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Negotiations With G.T.R.; Elevation Talk Again Due

Signs That Much-Discussed Subject Will Be Finally Threshed Out.

There are signs that the much-talked-of reopening of negotiations for the elevating of the Grand Trunk Railway lines throughout the city, or at least as far east as William street, will take place very shortly. It was confidently stated some time ago by those who are supposed to know that the negotiations would be reopened in time to permit of a bylaw to fix the assessment of the Grand Trunk at a certain figure for ten or twenty years being submitted to the people in January, and matters are moving along that line now.

Manager McGuigan, it is said, feels that the opposition to the elevation of the lines in the past has resulted from a lack of knowledge of what the company intended to do in regard to the streets over which the lines would be elevated.

He is of the opinion that if the people of London have the opportunity of seeing the difference which the company will make in the Wortley and Wharncliffe road subways, they will

have no fears as to what will be done at the other crossings. It is said the company is taking an especial pride in the work at the Wharncliffe, and is doing its best to show the people that even a large corporation has a conscience, and will treat a municipality right if the municipality is ready to do what is square.

As an instance of this, it may be pointed out that the company, in order to inconvenience the people of South London as little as possible, have erected a footbridge across the tracks at the Wharncliffe, so that pedestrians may use that route as formerly.

Mayor Judd stated to The Advertiser today that he has had several talks with Manager McGuigan lately and that McGuigan is of the opinion that in two weeks work will have progressed on the Wharncliffe subway sufficiently to show the people just what they may expect in the way of subways or viaducts if the scheme to elevate the tracks to William street is gone on with.

It is not improbable therefore, that by the first of December the negotiations will be resumed, as it is understood the company is as anxious as ever to go ahead with the work.

HOTEL SINKS IN PACIFIC SANDS

Over a Dozen Workmen Die in Collapse of Building at Long Beach, Cal.

Long Beach, Cal., Nov. 9.—The huge Hotel Bixby, in course of construction on the beach here, collapsed today, supposedly because of faulty construction.

Between twelve and fifteen workmen were killed and more than a score of others were seriously hurt. Several of the injured may die.

The building was of reinforced concrete, and the men were crushed to death beneath tons of mortar and iron.

The Hotel Bixby, which has been under course of construction for several months, was to have been one of the best-appointed hotels on the southern coast.

The total cost of the building was estimated at \$750,000.

It was being built on the beach facing the ocean, and was about 200 feet distant from the shore.

CHOIR'S ANNUAL DINNER

Second of Kind in Connection With First Presbyterian Church.

The second annual dinner of the choir of the First Presbyterian Church was held in the schoolroom of the church last night. Rev. W. J. Clark, the members of the music committee, Mr. Clarence Gilmore, and Mr. Joseph Saunders, were present, in addition to about 40 members of the choir. Owing to Friday night's practice, representatives from other choirs were unable to be present.

The supper, a substantial one of oysters, fish and fowl, was in charge of a committee of ladies of the choir. It was followed by a short programme of songs, introduced by the chairman, Mr. John Cameron. Messrs. Harry Bapty, C. G. Jarvis, J. I. Anderson, J. Saunders, Clarence Gilmore, Geo. C. Phelps and Rev. W. J. Clark responded, the speeches emphasizing the pleasant relations that exist between the pastor, music committee and congregation, on the one hand, and the organist and choir on the other.

In the intervals between the speeches, songs by Mr. Crawford and Miss Green, and recitations by Miss Carmichael, enlivened things. After a vote of thanks to the committee of ladies, moved by Messrs. W. H. Phelps and E. S. Crawford, and the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," the meeting broke up after one of the jolliest evenings that good spirits, a good supper and mutual goodwill combined, could produce.

CY. WARMAN SELLS LAND

Disposes of Washington Correspondents' Holdings at Neat Figure.

