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the court can so declare, but the judge refuses for the present to decide any further question except this main legal one, until evidence has been received on the questions of fact. It will now be necessary for evidence to be given or a reference to be arranged for the purpose of discovering whether the Government is able to fulfil this contract and to give to the Co. the lands to which it is entitled under the terms of this contract. Should it be found on such reference that the Government is unable to find sufficient lands it will then be necessary to ask Mr. Justice Burbidge to decide as to the amount of damages payable by the Government for breach of such contract.

Whatever may be the merits of this particular case, it has come with a shock to railway men and to investors that the Dominion Government after 10 years of official orders-in-council and correspondence dealing with the contract, on the faith of which they knew that money had been advanced, should take the position that no such contract exists; and moreover that the Government should take the stand that it was at liberty to make a contract for the grant of lands in aid of a railway and then if it subsequently finds, owing largely to its own conduct in giving the lands to other people, that it has not sufficient lands to fulfil its contract, to say that it is re-

lieved from all liability either for lands or damages. It is to be hoped that no uncertain judgment of the courts will be given on these points as otherwise it is to be feared that the credit of a contract with the Dominion Government would be seriously impaired in financial and other circles.

Quebec Railway Taxation.

By an Act passed by the Quebec Legislature last session, every railway company that has been subsidized, or that may be in future subsidized, must annually file with the Commissioner of Public Works, within three months after July 1, in each year, a return showing the receipts of the railway from passenger and freight traffic, mails and express freight, and from other sources; cost of maintenance of line, buildings, etc., working and repairs of engines, working and repairs of cars, general and operating charges, on a form specified in the schedule of the Act, in addition to all other returns required. These returns for the present year are to be made from July 1, 1900, to June 30, 1901, and are to be attested on oath by the secretary or some other chief officer of the Co.

The net earnings of such railways as set forth in the returns are to be the basis upon which the Cos. are to pay a tax of 5% to the Provincial Treasurer, which Sec. 2 of the Act imposes in place of the 1½% tax heretofore payable. The tax is to be paid half yearly, the first instalment being due Oct. 1, and is to be paid on the figures contained in returns for the year ending June 30, 1901. A fine of ½ of 1% on the net earnings of the Co. will be imposed in addition to the tax on Cos. neglecting or refusing to furnish the return, and the Commissioner has power to have an independent inspection of the books of any Co. which he has reason to believe has not fairly exhibited its net earnings.

G.T.R. Subsidiary Lines Legislation.

The G.T.R. has obtained an act at the present session of the Dominion Parliament, confirming the agreement entered into between it and the Cincinnati, Saginaw and Mackinaw Rd. Co., whereby the former leases the latter road for 99 years from Jan. 1, 1901, for \$21,612.50 payable on July 1, 1901, and a like sum every succeeding Jan. 1, and July 1, the previous agreement, dated Oct. 2, 1890, between the two companies being cancelled. The act shall not take effect until it has been submitted to a general meeting of the Co. and accepted by a majority of two-thirds of the votes of the shareholders present or represented by proxy.

The G.T.R. has obtained a further act confirming its agreement with the Chicago and G.T. Western Ry. Co., guaranteeing the bonds of this Co. issued in respect of its purchase of the Chicago and G.T. Ry. Co. The act also authorizes the G.T.R. to use its unexhausted borrowing powers in respect of certain specific undertakings, amounting in all to £319,799, to be used in respect of any works in Canada as if such uses were specially authorized, provided a majority of the shareholders present, personally, or by proxy, at a general meeting vote such expenditure. This act is not to take effect until it has been submitted to a general meeting of the shareholders and is accepted by a two-thirds majority present or represented.

The International Jury of Awards has granted the C.P.R. a gold medal diploma for its exhibits at the Paris Exposition.

Mass meetings in all the churches of Truro, N.S., recently passed resolutions asking the discontinuance of Sunday traffic on the I.C.R.