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WILL PRESERVE SCENIC BEAUTIES OF THE FALLS

Canada and United States Reach Agreement With Respect to Niagara

OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—The government of Canada and the United States have come to an agreement in regard to the restriction of power development enterprises at Niagara with a view of preserving the scenic beauty of the falls. The question of saving the falls has engaged the attention of the authorities of the two countries for several years past. In view of the general alarm that was felt over the proposals of great industrial companies for power development works and the prospect that all the water of the Niagara River might be diverted from the falls to the turbines of electrical companies, thus destroying the present grandeur of the falls, Canada and the United States appointed an international commission in 1905 to deal with the whole question. That commission made a thorough study of the problem and in 1906 reported that not more than 36,000 cubic feet of water per second on the Canadian side and 18,000 feet on the American side in addition to the 10,000 cubic feet taken by the Chicago drainage canal could be diverted for power purposes without marring the present beauty of the falls.

Agreement Reached

As the result of negotiations between the two governments during the past year an agreement to limit the use of Niagara water for power purposes has now been reached. Hon. Wm. Pugsley, minister of Public Works for Canada, visited Washington last week and he with British Ambassador Bryce and United States Secretary of State Root, embodied this agreement in a treaty which has been signed on behalf of the Canadian and the American authorities. It is understood that by the treaty on the American side in addition to the ten thousand feet of water taken by the Chicago Drainage Canal Power Corporation will be permitted to take 20,000 cubic feet of water per second, which will allow

MCINTYRE IS MAN SELECTED

OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—It is understood that Gilbert H. McIntyre, member for Perth, will be named as deputy speaker of the Commons on the opening of the session.

As has already been announced, Mr. Charles Wardlaw, deputy speaker, will be the next speaker of the Commons. The appointment of Mr. McIntyre will be a popular one on both sides of the house. In the last parliament he was recognized as one of the best debaters on the government side of the house, being well-informed on all public issues and always speaking with effectiveness and authority of clear logic. He is conversant with both the French and English languages, and is in every way fitted to fulfill duties of office with dignity and distinction.



his development of 236,000 horse power. On the Canadian side the diversion of water for power purposes is limited to 36,000 cubic feet of water per second, allowing a development of 425,000 horse power. The total diversion of water at Niagara Falls is therefore restricted to 66,000 cubic feet per second and the power which can be developed from it is 661,000 horse power. The treaty will run for a limited term of years. The period is understood to be long enough to allow of a demonstration on the effectiveness of the proposed limitation. It is subject to the approval of the American Senate and the Canadian parliament, before which it will be laid at the opening of the session this month. If approved by the senate and by parliament the two countries will name a joint commission to see that the terms of the treaty are adhered to by the power companies of both countries.

BRYCE AND ROOT SIGN TREATY AT WASHINGTON SETTLING ALL QUESTIONS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—After long, hard, patient work which on some features ran into years, Secretary of State Root and Ambassador James Bryce of Great Britain signed a treaty tonight for the settlement of international differences between the United States and Canada. The signatures were attached to the instrument at the home of Secretary Root at 8 o'clock. This is the agreement which has been popularly alluded to as the "waterways treaty," but its scope is broader than that designation implies, because it contemplates a disposition of everything in the nature of differences between the two countries, and machinery for questions which may arise along certain lines in the future. Provision is made for a joint high commission to be made permanent in character.

Finished Yesterday

The final draft and printing of the treaty was not finished until late today, almost at the last moment, a whole page having to be reprinted because of a slight alteration in the text.

Dependent upon the final ratification

of the treaty by the United States and Great Britain rests the settlement of numerous complex questions connected with the water boundaries along the northern border which have been the source of more or less friction at different times. Included in these are regulations as to the use of the water of the great lakes, with the secondary, but none the less important, question of the diversion of the waters of these boundaries, including Niagara Falls, which involve the amount of water to be taken out for power purposes; the navigation of the St. John River between Maine and New Brunswick; and the use of the Milk River in the Northwest.

