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WILMOT FAVORS ST. JOHN VALLEY ROUTE FOR NEW TRANSCONTINENTAL ROAD.

Member for Sunbury and Queens Praised Blair's Stand Against Paralleling Intercolonial—He Also Favoured Extension of I. C. R. to Georgian Bay and Gradually to the Pacific.

Ottawa, April 18.—(Special)—In the house today Anley Morrison asked if there was any information before the government to confirm the report from British Columbia that the Emperor of China had made overtures to the imperial government seeking to interfere with the anti-Chinese legislation of the dominion last session. Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied that there was no information of such a character before the government. Mr. Borden asked for the instructions to the joint high commission and Sir Wilfrid replied that if it had not been brought down he would bring it. Mr. Borden asked for the additional correspondence regarding the Alaska boundary. The premier replied that the government was now in communication with the imperial authorities concerning the matter and he expected to be able to comply with the request of the leader of the opposition before the end of the session. In reply to Mr. Borden Sir Wilfrid said that he was under the impression that all the correspondence touching the resignation of Mr. Blair, was before parliament but he would enquire into it. In answer to Col. Hughes Sir Frederick Borden said that the commissions in the imperial service were allotted to the Canadian military annually. Mr. Roche, of Marquette, who was the first speaker today, went on to extol the bargain which the Manitoba government had made with the Canadian Northern, and handed to the Canadian Northern, and Mr. Roche asked the answer. Mr. McCreary—Did they not pay \$20,000 a mile? Mr. Roche—I would ask if he does not like \$10,000 a mile enough for building the prairie section of the G. T. P. Mr. McCreary—We only guarantee 75 per cent of that. Mr. Roche—There is practically no difference between them. Dr. Roche went on to say that the scheme should be referred to the people. Mr. McCreary—Did the Manitoba government refer their scheme to the people? Dr. Roche—There is a time for everything. The people of Manitoba expressed their verdict afterwards. Mr. Talbot—Just as the people will do in this case. Mr. Pringle of Cornwall, who followed, proceeded to say that the woolen mill had been shut down. Mr. Fielding, who naturally supposed that Mr. Pringle was referring to some of the recent reports in the papers, said that he had circulated from the mills saying that they were not closed but were being solicited orders. Mr. Pringle said that the Cornwall Woolen Mills had been sold out, lock and parcel. Mr. Fielding said that that was an ancient story.

THAT AUTO ROAD, ST. JOHN TO HAMPTON.

Company Must Deposit \$10,000 With Government to Show Good Faith. OTHER PRECAUTIONS.

Fredericton, N. B., April 18.—(Special)—A bill to incorporate the Auto Road Company with power to construct a road from Robitney to Gagetown was passed by the corporation committee of the house this afternoon with a number of amendments. The company is authorized to lay rails on obtaining the consent of the government council and depositing a sum not less than \$10,000. Authority was given the company to string wires, but they must not interfere with the lines of existing telephone companies. A bill to incorporate the Tobique and Campbellton railway bill in committee on the amendment requiring the company to deposit \$10,000 per mile as proof of their financial ability to carry on the work. The bill will be brought into committee on the amendment of the lieutenant governor in council, whenever the necessary deposit has been made. The government ordered a similar amendment to be attached to all railway bills now before the house. C. N. Skinner opposed the passage of the Tobique and Campbellton railway bill in committee on behalf of the Tobique Valley Railway Company and A. P. Barrhill was heard in its support. The members for Victoria also supported the bill and Mr. Tweedie intimated that Hon. John Costigan favored the proposed line. It is understood that all details of the settlement in the McConnell log case have been agreed to by the committee and interested parties and that Edgewood and Eaton will make the necessary deposit of \$10,000 in the McConnell log case. The bill will be formally withdrawn from the legislature by Mr. McLaughlin. J. W. McCreary and J. H. Barry, K. C., were probably appointed trustees under the agreement and T. Carleton Allen, K. C., will likely be asked to act as referee. The body of the late Mrs. J. R. Inch was conveyed today to Sackville for burial, leaving here by the 9:45 C. P. R. accommodation. A funeral service was held at Mrs. Allen's residence at 4 o'clock. Rev. Messrs. Tassdale and Colter, The faculty and male students of the University and Normal School and provincial clergy called in separate bodies in the procession from the house to the station, and the male teachers of all city schools were present. A large number of people were present at the funeral, and the interment was a very impressive one. Senator Work leaves for Ottawa this afternoon, accompanied by Mrs. Work. The Alex. Wiley property below town of Lincoln for some \$2,800. About twenty men left on the Canada Eastern this afternoon for W. Noble's branch today to the headwaters of the Artookook for Robert Aiken today, forty more men leaving on a few days ago. A crew of stevedores will go into the woods tomorrow for John Kilburn. Things are taking on a very busy appearance around Victoria Mills and the work is progressing steadily. It is expected operations will be commenced Monday next. The company has a lot of lumber which has come down the Nashwankeas, which is now free of ice.

