

R. MARPOLE BEFORE LABOR COMMISSION

REASONS WHY HE DISAPPROVES OF U.B.R.E.

Says the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is Not Antagonistic to Unions.

Vancouver, June 13.—R. Marpole, general superintendent of the Pacific division of the C. P. R., was on the witness stand all Thursday afternoon, at the royal commission. Chief Justice Hunter asked him, at the outset, to state succinctly the stand taken by the company on the question of unions among the men employed by it.

Mr. Marpole in reply stated that the company was not antagonistic to unions, as evidenced by the fact that the company had from eight to ten representatives on the question of unions among the men employed by it.

Witness went on to state that he disapproved of the U. B. R. E. because its workings were unwieldy. The order made an attempt to take into itself men employed in every branch of the railway service. The other unions in the employ of the company objected to the U. B. R. E. The company had not the slightest objection, he said, to what were termed class unions, that is, of men employed in one particular branch of the service.

Chief Justice Hunter wanted to know the opinion Mr. Marpole held of how best to prevent strikes.

Witness said that he thought compulsory arbitration ought to be applied to all disputes arising between public service corporations and their employees.

Commissioner Rowe—What effect do you find that unionism has on the men?

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BALFOUR'S SPEECH. Differences in Cabinet Not Serious Enough to Cause Resignation of Any Minister.

London, June 11.—By a dexterous and extraordinary speech, Mr. Balfour temporarily smoothed over the difficulty in the cabinet, and relieved Colonial Secretary Chamberlain of any necessity for resigning, and for the moment averted a crisis.

When Premier Balfour sprang to his feet to reply to the taunts of the opposition and appeals from his own party, he was loudly cheered. He had scarcely begun to deal with Mr. Chamberlain's amendment before he was interrupted with a hurricane of applause at the entry of Mr. Chamberlain, who had been absent throughout the evening.

In a whimsical vein Mr. Balfour explained that the only reason that the corn tax was put on was because the government wanted money, and the only reason it was taken off was because the government wanted money no longer.

Mr. Balfour made an impassioned plea, enforced by the precedents of frictions in Mr. Gladstone's ministries, for allowing the Premier to retain an open mind upon a question so difficult and so superior to any party issues.

Witness—I have faith that the men would do their duty.

