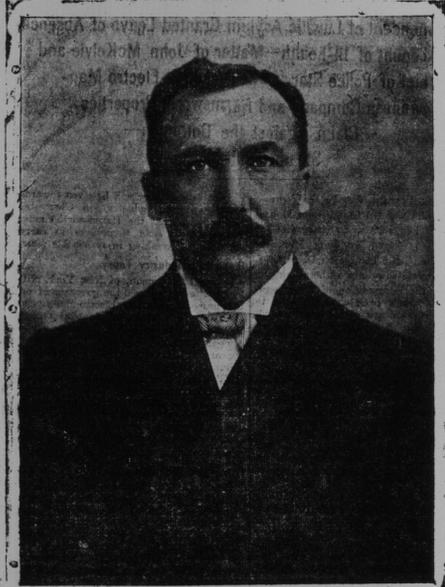


SIFTON'S RINGING REPLY TO CARNEGIE'S INSULT TO CANADA.

This Country is in No Danger of Absorption by Uncle Sam—Thousands of Americans Going Across the Border Yearly, Said Minister of the Interior, at London Banquet.



HON. CLIFFORD SIFTON.

Who Scored Andrew Carnegie at London Banquet.

Montreal, May 20—(Special)—A special London cable to the Star says: "Hon. Clifford Sifton, in addressing the London Chamber of Commerce last night, at the complimentary banquet given him, scored Andrew Carnegie for his attacks upon Canada. "Mr. Sifton said: 'History is full of people who have fought against geography. Canada has done that, but now she called geography to her aid.' Mr. Sifton admitted that the United States had given schools to Canada in the past, but Canadian statesmanship had succeeded in rendering Canada wholly independent of the United States. An increase of population amounting to 100,000 per annum might now be looked for in the Northwest. A considerable part of this increase is coming from the United States. This was Canada's reply to Mr. Carnegie. "London said Mr. Sifton is 'more pro-American than Canada.' It is an unquestionable fact," he continued, "that Canada is a part of the British empire and is not likely to be Americanized. It is her manifest destiny not to be absorbed by the United States." (Cheers) "Sir Albert Rollitt, the chairman, Lord Brassey and other influential speakers expressed the warmest appreciation of Canadian hospitality to the delegation of the chamber of commerce which recently visited Canada. "A special toast of the dinner was to the congress of the Chamber of Commerce of the Empire to be held in Montreal in August, 1908, and to the city of Montreal, which Lord Brassey proposed and Lord Strathcona responded to. "Hon. Mr. Sifton surprised his hearers by making no reference to Mr. Chamberlain's proposals, but Bonar Law, the parliamentary secretary to the board of trade, regretted Hon. Mr. Fielding's reference to the British attitude in his budget speech. "After Mr. Chamberlain's speech," said Bonar Law, "Mr. Fielding need no longer doubt that the Canadian preference is appreciated here. The speaker did not profess to reveal cabinet secrets, but he felt sure that there was no conflict between Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain. Their respective speeches must have been arranged before hand. Already forty per cent. of the total British manufactures were exported to the colonies and the best hope for British trade lay within the empire. "C. R. Devlin, M. P. for Galway, delivered his maiden speech in the house of commons yesterday. He spoke in support of the clause in the government's London education bill under which denominational schools, including at least 100 Catholic schools, are to be supported out of the rates, but will be controlled by the denomination itself. He admitted that some bitterness existed in Canada on the question of religious schools. The speech was well received. "Lord Strathcona, who is arranging a visit to Montreal in July and August, will attend the conference of the Chamber of Commerce of the Empire. "Dr. Robert Bell, director of the geological survey of Canada, was a guest at the annual banquet of the Royal Geographical Society. Major Darwin, who occupied the chair, complimented Dr. Bell on the good work he had done, adding that the world of science appreciated the work done by the Canadian geologists. "Truth, the newspaper of Mr. Labour, has received a memorial from 100 third-class British emigrants complaining of the treatment they received on the voyage from Liverpool to Halifax by the Carthaginian. The Allans reply that owing to the immense demand for passages the newest ships are insufficient for the traffic and the older boats are necessarily pressed into service. They show, however, that the Carthaginian is fully up to the requirements of the board of trade. Truth says: "Seeing how strict the Board of Trade supervision is over emigrant steamships, the Allans' explanations are probably well founded. "Truth's own moral is, 'don't go to Canada until the rush ceases.'"

Important Caucus on G. T. Pacific.

