

ANOTHER GIFT TO M'GILL UNION

DONATION RECEIVED FROM SIR W. MACDONALD

The Pere Marquette Railway Company Has Discriminated Against Canadians - Sir W. MacDonald's Gift.

Montreal, May 17.—Sir William C. MacDonald to-day gave \$70,000 to McGill Union, which is to be a students' club house, making in all \$180,000 he has given for this purpose.

Judge's Findings. Toronto, May 17.—Judge Winchester, who has been investigating charges of discrimination against Canadians in favor of Americans by the Pere Marquette railway officials, says the main evidence goes to show that the railway officials appointed Americans to chief positions of the system; that they were finding fault with Canadian occupants of these positions with a view to getting their resignations, and when they were not forthcoming the men were asked to resign, and the vacancies filled by Superintendent Frey's friends from across the border.

Quit Work. Toronto, May 17.—About 50 machinists employed in the shops of the Canadian Foundry Co. at Toronto Junction went on strike to-day because the company refused to comply with their demands for the abolition of the yearly contract system and other matters. The company posted notices that any man dissatisfied with the present conditions could get his pay at once and quit the establishment.

Judgment Deferred. Toronto, May 17.—Four Christian Scientists, Mrs. Sarah Goodfellow, Mrs. Trant, Mrs. E. Lee and Mrs. Brundrett, were yesterday found guilty of unlawful conspiracy in connection with the death of typhoid fever, of Wallace Goodfellow, son of the first named prisoner. Judgment was deferred till June 30th, and the prisoners released on bail.

Plant Sold. Montreal, May 17.—The announcement was made to-day that the plant of the defunct Boston Rubber Company at St. Jerome had been sold to the Commercial Rubber Company of Canada. The significance of the purchase lies in the fact that the following are the directors of the new company: Sir Montagu Allan, president of the Canadian Rubber Company of Montreal; S. H. C. Miner, president of the Granby Rubber Company; H. D. Warren, president of the Toronto Gutta Percha Company; James Robinson, president of the Maple Leaf Rubber Company of Merriton, Ont.

Rhodes Scholar. Montreal, May 17.—Talbot M. Papineau, a first year law student of McGill University, and a grand grandson of Louis Jos. Papineau, the famous French-Canadian rebel, has been nominated by the governors of McGill as the third McGill Rhodes scholar at Oxford.

G. Gooderham's Estate. Toronto, May 17.—The estate of the late George Gooderham will be probated at a value of \$9,000,000. It is divided among the family. The province will get about \$450,000 by way of inheritance tax. In view of the levying of this tax Mr. Gooderham made no bequests in his will for charitable or religious work.

Quebec, May 17.—It is semi-officially stated that a case of smallpox has been discovered among the second class passengers on board the Dominion line steamer Kensington from Liverpool, which was held detained at quarantine since Monday.

Will Be Deported. Quebec, May 17.—Steamer Athenian, of the Donaldson line, arrived here this morning with 420 immigrants, 40 of whom, suffering from horrible diseases, will be deported.

THE HARRISBURG DISASTER. Pennsylvania Railway Company Is Exonerated From Any Blame.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 17.—The coroner's jury to-day returned a verdict exonerating the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. from any blame for the South Harrisburg disaster last Thursday, in which 22 lives were lost and more than 100 persons were injured.

The jury finds that the cause of the accident was the result of applying the air-brakes to the freight train in order to stop it so that it would not collide with the shifting engine.

"The shifting crew with its train was properly on the track," the verdict says, "and so far as the jury can learn were guilty of no negligence."

"The jury finds that by reason of applying the air-brakes on the freight train two cars of the said train, one of which contained 20,000 pounds of Rock Chert blasting powder, were thrown upon the westbound track just as the Cleveland and Cincinnati express was going westward and ran into the two freight cars. Fire from the engine of the passenger train set fire to the powder and caused a terrible explosion, which, together with fire from some unknown source, burned all passenger and Pullman coaches."

