8.15. There will be a seat for every ticket sold.

The Paardeburg Chapter, I. O. O. E. will give an at-home on Paardeburg Day, Feb. 27th, from 4 to 6 o'clock, in the new Armories, through the courtesy of the officers of the Thirteenth and Ninety-first Regiments. Admission 25c in aid of the fund of the Chapter.

Col. Bertram, Dundas, commanding the 3rd Infantry Brigade, and Col. Rennie, of the Army Medical Corps, left last evening to attend the meetings of the Dominion Rifle Association at Ottawa.

Mr. Hinman has returned from her visit to Boston, Newark, N. J., Washington, D. C., and New York, and is prepared to give greater bargains than ever this week to make room for the beautiful new styles, the result of her visit to that great millinery centre.

Rev. Canon Cody, of Toronto, will give a lecture in the conservatory of Music on March 17, under the auspices of the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society. The annual sermon to the society will be preached in St. Thomas' Church on the following Sunday evening.

A very pleasant social evening was spent at the residence of Miss Estelle Carey, Queen street south, when about thirty of her friends were present and enjoyed themselves in games, etc. Dainty refreshments were served, and taken altogether the evening was a delightful one.

Mr. Lutes, manager of the curtain, drapery and house decoration department at the Right House, has returned from a New York buying trip. Mr. Lutes promises Right House patrons many new and exclusive ideas in decoration schemes in different styles and periods for the coming season.

Mr. M. A. Lewis has received instructions to enter an appeal in the case of Miss O'Rourke, who was acquitted by the Police Magistrate yesterday morning. The case will be of interest to theatrical and show managers, as the effect of the ruling is that a man can stand in the lobby as long as he likes if he is not drunk or noisy. The case will be heard on March 10.

Miss Hannah O'Rourke Receives a Nice Legacy.

Miss Hannah O'Rourke, who resides at 150 Jackson street east, this city, has just come into a snug little fortune of no mythical, fabulous millions, but real California gold.

Forty or fifty years ago a family emigrated from old Ireland to America, a part settling in the United States and others coming to Canada. One of the boys who had learned the trade of shipbuilding, went to California. One sister came to Hamilton and raised a family. Patrick McCarthy, for that was the shipbuilder's name, died a few months ago in California and left a fortune of \$50,000 or more to be divided among his relatives, giving to each \$5,000 in gold, besides remembering the Roman Catholic Church, of which he had been a faithful member. He selected the priest of his parish to divide up the legacies among his relatives so that there would be nothing lost in litigation or charges for administration.

Patrick McCarthy's sister, who lived in Hamilton, died a few years ago, leaving one daughter, Miss Hannah O'Rourke, Jackson street. A few days ago Miss O'Rourke received notice from the California priest that her uncle had remembered her in his will to the amount of \$5,000 in gold.

FROST AND WIND.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 25.—The mercury sank 35 degrees last night, but the cold of to-day comes from a 64-mile an hour wind.

INDIAN LIST DOES NOT HOLD GOOD.

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first notice, if the men themselves were served, but His Worship said it was not right to do this. The Inspector had nothing to do with supplying the hotel-keepers with a list. He should serve the notices on them personally, and the hotel-keepers could keep a list taken from the notices if they wanted to, but that was only for their own protection, and was their own business. As the matter stands now any hotelkeeper can serve liquor to any person whose name is on his list if no individual notice was served on him in regard to that particular name.

The case against the Commercial Hotel was dismissed. Inspector Birrell has not completely lost hope, and will get to work to get the list out to the satisfaction of Magistrate Jeffs.

Inspector Birrell learned a lot about the night from Police Magistrate Jeffs, and a lot of the men whose names are on the list thought they had learned something new this morning.

One "Indian" who had paid a couple of twenty dollar fines into court lately for getting drunk applied to the court to have his money returned to him. It was getting driven home to him that under the city-by-laws Magistrate Jeffs can fine a man as high as \$50 for being drunk. He passed through the doors murmuring his thanks that he was not soaked.