McAULIFFE'S SHOT PROVED FATAL.

James Alexander, the Italian, Dies from Wound of Chief of Police.

Halifax, April 18.—(Special)—James Alexander, the Italian who was shot by Chief of Police McAuliffe, of Liverpool (N. S.), in a scuffle a week ago, died Sunday evening. Before he died he made a deposition to the effect that when McAuliffe fired at him he was acting quietly, and therefore McAuliffe did not shoot in self defence. Much interest has been excited in the case. The Italians working on the South Shore railway number many hundreds, and it is said they have vowed to be revenged for the death of Alexander, who appears to have been a great favorite with them. It is said that he was a hard working and well behaved lad, and his sweetheart came from Italy and got married and settled down.

MANY CHANGES IN NEW MILITIA ACT.

Amendments Provide That Permanent Force Shall Not Exceed 2,000. WHO CAN BE DRAFTED.

Ottawa, April 18.—(Special)—Sir Frederick Borden has given notice of several amendments to his militia bill. The amendments are in the hands of the governor general, such as laying out military and brigade, police force in cities, towns and villages, are added to those exempt for service in the militia. The permanent force shall not exceed 2,000 men. The officer commanding the regiment must enforce payment when a municipality refuses to pay for services to maintain the peace, in the meantime the government must draft the amount. When drafting by ballot has to be done, no time shall more than one son belonging to the same family in the same house be drawn unless it is impossible otherwise to complete the required proportion of service men. The requisition for aid may come from the justice of the quarter sessions of the peace or any three justices of the peace of whom the warden, mayor or acting head of municipality where disturbance has taken place must be one. If the head of the municipality refuses to act the requisition must be set forth in the requisition. The government council and not the governor general will in future have the authority to call out the militia in time of need. In time of war his majesty may place in command a senior general officer of his regular army when the militia is called out for active service. As to the number of the command of an officer commanding the militia, it is made clear that he will be under the minister of militia. The bill provides that each house be drawn twice in the same year. It shows that the minister is considering the houses be drawn twice in the same year. The bill provides that each house be drawn twice in the same year. The bill provides that each house be drawn twice in the same year.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED FOR PROVINCIAL LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Premier Tweedie Announces That the Standard of Nurses Will Be Raised and Other Needed Changes Made—Discussion on Increased Stumpage Rates—Other Business of the Local House.