To some extent the operations of the treaty will supersede the work of the International Waterways Commission, made up of the representatives of the United States and Canada, whose duty includes, among other things, the ascertainment and re-establishment of that portion of the international boundary between the United States and Canada, passing through the great lakes system. The future of its work, however, will be continued by the waterways commission until it is completed—its other functions gradually

being absorbed by the joint high commission to be appointed in accordance with the treaty signed tonight.

Certain Line of Principles

Although no official statement is obtainable tonight, it is the understanding that the contracting powers have agreed upon a certain line of principles which are to guide the commission in its work, leaving to them the interpretation of those principles as applicable to the questions that may require settlement immediately and from those that may arise from time to time. This takes from the joint high commission any functions of a treaty-making body, and confines its duties simply to that of determining to what extent the principles already laid down shall be applicable to any particular case. The treaty is regarded as one of great importance, and the hope is expressed that its effective operation will result in permanently putting an end to the differences between the United States and its neighbor on the north. The state department officials breathed a sigh of relief when they announced today that the instrument had passed all its preliminary stages and was ready for signature.

BOARD STRIKES STRAIGHT FROM THE SHOULDER

Cancel New Express Rates

New Classification Made Under Misconception, Says Mabce

OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—The railway commission took prompt and effective measures this afternoon to protect the public against the increases in express rates all over Canada involved in the new classification which went into ef-

fect on the first day of the year. Chief Commissioner Mabce, after hearing today further evidence from the companies and from shippers, handed out judgment summarily cancelling the new classification and restoring the old rates in force prior to January 1st.

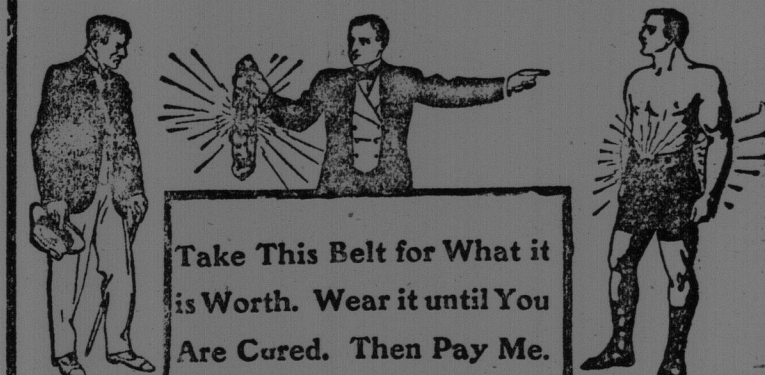
He explained that the board's order approving the new classification had been issued under a misconception as to the real effect of the changes applied for by the companies. It had been understood by the commissioners, he said, that the new classification would mean a slight reduction in rates to the general shipping public and they had relied on the companies keeping the agreement entered into with the late chief commissioner, Judge Killam, that no radical changes would be made in the rates pending the result of the general inquiry into rates now pending. But now it was made evident that the new classification involved serious changes and general increases. The board's plain duty was to recall the order of approval issued under a misconception. The companies are ordered to notify their agents at once to restore the old rates. The question of claims for rebates on overcharges under the new rates from the first of the year until now will be settled according to individual cases.

JAPS LOOKING FOR TROUBLE

TOKIO, Jan. 12.—Upon the receipt of special cable dispatches from San Francisco relating to bills now pending before the California legislature, Japanese newspapers today elaborate on the strained relations which may arise from the passage of bills and the enactment of laws forbidding the ownership of land and the attendance of public schools by Japanese residents of California.

A majority of the papers assume the passage of the bills as a probability and protest against them as an injustice to the Japanese now living in California. The Asahi, the Jiji and the Nichi Nichi express surprise at what is termed an evidence of unfriendliness after the sincere efforts on Japan's part to prove her friendship toward the people of the United States. The extreme opposition papers assail the Japanese government for "falling into the arms of a nation which at the first opportunity not only shows its unfriendly spirit, but even denies equal opportunity to the Japanese."

Pumps Vim Into Worn-Out Men.