Constable Cameron is continuing his roundup of young girls who walk the streets all night, hang around in bad company, drinking, smoking, etc. This morning there were three girls in the dock, Lillie Berg, 88 Aurora street, seventeen years of age; Clara Martin, 67 Robert street, nineteen years of age; and Maggie Carney, 67 Robert street, twenty-one years of age, according to what they told the deskman when they were arrested late last night. The charge against them was vagrancy, and they all pleaded not guilty. P. C. Cameron said he had seen them in the streets at the night with tough characters, and when he arrested them last night they were drinking in a hotel with some cigarettes in front of them. Several other officers corroborated this. Lillie Berg insisted that she was more than twenty-one years of age, but the officers said she was not. She is on parole from the Alexandra Home, Toronto, and back there she will go for an indefinite term, which may mean anything from a year up to several or many. The other two girls were deemed too old for reformation at the Alexandra Home and they were sent to the Mercer for an indefinite term, which is governed by conduct, the same as the term of the Berg girl.

Cecil Shannon, Peterboro, and a lady friend, Lottie Dawson, of Toronto, had a happy jag on last night, and it cost them \$5 each. Cecil and Lottie are twenty-eight and thirty years old, respectively, and they thought they were old enough to leave home. Before they left Toronto, they both got some booze and Cecil stocked up a suitcase with a load of "suds." When the train from Toronto arrived here, shortly before one o'clock this morning, they got off and waited for the train to Buffalo, two hours later. Cecil slept on a bench in the ladies' waiting room and his friend patrolled the station platform, smoking innumerable cigarettes. G. T. R. Constable Durock spoke to the woman and told her to go in and get to sleep as she was making a show of herself. She seemed inclined to obey him and walked in and looked at her sleeping son-in-law, who was snoring ungracefully. Toronto booze doesn't agree with you people," ventured the railway officer.

"Oh, it don't, eh? Well, Toronto women won't agree with you," said the woman, as she slapped Durock on his favorite dimple. The officer tried to grab her, but he stood no show. It was like a suffragette in a meeting for a few minutes in the waiting room, when the man woke up and jumped in. The officer got the pair quieted at last and the next he heard of them was that the conductor on the Buffalo train would not take his train out till they were taken off. The pair got into a waiting room, and the man was summoned to get them off the train and into a waiting patrol. Constable Campaign was insulted by the woman, who called him a "long-legged Irishman," and added other choice things. This morning at Police court Shannon was charged with being drunk and with disturbing the peace. The latter charge was dropped, and he was fined \$5 for being drunk and disorderly. The woman faced the same charge and smiled as she pleaded guilty. She was dealt with likewise.

The charges against Louis Nyman, charged with assaulting little Pauline Spayer, who formerly worked under him at Thornton & Douglas' shop, was dismissed.

John Kirkpatrick, charged with stealing a book from Eugene DuBois, appeared and said he had returned. The book was dismissed, but the young man will have to pay \$5 counsel fee to the Crown Attorney.

MRS. GREEN'S SON Will Share and Share Alike With His Sister in Mother's Money.

Dallas, Texas, Feb. 25.—E. H. Green, son of Mrs. Betty Green, was asked last night if the surprise in New York that he had received no invitation to his sister's wedding was correct. He replied: "The rumor is erroneous. I was not slighted in the matter of an invitation. The marriage date of my sister was decided upon rather suddenly. It takes four days for such mail to reach me. I was surprised at the sudden marriage, but had no objection to it."

"The reports that my mother intends to bestow her property exclusively on Sylvia when she dies are untrue. The property is to be divided between us, share and share alike."

Mr. Green is kept busy looking after his Texas Midland Railway, large land interests and a \$2,000,000 life insurance company, which he and other Dallas capitalists are promoting, and which is about ready to start business.

GOOD ONES TO-NIGHT.

The City Indoor Baseball League expects a record attendance to-night at the Armory Ring when two games will be played. The Saints are out to beat the Scoundrels in the second game. Casey's men have won their last three games and they have further strengthened for to-night. The first contest will be at 8 o'clock. The admission is only ten cents to both games.

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths which are inserted in the Daily Times also appear in the Semi-weekly Times. 50c first insertion; 25c for each subsequent insertion.

MARRIAGES

DOHERTY-FOSTER.—At St. Mary's Cathedral, Monday morning, February 22nd inst., by the Rev. Father Lyles, William Charles Doherty, of Blinbrook, to Sarah Foster, second daughter of Solomon Foster, of Caistor.

