

VALLEY RAILWAY BILL IN LAST STAGE

Senator Ellis Now Favors It Admits Conversion from Views He Formerly Held

Sir George Ross Fears Entanglement With Provincial Government - Senator Thompson Corrects Some Misconceptions of Members.

Special to The Telegraph. Ottawa, May 18--In the senate today the bill authorizing the government to lease the St. John Valley Railway, was taken up in committee.

Sir George Ross gave notice of an amendment which he would move on third reading to make it clear that the bill shall be leased from a company...

FIRE SEEM TO BE UNDER CONTROL

But Strong Wind Would Cause Further Spreading MUCH DAMAGE Shift in Wind Saved Mechanic Settlement Yesterday - Valuable Timber Land Destroyed - Blaze at Loch Lomond Burned Itself Out - Rain Needed.

News concerning forest fires in the province last night was rather encouraging. Most of the fires seemed to be dying down although it was said that everything was so dry that unless rain came there would be no saying where the flames would stop.

Word from Westfield was that the fire had approached within three miles of the village. It seemed to be scattered some of the houses.

Word reached the city last night that a forest fire was raging back of Chipman, Queens county. This, however, burned itself out.

RECIPROcity WILL BENEFIT BRITAIN

War Secretary Haldane Says Canada's Greater Prosperity Will Help Mother Country Says United States Can Do More in a Trade Way for the Dominion Than United Kingdom, as the People Are Free Traders and Will Remain So.

Canadian Press. London, May 18--The government was criticized by the Earl of Selbourne in the House of Lords this evening for what he termed "their extraordinary supineness" in failing to safeguard the interests of the kingdom in the American-Canadian reciprocity agreement.

THREE FRENCH COLUMNS TO THE RELIEF OF FEZ

Tangier, Morocco, May 18--Wireless telegraph messages received here today from the French column en route to Fez for the purpose of relieving the beleaguered city...

\$300,000 FIRE IN SALEM, MASS.

Leather Factories and Oil Storehouses Made a Spectacular Blaze.

Salem, Mass., May 18--A fire which swept over the leather manufacturing district in the vicinity of Goodhue and Both streets this evening, destroyed four large buildings and badly damaged several others...

ABRAHAM GOGGIN, OF MILLSTREAM, WITH CLOTHING AFFIRE, RESCUED BY SON

Special to The Telegraph. Fredericton, N. B., May 18--A fire, which threatened to be disastrous, broke out in the lumber camp and barn at the head of Millstream at 3 o'clock this afternoon where Gordon Mills and B. F. Miles of this place have a mill and large cut of lumber.

WILL CUT TOLLS ON PLAIN-LANGUAGE CABLES IN TWO

British Postmaster - General Tells of Concessions Made by the Companies.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE BANNER PRESENTED NEWCASTLE, N. B., SCHOOLS

Newcastle, N. B., May 18--(Special)--The Opera House was filled this afternoon with town schools on the occasion of the presentation by Lieut. Governor Tweedie to Newcastle High school of a banner sent by the pupils and teachers of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

New York, May 18--A campaign to rid New York of lenders of money at exorbitant rates was opened this afternoon by executives of sixty-five leading manufacturing industrial mercantile and philanthropic institutions and corporations...

WAR PRACTICALLY ENDED IN MEXICO

President Diaz to Resign Rebel Leader Madero Invited to the Capital

Canadian Press. Mexico, May 18--Peace in Mexico will be signed by Saturday, according to the almost unanimous opinion of Provisional President Madero's advisers today.

HALIFAX TO INSTALL 2,000 WATER METERS

Council Adopts Idea of Engineer That It Will Prevent Much Waste.

NOVA SCOTIA LOBSTER SEASON EXTENDED

Ottawa, May 18--(Special)--An order-in-council has passed whereby the open season for lobster fishing within the districts covering the counties of Yarmouth, Shelburne, Lunenburg and the portion of Halifax county west of Halifax harbor, Nova Scotia, has for this year been extended for fifteen days, from May 30...

Table with 2 columns: Assets and Liabilities. Assets include Plant, Real estate and buildings, Miscellaneous equipment, Supplies, Cash in bank and on hand, Accounts receivable, Rentals and tolls outstanding. Liabilities include Capital stock, Debentures, Bank of British North America, Reserve for depreciation, Accounts payable, Interest accrued, Dividends declared, Surplus.

Mr. Cowan, of British Columbia, Failed in Effort--Charges Groundless Against Hon. Mr. Oliver.

Body of Unknown Man Found in Niagara River.

Of Interest to Women. In sewing trimmings on a hat it is hard for the home milliner to fasten the ends of the threads...

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