Fredericton, N. B., April 18.—The house met at 3 o'clock. Hon. Mr. Pugsley introduced a bill to amend 45 Victoria, chapters 24 and 54 Victoria, chapter 11. He explained that the object of the bill was to reduce the subsidies to branch line railways by \$500. On the ground of urgency it was read a second time. The house went into committee of the whole, Mr. Omana in the chair. The bill to change the name of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum and for other purposes was considered. Mr. Tweedie said that while the bill was proper enough as far as it goes, he thought it might have gone further. He had been in hopes it would be a more comprehensive measure so as to lead to the adoption of more modern and better methods. The complaint of medical men is that there is no alienist who has made insanity his life study, at the head of the institution. He understood that many cases might be cured by an operation, but under existing conditions such operations were impossible. Hon. Mr. Tweedie—All the suggestions mentioned by the leader of the opposition can be dealt with without any further legislation. There is a difference of opinion with regard to operations. The attorney-general and myself visited the McLean Hospital some time ago, and were informed by the doctor there that they had very few operations. In most cases, environment and pleasing surroundings were used to effect a cure. That was a splendid institution and anyone visiting it must be struck by the great contrast between it and our asylum. It is magnificently provided with baths of all kinds, and we propose to improve our institution in that respect, but it would be impossible for us with our limited means to make all the changes which might be made. Our institution is a good one, but the means of the commissioners are limited. There is no part of our work that we find more difficult than dealing with the asylum. As to the number of the women have been receiving only \$10 a month, but they have lately struck for \$12; while the men were paid from \$20 to \$25. They are better trained in Halifax than with us, and we intend to adopt their system. At one time I thought an asylum might be managed by a commission outside the government, but on further consideration I have concluded that it is better as it is, as those who have complaints to make can reach the government more readily than they could outside commissioners. The bill was agreed to. Increase of stumpage The bill to confirm certain regulations made regarding crown timber lands was considered. Hon. Mr. Tweedie—I am not disposed to agree to these regulations because it is not justifiable to charge the same stumpage on fir and cedar as on spruce, and to increase the rate on hardwood by fifty per cent. I also doubt the wisdom of increasing the rates of mileage to the extent proposed. Hon. Mr. Tweedie—The lumbermen themselves do not object to the rate of stumpage. Many of them would have agreed to \$1.50, because they felt it was unreasonable that we should charge more than the New Brunswick Company was receiving \$2. They objected to the increase of mileage on renewal leases. I thought that this was justified by the great increase in the value of lands since 1893. Those who bought timber land at that time could sell their leases for three times what they pay for them. Therefore, I thought it reasonable that those who had bought their land cheaply should pay more mileage. The question of the stumpage on fire is under consideration. We have no desire to deal harshly with the lumbermen, but we wish to deal justly with the province. In regard to lumber on burnt land, that matter can be considered by the surveyor-general, and it has been intimated to those operators that this will be done. If the matter comes before me I would be disposed to reduce the stumpage on fir and some other woods. I may here point out that in Quebec they pay \$2.25 stumpage, as compared with our \$1.25. With regard to the alleged depression there never has been such good times in the lumber business as during the past two years. The proper time to increase the stumpage is when the lumbermen have made money. I doubt whether there is any such fall in lumber as the leader of the opposition has indicated. Purchases are merely holding off, or see what the rate of freight will be. Of course they will agree that if trade becomes depressed it would be right to reduce the rates of stumpage. I think the lumbermen may feel pretty safe in my hands. The bill was agreed to. Bureau of Labor The bill to provide for a bureau of labor was agreed to in committee. Hon. Mr. Tweedie explained that this work would be undertaken by the provincial secretary and that there would be no extra cost connected with it. The bill to legalize certain marriages performed by the Rev. Mr. Gadsone was agreed to. The bill to amend the act relating to the arrest, examination and imprisonment of

NEWFOUNDLAND NOT SATISFIED WITH ANGLO-FRENCH TREATY.

Legislator Almost Certain to Reject It Unless Objectionable Clause is Made Clear.

St. John's, Nfld., April 18.—Public anxiety is keenly aroused respecting the French shore fishing trouble created by the disputed interpretation of clause two of the Anglo-French colonial treaty. In the legislature tonight the matter was vigorously debated and it was declared that should the clause stand the condition of the fishermen would be worse than in the past. It was also declared that the legislature should never give its approval. The rejection of the treaty is certain unless the matter shall be made clear.

NEW BRUNSWICK BOY MURDERED IN QUEBEC.

Willie Keaton, of Connorsville, Killed by Louis Lambert in the Woods. St. Alexandre, Que., April 18.—Willie Keaton is the name of a man who was killed by Louis Lambert with an axe in April 15. He is the son of Richard Keaton, of Connorsville (N. B.), whose body will be taken for burial. Keaton and his companions were raising Lambert's camp for sport when Lambert cut off one of the legs in Boston harbor.

HALIFAX AND SOUTHWESTERN ROAD READY IN THE FALL.

Hitch at Liverpool, N. S., Over Location of the Line, but Other Sections Going Ahead Rapidly.

Halifax, April 18.—(Special)—Work on the Liverpool and Southwestern Railway has been temporarily suspended. The difficulty has arisen, it is said, over the location of the line in the estuary. The Liverpool people want the road to run through the town and on to Port Moncton, following the shore. This route would necessitate the construction of an expensive bridge across the river, an undertaking which had not been provided for. The difficulty is not between Messrs. Mann and the government, but pending a decision as to the disputed section, the work on the other sections is going ahead rapidly and it is estimated that the railway will be ready early in the autumn.