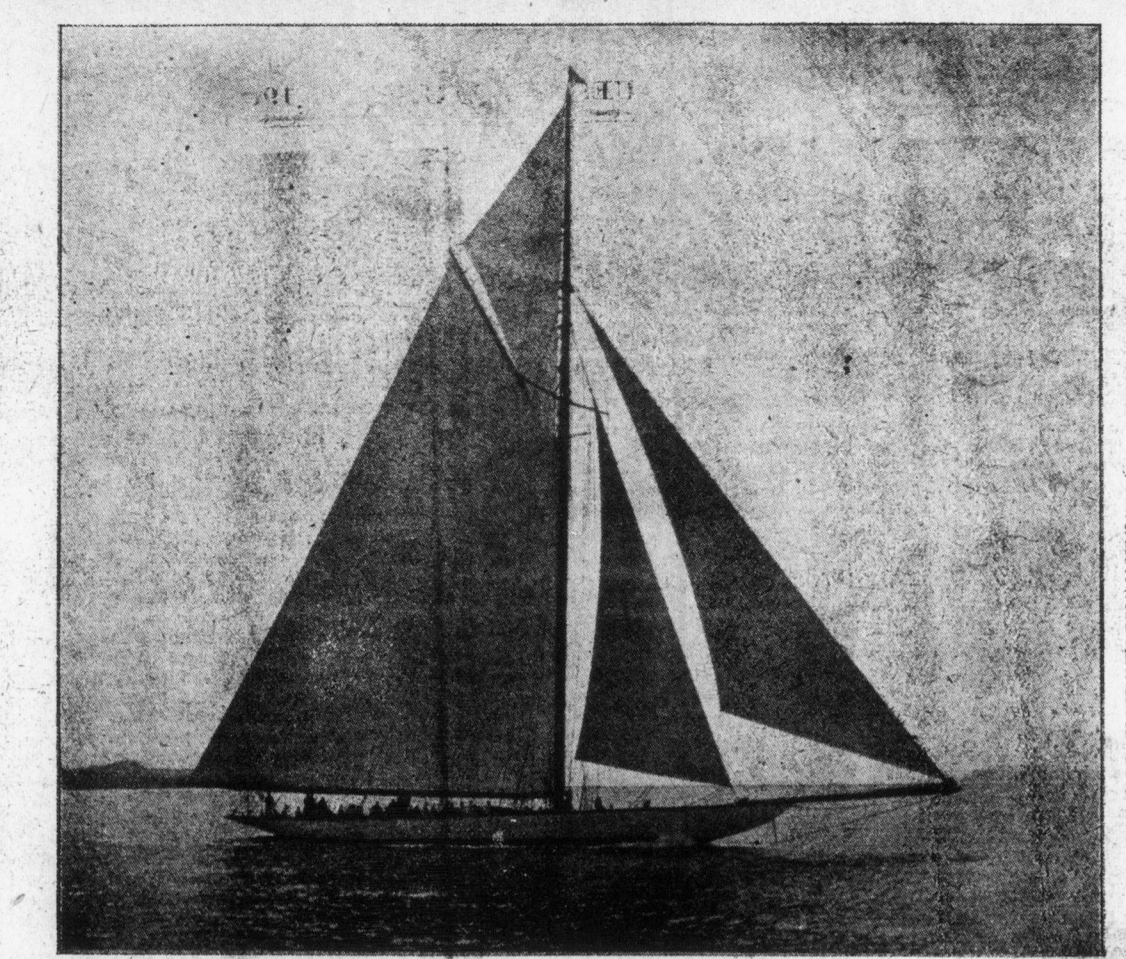
Chief Justice Hunter—In the event of the award going against the men, would the company be prevented from discriminating against the men involved, and perhaps discharging them on the plea that there was no work for them?

Witness—There would necessarily be a plea for non-compliance with the order of the court, and that could be enforced without difficulty.

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THE ARRIVAL OF SHAMROCK III.

(Associated Press.) New York, June 15.—Safe and sound after a rather rough voyage from Gourock, Scotland, of 10 days and 22 hours, Sir Thos. Lipton's latest challenger for the America cup, Shamrock III, arrived at 10:30 yesterday morning in company with the steam yacht Erin that has towed her most of the way across the Atlantic, and by Shamrock I, towed by the British tug Cruiser.

where the steamers stopped for coal, calm and squally weather was encountered. The Erin and her tow became separated from the Cruiser and Shamrock I, before reaching Fayal, but they never lost sight of each other after leaving. The weather was fairly good, except on June 12th, when the yachts were caught in a gale from the south-east, and while it blew very hard, and a heavy sea was running, the boats shipped very little water and no damage was done.

The tip Chase Matthews, of this port, met the yachts at daylight, 20 miles east of Sandy Hook lighthouse. Pilots were put on board the Erin at sea and the Matthews towed Shamrock III, to quarantine, Shamrock I, being towed by the Cruiser.

THE MANITOBA CROP BULLETIN

LARGE INCREASE IN ACREAGE UNDER GRAIN

Canadian News Notes—Dedication of Scott Memorial Hall—G. M. Bosworth's Tour of Inspection.

Winnipeg, June 15.—G. M. Bosworth, fourth vice-president of the C. P. R., was a passenger on last night's limited, leaving after a short conference with the officials here on the same train for the Pacific coast.

A large number of immigrants detained at the scene of the Moose Lake accident, have reached the city. Many were compelled to go on short rations during their enforced stay at the lake.

The members of the Ontario legislature will receive \$1,000 for the present session and \$800 in future instead of \$600.

At the Methodist conference Rev. F. B. Stanley gave notice of motion for a division into Manitoba, Assiniboia and Alberta conferences.

SERVIANS HAVE ELECTED NEW KING

PRINCE KARAGEORGEVITCH UNANIMOUS CHOICE

Foreign Ministers in at Belgrade in Order to Confer in Person.

