

THE I. O. F. INQUIRY WAITS ON FOWLER

Commission Adjourns Till Tuesday, and Hopes to Have Kings M. P. Present

Col. Davidson, a Director of the Union Trust Company, on the Stand Yesterday, Intimates That the Minutes of an Alleged Meeting Were Cooked, and That It Never Took Place--More Evidence about the Land Deals.

Toronto, Oct. 5.--The insurance commission came to a standstill this morning after a brief session pending the arrival of witnesses, whose evidence is essential before further progress can be made.

The evidence of Lieut. Col. John I. Davidson this morning was obtained at a meeting at which he was recorded as having been present, at which the agreement for the surrender of the "bonus" stock held by the Union Trust Company and Oronyatekha in the Great West Land Company was said to have been confirmed.

In fact, he was not aware that Oronyatekha held any of the stock, and had never heard of the surrender by the Union Trust Company of the stock which had been given to it absolutely independent of the position they occupied toward the land company.

As Wallace Nesbitt was unable to be present today Mr. Shepley changed his plan of operations and postponed further examination of Hon. Geo. E. Foster.

Col. Davidson said he had joined the Union Trust Company at the solicitation of Wm. Laidlaw, K. C., after the company had been formed. He bought ten shares for which he paid \$1,100 in order to qualify himself as a director.

Mr. Shepley asked Davidson to give his recollection of initiation of the transaction, which witness did. The project was said, introduced by the manager of the company (Hon. Geo. E. Foster) and it was intimated that the transaction would involve a large expenditure of money.

Mr. Shepley asked Davidson to give his recollection of the meeting at which the minutes were said to have been prepared, which witness did.

Col. Davidson said he did not think the meeting could have been held without the directors' signatures being in the book, but he did not think the minutes would be found in the book if there had been no such meeting, if they were signed.

Mr. Shepley pointed out that the minutes in question were not signed and witness replied the minutes were always signed.

Hon. Mr. Foster pointed out that a blank space had been left in the signature book between the record for November 7 and that for December 26.

Col. Davidson replied: "We always signed the book, that was the first thing; it was the inevitable rule that we should sign the book."

Col. Davidson said the same remark applied to a meeting which appeared from the minutes to have been held on November 28. He was not present at any meeting at which a solicitor read an agreement showing that the bonus stock was being surrendered and had never heard of it.

Mr. Shepley admitted that he could not prevent Wilson giving any statement to the press but said he strongly represented each course. Mr. Wilson must, however, be judge of his own method.

Judge MacFarlach asked whether Shepley would, if the commission met early, be able to conclude next week.

Mr. Shepley intimated that he had strong hopes in the direction, but was totally ignorant of the nature of the documents, which might be produced, and which might suggest other lines of inquiry which it would be his duty to follow.

The commission adjourned until Tuesday morning.

Matthew Wilson, K. C., issued his statement later. He tells of his connection with the land syndicate and says he never sought to borrow any money from the Foresters or the Union Trust Company.

NOVA SCOTIA APPLE CROP ABOUT THE SAME AS LAST YEAR

The Quality is Not So Good and Prices Will Be Lower Than Last Season.

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 5.--The Nova Scotia apple crop this season will, in quantity, be about the same as last year, when 325,000 barrels were exported to foreign markets.

In regard to prices, it is not expected that they will be quite as high as last year, when an average of \$2.75 per barrel was netted, but the returns will be good.

Prices that New York are higher than at the corresponding time last year. In Nova Scotia they are advancing. Buyers began paying \$1.50 per barrel, and now \$1.75, in some cases, for the run of the orchard.

PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD FINISHES ITS LABORS

Moncton, N. B., Oct. 5.--There was no fixed order of business for this morning's session of the Presbyterian Synod. The first matter taken up was that of the synod fund, in reference to which Rev. Dr. McGillicuddy reported, moving the adoption of the report, seconded by Rev. Dr. McCurdy.

The estimated funds for the year were \$2,225, divided up as follows: Ministers' salaries, \$100; printing matter, \$125; traveling expenses of ministers and elders, \$2,000. The report stated that all ministers and elders attended traveling expenses alone would amount to \$2,300, but many would not be able to present.

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The committee appointed reported having nominated standing committees for the year.