Ottawa, May 20—(Special)—Sir Wilfrid Laurier met the Ontario Liberals and the Quebec Liberals in caucus today. The premier first met his Ontario supporters and afterwards his Quebec followers. The subject discussed was the aid to be given to the Grand Trunk Pacific Company. As there is no objection to the charter, the only question is as to the amount of aid and what character it will take. The premier talked the matter over personally with his supporters and frankly told them his own views. From what can be learned Sir Wilfrid favors guaranteeing the bonds of the company, and taking a first mortgage on the road. If any cash subsidy is granted it will be small and it is doubtful if there will be any. As for land grants, there will be none. That is out of the question. Some parties talked of the government building, but it is scarcely possible this will be done. The question also of extending the road from Quebec to a maritime province port was discussed and this will be done if better arrangements cannot be made with government road. It is said that the Grand Trunk prefers building to St. John rather than going to Portland. At all events there need be no fear that the interest of the provinces will be lost sight of. No one doubts that for a moment.

THEIR DEMANDS NOT JUSTIFIED.

Montreal, May 20—(Special)—An unexpected turn in the impending street car strike took place tonight when Vice-President Orr, of the international union, told the men they were not justified in making the demands they had on the company, and the meeting of the conductors and motormen he addressed, broke up in disorder. The company has until tomorrow to submit, but it is believed the men will follow the advice of the international officer.

Sunlight Soap will not burn the nap of woollens nor the surface of silks.



TO RETIRE JUDGES AT SEVENTY-FIVE.

Minister of Justice Introduces Resolution to That Effect in House.

GERMAN SURTAX.

Time Extended to Make Entries of Goods to 30th of September—Officials' Living Expenses in the Yukon.

Ottawa, May 20—(Special)—In the house today Mr. Laurier quoted a resolution of the Winnipeg board of trade complaining that the date fixed by the government, namely, July 1, 1903, before which German goods to escape the surtax must be entered and duty paid, does not allow of sufficient time for Canadian importers to receive goods for which bonafide orders were placed before April 10 last. The minister of justice, in replying, after stating that the government got the resolution, said: "As this is a subject that has not only engaged the attention of the Winnipeg board of trade but of traders throughout the dominion, I will say a few words in reference to it so that business men may be apprised of the action of the department authorized by the government-in-council. The resolution before the committee defined that the order given prior to the 10th of April should be admitted without the surtax being charged, provided the goods were for immediate transportation. The time had to be defined by the department, and we thought that by giving ten weeks, we would leave time either to cancel the orders that had been given or to make arrangements to transfer the goods via some other country. That notice required the business men of the committee, but very soon afterwards communications from all parts of the country reached the department pointing out that there were exceptional circumstances connected with the German trade, particularly that some kinds of goods were ordered and had to be made after the order was sent, such as goods for the holiday trade, and it was impossible for the merchants to cancel the order and even if they did cancel it they would be in this position, that travelers had already been on the road with samples selling these goods. The department, after considering the matter and finding that a greater portion of the orders would be covered by the 30th of September, instead of the 10th of April, but that the time for the importation under the surtax immediate transportation should be extended to the 30th of September. With reference to the second suggestion of the Winnipeg board of trade, inasmuch as goods were landed in Canada might require some weeks before they reached the port of destination and make entry, we require that the goods should be landed in Canada, but entered in Canada, that would be manifestly unfair. The department has no desire to deal inequally with any merchant living in any part of the country and it is the intention to have that rectified by providing that the arrival of the goods at any port in Canada should be sufficient notice to the department. D. C. Fraser introduced a bill respecting the Prince Edward Island ferry. Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick has given notice of a resolution for the retirement of Superior Court and County Court judges. The age limit is 75 years in each case. There was a lively discussion in the house today on the question of salaries for judges in the Yukon. The opposition is of the opinion that the amount for living expenses is too high. During the discussion Mr. Fitzpatrick announced that he had decided to take suit in the exchequer court against Judge Dugas for a refund of certain money paid to him through the public works department. The suit is taken to decide whether Judge Dugas was entitled or not to receive such perquisites from the department. Dugas held that he got these from the department when he went into the Yukon and was therefore entitled to them. Mr. Fitzpatrick holds that any judge is not entitled to receive anything not voted to him by statute. The auditor general wanted to take the amount of the pay coming to Judge Dugas, but Mr. Fitzpatrick thought the best way was to get the opinion of the court. There was also a discussion as to Sheriff Bilbeck getting payment from the interior department for acting as auctioneer, selling claims. Mr. Fitzpatrick promised to get full information about this before Mr. Bilbeck's salary passed. Mr. Clarke, of Toronto, pointed out that the telegraph operators were getting less salaries than stenographers, yet the former got no living expenses. Mr. Borden expressed the view that the time had arrived when living expenses should be stopped and the salaries fixed to suit the country.

