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FINANCE RETURNS SHOW PROSPERITY

Big Surplus For Past Seven Months— Ships For Canadian Navy— Premier Hears Delegation

Ottawa, Nov. 6.—The financial statement for the Dominion for the month of October and for seven months of the current fiscal year according to the returns of the finance department up to the end of that month was issued today. The revenue for October was \$2,557,769, an increase of \$1,044,050, of which \$97,696 was in customs revenue. For seven months the total revenue was \$25,077,286, an increase of \$7,660,248, or over one million a month as compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Expenditure Falls Off.
The expenditure on consolidated fund accounting on the other hand shows a falling off. For the month of October the expenditure was \$6,710,684, a decrease of \$1,106,838. For the seven months the consolidated fund expenditure was \$57,137,139 or \$2,395,237 less than the corresponding period of 1908. For seven months the surplus of the revenue over the ordinary expenditure is therefore nearly nineteen millions.

Deputation Hears Minister.
An order in council has been passed appointing George J. Desbarats to deputy minister of marine and fisheries. The international negotiations governing the fisheries in the boundary waters between the Dominion and the United States as drafted by Prof. E. E. Price, on behalf of Canada, and Dr. David Starr Jordan, president of the U.S. Fisheries Commission, are to go into effect until some time next year. The story is caused by the fact that the United States government has as yet no legislative authority to provide for federal enforcement of regulations, the control of fisheries at present resting with individual states.

Establishing Canadian Navy.
One of the first steps towards the actual establishment of the new Canadian navy will be the securing from Great Britain of two second or third class cruisers from the Imperial fleet for trial service as training ships for men and officers and as fisheries protective vessels in Canadian waters. The cruisers will be loaned to Canada pending the construction of new vessels for the Canadian navy and arrangements are now being completed between the Canadian government and the Admiralty.

New Branch of C. P. R.
The C. P. R. company will seek authority to build a line of railway from a point on the Pleasant Hills branch, at or near Asquith, Saskatchewan, northwesterly for a distance of twenty miles. An application will be made to parliament for the incorporation of the Northern Mortgage Company of Canada to carry on the business of a loan company with its headquarters at Winnipeg.

Sir Wilfrid Defends Policy.
Sir Wilfrid Laurier made a defence of the government's naval policy to the deputation of the trades and labor congress of Canada, who laid before him this morning several resolutions passed at the Quebec convention and who also protested against the establishment of a Canadian navy. Mr. Simpson, one of the delegates, indicated the opposition of the deputation to the navy. The premier said no one wished for peace more than he. He was compelled to disagree with the views of the deputation. The time had not yet come in the progress of the world when they could say there was no such thing as war, or that wars were not contemplated. Military assistance in times of stress or as a means of defence was not a new idea so far as Canada was concerned, said Sir Wilfrid.

At the imperial conference of 1907, it was decided that Canada as well as other dominions beyond the seas should do something in the way of assistance to the scheme of defence of the Motherland and the empire. Nothing had been done immediately

MINERS PLEASD WITH LEGISLATION

New President of District No. 18 Says Bank to Bank and Com- pensation Acts Satisfactory.

When Frank H. Sherman, late president of District No. 18, Mine Workers of America, ceased to hold office, due to his regrettable death in the month of October, W. B. Powell, of Coleman, took his place and has since been devoting his time along with Secretary J. Stubbs of Belleville, to the work of organization among the mine workers of British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

NAVIGABILITY OF THE SASKATCHEWAN RIVER

Survey to be Made to Determine if Channel Can be Found for River Between Edmonton and Winnipeg—Storage Booms to be Constructed up the River.

Z. Malhot, of Calgary, resident engineer of the Dominion department of public works, is in the city today on business in connection with which the department is engaged in a survey of the river from Edmonton to Winnipeg. Mr. Malhot says that the boom up the river at Big Island for which plans have been prepared will be built this winter and will be in readiness for the catch of logs next spring. He said the boom would be a reservoir for thousands of logs and would remove the danger which lumbermen have always been subject to, of losing much valuable time when the water rose in the Saskatchewan. Men were now being sent up the river to commence operations on the booms.

Asked as to the scheme for rendering the Saskatchewan river navigable, Mr. Malhot said that storage booms had been built at Prince Albert, which will remove boulders and rocks from the river bed. At Edmonton there has been practically completed a survey of the river to determine a careful geographical and topographical survey of the river from Edmonton to Winnipeg. The boat was 45 feet in length and would soon be in use to draw more than 12 inches of water and its bows would be built so as to render it capable of passage through a considerable thickness of ice.

The report of the surveyors on the nature of the river is "wonderful," said Mr. Malhot, "when the scheme of rendering the river navigable at all seasons of the year is considered. The river is a better one than any other in the world. Among other work undertaken by the department this year are the wing dams on the Lesser Slave lake and the dredging outfit and small gas-oil survey boat, which are rendering the river navigable."

NIBLOCK FOR COMMISSIONER.

Retired C.P.R. Official May Enter Calgary Municipal Contest.

Calgary, Nov. 6.—John Niblock, retiring district superintendent of the C.P.R., is in a receptive mood to become a candidate for city commissioner. He is not an avowed candidate, but there is little doubt from what he said yesterday that he would become one if he were shored along just a little.

