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STRICT REGULATIONS FOR ROAD SUPERINTENDENTS

All Repairs to Highways Must Be Finished Not Later Than August 1

Hon. Mr. LaBilios at Restigouche Gathering Tells Officials That Every Man Must Be Given a Chance to Work That Wants To; That Politics Must Not Be Considered, and No Public Funds Must Be Spent on Private Roadways.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Campbellton, N. B., June 20—A meeting of the highway superintendents for Restigouche county numbering thirteen, was held here today in the Temperance Hall.

FIELDING TWENTY-FIVE YEARS IN POLITICS

Ottawa Friends Cable Congratulations on His Anniversary

Slight Increase in Canada's Grain Acreage Over Last Year; Crop Growing Well, But It is Two Weeks Late.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Ottawa, June 20.—This, the 26th day of June, is the 25th anniversary of Hon. W. S. Fielding's entrance to public life.

Frank C. Fowler, secretary of the Grain Dealers' Association, has written the trade and commerce department giving a statement of average winter crop in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta for the present season as compared with 1906.

Table showing crop statistics for wheat, barley, and other grains, comparing 1906 and 1907 yields and acreage.

FOREST FIRES RAGING IN NORTH ONTARIO

Province Has Lost Over \$1,000,000 Worth of Timber—Engineers on C. P. R. Can Only See a Few Feet Ahead—North of Peel River Practically the Whole Country is in Flames—Many Lives Feared Lost.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Toronto, June 20.—That over \$1,000,000 worth of timber belonging to the province has been destroyed, that dozens of properties have been entirely cleaned out and in all probability some lives have been lost, is the story of forest fires in the north, told by R. R. Ganney, M. P.

LIKELY A POSTPONEMENT IN EMMERSON-CROCKETT TRIAL

Judge Landry Dismisses Crown's Demurrer to Defendant's Pleas

Dr. Pugsley Moves That Full Bench Consider Questions of Law Raised or, if That is Refused, He Will Apply for a Commission to Take Evidence of Montreal Man Who is Out of the Country—Sharp Argument Whether a Man's Private Character is of Public Interest.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Fredericton, N. B., June 20.—As a result of the proceedings today in the trial of the King vs. James H. Crockett, man-aging editor of the Gleaner, the chances of the case going to a jury at the present sessions are regarded as remote.

Dr. Pugsley then proceeded to speak at some length on the question of seditious libel. He admitted that he was not a lawyer and that he did not intend to practice law, but he felt that it was his duty to speak out for the truth.

Judge Landry's decision. "In order not to delay the termination of this case I will not take the time to examine the authorities cited more minutely than has been permitted me by having heard them in the public hearing."

Crown Has No Remedy. "If his honor should decide against the demurrer he submitted the crown would have no remedy, as there could be no retrial, whereas if the demurrer was sustained and the defendant convicted he would be able to appeal."

Dr. Pugsley said in his honor's decision was adverse to the crown, he would have to ask for a postponement of the trial, as it was his intention to apply for a commission to take the evidence of one O'Brien, a porter at St. Lawrence Hotel, who was now out of the country.

Hazen Protests. "Mr. Hazen said he had no hesitation in opposing the application in the interests of the public, as it would mean the postponement of the trial until January, as the regular meeting of the full bench would be in the present, as it was impossible to tell until the plea had been admitted that evidence would be required."

MORE CONFIRMATION OF ORCHARD'S STORY

Evidence of Telegraph Officials That Money Was Sent Him as Said

Witness Swears That Haywood Said Steunenberg Was a Tyrant and Ought to Be Killed—Inflammatory Articles of Miners' Official Organ Admitted—State Announces Its Close Today, and Defence Will Move for the Prisoner's Acquittal.

Boise, Idaho, June 20.—Unless 9 o'clock should bring unforeseen delay in securing a few final pieces of evidence, the state will tomorrow close its case against Wm. D. Haywood, whom it charges with the murder of Frank Steunenberg.

The article refers to Steunenberg as a creature "over whose political tombstone should be inscribed the words 'here lies a hireling and a traitor.'" In an editorial in the Miners Magazine, for January 1907, Steunenberg was charged with getting rich on the "greasy dollars of the Standard Oil Company and a mine owner whose servant he always has been."

Haywood Called Steunenberg a Tyrant. "The state also showed that Haywood declared that Steunenberg was a tyrant who should be exterminated."

Said Steunenberg Ought to Be Killed. "Mr. Haywood said Governor Steunenberg was a tyrant and monster and ought to be killed," said the witness.

Important Evidence Found. "It was stated tonight that the prosecution had received a telegram from Denver showing that the date of the draft for \$100 was December 21, 1906, Orchard testified that when Simpkins left Caldwell after the first attempt on the life of Frank Steunenberg he asked him to get \$100 for him."

Inflammatory Articles. "Senator Borah also read from the issue of the magazine of February 1900, an article entitled 'Another Outrage,' and dealing with the alleged circulation of a petition by Governor Steunenberg for a continuance of the federal troops in the mining districts of Idaho."

State's Case Closed. "Senator Borah said this ended the state's case with the exception of some records from the Denver office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, which are expected tomorrow."

The court then adjourned. Attorney Darrow stated that after the close of the state's case the defense would move to instruct the jury to render a verdict of not guilty on the ground that the state had not sufficiently connected Haywood with the death of former Governor Steunenberg.

KING'S COLLEGE CONVOCATION

Degrees Conferred and Prizes Awarded at Thursday's Closing

ALUMNI ORATION

Dr. Silas Alward Speaks Ardently in Favor of Imperial Federation and Contribution by Canada to British Navy—Church Union Will Follow When All Become Anglicans Says Bishop Richardson.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Windsor, N. S., June 20.—The exercises of King's College were held in a most imposing nature, a great number of visitors from Halifax and outside points were present to witness the convocation of the different degrees by Chancellor Hodgson.

The honorary degree of D. D. was conferred upon Bishop Richardson and Rev. D. W. Pickett, of Greenwood, Kings county (N. B.), Dr. Pickett is the second oldest graduate of the university.

Dr. Alward's Oration. "Dr. Alward, dean of the St. John Law School, was the alumni orator and took for his subject 'The Last Imperial Conference.'"

He said that in a very few days we should celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the confederation of the British North American provinces and spoke of the present as one of the most important of the world with land yet remaining for millions of people. The same pessimism was shown when the C. P. R. bill was being discussed in parliament.

Imperial Defence. "The speaker then dwelt with the attitude of the colonies and of Great Britain towards preferential trade within the empire and then passed on to the question of imperial defence and said he hoped that all the self-governing colonies would see their way clear to contribute to a fund for the defence of their common navy."

Gov. Fraser then delivered an address, after which the different prizes and medals were presented. The annual ball was held in the convocation hall and was a most enjoyable affair.

This morning the students and professors, visitors, etc., marched to the church where divine service was held. Bishop Richardson preached an eloquent sermon dealing with church union. His lordship stated that the union of the churches would never come about unless the other denominations accepted all the doctrines of the Church of England.