Belgrade, June 15.—The senate and skupshtina assembled today and then proceeded to church. Upon reassembling in joint session they will pass resolution of general amnesty and then proceed to the election of a King of Serbia. Complete tranquility prevails.

The Canadian Electrical Association will hold its annual convention at Hamilton next year. The officers elected for this year are J. J. Wright, Montreal, president; R. B. Thornton, Montreal, vice-president; A. A. Wright, M.P., Pembroke, second vice-president; and C. H. Mortimer, Toronto, secretary.

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Seattle, June 15.—John F. Dore, one of the best known criminal lawyers in the northwest, died suddenly of heart disease yesterday. Years ago Dore left his Massachusetts home, where he had some trouble and came West, assuming the name of John Fairfield. Subsequently he went back to the East, cleared up the trouble and returned to Seattle under his rightful name.

FIVE HUNDRED REPORTED DROWNED

Appalling Loss of Life Caused by a Cloudburst, Which Swept Away Parts of Three Towns in Oregon.

(Special to the Times.) The Dalles, Ore., June 15.—A messenger who arrived from Arlington and Lexington this morning reports that a cloudburst last night at Heppner swept the valley, carrying everything before it. He estimates that 500 were killed.

Appeal For Aid. Portland June 15.—A message from the Mayor of Lexington to Mayor Williams, Portland, says a large part of the town was swept away by a cloudburst, and that help is needed.

THREE TOWNS SUFFERED. Inhabitants Had No Warning of the Approaching Catastrophe.

Walla Walla, June 15.—A terrible avalanche of water raced down Willow and Wilson creeks in Eastern Oregon at a late hour yesterday evening, almost totally destroying the towns of Heppner, Lexington and Ione. Five hundred are reported dead.

RELIEF TRAIN SENT. At Portland It Is Believed the First Reports Were Exaggerated.

Portland, Ore., June 15.—It is generally believed here that the reports of the loss of life are exaggerated. Among the drowned are Dr. McSwains and the family of C. A. Roy.

King Peter. The officials say the agreement did not include any conditions relative to the punishment of the parties responsible for the assassinations.

Geneva, June 15.—Prince Peter Karageorgevitch has telegraphed his acceptance of Serbian throne. King Peter received calmly, but with evident satisfaction, the telegraphic notification of his election as King.

London, June 15.—A number of questions bearing on Colonial Secretary Chamberlain's preferential tariff proposals were asked in the House of Commons today.

Ottawa, June 15.—On Hon. W. S. Fielding's bill to-day regarding aid to the dry dock, R. G. Macpherson asked if the same aid would be given to a floating dock. Did a floating dock mean a dry dock, he asked.

THE PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL

FURTHER DISCUSSION ON QUEEN

John Charlton's Motion Committee—Reports and Missions

At Thursday morning General Assembly of the church in Vancouver, the proposed bill to alter Queen's College was read by J. Charlton, M. P., and advocating the consolidation of the theological faculties with the church faculties, one to be situated one in the west, instead of two in the east, and one in the west, instead of two in the east.

Heppner is a town of about 1,250 inhabitants, the seat of Morrow county. Early reports indicate the flood was caused by either one or two cloudbursts.

Portland, Ore., June 15.—The general offices of the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company received a telegram from Ione this morning, saying that the company's depot at Heppner was washed out by a cloudburst last night, and that many people of the town were drowned.

Principal Gordon, of Queen's, has called upon the report upon Queen's. He reviewed the progress of the draft bill since it was introduced in the assembly, and questioned whether or not it really committed to the bill by its action.

Hon. Mr. Fielding said that the act did not specify a floating dock, and special legislation might be necessary.

Dr. E. Irwin, K. C. of Toronto, in reply to Dr. Macpherson, stated that while the school was affiliated with Queen's financial demand upon the did the school of medicine.

Dr. Warden moved that he be also referred to the committee appointed by the moderator. Mr. Charlton's motion on the question of theological colleges.

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