If you feel tired and stupid, with no ambition to get out and hustle, if you have spells of despondency and a desire to give up the fight, you need new energy. The race is to the strong. Show me a failure and I'll show you a weakling, lacking in courage, strength and ambition, three essentials to the make-up of a successful man.

I can take a man like that and pump new energy into his body while he sleeps, and in a few weeks' time transform him into a giant in strength and courage. It is proven that energy and electricity are one and the same thing. If you lack this energy you get it only by filling your nerves with electricity. Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt does this. Wear it while you sleep. Feel its invigorating stream of electric life in your nerves, its vitalizing spark in your blood. You wake up in the morning full of new life, new energy, and courage enough to tackle anything.

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COMPANY TO INCREASE ITS CAPITALIZATION

TORONTO, Jan. 11.—The "Massey-Harris Company, Limited, will increase its capitalization to \$10,000,000, an addition of \$2,000,000.

There will be no issue of stock to the public. There are full staffs at the works in Toronto, Bradford and Woodstock. Mr. Jones regards the business outlook as satisfactory.

HIS MENTOR.

From the time a boy sits under a street corner electric light playing with toads until he is blind and toothless he has to account to some woman why he didn't come home earlier.

Rev. I. N. Parker, of Walsford, in the city yesterday morning.

FURS FURS FURS

Commencing WEDNESDAY MORNING at 9 o'clock, and for 10 Days

We will offer some of the Biggest Snaps in Furs ever offered in this city. This is our annual clearance sale, which we are starting a little earlier than usual (to be honest with you, our reason is, we overbought in a number of lines), consequently our loss is your gain. We must reduce this stock.

DO NOT MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY

Perhaps you have been waiting for this annual clearance sale, as this last few years this is proving to be the Fur buyers' opportunity. All this season's goods. The latest styles Note these prices. All goods marked in plain figures on the white tag.

Women's Fur-Lined Coats

MUSKRAT LINED, MINK Trimmed, was \$90.00,	Now \$70.00
HAMPSTER do do do was \$5.00,	Now 67.50
do do ALASKA SABLE Trimmed, was \$72.00,	Now 55.00
do do BLENDED SABLE do was \$63.25,	Now 45.00
SQUIRREL LOCK-LINED, Fox Trimmed, was \$63.50,	Now 45.00
KALUGA LINED, Blended Sable do was \$35.00,	Now 27.50

These have the very best tailored coverings.

Alaska Sable Ties and Throws

\$25.00 Ties—Now \$19.00	Long Throws were \$18.00—Now \$13.50
20.00 " " 15.00	\$12.00 Throws.....Now 8.50
15.00 " " 11.50	One lot of Ties were \$12.00—Now 7.50
One lot of Ties were \$10.00—Now \$6.00	One lot of Blended Ties were \$7.50—Now 5.00

MINK

2 Only \$50.00 Stoles	Now \$37.50
1 Only 45.00 Stole	Now 35.00
1 Only 40.00 Throw	Now 30.00
2 Only 30.00 Stoles	Now 22.50
Regular 35.00 Throws	Now 25.00
Regular 30.00 Throws	Now 20.00
Regular 25.00 Throws	Now 17.50
Regular \$25.00 Ties, fur both sides, now \$18.50	A number of other pieces \$10 up

Pieced Persian Lamb Jackets

MINK TRIMMED, was \$100.00,	Now \$75.00
PLAIN JACKET, was 75.00,	Now 55.00

Astrachan Jackets

\$25.00 Now \$15.00	\$40.00 Now \$25.00
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Grey Squirrel.

72 inch Throws were \$12.00.....Now \$9.50	\$15 Muffs \$11.50
\$17 Muffs \$12	\$12 Muffs \$9.50

Black Thibet Boas

\$1, \$2, \$3 and \$4 were \$5.00 to 10.00

A Number of Blended Sable Double Stoles

Were \$12 Sale price \$5

Lot of Storm Collars from \$1.50 up

2 Blue Thibet Stoles, regular price \$12, now \$6.50

Children's Grey Lamb Collars

Sale price \$3.50

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