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THE POWER QUESTION.

The report of the hydraulic engineers who made the survey of the water powers in the vicinity of Newcastle last summer was submitted to the town council at their meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 31st, and appeared in our last issue.

The report dealt extensively with the possible sources of power and recommended that the plant, if installed, be at Ladder's Landing on the Seve River, about twenty-six miles from Newcastle, where a force of upwards of five hundred horse-power can be secured with a thirty-foot dam.

At the present time less than two hundred horse-power is being used in Newcastle, and with the installation of the new plant a surplus of over three hundred horse-power will be available for power purposes, and can be disposed of at a very low rate thereby inducing manufacturers who are now facing the high cost of power from fuel elsewhere to locate in Newcastle, and in addition help other small industries that are struggling for existence at the present time here. It would also provide a twenty-four hour service with practically no extra cost of production.

The estimate submitted by the engineers is about one hundred and fifty thousand dollars—a very moderate sum when it is considered what our present system is costing us.

In the year 1917 the cost of fuel alone for power purposes at the electric light and pumping station here was \$12,724.66, which does not include another \$2,000 for freight and handling, in all about \$14,000, which sum would pay interest at the rate of six per cent. on almost \$200,000, or double the amount estimated as the cost of installing the new plant. This year we are told that the cost of fuel will exceed that of last year by at least fifty per cent., and in that case if the new plant were to cost \$200,000 it would be a money-losing investment for the ratepayers. But the cost has been placed at \$150,000, and with the resumption of pre-war conditions in the manufacturing plant in this country will likely be reduced to \$125,000, and if debentures were issued at six per cent. for this amount and the plant installed, the interest of same would be about \$7,500, resulting in a saving of almost \$12,000 to the ratepayers of the town, and in addition a first-class electric service would be available for twenty-four hours of the day.

At the intention of the town council to shortly submit the question to the ratepayers for their approval, before going ahead with the proposition, and we strongly urge upon the citizens the careful study of the engineers' report, as well as the cost of keeping of the present obsolete plant so that when the public vote on the question and we have no hesitation in saying that the water power proposition will obtain a hearty endorsement at the polls.

DRIVE RIGHT AND LEFT

The chairman of the Public Works Committee has drawn our attention to the need of keeping the roads about town of sufficient depth to allow teams to pass one another without difficulty. He suggests that the council instruct their delivery team drivers to drive right and left, thereby making a double track, which could be kept in good condition all winter. The suggestion is a good one, and we trust that all drivers will assist in the matter.

Government management of railways in the United States last year resulted in a deficit of \$196,000,000.

We commend to the consideration of the stewards on the S.S. Northland that next trip they procure some of the sauces advertised by a Chatham merchant for "foul" and other meats, and thus end the complaints of bad food.

Woodstock freemen threaten a strike unless they are granted \$75.00 each per year and the Chief \$150.00. In Newcastle the freemen get \$30.00 per year and the Chief \$40.00, and Newcastle has one of the best fire-fighting units in the Maritime Provinces, because it is not for the pay but for the interest of the community for which they serve.

All the Chatham young men have not as hard opinion of Newcastle as the editor of the World, judging by the numbers who visit our town most every evening, spending several hours while the editor complains at a two hour delay here last week. We think if the editor would pay us a visit a little often he would soon have a warm spot in his heart for the shire-town.

The suggestion of Chief Inspector Wilson that a government liquor dispensary be established causes Commodore Stewart to remark:

"The Local Government is flirting with a proposal that it take over the wholesale liquor business. What a great political machine the Government Liquor Bureau would be! The patriotic potato scandal wouldn't be in the same class with the liquor scandal that would soon follow."

If any of our readers think it is an easy job to get up a newspaper every week, they should try to put out a sample of what it is like, sit down some leisure moment and write a few lines describing some of the events you can call to mind. Then reflect that a sheet of note paper will contain about as much material for about the same length of a column. And then, all day, twenty to twenty-five Mrs. Henry McLean.

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OBITUARY.

Mrs. William Bracken.

Mrs. William Bracken passed away at South Nelson this (Tuesday) morning after a short illness of pneumonia following influenza. She is survived by her husband and five small children.

Mrs. Sarah Fraser.

The death of Mrs. Sarah Fraser, widow of the late John Fraser, occurred today (Tuesday) at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Sullivan. Deceased was formerly Miss Sarah Donovan, a native of Newcastle, and was eighty years of age. William Fraser, of Newcastle, is a son of deceased.

Mrs. Herman Henderson.