DEATHS

COOMBS.—In this city on Wednesday, February 24th, 1909, James Coombs, beloved husband of Mrs. J. Coombs, of Fort William, (formerly a member of this city) aged 48 years.

Funeral from the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. George Coombs, 151 Stanley avenue, on Saturday at 2.30 p. m., to Hamilton Cemetery. Burial in the afternoon.

COUSINS.—At his late residence, 108 Market street, on February 23rd, 1909, John Cousins, in his 77th year.

Funeral Friday at 3.30 p. m. Private interment at Hamilton Cemetery.

SEALEY.—In this city on Wednesday, February 24, 1909, at the residence of his parents, William Herbert Sealey, of Herby street west, aged 2 months.

Funeral Friday, 2.30, to Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

SAYER.—On Wednesday, 24th February, 1909, James Sayer, aged 23 years.

Funeral at 2.30 p. m. Friday, from the residence of his brother, Harry Sayer, 151 Robinson street, west, interment at Hamilton Cemetery.

PETTIGREW.—At his late residence, 170 Queen street west, on Wednesday, February 24th, 1909, Robert H. Pettigrew, aged 48 years.

Funeral private on Friday at 3.30 p. m. to Hamilton Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers.

THE WEATHER.

FORECASTS.—Strong northwest winds, fair and cold. Friday fair, becoming milder again.

WEATHER NOTES.—The storm has moved to the Gulf of St. Lawrence and gales have been general from the Great Lakes to Newfoundland. Rain has fallen in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. The weather is cold in Manitoba and mild further west.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Eastern States and Northern New York.—Fair, colder to-night; Friday fair, high west winds diminishing by Friday.

Western New York.—Local snows to-night; Friday generally fair, slightly warmer in west portion.

Toronto, Feb. 25.—Lakes.—Strong northwest winds, fair and cold. Friday fair and a little milder.

The following are the temperatures registered at Parke & Parke's drug store: 9 a. m., 23; 11 a. m., 22; 1 p. m., 22; lowest in 24 hours, 18; highest in 24 hours, 23.

NATIVE SILVER.

Exhibit From the Bartlett Mines, Gow Ganda.

Hamiltonians will be pleased to have the opportunity of inspecting samples of native silver from the famous Bartlett Mines, Gow Ganda, which will be on exhibition all day Friday at Room 205, Bank of Hamilton building. Mr. J. W. Bartlett, of the firm of F. E. Bartlett & Co., Ltd., Toronto, will be on hand to give any information regarding these wonderful properties and to show the wonderful specimens, many of which will show Cobalt Bloom and carry high silver values. E. B. Arty is the Hamilton representative. Phone 264. Office will be open in the evening till 9 p. m.

GIFT FROM CZAR

To Y. M. C. A.—John R. Mott Going to St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 25.—Emperor Nicholas has given \$2,500 to the Russian Young Men's Christian Association, founded in this city by Anson Phelps Stokes, of New York.

John R. Mott, general secretary of the world's student Christian Federation of New York, is expected here next Saturday. He will deliver a series of lectures under the auspices of the federation in St. Petersburg, Moscow and Dorpat.

ICE CUTTERS, BEWARE!

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 25.—On the charges of cutting a dangerous opening in the ice on the bay three ice dealers appeared in the police court this morning, a fourth who had been summoned, failed to show up. Counsel for the accused asked that those be dismissed with a warning, but the magistrate said he could not do that, but would impose a fine of \$1 and costs of 20 days.

FLOOR COLLAPSED.

An accident that might have had serious results occurred at the Wood Milling Company's property on Main street east this morning, when the floor over the alley for a space of ten feet from the front wall, and the width of the alley, collapsed, and fell to the ground, with several hundred bags of flour. It was fortunate that no wagon was in the alley at the time, for the weight of the flour was sufficient to have crushed a team.

Young Men and Women.

Many of the young men and women who patronize the Thistle Skating Rink regularly are beginning to regret the fact that the season will soon be over. However, they are determined to cut out other attractions and take in the Thistle as long as the skating lasts. The rink plays a variety of pieces, and there are two hours of the finest exercise with it. Go to-night and you will want to go again.