The jury says that the freight train was properly equipped with air-brakes and that no human agency could have stopped the passenger cars from running into the wreck.

GRAVE OUTLOOK. Madrid, May 17.—The Imperialists that the economic crisis in Andalusia is increasing in gravity. In many districts the harvests yielded next to nothing and thousands are everywhere deserting the perished fields.

CHANGES IN CABINET.

Canadian Pacific Railway to Double Track Its Line.

Toronto, May 16.—Premier Whitney announced in the legislature yesterday afternoon that the department of crown lands will be changed to the department of lands and mines, the head of which will be a New Ontario man. In addition, a new portfolio will be created, that of president of the council. It is understood that Premier Whitney will become president of the council; Mr. Foy, now minister of crown lands, attorney-general, and Mr. Frank Cochrane, of Sudbury, minister of lands and mines. Premier Whitney also announced the intention of the government to grant \$50,000 to university residences.

To Double Track Road. Montreal, May 16.—Before leaving for Winnipeg to-night Second Vice-President Whyte, of the Canadian Pacific railway, announced that it had finally been definitely decided to double track the company's lines between Port William and Winnipeg, a distance of 427 miles. The work will occupy three years.

Attempted Suicide. Montreal, May 16.—Unwilling to appear in answer to a subpoena in a civil case this morning, Mrs. Mary Tatlock, wife of one Tatlock, a bartender, attempted suicide this morning about 9:30 o'clock by swallowing permanganate of potash. Her husband and a lady named Bourke, who lived with them, intervened in time to prevent the woman from taking the fatal dose of poison, but she still lies at Notre Dame hospital in a dangerous condition.

May Resign. Montreal, May 16.—"I have it on good authority," said an alderman to-day, "that Mayor Laporte is being advised by prominent citizens to resign his position as chief magistrate of the city as a protest against the majority that overruled his veto yesterday on the gas question."

Absorbed. Montreal, May 16.—At a special meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Montreal to-day, an agreement whereby the People's Savings Bank of Halifax is absorbed by the former was ratified.

Fire at Montreal. Montreal, May 16.—Fire to-night did \$25,000 damage to Brossaud & Co.'s carriage factory on Notre Dame street. Forty people who lived above the place, had a narrow escape from suffocation.

Increase For Education. Quebec, May 16.—Premier Guin announced in the legislature to-day the decision of the government to increase the grant for common school education by \$50,000 per annum.

Murder at Arnprior. Arnprior, Ont., May 16.—E. L. Castro, an Italian, fifty years of age, last night plunged a knife into the heart of Lorus Carare, also an Italian, aged seventeen years, who, when wounded, rushed out of the house into the yard and fell dead. The deed is said to have been wholly unprovoked. Castro and Carare were seated together at the supper table of Joseph Franc, when the former drew his knife and made the fatal thrust. He was arrested.

Two Men Injured. Port Arthur, Ont., May 16.—A can of carbide exploded this morning, injuring Lighthouse Keeper Cooper and Goochie, his assistant. The men were pouring carbide into a bay buoy which evidently had been leaking. When the carbide struck the water it exploded, tearing the can from the grasp of the men and turning it inside out. Cooper was badly shaken up and received cuts on the face and hands. Goochie was also cut.

New Blast Furnace. Port Arthur, Ont., May 16.—The Attikokan Iron Company opened up offices to-day with Hunter, of Duluth, in charge. Work will commence at once on a blast furnace.

School Accommodation. Calgary, May 16.—Rapid growth of this city is indicated by the fact that although \$70,000 has just been expended in the erection of schools, and that \$30,000 was expended in building two others last year, the accommodation available is quite inadequate. Another ten-room building is necessary.

Calgary Sale. Calgary, May 16.—One hundred and forty-three pure bred bulls were sold at the territorial cattle sale here to-day, the average price being \$79.30, considerably below the average of last year, namely, \$101.92. The cause of the slump was the large number offered. Better prices are expected to-morrow.