Cy Warman, of this city, the famous author of railroad stories, who is now in Winnipeg, has succeeded in selling a large block of the land which the Washington correspondents acquired during their visit to the Canadian Northwest a year ago last summer, says the Editor and Publisher. The newspaper men were so taken with the country and its opportunities when they were there that they formed a pool and took title to large tracts in Alberta and Saskatchewan. A portion of this, according to reports from Winnipeg, has now been sold to syndicates at a handsome profit to the original investors. Payment of \$1,000 has already been made to bind the bargain.

Mr. Warman said he had received a letter from Henry Hall, formerly Washington correspondent of the Pittsburgh Times, who stated that since he had sold his interest in that paper he had decided to take a trip to Canada next summer for the purpose of seeing all there was to see before the passing away of the last frontier.

SHAW STANDS PAT

Will Do Nothing More to Relieve Wall Street Situation at Present.

Washington, Nov. 10.—Secretary of the Treasury Shaw has returned to the city from his campaigning tour. When asked if anything would be done to relieve the financial situation, he replied that, "unless conditions materially changed he would not refund, buy bonds, increase deposits, nor do anything else."

"The treasury," he says, "holds \$25,000,000, which can be used as a last resort, but it will not be used until absolutely necessary. What has been done has been in response to business conditions. Unless business conditions generally are again disturbed, nothing further need be expected."

SARNIA FIREBUGS ARE AGAIN BUSY

The Incendiary Fires of a Year Ago Repeated Under Similar Conditions.

Sarnia, Ont., Nov. 10.—Two fires, one undoubtedly of incendiary origin, occurred here last night. The first was a small fire at Goodison's big works. Half an hour later, Bradshaw's restaurant on Front street was burning. Kerensko oil had been thrown on the side of the building and ignited. This is the fourth small fire inside of five days. It is just a year ago that James Milne was caught and later sentenced to five years at Kingston, after a succession of about 25 fires. Milne's object was to spite the town and police force, which was then reorganized. The police force has again been reorganized with the same disturbing results.

MAYOR TO RUN AGAIN

Friends Say He Will Seek Re-election in January.

Mayor Judd still refuses to talk of the possibility of his seeking another term in the mayor's chair. His closest friends say, however, that there being no chance of a Government appointment this year, he will seek re-election in January.

His worship claims that he has heard that several prominent Liberals are "down on him" because of the work he has done for the Conservative party in the London election case, which has been thrown out in Toronto for the past seven weeks. He claims he can be elected, however, in spite of such opposition.

The mayor justifies the work he has done in the hunting up of "evidence" and the examination of witnesses by saying that he has simply been practicing his profession.

GREAT GIFT FOR BARNARDOS

C. C. Fulford, of Brockville, Leaves \$210,000 to the Homes.

London, Nov. 9.—C. C. Fulford, of Brockville, Ont., who died at Sydney, New South Wales, on Aug. 26, left an estate in England valued at \$210,000. He has left 20 per cent of his interest in Bileans and Pink Pills, supposed to be worth at least \$210,000, to Barnardos's Homes.

STRONG FIGHTING FORCE

Haldane Says It Is the Best Means of Keeping Peace.

London, Nov. 9.—At the lord mayor's banquet tonight in the Guildhall, responding to the toast, "The Imperial Services," War Secretary Haldane said that he and the first lord of the admiralty, Lord Tweedmouth, realized it was a solemn duty of their part not to diminish the country's fighting force by one whit.

It was the duty of a Christian people, the speaker continued, to set an example by reducing the expenditures for armaments, but unless they had a response from other nations this was impossible.

The speaker hoped the time would come when nations would look back upon these days as a period of barbarism and wonder why they had spent millions in this manner, but until that time arrived it was in the interest of peace itself that no nation let down its strength, and it was the duty of Great Britain to maintain its fighting efficiency.

The Marquis of Ripon, who was almost inaudible throughout his speech, replied to the toast, "His Majesty's Ministers."