The death occurred on Sunday night of influenza of Mrs. Herman Henderson at her home at Bridgetown. Deceased, who was aged twenty-three years, was formerly Miss Jessie MacFarish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. MacFarish, of Strathadam. Besides her husband she is survived by her parents and the following brothers and sisters: Major and Russell, Rita and Sallie.

Mrs. Ellen Ryan.

The death of a very much respected and widely known lady, Mrs. Ellen Ryan, widow of William Ryan, who died seventeen years ago, occurred on Thursday evening. Deceased had been in failing health for four years, and was mentally as bright and active as ever. She was a little over eighty years of age and was formerly Miss Casey. She was a life-long resident of Newcastle and daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Casey. Her husband was for years captain of the light ship here. Deceased leaves three children—William, of Nelson, B. C.; Francis and Mary, at home. Another son, John, died of typhoid fever at Bridgeville, Minn., three years ago. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at St. Mary's church.

Mrs. Margaret Craig.

Mrs. Margaret Craig, widow of the late William Craig, of Fredericton, passed away at her home here on Sunday afternoon after a few days' illness of influenza. Deceased was in her seventy-fifth year and is survived by three sons and four daughters. Mr. H. H. Stuart, of Newcastle, is a step-son of deceased and R. A. N. Jarvis a grandson.

Mrs. Albert Crawford.

The death of Mrs. Albert Crawford, of Blackville, who was recently stricken with paralysis, occurred in the Miramichi Hospital Sunday evening. Deceased lady was 43 years of age, and much respected by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. She leaves her husband and several children.

Mrs. Henry Waterton.

The many friends of Mrs. Henry Waterton, of the rectory, Kingston, formerly of Blacktown, who was stricken and shocked to hear of her death Monday afternoon. She was ill only a few days with influenza, followed by heart failure.

She was a great and willing worker in the church and Sunday School, as well as an enthusiastic president of the Kingston Women's Auxiliary and a member of this organization. During the brief time—two and one half years—she had been in the parish, Mrs. Waterton organized two Sunday Schools—one at Reed's Point and one at Nutter's—in which she took much pride and worked so faithfully and unselfishly that she seldom considered her own health.

Mrs. Waterton was thoughtful of others, taking opportunities of helping in sickness and need. Her bright and cheerful disposition made her loved by all who knew her. She will be greatly missed by her large circle of friends and heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mr. Waterton in his sad bereavement.

Mrs. Ellen Ryan.

Newcastle, N. B., Jan. 10.—The death of a very much respected and widely known lady, Mrs. Ellen Ryan, widow of the late William Ryan, who predeceased her seventeen years, occurred last evening. Deceased had been in failing health for four years, but mentally as bright and active as ever. She was a little over eighty years of age and was formerly Miss Casey. She was a life-long resident of Newcastle and daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Casey. Her husband was for years captain of the lightship here. Deceased leaves three children—William, of Nelson, B. C.; Francis and Mary, at home. Another son, John, died of typhoid fever at Bridgeville, Minn., three years ago. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at St. Mary's church.

Mrs. Blair McLean, of the Bank of N. B., Fredericton, is spending a few days the guest of Mrs. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Henry McLean.

children, William, of Nelson, B. C.; Francis and Mary at home. Another son, John, died of typhoid fever at Cole Reine, Minnesota three years ago.

Mrs. Jessie Irene Masson.

Newcastle, Jan. 10.—Alfred Palmer, has received word of the death from pneumonia in Torchester, Mass., of his sister, Mrs. Jessie Irene Masson, a daughter of late Rufus Palmer, of Hexton, N.B. Deceased leaves her husband, Edward Masson, and two daughters, of Newcastle, and William, of Seamus, Sask., and four sisters Mrs. Walter Hetherington, of Randolph, Mass.; Mrs. W. H. Reid, Moncton; Mrs. J. A. Orr, Jardineville, Kent Co., and Mrs. Donald A. Campbell, of Long River, P.E.I.

Mrs. William J. Collins.

Newcastle, Jan. 10.—Mrs. John Witzell has received word of the death of Mrs. William J. Collins, formerly Miss Fannie J. Sullivan, of Grande Anse, N.B., of influenza. Mrs. Witzell, of Newcastle, is a daughter of Mrs. Collins. Deceased was 48 years old. She leaves her husband, and one son, Ernest, also the following brothers and sisters, James, of Michigan; Joseph, of Grande Anse; Mrs. Alex. Hachey, of Bathurst and Mrs. John Witzell, of Newcastle.