Found Dead. Winnipeg, May 16.—A man named John Radick, night porter at the Ottawa hotel, was found dead in bed this morning.

Winnipeg's Growth. Winnipeg, May 16.—At last night's city council meeting the most interesting event was the reading of the report of the assessment commissioner, which showed the total realty assessment for the city to be \$53,714,450, an increase over last year of \$12,607,560. The population was placed at 79,975, a gain of nearly 13,000 over last year.

Preparing for Fishing. Winnipeg, May 16.—Navigation on Manitoba lakes, where extensive fishing operations are carried on, has opened and big fleets are preparing to move to the fishing grounds.

New Mill. Winnipeg, May 16.—S. A. McGaw, of the Lake Huron & Manitoba Milling Co., Goderich, Ont., and A. Kelly, president of the A. Kelly Milling Co., of Brandon, have decided to erect a three thousand barrel flour mill in St. Boniface.

En Route to Far East. Winnipeg, May 16.—Sir Walter Gaine Hillier, K. C. M. G., C. B., celebrated as a military expert and a linguist in Oriental languages, arrived in the city from the East on his way to Far Eastern points. He was accompanied by his daughter. Sir Walter is one of the best informed men in the Empire on Far Eastern conditions, having been intimately associated with Oriental officials since 1867, when he became student interpreter in China. He was made assistant Chinese secretary at Peking, acting in that capacity from 1878 to 1885, and he served the full secretaryship during the ensuing four years. He was consul-general to Korea from 1889 to 1896, and later became professor of Chinese in King's College, London. In 1899 he was mentioned in the dispatches and won a medal while serving in an advisory capacity to the military authorities. As to his mission, Sir Walter would only say that he with his daughter were only touring, more or less. He was non-committal on several interesting questions put to him by the reporter with regard to affairs in the Far East, and even on the Chamberlain proposals regarding that "it was a theory question on which he himself had not quite a settled opinion."

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THE CRUISE OF RUSSIAN FLEET

JAPS' SPECULATION ON PROBABLE MOVEMENTS

Report that Vice-Admiral Rojstevsky Has Asked to be Relieved is Declared Unfounded.

Tokio, May 18.—The reported departure of Vice-Admiral Rojstevsky from Honkohe bay northward renews the popular expectations of a naval action in the near future. It is believed that Admiral Rojstevsky has filled his coal bunkers and resupplied his fleet, and is now in a condition to assume the aggressive if he so desires.

It is the opinion of some that Rojstevsky may make a demonstration in the vicinity of the Islands of Formosa, and then enter the Pacific en route for Vladivostok. This is, however, purely speculative. Everything depends on Admiral Rojstevsky's plans, which, while as yet are unclosed, may include a long stay in southern waters.

It is reported that contractors who supplied the coal and provisions to Admiral Rojstevsky in the Indo-China waters approached the French colonial officials prior to the arrival of the Russian fleet and arranged a rendezvous at Kamranh and Honkohe bays. The confirmation of this report, however, is not obtainable.

THE JUNCTION OF RUSSIAN DIVISIONS. Saigon, May 18.—A junction was effected on May 8th by the squadrons of Vice-Admiral Rojstevsky and Rear-Admiral Nebogatoff. It took place outside of territorial waters, the vessel started seaward on May 14th, going in an easterly direction.

REPORT REGARDING ROJSTEVSKY UNFOUNDED. St. Petersburg, May 18.—The fears expressed yesterday that owing to the nervous breakdown of Vice-Admiral Rojstevsky the Russian fleet in the Far East would lose its present commander, turned out to be unfounded.

Capt. Ziolti, the aide-de-camp of Minister of Marine Avellan, to-day authorized the statement that Rojstevsky has not applied to be relieved of duty.

However, the condition of Russian admiral's health continues to be a source of anxiety. It is confirmed that the admiralty intend to send Vice-Admiral Biriloff to Vladivostok where, in the event of Rojstevsky's success in the coming battle, Biriloff will take over the supreme command of the Russian naval forces in the Far East and supply a post similar to that held by Admiral Makaroff at Port Arthur and of Vice-Admiral Skrydloff at Vladivostok.