ST. HYACINTHE SWEPT BY FIRE.

Three Hundred Dwellings and Factories Totally Destroyed Wednesday.

2,000 PEOPLE HOMELESS.

The Loss Will Be Fully \$300,000—No Lives Were Lost—The Town Was Just Recovering From Last Conflagration and Smallpox Epidemic.

Montreal, May 20—(Special)—St. Hyacinthe, a manufacturing town of 7,000 population, 40 miles from Montreal, has 2,000 homeless inhabitants tonight. Two hundred and fifty dwellings, three hotels and several mills, factories and business establishments are in ruins. The fire which caused this disaster began at noon in a store room of Cote Bros. shoe factory where 140 people are employed, and, aided by a long draught and a freshening breeze, spread quickly and soon was beyond control of the town fire brigade. Building after building caught and it looked at 3 o'clock, when assistance from Montreal arrived, as if the town was doomed, but two hours later the conflagration was under control. The property loss is estimated at \$300,000. There was no loss of life. At 5 o'clock your correspondent took a walk for half a mile from the burned Frontenac Hotel eastwards to where the river bends to the north. Below St. Antoine street the fire raged up as far as Fieffe. From here the fire region lay south of St. Marguerite to the eastern limits of the town. Dwellings above St. Marguerite were already smoking, and there was no water to prevent the fire gaining headway. At 4 o'clock it looked as if nothing could save the entire lower town south of St. Antoine. Men threw pails of water in a half despair upon the flames that rose high in the air. It was useless, but they could not stand idly by and see their homes destroyed. "Tonight 300 families are homeless and dependent upon the hospitality of the upper town for shelter and sustenance. All the principal restaurants, many of the leading stores, several factories, mills and business establishments and 200 dwelling houses lie in ruins. Unlucky St. Hyacinthe. In 1875 the same town was devastated by fire, and for years the town did not recover from the effects. Eighteen months ago it was swept by an epidemic of smallpox. "We were just looking for a boom," said a prominent resident late this afternoon. "It was the turning point in the life of our town, and there are many breaking hearts tonight."

A Pipeful of "Amber Plug" Smoking Tobacco will burn 75 minutes.

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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN IN SESSION.

Toronto, May 20—(Special)—The National Council of Women convened at Victoria University today under the presidency of Mrs. Robert Thomson of St. John (N. B.). Among the delegates are Lady Tilley, Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. F. J. Harding, Miss Skinner, of Charlottetown. Today's proceedings were mostly confined to meetings of committees; the chief of these was the committee on custodial care of feeble minded women. (The committee recommended a scheme by which feeble minded women should be kept in an institution aided by the state. Among other matters the council will deal with immigration of women from Britain and the domestic servant problem.

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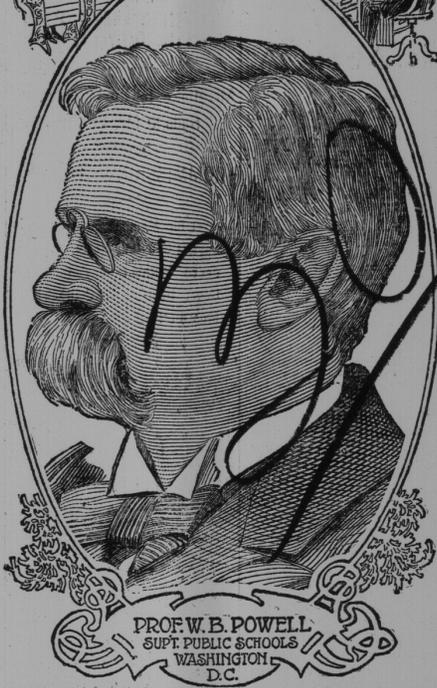
Leslie Pratt, Aged 20, Lost His Life While Bathing. Fitchburg, Mass., May 20—Leslie Pratt was drowned this afternoon in Snow's mill pond at West Fitchburg. Pratt was in bathing when he got beyond the depth. He was 20 years of age and employed as a teamster. He recently came here from Nova Scotia.

Real Estate at Auction.

There will be sold at Public Auction, in front of the Court House, in the Town of Newcastle, on Wednesday, the twenty-fourth day of June next, at the hour of four o'clock P. M., the premises known as the Farm Port Cove Property, so called, situated in the parish of Newcastle in the County of Northumberland, and containing twelve hundred acres, more or less. This property is mostly wood-land, a part is adapted for agricultural purposes, and it includes a good sand-stone quarry and plant for working same. There is also a modern, well equipped grist mill with both water and steam power. Terms and particulars at sale. HENRY B. EMMERSON. Dorchester, N. B., 18th May, 1908. Apply to E. P. S. Taylor, of Dorchester, N. B., for any information respecting above. 1-20-08.