He expressed the Government's satisfaction that it had been able to continue the foreign policy of Lord Lansdowne, and said he was glad to be able to declare, after consultation with Sir Edward Grey, that at the present all indications pointed toward peace. "We wish to be and we believe we are," said the Marquis of Ripon, "on friendly terms with all nations."

BERESFORD MOVES UP

London, Nov. 10.—An admiralty memorandum issued today announced the promotion of Vice-Admiral Charles Beresford to the rank of admiral.

DEATH OF AMBROSE L. THOMAS

Chicago, Nov. 10.—Ambrose L. Thomas, president of the firm of Lord & Thomas, known to newspapers all over the United States, dropped dead today while making some purchases in a retail drygoods store.

CANADA'S REVENUE

Ottawa, Nov. 9.—Canada's revenue from all sources for the four months of the present fiscal year ended Oct. 31 was \$28,882,860, being \$13,265,179 more than the ordinary expenditures. Compared with the same period of the previous year, there is a reduction in the ordinary expenditure of \$223,047, and in the capital expenditure of \$260,432. On the other hand, the receipts were \$4,084,381 larger. The revenue for October amounted to \$7,789,384, and the expenditure to \$4,715,385, an increase of \$1,133,379 in the former and a decrease of \$348,328 in the latter.

JIM HILL OUT FOR RECIPROCITY

Great Railway Magnate to Open Crusade by Address at Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 10.—The movement to bring about reciprocity tariff arrangements with Canada will be given new impetus tonight through an address by James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railway Company, before the Merchants' Club on "Canada and Reciprocity." The sudden and spectacular movement of the far northwest, the flow of emigration thence from the United States and the promised cultivation of vast sections of hitherto wild prairie land into rich wheat and corn acreage are said to have inspired the latest crusade for closer and more satisfactory tariff relations with the Dominion.

While looking at the subject from a railway standpoint, Mr. Hill is reported to have given the Canadian tariff question such close study that he will bring out many new and important points in his address tonight. Farmers and manufacturers are said to have been converted to the idea that proper reciprocal trade agreements would rebound to the prosperity to the people of both Canada and the United States.

EX-U. S. CONSUL DIES SUDDENLY

Mr. W. H. McCutcheon Expires Unexpectedly at Home on Oxford Street.

William H. McCutcheon died very suddenly this morning at his home, corner of Waterloo and Oxford streets. Deceased was an old and highly esteemed resident of this city. He was born at Baltimore, near Cobourg, Ont., and came to this city in the capacity of American consul 27 years ago. He held the position for about 10 years, being displaced when the Cleveland Government attained power. Then Mr. McCutcheon went into the grocery trade, which he followed ever since. His first place of business was at the corner of Dundas and Clarence streets. He afterwards removed to the corner of Waterloo and Oxford streets, where he remained up to the time of his death. Before being appointed to the position of American consul for London, the late Mr. McCutcheon was a captain on the great lakes.

Although Mr. McCutcheon had not been in good health for some time past, his death came very unexpectedly. He had just come down stairs about 9 o'clock, when he was suddenly taken ill, and died before a doctor could be called. Heart failure is thought to have survived by his wife, two daughters, Mrs. E. S. Hunt, of Port Arthur; Mrs. Robert Pearce, of this city, and three brothers, Alex. and Thomas, of Cobourg, Ont., and John, of Michigan. The funeral announcement will be given later.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COOL

The area of low pressure is now centered in Northern Ontario and is moving eastward. Light rain has fallen in Southern Ontario and light snow is falling in the Ottawa Valley and north of Lake Superior. Scattered showers have occurred today in the Maritime Provinces, while in the Western Provinces the weather has been fair and cold.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 18 below—4 below; Atlin, 6—3; Victoria, 44—54; Calgary, 16—34; Edmonton, 4—28; Qu'Appelle, 22—30; Port Arthur, 32—42; Toronto, 34—44; Ottawa, 28—36; Quebec, 26—34; St. John, 32—38; Halifax, 36—44.