Emperor Nicholas to-day summoned Vice-Admiral Biriloff to Tsarskoe-Selo.

APPARENTLY WAITING FOR RUSSIAN SHIPS. Hongkong, May 18.—A special correspondent who recently left from here to Kwang Han bay (Leichan peninsula) territorial waters, in the event of the arrival of the Russian fleet, served at 11 o'clock at night on May 16th 150 deeply laden junks, presumably with provisions for the Russian fleet, anchored southwest and 20 miles off Cape St. John, where the junks exhibited signal lights, which were extinguished upon the steamer's approach to Kwang Han bay.

RAILWAY OPERATING NORTH TO TIELING. General Oku's headquarters, May 14.—The rumors of the German occupation of Tieling, temporary bridges replacing those that were destroyed. Work is rapidly pushing north of Tieling, and material for permanent bridges is arriving from Japan.

Thousands of junks are carrying supplies on the Liao river, between Newchwang and Tieling.

MAY PROVE VALUABLE IN THE FAR EAST. St. Petersburg, May 18.—A recently inted. Russian photograph panoramic panoramas of wide stretching country by means of a camera suspended from a kite has been acquired by the war office, and experiments and trials have been conducted in St. Petersburg for several weeks with such success that the general staff expects great results from it in establishing Japanese positions and movements. The apparatus is said to be capable of photographing an area of 90 square miles.

OFFICIAL DENIAL OF HAICHOU STORY. Tokio, May 18.—3 p.m.—The foreign office to-day announced the receipt of a communication from the German government pronouncing as utterly unfounded the reports of the occupation of Haichou. The rumors of the German occupation of Haichou were never entirely credited, but their disavowal was received with satisfaction.

STATESMEN'S CONFERENCE. Report that Premier Balfour and Not Chamberlain Will Arrive at Working Agreement. London, May 18.—The negotiations between Joseph Chamberlain and Premier Balfour over the fiscal question have not been concluded. The details are kept secret but it is understood that Mr. Chamberlain has abandoned the idea of an immediate dissolution of parliament and that there is a better prospect of their arriving at a working agreement, in which case the government would endeavor next year to carry a bill for redistribution of seats before dissolving parliament.

THE LINE FROM SPENCES BRIDGE

CONTRACTOR LOSS HAS ACQUIRED CHARTER

If V. V. & E. Bill Passes Road Will Be Built for Canadian Pacific Company.

Ottawa, May 18.—Contractor Loss has acquired the Kamloops, Nicola & Similkameen charter from M. Beggs and St. Oatheries associates, and has entered into an agreement with the Canadian Pacific to build 43 miles of road to Nicola Lake from Spences Bridge. Should the Canadian Pacific succeed in defeating the V. V. & E. legislation, the company has no intention of building this year, but will renew their application next session to the provincial government for a cash subsidy of \$5,000 per mile. In the meantime to keep up appearances of bona fides an announcement is made that work is to be started at once. Should the V. V. & E. legislation pass work will be vigorously prosecuted in a race with the Great Northern to reach the Similkameen, but the C. P. R. is extremely anxious to defeat the V. V. & E. legislation, as then they would not be forced to build and would be in a position to renew the demand for a provincial subsidy next session.

Will Oppose Liberals. At the Conservative caucus this forenoon it was decided to contest London and North Oxford. Whenever the writs are issued for these ridings opposition candidates will be placed in the field. In fact the party will not wait for the writs, but will begin preparing for the fight immediately. The length of the debate on the Autonomy bill will depend somewhat on the date of the elections. Mr. Martin, of Prince Edward Island, occupied the chair at to-day's caucus.

New Batteries. The following additional batteries have been organized: 18th, Nova Scotia; 19th, St. John, N. B.; 20th, Quebec; 21st, Montreal; 22nd, Eastern Townships; 23rd, Ottawa; 24th, Peterboro.