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URGENT GRAND TRUNK BE MADE TO BUILD TO ONE OF OUR PORTS.

The council of the board of trade Tuesday took further steps to urge on the government the safeguarding of the interests of maritime provinces port in connection with the Grand Trunk Pacific railway scheme. A meeting of the council was held in the morning. Among those present were W. M. Jarvis (president), D. J. McLaughlin, T. H. Estabrook and Mayor White. The whole matter was thrashed out and a committee was appointed to draw up a telegram to be sent to Hon. A. G. Blair. This was done and the telegram was then taken to prominent men for signatures and in the early evening was sent to Hon. Mr. Blair. The telegram reads:—Hon. A. G. Blair, Ottawa. Unless the Grand Trunk Pacific build their line through to some Maritime Province port we believe the export business will continue to go through an American port as in the past. Mr. Jarvis rightly says shippers can route freight as they please and if the Grand Trunk are interested in route via Portland, shippers can be easily influenced to route practically every ton of export freight that way. We cannot believe that any arrangement can be made between Intercolonial and Grand Trunk which will prevent this. We urge in the strongest terms that no government assistance be granted to any trans-continental railway that does not undertake to build their line through to some Maritime Province port. (Signed) Walter W. White, mayor; W. M. Jarvis, president; D. J. McLaughlin, W. S. Fisher, James Manchester, William Thomson & Co., Robert B. Emerson, A. W. Adams, T. B. Robinson, T. H. Somerville, W. Frank Hathaway & Co., John Sealy, Thomas German, C. M. Bostwick & Co., Merritt Bros. & Co., Ltd., G. W. Merritt, manager; Geo. Robertson, Macaulay Bros. & Co.

TERRIFIC BLIZZARD SWEEPS CROW'S NEST; FRANK AGAIN DESERTED.

Blainmore, N. W. T., May 20—(Special)—The worst storm experienced in this section of the Northwest in many years is raging in the Crow's Nest Pass and on the prairie to the east. Snow has been falling constantly for 72 hours, with no indications as yet of a break. Today a blizzard as fierce as was ever known here has been raging. Snow is eighteen inches deep on the level, while reports from Prairie, as far east as Lethbridge, are to the effect that it is from two to three feet deep. Stock which has been on green grass for two weeks is suffering terribly, and particularly young animals which are said to be dying off by hundreds. The temperature has not been low, but has been falling for several hours, and the weather is now extremely cold. It is feared the blow to live stock interests within the radius of the storm will be almost paralyzing. The town of Frank is again practically deserted. Another warning of danger was posted yesterday by order of Premier Haultain as a result of a report sent him by Messrs. McConnell and Brock of the geological survey. The warning had no sooner been posted than it spread over the whole village, and the inhabitants lost no time in vacating the place. Messrs. McConnell and Brock completed their observations and left for Ottawa yesterday. While they were very reluctant it is learned that they advised Premier Haultain that there was monetary danger of another great slide from the mountain. The geologists ascertained that the most western peak of Turtle Mountain had moved six inches during the period of their observations. This peak is a massive block, as great in extent, if not greater, than that which fell away on April 29, and directly overhanging the town. It is just nine days since the town was rescued for occupancy and the alarm which had subsided was immediately renewed, and but very few persons remained in the town last night.

A NOBLE DEED. Bangor View of David Russell's Distribution of a Car of Flour.

The St. John Gazette of May 18 gives an account of the benevolence of David Russell, a former resident of that city, which is most noteworthy and deserving of imitation. This man began his business career in St. John but is now one of the great merchants of Montreal, the financial centre of Canada. During the past winter, Mr. Russell sent a carload of flour to St. John to be distributed among the charitable institutions and deserving poor of that city. When it reached there it was distributed in accordance with Mr. Russell's orders. Five barrels went to every charitable institution, Catholic and Protestant alike, in the city. This took in the neighborhood of 100 barrels. Fifty-five barrels were distributed among deserving persons whose means did not permit of their buying flour by the barrel, or in any but the smallest quantity, while the remaining twenty barrels were also assigned to different persons whose necessities were from time to time learned. This is splendid benevolence and Mr. Russell deserves to be held in loving esteem as the people's benefactor. Some men who have acquired large wealth beyond their own needs have built mansions, private cars and automobiles. Some give churches, libraries, hospitals and monuments. Others remember the poor and their needs and contribute to themselves that endure for all time. David Russell deserves to be remembered throughout the ages as a Sir Robert Peel, who has upon his tombstone, "He gave the poor bread." Mr. Russell gave them bread without money and without price.—Bangor Commercial.

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