REV. J. B. GANONG STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS ON THE TRAIN

Rev. J. B. Ganong, a well known Baptist minister, residing at Havelock, suffered a stroke of paralysis on the train Tuesday afternoon while enroute from Norton to Petticoe. Mr. Ganong, it is stated, ran to catch his train at Norton, and shortly after taking his seat in the train, became seriously ill. A Moncton physician, who was on the train was called and found that Mr. Ganong had suffered a paralytic stroke. Everything possible was done for the stricken man who was brought to Petticoe, where he was removed from the train, his condition being considered very serious.

Rev. Mr. Ganong is well known throughout New Brunswick. For some years he was Field Secretary of the New Brunswick Sunday Association. His many friends throughout the province will hope for his speedy recovery.

CUT ON CROWN LANDS WILL BE LARGE

Improved Prospects in Lumber Business.

Fredericton, Jan. 14.—Information being received at the department of lands and mines indicates that the cut of lumber on crown lands in New Brunswick will be very large, equal that of last year. This is contrary to the expectation at the first of the winter, when influenza made such inroads on the crews in the woods that many operations had to be closed. Another trouble which confronted the lumbermen at the beginning of the season was scarcity of labor. This also has remedied itself probably on account of the end of the war and the discharge of soldiers from the depot battalion at St. John.

A heavy movement of manufactured lumber out of New Brunswick will take place in the spring. It is expected that a portion of the order of the British government for lumber will be filled in this province. There also is prospect of a heavy movement toward the United States and overseas, as the shipping situation clears.

GEN. CURRIE WILL SEE EVERY CANADIAN SENT BACK HOME

London, January 13.—General Sir Arthur Currie, corps commander of the Canadians, is undertaking the demobilization of the Canadians in France only, regarding that as essentially a military duty. To a correspondent he said he would stay on this side of the Atlantic until he had seen every Canadian soldier now in France landed in Canada. He is going to England to see his children and expects to return to France this week. He personally explains the governments demobilization and other plans affecting the troops to as many units of the third division as possible. At the intervals General Currie will be in Paris when needed by Premier Borden for consultation at the peace conference.

REPUBLIC PROCLAIMED IN LUXEMBURG.

Paris, Jan. 12.—(By the Associated Press).—A Republic has been proclaimed in Luxembourg. Grand Duchess Marie has withdrawn to her chateau near the capital.

SIX HUNDRED CHILDREN GOT OUT SAFELY

St. John's Church and School House at New Aberdeen, C. B., Burned—Loss \$40,000.

Glace Bay, N.S., January 12.—St. John's Church and school building at New Aberdeen, C. B., were totally destroyed by fire that broke out at 11.55 today. The building was three stories, and was burned to the ground, nothing being left standing but the chimney. About 600 children safely got out of the building in one minute, the fire being quickly extinguished. Some seats from the school, and pew from the church were saved. The loss is at least \$40,000. The building was of wood, and in an exposed situation, and the flames spread rapidly, notwithstanding the good work of the town and colliery firemen. A few sparks caught on the chimney, and from there practically no damage was done. A defective fuse is believed to have been the cause of the fire.

ROOSEVELT PLANNED FILM PROFITS BE USED AFTER WAR TO HELP SOLDIERS

Oyster Bay, Jan. 12.—That Colonel Theodore Roosevelt planned for the profits of the film of his life, which is now being made in France and at home while he was on his sick bed became known today, when it was related that he wrote a letter asking that a change be made in a contract which he signed before the war ended. Although the change has made he did not sign the new contract, but he desires will be carried out.

At the time Colonel Roosevelt allowed his books to be filmed by Fredrick L. Collins of the McClure Film, Inc., he had stipulated in his contract that "all profits accruing to me personally of the picture of the war shall be given by me to the Red Cross and possibly other war organizations." After the armistice was signed the Colonel wrote Mr. Collins and asked that the wording "during the war" be changed to read "until all of the men are returned to their homes from the war." The Colonel explained that he knew that the soldiers would be returning home more than before because of the tedious days of peace making.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO SOW DISCORD

Pichon's Comments on Britain's Russian Proposal Distorted.

Paris, Jan. 13.—The first "incident" of the Peace Conference has occurred. Unfortunately, while it is a very trifling one, it has caused a rift between the Allies, its consequences may be regrettable more than the point of view.

The Paris Socialist organ, L'Humanite, pursuing steadfastly its policy of opposition to Clemenceau and his Government, publishes the text of the reply of the Foreign Minister, M. Pichon, to a suggestion made by the British Government in regard to Russian representation at the Peace Conference.