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SKELETON OF AGED MAN FOUND NEAR MONCTON

Moncton, N. B., Oct. 5.--(Special)--Something of a sensation was created at Cherryfield, three miles from Moncton, by the finding of the skeleton of a human body in the woods. Yesterday, William Steeves came upon the bones in a thick clump of trees about one hundred yards west of the McLaughlin Road and near Ogilvy Brook.

The skeleton was apparently that of an aged man, as a few grey hairs were found on the skull. He was about six feet tall and the flesh had entirely disappeared, the body having evidently been there for a year or more.

The bones were covered with a heavy suit of clothes, including two pairs of pants. The clothes were of light color. There is no clear identity of the body, as no one answering the description is reported missing.

Some trinkets were found in the clothes, such as a key ring, pipe, seven cents in change, matches, etc. A paper bearing writing that could not be entirely deciphered was also found in the pocket. A single tooth was found in a place that could be made out. Bones were intact, with the exception of a hand, which was found five feet from the body.

The body was fully dressed, a heavy pair of shoes laced on the feet. The supposition is that the body is that of a tramp who wandered off in the night and died in the woods. Indications all point to the death of the stranger by natural causes.

CLAIM SEIZED GLACE BAY LIQUOR BELONGS TO ST. JOHN CONCERN

John Labatt Just in Time With Proceedings to Stay Destruction of the Ardent.

Glance Bay, N. S., Oct. 6.--Stipendiary McGillicuddy today gave orders for the destruction of a quantity of liquor. He immediately after, Deputy-Sheriff Ingraham served him and the St. John's agent with an order of replevin, and stayed the liquor before it was destroyed.

The liquor belongs to John Labatt, of St. John, having been conveyed to him by a party from the St. John's agent. A legal fight will likely result.

DOAKTOWN LAD FATALLY SHOT

Young Aldridge's Gun Discharged Contents Into His Stomach While He Was Climbing a Fence.

Chatham, N. B., Oct. 7.--It is reported that a fourteen year old son of Richard Aldridge, of Doaktown, was fatally shot yesterday. He was out hunting and when climbing a fence his gun went off, the shot entering his stomach and he died in a few hours.

AMHERST OPERA HOUSE DAMAGED \$1,200 BY FIRE

Amherst, N. S., Oct. 7.--By the prompt and efficient work of the firemen a serious fire in the opera house was finally extinguished. The opera house was damaged to the extent of about \$1,200.

CAPE BRETON MINERS WANT EIGHT-HOUR DAY

Sydney, N. S., Oct. 6.--The P. W. A. Lodges in Cape Breton have formulated a proposal which they will submit to the Nova Scotia government at the next session. They want an eight-hour day.

Big Timber Deal Near St. Martins

Word reached this city Friday from St. Martins that Metz, S. Bentley, lumberman, of that section, had bought from the estate of James Brown, a large tract of lumber lands for the sum of \$13,000.

ERSSS COCOA

An admirable food, with all its nutritive qualities intact. This cocoa system in robust health, and enables it to resist winter's extreme cold.

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The engineering department is now under the able direction of Professor S. W. Perrott, dean of the engineering department and professor of civil engineering. Professor W. H. Salmon is the new professor of physics and of electrical engineering. The engineering students of the university now number close upon sixty, and the total number in arts and engineering together more than 140.

FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

(Continued from page 3) turned to Amherst and will take up their residence in Clifford street.

Dr. E. S. Harding, of Montreal, has returned from a few days' vacation in Amherst.

Dr. Chas. Nutt, of Sydney, spent Sunday in town.

Rev. Geo. Wood has returned from his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Perry, of New Haven (Conn.), are in town, the guests of Mr. Perry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Perry, Acadia street.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McLean, of Sydney, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Simpson, Spring street.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Horton, of Westchester, are in town, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Phinney, of Sackville (N. B.), is spending a few days in town with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Calhoun left on Wednesday for a two weeks' visit to Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Mariner Robinson, of Combe's Mills, are visiting Com. E. T. Cates.

Rev. J. H. Baeris and Rev. George McGillicuddy were in town, the guests of Geo. W. Parker, of St. John, who has been spending a few days in Amherst, left for home on Tuesday evening.

Mr. R. A. McLean, of Amherst, is in town visiting his father, Mr. David Embree, Rupert street.