The Fifth Regiment. The six small companies of the Fifth, C. A. Regiment, will be merged into three companies on the higher establishment of garrison artillery.

BLOOD POISON FROM CORNS. Be sure to follow if you use a razor or irritating corn salve. The one safe remedy is Putnam's Corn Extractor. It is safe, absolutely safe, painless and guaranteed.

SELF-CONFESSED MURDERER. Says He Killed Five People and That Other Men Suffered For His Crimes. Chester, West Va., May 18.—In a letter to the police authorities of this city, a man signing himself "A. Johnson," and claiming to be a partner of Henry Williams, who was recently executed at Roanoke, Va., has confessed five murders and a number of robberies. His reasons for writing is that other men have suffered for his crimes and his conscience troubles him.

He says he has been converted. The dates and manner in which the different crimes were committed, as furnished in Johnson's letter, are more complete than his police records, and the authorities believe in its authenticity.

According to Johnson, he killed a woman at Chester, W. Va.; two Italians at Uniontown, Pa.; a man at Hyndman, Pa., and a woman at Martin's Ferry, Ohio. He also claims to have assaulted a woman at Staunton, Va., for which crime he says another man was lynched.

MAJOR DISMISSED. Result of Court-Martial Which Tried Officer of First United States Infantry. Manila, May 18.—The court-martial which convened April 17th for the trial of Major Frank Carrington, of the First United States infantry, on the charge of converting public funds to his own use, has resulted in the dismissal of the major.

The official report of the case has been mailed to President Roosevelt. The friends of Major Carrington will petition the President to set aside the sentence of imprisonment imposed by the court.

Major Carrington commanded the Philippine scouts at the St. Louis expedition, but was ordered back to Manila to answer charges of falsifying vouchers of the civil government to the amount of \$1,500. He was convicted by the civil court and sentenced to a total of sixty years and five days' imprisonment, twelve years and a day on each of five charges. Later the war department ordered his trial by court-martial.

CHINAMAN'S SUICIDE. Nansimo, May 18.—A Chinese coal trimmer at Union committed suicide to-day by hanging himself in his shack.

THE CITY MARKETS

Tomatoes (hot house), per lb. 20

Onion (hot house), per doz. 3.00@4.25
Bananas, per bunch 2.75@3.00
Lemons, per doz. 2.50@3.25
Oranges (seedling), 2.00@2.75
Dry Figs, per lb. 0.16@0.74
Chestnuts, per lb. 16
Wattles, per lb. 15
Grape Fruit, per box 2.75
Apples (Oregon), per box 2.00
Rhubarb (outdoor), per lb. 3
Grapes (Australian), per lb. 20
Strawberries (California), D. 20
Asparagus (local), per lb. 10@12 1/2
Butter (creamery), per lb. 22
Eggs (trauch), per doz. 22
Chicken, per lb. 12 1/2
Ducks, per lb. 12 1/2
Hats, per ton 18.00
Oats, per ton 45.00
Peas (field), per ton 45.00
Barley, per ton 28.00
Beef, per lb. 8
Mutton, per lb. 11
Pork, per lb. 11

The first of the new fruits coming into the market adds a freshness to the green groceries suggestive of spring growth and business. Last week California strawberries were to be seen—this week the local strawberries are in evidence. Several lots have been brought in from the country districts immediately surrounding Victoria, and sold fast at 40 cents a box.

Next week it is anticipated the supply will be plentiful. So many more farmers and gardeners have gone in for the raising of strawberries that it is thought that the crop will be a large one, despite the fact that the frosts last week injured the berries.

Gooseberries, local grown cabbage, cucumbers, lettuce, radishes, etc. are being offered, with the prospect that the variety will be greatly increased next week. Potatoes are now being imported from the Sound.

During the past week Australian apples arrived on the R. M. S. Manuka, but sell so high that they can hardly enter in competition with those from California. The green apples from the latter state are expected to reach Victoria very shortly. In the meat market quotations remain unchanged. Lamb is falling a little in price, but so far grass-fed beef is not obtainable.