FORECASTS.

Today—Strong winds and moderate rain from west and northwest; partly fair, with local showers.

Tomorrow—Strong northerly winds; clearing and cooler.

Detroit, Nov. 9.—Lower Michigan: Fair Saturday and Sunday. Light to fresh northwest winds, becoming variable.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Max.	Weather.
Calgary	22	22	22	Cloudy
Edmonton	22	22	22	Cloudy
Port Arthur	22	22	22	Cloudy
Toronto	22	22	22	Cloudy
Ottawa	22	22	22	Cloudy
Montreal	22	22	22	Cloudy
Quebec	22	22	22	Snow
Father Point	22	22	22	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

A disturbance is developing north of the lakes. Showers have occurred throughout Ontario and sleet in Quebec. The weather is fair and cool in the Northwest Provinces.

HAMILTON CARS TO MOVE MONDAY

The System Almost Completely Tied Up at Present.

ANOTHER REQUEST FOR TROOPS

But Mayor Biggar Does Not Consider Them Necessary—Threatening Letter to Manager.

Hamilton, Nov. 9.—Officials of the company made a positive statement this morning that no attempt would be made to operate the city system this week. There is a general feeling among the men and public that the company will take the first cars out of the barns on Monday morning, feeling that the excitement will have died down sufficiently before them to allow them to operate their cars during the day without trouble. The company has already sent a requisition to the mayor for military protection, and orders will likely be issued shortly to the Toronto and London regulars to be in readiness.

Hon. J. M. Gibson, president of the Cataract Power Company, and General Manager Hawkins arrived home from New York today. Both refuse to discuss the situation in detail, although the president offered to issue a statement tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

"I won't say that we feel hurt," he said, "but we do feel that the grievance is all on our side."

Questioned about when the cars would be operated, and if the company would ever negotiate with the men again as a union, Mr. Gibson said he could not discuss that.

"Is the story that the Cataract Company is to increase its stock and sell out true?" he was asked.

"That has nothing to do with the strike," he said.

Special detectives from Toronto and Montreal are patrolling the line between the Sanford avenue barns and the Deering Company. The company says it carried more men today than ever before.

Several street cars will be sent over the radial line to the Deering's tonight, and there may be trouble.

Tonight's mass meeting will be held just opposite the company's offices. The company says it is prepared to run its cars at any time now, and it is just a question of fixing the time.

The streets of Hamilton company served a requisition on Mayor Biggar yesterday for militia. His worship does not think the militia are needed, and will take no action in the matter until he thinks they are.

The union men had a parade last night, in which about three hundred workmen took part. They met in front of the Trades and Labor Hall at 8 o'clock, and from there marched around the principal streets and down to the east end car barns, where the strike-breakers are quartered. As they passed there some irresponsible boys who followed them, a couple of stones at the barns and called names.

President Theaker asked those who were throwing stones to desist, and his request was complied with. After the parade the men went to the strikes hall, and the meeting was addressed by Fred Fay, official strike leader. He thanked the other union men who turned out, and again expressed his confidence in winning the strike.

Ald. Stewart thinks the company may be compelled to operate its cars inside of two months from the cessation of its service, and will ask the Ontario railway and municipal board to look into the matter.

In the police court yesterday Russell Hymers, aged 15 years, was sentenced to an indefinite term in the Ontario Industrial School for attempting to set fire to a radial car Tuesday night.

Speaking of the report that the men in the Cataract Power Company's employ might go out, Mr. Fay said the union would not ask them to go out, except in extremity, as it would practically tie up the city. Many of the big manufacturing concerns, as well as the street lighting and the lighting of many homes, are dependent on the power supply from the Cataract Company, and the union has no wish to inconvenience the citizens.