HELLO REGINA TO SASKATOON.

Telephone Connection is Made— Laborer Held Up.

Saskatoon, Nov. 5.—Last night two men held up a laborer and took from him a small amount of money. The police arrested two men and laid a vagrancy charge against them. No evidence was to be found so the men were discharged.

Announcement

Commencing January 1st, 1910, all subscriptions to the SEMI-WEEKLY BULLETIN must be paid strictly in advance.

NEW SOURCE OF DANGER TO CZAR

Russian Police Fear He May be Made Object of Bomb Throw- From Airship.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 6.—The Czar, or those who guard him, now fear danger from him from on high. They dread that bombs will be thrown at the monarch from the air.

Quebec Nominations.

Montreal, Nov. 5.—A number of provincial election nominations are proceeding today. In St. Auvergne a straight party Liberal, Jules and St. Laenglois, laborer, are in the field. In Chambly, across the St. Lawrence from Montreal, Dr. De Saulniers, Liberal, and T. Marsal, Independent, are running. In St. Marys, Bourassa won but elected to sit for St. Hyacinthe in preference. All candidates are industrial candidates while S. N. K. Laffamme, the well known lawyer, represents the Bourassa interests.

UXBRIDGE TRAGEDY BEING INVESTIGATED

Inquest Into Death of Mrs. McLaughlin and Two Children, Burned to Death in Their Home, Reveals Fact Husband Had Improper Relations With Another Woman.

Uxbridge, Ont., Nov. 5.—Further evidence given this morning at the inquest into the death of Mrs. McLaughlin and her two children, who were burned to death in their home here a week ago, reveals a story of domestic trouble in the family. Mrs. A. Bant and Mrs. Jennie Morden, neighbors, told the court of what Mrs. McLaughlin had related about her husband's habits, which indicated that he had been paying attention to another woman to the neglect of his wife and children. Other witnesses also told of leaving been shown a letter by McLaughlin, signed by a woman, which was no evidence to throw any light on the actual cause of the fire. One witness, F. W. Heard, swore that McLaughlin told him of intimacies with a young woman with whom he would clope if she would consent. He said she might commit suicide or poison him at any time, and that his two little boys, victims of the tragedy, were not children of his. McLaughlin had intimated to the witness that he might be a free man before the end of the year.

A CHARITABLE MILLIONAIRE.

J. S. Kennedy Contributes \$20,000.00 to Public Needs in His Will.

New York, Nov. 5.—Starting as an errand boy in Glasgow, Scotland, John Stuart Kennedy, friend and business associate of J. P. Morgan and J. D. Rockefeller, died in New York, October 31st, worth \$20,000,000. His will, filed for probate today by Robert W. De Forest, one of the great lawyers, bequeaths to the Scotchman's last testimony, bequeaths \$20,000,000 to public charities.

Mutineers to Get Extreme Penalty.

Athens, Nov. 6.—The government will not be permitted to treat Lieutenant Tibaldo and the men under him in the recent mutiny as political prisoners. Tibaldo and his fellows, it was semi-officially stated, would be charged only with a political crime. However, a deputation of naval officers arrived at an agreement with the Military League that they should insist upon the necessity for the maintenance of discipline in the navy, and, therefore, demand that the extreme penalty of the law be meted out to the mutineers.

Evidence of Terrible Disaster at Sea.

Cape Town, Nov. 5.—Charred wreckage, washed ashore near Port Alfred, on the southeast of Cape Colony, is believed to be the remains of the British steamer Waratah which sailed from Port Natal with 300 passengers for London on July 26, and never has been heard of since.

NEW ENGINES STARTED AT THE POWER PLANT.

The two newly installed Robt. and Bellis-Morcum engines, for the street railway end of the power plant, each capable of generating 400 kilowatts, were started last night for the first time and ran smoothly and well. Today and tomorrow the generators will be dried out on short circuits and will not be able to carry part of the load tonight. Next week, however, they will be put in regular service and before long the power plant will be ready for the end of the power plant will be running with an abundance of power and the trouble and worries of the past twelve months will be at an end.

Gimli Men Remanded.

Winnipeg, Nov. 5.—The two Gimli men charged with the fatal shooting of Peter Bohonis, brought here for trial, have been remanded to Tuesday next.

Master Mechanics in Session.

Port William, Ont., Nov. 5.—The Canadian Pacific Electricians of the entire system are holding their annual meeting here in the Masonic Temple. H. P. Vaughan of Toronto, being chairman.

High Calgary Realty Price.

Osborne Brothers, Stationers, Pay \$1,750 Per Foot.

Calgary, Nov. 5.—The highest price ever paid for inside property, other than corner property, was paid by F. E. Osborne, of Osborne Brothers, stationers, this morning, when he purchased from C. B. Brown the lot and building now occupied by that firm as a stationery store. The amount was \$35,000, and as the lot is only 20 feet in width it means that each foot cost Osborne exactly \$1,750.

Want of Confidence Vote Passed.

Melbourne, Nov. 5.—During a debate in the committee of the Federal house of representatives today Har- per of Victoria moved an amendment to the government scheme for per capita payments to the States, declaring there was a general want of confidence in the government. The amendment was carried by the chairman's casting vote.

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