Appended are the complete retail quotations:

Hungarian Flour—
Ogilvie's, per sack\$ 1.75
Ogilvie's, per bbl. 6.75
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per sack 1.75
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per bbl. 6.75
Lako of Woods, per sack 1.75
Lako of Woods, per bbl. 6.75
Okanagan, per sack 1.75
Okanagan, per bbl. 6.75
Moose Jaw, per sack 1.75
Moose Jaw, per bbl. 6.75
Excelsior, per sack 1.75
Excelsior, per bbl. 6.75
Oak Lake, per sack 1.75
Oak Lake, per bbl. 6.75
Hudson's Bay, per sack 1.75
Hudson's Bay, per bbl. 6.75
Enderby, per sack 1.75
Enderby, per bbl. 6.75
Pastry Flour—
Snowflake, per sack 1.50
Snowflake, per bbl. 6.75
O. K. Best Pastry, per sack 1.50
O. K. Best Pastry, per bbl. 6.75
O. K. Four Star, per sack 1.40
O. K. Four Star, per bbl. 6.50
Drifted Snow, per sack 1.40
Drifted Snow, per bbl. 6.50
Three Star, per sack 1.45
Three Star, per bbl. 6.50
Coal Oil—
Pratt's Coal Oil 1.50
Eocene 1.50
Sugar—
B. C. Granulated, per 100 lbs. Grain 6.50
Wheat, per ton 40.00
Oats, per ton 28.00
Oatmeal, per 10 lbs. 5
Rolled Oats (B. & K.) 5
Feed—
Hay (baled), per ton 17.00
Straw, per bale 7.50
Corn 37.00
Middlings, per ton 23.00
Bran, per ton 25.00
Ground Feed, per ton 30.00
Carrots, per 100 lbs. 60
Vegetables—
Island Potatoes, 100 lbs. 1.60@1.75
Sweet Potatoes, per 100 lbs. 3
Green Peas, per lb. 10
Cabbage, per lb. 10
Onions (silver skin), per lb. 1/4
Rhubarb, per lb. 1/4
Turnips, per lb. 1/4
Beans (spring), per lb. 20
Cucumbers (Cal.), per two 25
Watercress, per lb. 25
Asparagus (local), per lb. 12 1/2
Fish—
Salmon, per lb. 12 1/2
Salmon, spring (smoked) 15
Haddis, per lb. 10
Coed, per lb. 6
Fraser River Oulch, per lb. D. 10
Halibut, per lb. 10
Kippers, per lb. 10
Bloaters, per lb. 8
Rock Cod 10
Bass 10
Shrimps, per lb. 4
Herring, per lb. 4
Palm Produce—
Fresh Island Eggs 25@30
Butter (Delta Creamery) 25@30
Best Dairy 25@30
Butter (Covianh Creamery) 30
Butter (Victoria Creamery) 30
Cheese (Canadian) 12 1/2@15
Lard, per lb. 12 1/2@15
Hams (American), per lb. 18@20
Bacon (American), per lb. 22@27
Bacon (rolled), per lb. 20
Shoulders, per lb. 19 1/2
Bacon (long clear), per lb. 15
Beef, per lb. 10@15
Pork, per lb. 11@15
Mutton, per lb. 12 1/2@18
Lamb, hindquarter 1.25@1.75
Lamb, forequarter 1.00@1.50
Fruit—
Coconuts, each 10
Lemons (California), per doz. 25
Apples (local), per box 1.75@2.00
Oranges (navel), per doz. 35@40
Bananas, per doz. 30@40
New Jordan Almonds (shell-ed), per lb. 60
Valencia Almonds (shell-ed), per lb. 50
Valencia Almonds, per lb. 12@15
Sultana Raisins, per lb. 35
Grapes (Australian), per lb. 30
Strawberries, per lb. 20
Gooseberries, per lb. 10
Pineapples, each 40@50
Poultry—
Dressed Fowl, per lb. 20@25
Ducks, per lb.