Traction Manager Green has received an anonymous letter threatening his death. The letter is unsigned, came through the mail, and is as follows: "To Traction Manager Green: I know of your dirty work, of which you have done so much since you had the management of the street railway here. And as true as I live, I swear to God you will be blown to atoms before Saturday night. Yours with vengeance."

WRECK ON THE B. AND O.

Train Strikes a Broken Rail and Cars Go Down Bank.

Blanchester, Ohio, Nov. 10.—A wreck on the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern road early today resulted in the death of one man and the injury of seven other passengers, six miles west of here.

Passenger train No. 6 struck a broken rail. The engine, postal and baggage cars passed over safely, but five coaches were derailed, turned over and rolled down the bank.

Three little children of one family were injured, one having its legs crushed. All the crew escaped except Conductor Graham, who was slightly injured.

Five Local Men Are Slated Is the Latest G.T.R. Rumor

Dismissals Timed To Be Made on Monday—Outside Trainmen Ordered Here.

Superintendent Brownlee, of the Grand Trunk, was in the city for a short time yesterday, and in consequence of his visit there is considerable uneasiness today among the conductors running out of London and those on the through trains.

It was rumored at the depot this morning that five more dismissals were to be made, from the ranks of the local conductors, and that the names of the victims would be known on Monday.

The trainmen are inclined to believe that some such move is contemplated. They have not only heard the rumor of dismissals, but they have heard from Sarnia Tunnel trainmen that nine of the senior freight conductors running out of there have been ordered to report to the assistant superintendent on Monday or Tuesday. It looks to the trainmen as if the freight men are to replace passenger conductors yet to be dismissed at London and other terminal points west of Toronto.

The office of the local assistant superintendent knew nothing of contemplated dismissals.

"Is it true that freight men from the

Tunnel have been ordered to report here?" was asked.

"Not today," was the only reply.

Rumor at Toronto.

A Toronto dispatch says: Local railway circles were given another shock today, when it was given out that the Grand Trunk intended to let out 20 more conductors on the system, and that the officials were only waiting for train men to take their places.

A second rumor got under way at noon, when several passengers, who made their way out of the Union station from a C. P. R. train were discussing the appearance of a spotter on board. They refused to give their names, but said they had traveled a good deal, but it was the first time they had seen a second man going around taking up tickets.

Several C. P. R. conductors who were seen said: "You can never tell who is on the train. The spotter never asks a passenger to show him a ticket, but the conductor is in the car, but waits until he passes out of it into the next. 'Personally,' said one of the conductors approached, 'I don't care if every passenger is a spotter. I do my work according to the rules and have no reason to fear them.'"

The local G. T. R. officials declined to discuss the dismissal of more conductors. The C. P. R. officials did not think there was much in the report about spotters on their trains.

THRILLING STORY OF GULF WRECK

Ten of the Crew of the Seventh Perish Off the Prince Edward Island Coast.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Nov. 9.—The wreck of the Finnish ship Seventh, from Campbellton, N. B., to Melbourne, Australia, with a million and a half feet of deals, on Carey's Reef, Priest Point, on Tuesday night, was attended with many thrilling features.

When she struck, three of her four masts went by the board, tearing open her decks and scattering her cargo among the mountainous breakers.

The ship broke in two, with nineteen men, including the captain, on the larger after section and two men forward.

There was no life-saving apparatus on shore, so expecting no help from that quarter, the seventeen men launched the lifeboat, which was struck by the combers and swamped.

Men were thrown into the water, some swimming, others clinging to planks. Three returned to the ship, one to the smaller portion and seven perished either by drowning, striking against rocks or against rocks.

Seven landed safely and are now all well.

Wednesday night three more were drowned. Thursday morning two were rescued at great risk of life by Austin Grady and D. Campbell, two young men from the shore.

Thursday night, the last man on the vessel, after exposure of 60 hours without food or water, jumped overboard on a plank and reached shore as by a miracle.

The drowned men were natives of Finland, Norway and Sweden.

INSURANCE COMMISSION

Inquiry Nearly Finished and Report Will Be Made at Once.