HANDS OFF HATTI SAYS UNCLE SAM.

San Domingo, April 18.—U. S. Minister Powell informed the minister of foreign affairs today that in the event of any foreign intervention to force a settlement of the claims of its citizens, this excluding the claims of the nationalities, he would in the name of his government, take immediate charge of all the customs houses and government places in each military guard and protect the same in the interest of the United States creditors, basing his action upon the recent decision of the Hague tribunal. By such action all foreign claims will stand upon an equal footing. He Got Off Easy Boston, April 18.—(Special)—Cunningham was sentenced to the Superior Court today to a term of from four to six years in the state prison for assault with a pistol on William Stearn and F. O. Lynch on March 10. Cunningham was a private in a company of the United States coast artillery stationed at one of the forts in Boston harbor.

1,000 MONTREAL PAINTERS DECIDE TO GO ON STRIKE.

Montreal, April 18.—(Special)—The painters and decorators union at a meeting tonight decided to strike tomorrow morning, about 1,000 are affected. Trouble is being experienced by the employers to allow a union agent to visit the shops. They are satisfied with 25¢ an hour wage which was paid last year.

TOGO HAS COMMAND OF SEAS; JAPANESE TROOPS LANDING TO CUT OFF PORT ARTHUR.

St. Petersburg, April 18.—St. Petersburg is flooded with rumors from all directions regarding the plans of the Japanese now at the head of the Gulf of Liao Tung, under the guns of the warships. If this should succeed the Japanese will be in an excellent position to execute a flank movement on Liao Yang or cut off Port Arthur. General Kuropatkin has disposed a strong force to contest a Japanese move at Newchwang, and if such a move is made it is believed he will be able to check it. Prince Hilkoff, minister of railroads, left St. Petersburg tonight for Iokutsu, where he will supervise the completion of the railroad around Lake Balkal and expedite the dispatch of troops and supplies to Manchuria. Russians Fortifying Mountain Pass. St. Petersburg, April 18.—A detachment of Russian troops which left Southern Ussuri, has reached Maer Shan (on the west bank of the Yalu river, 175 miles north of Ping Yang) without having encountered the enemy. The detachment has occupied a mountain pass between Manchuria and Korea, which it is fortifying with mountain batteries. No Chance on the Yalu St. Petersburg, April 18.—An official telegram states that there is no change in the situation on the Yalu river. The Russian

BOTH BRIDE AND WIDOW WITHIN AN HOUR.

Miss Frances M. Hitchens Weds Godfrey S. Morgan on His Dying Bed.

The Bereaved Young Englishwoman Had Waited Since June, the Time Set for Her Wedding, for Her Lover to Get Better.

Toronto, April 18.—(Special)—Bride and widow within an hour in the sad fate of Mrs. Frances M. Hitchens, of 274 Dover Court. Her husband was shot by a bullet from Major Hitchens' rifle in the afternoon of Saturday evening that Mr. Morgan was slaying rapidly, and Canada about a year ago, with the intention of remaining permanently, and would have been married last June, but the wedding was postponed by the illness of Mr. Morgan. He suffered from a tubercular

TAMMANY DEFEATED BY HILL FACTORY.

State Convention Instructed Delegates to Vote for Judge Parker as Presidential Candidate.

Albany, N. Y., April 18.—The Democratic state convention for the election of delegates to the national convention after two sessions today, one of which was held at Albany, was usually Tammany men with the exception of Edward Murphy, Jr., of Troy; George Elmer of New York city and James W. Ridgeway of Brooklyn.

CANADIAN POST ON HERSHEL ISLAND.

Mounted Police Will Collect Duty on All Foreign Imports Coming There.

Ottawa, April 18.—(Special)—The commissioner of the Northwest Mounted Police reports to Ottawa that a detachment of police were sent to the south of the Mackenzie river, and succeeded in establishing a post on Herschel Island, in the Arctic ocean, was well received by the officers of the whaling boats and in due course will commence the collection of duty on all imports, arriving in these waters from foreign countries. He says that a magistrate be stationed in that far northern district for speedy administration of justice and to avoid large expense of sending prisoners a distance of thousands miles for trial.

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