Mr. W. W. Ambrose spent Tuesday in Moncton.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Ralston left on Wednesday for Halifax, where Mr. Ralston will attend a meeting of the Nova Scotia Postmen's Association.

Mr. A. W. Moffatt and Mr. Chandler C. Hewson left on Wednesday for a visit to Boston and other American cities.

Mr. W. S. Harrison, of San Francisco, spent a few days in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Pridie have returned from a trip to Amherst.

Mrs. James Rodgers, who has been ill for some time past, is now improving.

charge of an assistant. For these the chief gave receipts and assumed responsibility until they were returned and the receipt cancelled at the office.

A record of each man was kept throughout the camping period. This will be used for reference in case of a recommendation being asked for in inquiry being made by a prospective employer as to a candidate's ability to fill any position. It is also available and will be used as a record and guide for future inquiry being made by the university.

The progress made by the University of New Brunswick, the increased attendance of students and the very profitable course it now offers to young men for an engineering education are being given much consideration from the public.

This year the university will enter on its 107th year under the management of a new chancellor, Dr. C. C. Jones, who comes to his task with a record of steady advancement and good work done elsewhere, a capable, efficient, energetic and adaptable man.

The university has four distinct courses and grants three degrees, namely, that of B. A., for the arts course; that of B. S., for the science course; and that of B. E., for either the civil or the electrical engineering course.

The engineering department, which gives a degree in either civil or electrical engineering, has been established only a short time, but has attracted considerable attention, due to the rapid progress it has made and the thorough and efficient course which it gives.

In May, 1900, the university celebrated its 100th anniversary by laying the cornerstone for its engineering building, and this was ready for occupancy in May, 1901. The electrical, cement testing, steel, iron, wood, brick and stone testing laboratories, workshop and janitor's room are located in the basement of this building, and the electrical department is housed in the laboratories.

On the first floor are physical and chemical laboratories, the physical and chemical lecture rooms, the chemical store room, the water and light by electricity, used in the laboratories.

On the second floor are the drafting room, instrument room and engineering museum, a lecture room and library. The entire building is heated by hot water and lighted by electricity.

The engineering students attend lectures which Stanley looks up to the glorious blazoning of the autumn hills, one of the fairest regions in New Brunswick.

The engineers have been carrying on the survey of the York and Carleton rail way beyond the end of present construction work. This line is actually running from Cross Creek to Stanley, a distance of six miles, and is a half more on the way.

About thirty men are at work laying rails and sleepers and making rock cutting. It naturally lends more interest to the work of the camp than the students are employed on a line that is actually being built.

The camp programme involves enough hard work for the survey has to be carried on through densely grown unbroken woods. The able axemen of the party come in strong in this connection, and have proved themselves very efficient.

The day's time table was as follows: Breakfast at 7 a. m., parties leave camp at 7:30, stop work for lunch at 12, resume work at 1, leave work for camp at 5:30, dinner at 6:15. Part of the evening was spent in work in the office tent and part in resting comfortably before a good bonfire with its glowing heat and pictures of escue shadow effects among the trees below the open sky.

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A great deal of hard work was done by the students, the survey extending several miles from camp. A ruling grade was given to chiefs of parties and they were required to keep within it. The maximum of curvature allowed was five degrees, and the cost per mile \$15,000.

Each senior student had to make his own finished plan of location and estimate of cost, using given data, and each chief of party had to make in camp a preliminary estimate of any section of preliminary survey he might have charge of. The chiefs were also required to make reconnaissance ahead of their parties to ascertain the approximate route and to see that their parties in following that route were efficient, accurate and well informed.

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U. N. B. ENGINEERS PROVE VALUE OF THEIR WORK IN THE OPEN AIR

Annual Camp Has Been a Greater Success Than Ever--Some Fun and Much Hard Work Fitting the Students to Take Up Responsible Positions in the World--Some Interesting Facts About Features of University Life.

Fredricton, N. B., Oct. 5.--It would be hard to find a lovelier place for camping than the junction of Ryan Brook and the Nashwaak river, where the engineering students of the University of New Brunswick have been located for the last two weeks. The freedom of life is very alluring in this brilliant autumn weather. The five tents of the encampment were set up on the point of land where Ryan Brook issues from its beautiful wooded stream and empties into the murmuring Nashwaak. It is five miles and a half up stream from the valley out of



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