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A BRIEF HISTORY

That is a very significant statement made by Dr. Pugsley relative to the White Star steamships and St. John. President Hays of the Grand Trunk Pacific has told Dr. Pugsley that the first steamers to use the Courtney Bay facilities would no doubt be those of the White Star line, which go to the St. Lawrence in summer and an American port in winter.

There can be no reasonable doubt that St. John is destined to become a great summer port. Very soon it will be much more than the chief winter port of Canada. Steamships from the other side, making direct for the Bay of Fundy and straight up to St. John can compete with the St. Lawrence for a great deal of summer business. A fair test of St. John as a mail route has never yet been made, but when three transcontinental railways come here the claims of the port must be given the fullest recognition.

Another reason for an increase in summer steamship traffic will be the development that will have been accomplished in the province at large by the time the Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Northern are ready to do business here. Resources will have been further developed, agricultural production will have been increased, new industries will have been established, and there will be more products for export, as well as a larger local market for imports. St. John, therefore, will become a great all-year port, and a great commercial city.

DR. PUGSLEY SPEAKS

Hon. Dr. Pugsley, in an interview in the Telegraph, expresses the greatest pleasure, as well as his might, that his plans for the development of Courtney Bay are to be carried out by the Borden government. He also pays a generous tribute to Hon. Mr. Hays, for his share in the work of preparing the government to act on the development of Courtney Bay.

Dr. Pugsley, in the interview referred to, recalls the skepticism of his political opponents when he first took up, as minister of public works, the question of Grand Trunk Pacific terminals at Courtney Bay. In reply to the foolish statements made by some persons that he delayed the work, he points out the difficulties that had to be overcome. The borings had first to be taken, and taken very thoroughly, to convince the government engineers that the dredging of Courtney Bay was feasible. Then the Grand Trunk Pacific authorities had to be educated to some extent, to convince them that Courtney Bay was the place for their great terminal plant. Also it was necessary for Dr. Pugsley to win over his own colleagues to get them to endorse so great and unparallelled an expenditure at a maritime province port. The plans had also to be prepared, and this in itself was a task requiring much time. But all these things were accomplished, and when the Laurier government resigned it left a memorandum for Mr. Borden stating that its only reason for not granting the contract to Norton Griffiths & Co. was the feeling that it was not proper for a defeated government to deal with a matter of such magnitude.

Dr. Pugsley thus has the satisfaction of knowing that as minister of public works he began this work, in the face of bitter mockery and abuse, and carried it to a point where his successor dare not do otherwise than go on with it. As a result of his foresight and energy, St. John will have, far sooner than others that himself dreamed, one of the finest harbors on the whole Atlantic coast. Had the Borden government adopted the naval policy of the late administration, St. John would also have secured a large shipbuilding plant, as the lowest tenders had chosen this port as the site of the plant. St. John, therefore, has lost a great industry as a result of the defeat of the Laurier government.

A RIVAL OF CANADA

The Shareholder contains an interesting article on Siberia as a rival of Canada. The rivalry will be in wheat growing, and it is pointed out that Siberia is to Asia what Canada is to North America. It has rich farming areas which are gradually being brought under cultivation. We quote from the Shareholder—

"Siberia is destined to be one of the great wheat producing countries of the world. At the present time farming is practically in its infancy, yet the country produces 170,000,000 pounds, (a pound equaling 16 ounces), of cereals a year, while flocks of sheep are being reared on prairies or steppes. The development of farming lands has been retarded by lack of railway accommodation, but this is being remedied, and ac-

According to the plans of the Russian government, upwards of 8475,000,000 will be expended in the near future in building lines of railway through this vast territory. At the present time the only railroad in Siberia is the great Trans-Siberian railroad, which runs from Moscow to Vladivostok, a distance of 5,327 miles. This was built at a cost of \$700,000,000, but thousands of miles of branch lines are necessary, if the country is to be opened. In addition to the rich farming lands it is estimated that there are over 500,000,000 acres of the richest forest lands which up to the present time have been untouched. There are also some of the richest gold mines and other mineral deposits found anywhere in the world. The possibilities of developing trade with Siberia are being recognized by British and German business houses. Both governments are establishing consuls at various points throughout Siberia and are doing everything possible to work up trade between the home lands and this vast Russian empire growing up in the far east.

"Canada must keep a watchful eye upon her rival. Capital is tickle, and unless this country keeps herself to the fore and continues to attract the British investor we may awake some day to find that British capital has commenced to flow to Siberia. We must also continue to develop our trade routes and see to it that proper facilities are made for the handling of our grain and other commodities. With the opening of the Panama Canal, Eastern Siberian wheat may find its way across the Pacific and through the Panama Canal to Great Britain. Canada cannot afford to let her rival overtake her in the race for first place as the world's coming granary."

The "Booster Club" of the board of trade wears a broad smile. Its hopes are realized.

Charlotte county people are taking an active interest in the movement to get more farmers and establish more industries.

The Duke of Connaught, like Canadian people, and he has not yet sampled the New Brunswick fruit. Therefore another joy awaits him.

Hon. John Morfin is a member of the government. He is a Northumberland county, but there are threats of a straight Conservative ticket also.

There is now a great manufacturing plant may be assembled on the site upon which the promoter of the sugar refinery had failed to carry out his plan.

Within a few weeks work will be begun on the extensive new wharf and seawall at West St. John, and this will give employment to many men, throughout the next year.

And now there seems a prospect that our work will be an extensive one. The rivalry between the east and west sides bids fair to be a keen one.

The city council took action yesterday in the matter of a town-planning law, and also with regard to street railway extension to East St. John. Both are matters of urgent importance.

