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DOMINION LANDS BILL CAUSES SMALL REVOLT

Provisions Vigorously Denounced by Mr. Greenway of Manitoba

FORESTRY ASSOCIATION MEETING

Hon. Mr. Hyman Still Member for London—Evidence Concerning Alleged Lumber Combine

Ottawa, March 14.—The government bill to consolidate the Dominion Lands acts was under discussion today. It throws open odd-numbered sections for settlement and allows the right of pre-emption to be purchased by a settler of an adjoining 160 acres.

The eighth annual meeting of the Canadian Forestry Association opened this morning in the Parliament buildings. The directors' report showed a membership of 1,222, a gain of 875 in less than two years.

At the meeting of the lumber combine committee today Mr. Grogan, secretary of the Alberta Retail Dealers' Association, was examined. He contended the evidence already given that the Mountain Mills Manufacturing Association only sold to recognized dealers in the West.

MODERN RAILROADING American Expert on Need of Developing All-Round Man

In a manner thoroughly informal, but in a clear and convincing way, and that had the attention of his audience, Major Charles Hine, of the University of Toronto, was today in the Physics building, McGill University, on "Modern Railroading," says the Montreal Gazette.

WRIT IS ISSUED FOR DEWDNEY BY-ELECTION

Liberals May Nominate Robert Jardine in Opposition W. J. Manson

Although the formal announcement of the resignation of Hon. Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia, as the representative of Dewdney riding was made only Thursday the writ for the by-election has already been issued.

The Game Laws

The Sovereign Rod and Gun club of Gabriola Island at a recent meeting decided to take diligent measures to see that the game laws are observed on the island from now on.

SETTLERS MOVING

Toronto, March 14.—Three special Grand Trunk trains left this afternoon en route to North Bay with about 1,200 settlers for the Northwest.

Public Banquets AND Private Dinners

Many people remark "they like a good dinner, but a good dinner does not like them"; and they sit at the dinner table and watch, with envy, their fellow-diners drinking and partaking of the good cheer they cannot enjoy.

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PROGRESS OF WORK FOR SANITARIUM

Dr. Fagan Explains Status of Campaign in Progress to Raise Funds

"Consumption is certainly spreading rapidly in this city," said Dr. C. J. Fagan, secretary of the provincial health department, in an interview at Vancouver. Statistics show that almost 200 people are killed by this disease every year in British Columbia, and according to the official returns 23 deaths were reported in the months of January and February in Vancouver.

Captured Huge Shark

James White, one of Nanaimo's veteran fishermen, captured a huge mud shark on Thursday while fishing for codfish off Protection Island.

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FAILS TO SOLVE LABOR PROBLEM

Board of Trade Committee to Be Relieved of Task INVESTIGATION WILL VARIOUS IMPORTANT QUESTIONS WITH-FRUIT INSPECTOR CRUSADE ON BAD

A lengthy meeting of the Board of Trade, which was held Thursday afternoon, was devoted to the consideration of the labor shortage question. The Board of Trade Committee, which was appointed at the last meeting, was unable to progress and stated that the committee had not yet been able to get a factory as had been expected through no fault of the Board of Trade. The committee was unable to get a factory as had been expected through no fault of the Board of Trade.

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