GUILTY OF FORGERY.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 25.—In the Police Court this morning, John Dundas, of Peterboro, pleaded guilty to forging the names of several persons to two applications for veterans land grants. Dundas, who was formerly a fireman at Brantford, was at the time of his arrest an applicant for a position on Toronto force.

He was sentenced to six months in the Central Prison.

The Geological Section will meet to-morrow evening.

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WANTED.—A FURNISHED HOUSE, in good locality. Box 24, Times Office.

SOME LATE SPORTING ITEMS

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 25.—(Special)—Queen's Intermediate Hockey players are about the best aggregation of hockeyists in the country. Not only are they down and out in the inter-collegiate series, but they have been summoned to play before the college hockey executive to answer to the charge of displaying excessive roughness in their recent game against McGill II.

The local students claimed that they were ill-treated at Montreal and were only "getting even."

Chicago, Feb. 25.—John Schumann arrived in Chicago last night after a record walk from New York. He covered a 1,200-mile route in 315 walking hours. On March 4 he will start from Chicago to push a wheelbarrow back to N. Y.

KICK FROM COREANS

"Give Us Independence or Give Us Death," Their Cry.

Honolulu, Feb. 26.—At a convention held by 300 Corean residents of the Island of Hawaii, the following message was drafted and cabled to the Emperor of Japan: "You proclaimed that the wars between Japan and China and Japan and Russia were for Corean independence and to insure peace in the Orient. We now learn that negotiations for the annexation of Corea by Japan are under way. We assert that such negotiations are unauthorized and we beg your Majesty to prevent such annexation and to assure Corean independence."

The message concludes with "Give us independence or give us death."

There is a possibility that George Fox, Canada's own violinist, and who is dear to the hearts of Hamilton music-lovers, will come here some time in May, and with C. Percival Garbutt, give a violin and organ recital. Mr. Garbutt is in communication with Mr. Fox at the present time. Mr. Fox will return from his Southern tour in May.

BEVAN ACQUITTED.

George Bevan, whose trial occurred yesterday afternoon, at Oakville before Magistrate Shields, was honorably acquitted of the charge of stealing some bed clothes from the Murray Hotel. His Worship held there was no evidence of intention to steal the clothes, and, on the contrary, the evidence had shown clearly that he had simply taken the clothes from one room to another for the accommodation of the guests. A. C. Cameron, of Toronto, appeared for the private prosecutor, Mrs. Hayes, and S. D. Biggar, K. C., was present on behalf of Bevan.

Hotel Business for Sale

The executor of the estate of the late John Hanrahan, deceased, offers for sale the lease, license, furniture, stock-in-trade, and good will of the NELSON HOUSE, KING STREET EAST, HAMILTON.

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DIVIDEND NOTICE Canadian Westinghouse Company, Limited A quarterly dividend of one and one-half per cent. (1 1/2%) has been declared upon the outstanding capital stock of the company, payable April 10th, 1909, to shareholders as of record at the close of business, March 23rd, 1909. Transfer books will be reopened April 10th, 1909, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Cheques will be mailed to shareholders. By order of the Board, JOHN H. KERR, Secretary.

LISTEN TO THIS This is the last week of this flying sale and it has been the best we ever had. Every lady that came to our show rooms went away with a genuine bargain and now for these few days we will give you ladies' bonnets at half price, all felt shapes at half price. A number of these are in all shapes on sale yet. Come and get one. All trimmed hats in winter materials at half price. This week 25 per cent off colored ostrich plumes, 25 per cent off old ladies' dress caps, 25 per cent off mourning goods. See these new black silk turbans for mourning wear just in from New York, only \$2.50 each, some and see them. We are making this the best week of all to clear out the stock to make room for the imported goods that are coming in. Also the new fashions from New York. The result of Mrs. Hinman's visit to that great millinery centre.

Spring Wall Papers Now Arriving A. C. TURNBULL 17 King Street East

HAMILTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY The Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of the above company will be held at the company's office, Park street north, in the City of Hamilton, on Monday, March 15th, 1909, at 12 o'clock, noon, to receive the report of the directors for the past year, for the election of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business. By Order, JOHN KEILLOR, Superintendent.

See Treble's Window February Shirt Sale \$1.25 Spring Shirts for 60c Last day, Saturday, February 27th TREBLE'S TWO STORES N. E. Cor. King