Referring to the Northumberland nominations the Chatham World says: "The danger that the government must guard against is an independent Conservative ticket." This item, it is respectfully pointed out, is the St. John Standard.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley: "Let us hope that the sinister influence of the Nationalists of the country in the cabinet may not be of long duration and that Canada may soon begin to assume her proper share in the grand imperial burden to maintain British supremacy upon the seas."

The Standard claims the Times for failing to credit Mr. Hays with having got the Courtney Bay contract awarded. The Times is really not to blame in this matter. It was the Standard that refused Mr. Hays to a cypher, when it announced that Mr. Borden himself had settled the question, in order to keep the pledge he had sent to the Standard for publication prior to the elections. The Standard was thus very unfair and unjust to Mr. Hays, who really deserves credit for his share of the work.

Nova Scotia is in advance of New Brunswick in regard to care of neglected and dependent children. The Hants Journal says: "The Nova Scotia government have decided to appoint E. H. Blois, now in charge of the Protestant Industrial School in Halifax, chief probation officer of the province. He will be known as superintendent of neglected and dependent children. He will assist in the organization of children's aid societies throughout the province, visit and inspect reformatories, keep a record of all suitable homes for children committed by children's aid societies, and to act as chief probation officer for the juvenile delinquents for the province. This is done under an act passed at the last session of the legislature."

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THE TEST

(Detroit Free Press)

The test of a man is the fight he makes. The grit that he daily shows. The way he stands on his feet and takes Fate's numerous bumps and blows. A coward can smile when there's naught to fear.

When nothing his progress bars. But it takes a man to stand up and cheer while some other fellow stars.

It isn't the victory, after all. But the fight that a brother makes. The man who, driven against the wall, still stands up erect and takes Fate's blows of fate with his head held high. Bleeding and bruised and pale, Is the man who'll win in the end, by, For he isn't afraid to fail.

It's the bumps you get and the jobs you get. And the things that your courage stands. The hours of sorrow and vain regret. The prize that escapes our hands. That test your mettle and prove your worth.

It isn't the blows you deal. But the blows you take on the good old earth. That show if your staff is real.

BIRDS

(Standard Magazine)

It must be sweet to be a bird. And sing and fly all day. No hair to brush, no clothes to wear, No things to put away.

Birds never have to sit quite still. Nor learn to speak in school. They always sing just what they will. Without a single rule.

They have a good time all day long. But yet, I think, at night. I'd rather be a little boy. And have my mother say, "Good night, my little soldier, you've been such a help today."

IN LIGHTER VEIN

WHAT DO WOMEN WANT?
Cash governs the house—
Cash governs the cash.
Man governs the man.
And lady governs the man.

Woman governs the lady.
And teaches it how to treat.
So, when you come to know it, it.
The woman who governs the lot.
—London Opinion.

EXPERIENCED

Man Friday: "What are you going to do for a living when you leave this island?"
Robinson Crusoe: "I'm thinking of editing a housekeeping magazine."

THE WAY OF IT.
Knicker: "Jones used to be a quitter." Bocher: "Is he still?"
Knicker: "Yes, he is."

FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS
The motto above the great editor's desk read: "Accuracy, Accuracy, Accuracy." Therefore, the story turned in by the reporter contained this statement: "Five thousand and nine hundred and ninety-nine eyes were fixed upon the speaker."

"What means this fool statement?" asked the great editor, as he prepared to ask the "man" who was blind in one eye, explained the nub.

TIGHT CHESTED

Niece: "Father says you have money to burn."
Uncle: "He did."
Niece: "Yes, but he said you were always careful to keep it in an asbestos pocketbook." —Evening Telegraph.

AS TO SPOONS

"So Billie Jones and Daisy Juniper were married at last, eh?"
"Yes. Worst case of spoons you ever saw."
"Well, why not? That's the way it ought to be. You wouldn't have it a case of knives, would you?"
"No. They got seventeen dozen spoons, four dozen spoons, fifteen sets of spoons, eight dozen spoons, and thirty-two spoons." From "Judge's" Library.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES

At the annual meeting of the Victorian Order of Nurses yesterday afternoon, Judge Forbes, Hon. J. V. Ellis, Mrs. J. V. Ellis and Dr. Thos. Walker were selected delegates to the annual meeting of the association in Ottawa, on March 12. The board of management named for the meeting yesterday for the ensuing year is composed of Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Mrs. J. Dever, Mrs. Robert Thomson, Mrs. Tuck, Mrs. Geo. T. Smith, Judge Forbes, Dr. Thos. Walker, Dr. Bentley, E. H. Blois, C. W. Hallam and Hon. R. J. Ritchie. The meeting extended votes of thanks to Trinity church for the use of room and to the city council for their interest and generous support during the year.

IT LOOKED THAT WAY

(Ladies' Home Journal)

One morning a man walked into his club building and said: "B-b-b-b, I'm afraid I t-took m-more wine last night than a ch-ch-church member should t-t-take."

"Why so?" said one of his friends.

"Well, you see, this m-m-morning when I c-c-came to b-b-breakfast my wife s-s-said to me: 'William, what was the good beside the b-b-bed for some time l-l-l-look at me and finally s-s-said: 'Well, I s-s-swear you two girls look enough like t-t-to be sisters.'"

A fire broke out in a railroad office in Creve, Eng., last week and the ringing of the alarm bell brought a number of railroad workers to the scene. There was no water near at hand, so about twenty of the workmen began to snowball the fire and had it extinguished before the fire department arrived.

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HERBERT E. WARDROP,
Common Clerk.

An elderly woman entered the dress circle of the Kennington Theatre in London last week, accompanied by two men. Presently, other men came and grouped themselves around her. By the time the curtain rose the party numbered twenty-two. The woman was Mrs. Julia Corfield, of Lincolnshire, and the men were her twenty-one sons.

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