There has been a long exchange of views between the Allied Governments regarding the best methods of handling Russian affairs. This correspondence has been going on for some time, and in the course of it every kind of proposal has been made. This has also been the case with the British Government's most recent proposal to call upon all of the Russian representatives to sign an internal and external war, and consider the advisability of having them represented at the Peace Conference.

This fact in no way disturbs the agreement for a good peace which exists between the French and British Governments. Discussion on the point of Russian representation, which has been carried on mainly by correspondence, will probably be resumed verbally at today's meeting between the Allied statesmen.

What is regrettable is the atmosphere of suspicion which may be created by such a course as that of L'Humanite and which no doubt it was the intention of L'Humanite to create. When one sets out to be deliberately indiscreet, it is as easy as to be accurate. This L'Humanite has failed to achieve. The letter of M. Pichon is dated December 5 in L'Humanite, the document thus becomes a more effective weapon against M. Clemenceau, since it would appear that in his frank speech to the Chamber of Deputies recently on foreign affairs he kept all knowledge of such a proposal from the House. This impression might undoubtedly do damage to the French Government.

As a matter of fact, the initiative of the British Government with this proposal was not a week old. L'Humanite has pre-empted M. Pichon's reply by more than a month. Various peace missions have been taken to the Russian Government, and against such indications of the newspaper basket, but the fact that one has already occurred before the meeting of the Conference raises a question very disagreeable to the press—that of the censorship.

What is thoroughly to be regretted is the matter of that. It corresponds with the desire of certain

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GERMANY MUST HAND OVER THE CARGO SHIPS

Paris, Jan. 14.—The economic terms approved by today's session of the supreme war council to be imposed for the extension of the armistice with Germany provides that Germany shall hand over to the Allies all her cargo steamers in German and other ports to enable the Allies to re-visit Germany and such adjacent countries as may be decided upon. The terms also require the restitution of all manufacturing machinery, etc., taken from the invaded regions, which it is possible to identify. This was decided upon in view that it would bring about a quicker revival of economic life than the payment of an equivalent in money.

The financial clauses concern the gold reserve of the Reichsbank and the issue of money by Germany. Marshal Pichon, when he meets the German armistice delegates will make suggestions regarding the security of government monetary deposits and the means of issuing bank notes. Guarantees will be required regarding any removal of the Reichsbank's gold from Berlin, in view of Bolshevik activities.

The naval conditions demand strict compliance with the requirements of the original armistice concerning the handing over of the submarines which have not yet been complied with. No question was raised regarding the occupation of German ports by the Allies as has been reported.

Examination into the question of Allied intervention in Poland against the Bolsheviks was postponed by the council.

The armistice question thus being settled, Marshal Pichon has left for Treves, where the German delegates will be received.

PUTTING FORWARD EXTENSIVE CLAIMS FOR ITALIANS

An Outburst of Indignation Against Former Italian Minister, Bissolati, Who Contents Italy Should Not Claim the Brenner Pass, in the Tyrol, or Dalmatia.

Rome, Monday, Jan. 13.—(By the A.P.)—The recent speech of Leonida Bissolati, Milan, in which the former cabinet minister expressed the opinion that Italy should not claim the Brenner Pass, in the Tyrol, or Dalmatia, has caused an outburst of indignation in virtually the entire Italian press. Among other things the utterance has drawn out the publication of a document setting forth the claims Italy should make at the peace conference which was drafted in April, 1917, by Senator Leopoldo Franchetti and signed by 3,000 persons, Senators and deputies of all the parties, including followers of Signor Bissolati, Socialists, Catholics, Radicals, etc., and which was presented to the premier.

Only three copies of these documents are in existence. In the claims the Italian claims are set forth as follows:

In Europe, the annexation of the irredentist lands, namely the Upper Adige, the Trentino, Gorizia, Trieste, Udine, Piume and Dalmatia, possession of the natural boundary, with a strong strategic frontier on the Austro-Hungarian side.

In Africa, too, it was claimed for renewal of the recognition by England of the protocols signed in 1931 and 1934: the cession by France of the small possession of Djibouti (French Somaliland); in Libya, the rectification of the Italian boundaries of east and west Libya; in the Red Sea, possession of the Farsan Islands; in Asia and the Eastern Mediterranean, the assignment to Italy of continental Asia Minor, with all its ports on the coast of the Aegean and Mediterranean Seas, including Alexandria, with the Islam (Turkish) islands, which, owing to their nearness to the coast, form an integral part of the Continent.

Signor Bissolati resigned from the Italian Cabinet late in December in protest against the extent to which Italy was pushing her territorial aspirations through the existing ministry.

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