Ottawa, Nov. 9.—The report of the insurance commission will be in the hands of the members of Parliament within a week after the opening of the session. This will mean that if any legislation is required as the result of the report it can be framed and introduced before the holidays.

Today there were no witnesses and the commissioners sat in private summing up the evidence.

The next public meeting will be held some time next week, and will probably be the last.

The only thing of any importance that remains to be done is to hear the evidence of the Life Insurance Managers' Association.

WHO GETS KEEWATIN?

Provincial Agent Gathering at Ottawa to Discuss Boundaries.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 9.—Hon. R. P. Roblin, Hon. Robert Rogers and Hon. Collin H. Campbell left this evening for Ottawa, where on Nov. 12 the conference regarding the extension of the boundaries of Manitoba toward Hudson Bay will be held. Delegates will also be present from Ontario, Saskatchewan and Quebec.

Manitoba for several reasons regards this territory in Keewatin as being distinctly her own.

WHEAT TRAIN PILES UP

Fourteen Grand Trunk Cars in Ditch Near Thornbury.

Toronto, Nov. 10.—A report has reached here of a bad wreck on the G. T. R. near Thornbury, on the Allandale division. Early Friday morning a freight car jumped the track, and as a result 14 cars of wheat were piled up. Nearly all the cars were new. The debris has been cleared away.

TEXANS AMBUSHED BY MEXICANS

A Hot Battle Ensues, in Which the Latter Are Put to Flight.

Brownsville, Texas, Nov. 9.—A detachment of Texas Rangers en route to Rio Grande City to investigate the assassination of Judge Welch, which occurred Monday night, were attacked by a body of armed Mexicans, and a bloody fight resulted. One Mexican was killed and many wounded. Governor Lanham is rushing troops to the scene, and the situation is regarded as critical. More fighting is expected before the troops arrive. The Mexicans are said to be aroused over the opposition to their voting in the recent election.

Houston, Texas, Nov. 9.—A dispatch from Laredo, Texas, says: Texas Rangers were ambushed last night by armed Mexicans between Fordyce and Rio Grande City. Four Mexicans were killed in the fight that followed, one was wounded, and two captured. The rangers suffered no casualties. A special train is taking the troops to the scene.

UNJUSTLY ASSESSED

Windsor City Treasury May Lose a Considerable Sum.

Windsor, Ont., Nov. 10.—Following the decision of the court of revision, sustaining the appeal of George Scott, an employee of the M. C. R. at Windsor, against his assessment for income tax, on the ground that wages by the day do not constitute an "income," an application will be made to the city council for the remission of the income tax assessed against about 300 employees of the different railways here.

The railway men allege they were unjustly assessed, as they are paid only by the day. The Scott case was brought as a test.

STANDARD OIL ENTERS

Has Secured a Big Interest in the Morgan Steamship Combine.

New York, Nov. 10.—The Journal of Commerce today says that it was learned last night from a responsible source that Standard Oil interests have recently acquired a substantial interest in the securities of the International Mercantile Marine Company. No little importance was attached to the news of the entrance of the Standard Oil interests into the steamship combine by local shipping interests, when the news became known. It was in the first place regarded as an indication of a much more vigorous policy, including the building of new vessels to compete with the leviathans under construction and contracted by the opposition lines.

50,000 CHILDREN REBEL

Polish Scholars in Prussia Refuse to Respond in German Language.

Berlin, Nov. 10.—Fifty thousand Polish children persist in refusing to respond in the German language to religious instruction in the public schools, and the Prussian Government continues to apply measures designed to convince the children and their parents that their resistance will be of no avail.

All Prussian Poland is stirred by the outbreak of race and political hatred. The events in Russia appear to have stimulated the Polish national movement, so that the Polish newspapers and Polish agitators have taken a more aggressive attitude against the Government, selecting the Prussian education ministry's requirement that religious instruction be given in German.