

THE HAMILTON TIMES

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THOSE TIMBER BONUSES.

The Ottawa Free Press calls attention to a feature of the timber limit discussion which is too apt to be overlooked. The amount paid per mile as a bonus does not tell the whole story of the deal. The competitive bonus, as a matter of fact, was not intended to bear any relation to the value of the timber; but was instituted to determine which of two or more people who wanted a particular berth should have it, the one offering the highest bonus receiving it. The stumpage and other dues were for the revenue. These must continue to be paid according to the regulations in force.

But it is worth while making a comparison of the amounts received as bonus for timber limits by Grit and Tory Governments. The policy of the present Government is merely a continuation of that of its predecessors; and the outcry that it had been practically giving away the public resources was answered by the statement that the Mackenzie Government, from 1873 to 1878, received an average bonus of over \$23 per square mile on a total of 310 square miles; the Conservatives, from 1879 to 1895, an average bonus of \$4.3 per square mile on an area of 29,322 square miles; and the present administration an average bonus of \$81.92 on an area of 6,456. These are figures which account for the indisposition of the Tory organs to enter upon the particulars of these sales.

OUR CITIZEN SOLDIER.

The Tory efforts at manufacturing party capital by exploiting "scandals" have proved woefully disheartening and disconcerting to the leaders of the hunt. The departments have been carefully raked over in the hope of finding something that would stick, but one after another the fabrics of slander which they have carefully attempted to rear went down like houses of cards before the first breath of evidence of the facts. Now they have turned their attention to the Militia Department in the effort to malign the Administration.

The Ottawa Journal seized upon the Civil Service Commissioners' report as a text from which to preach condemnation of the Government because of its management of military matters, and its editorial thereon has brought forth from "One Interested in Militia Matters" a statement in reply, in which some of the Journal's points are very effectively treated. We quote:

In the first place there is the statement that "the expenditure has increased three millions in four and three-quarter years." You do not, and I presume the report in question does not, explain what has caused this increase. Let me enlighten you and your readers. About three years ago the Canadian Government assumed the cost of garrisoning Halifax and Esquimaux, amounting to at least \$1,000,000 per annum, and necessitating the maintenance of 1,500 additional troops and the upkeep of extensive and important fortifications at these places.

It is pointed out that, although we have assumed the maintenance of the garrisons at Halifax and Esquimaux, and thus considerably added to our military expenses, we are yet very far from meeting the views of leading Conservatives, who complain because our Government does not contribute its pro rata share to the support of the British fleet, because "the total expenditure for the whole defence of the country would not be sufficient to build one battleship of the Dreadnought type."

That is a very effective answer, and capers at the addition which this concession to our self-respect and assertion of our nationhood makes to our military expenditure, which amounts in all to only about \$1 per capita. That of the United Kingdom is about \$7 per capita.

A further consideration is found in these facts: Eight years ago we had a force of 36,000; now we have one of about 55,000. Where we formerly trained about 30,000, we last year trained 45,000, part of the force having 16 days in camp instead of 12. Prior to 1904, the privates received 50c a day; that has been increased till it averages nearly \$1. Militia accommodation and quarters have likewise been vastly improved.

Much is made of the proportion of the headquarters staff to the total enrollment. The correspondent devotes some attention to the charge which is thus quoted from the Journal: "The permanent and headquarters staff has been increased to 220 members, enough to officer 1,000,000 men." And he says: "The intention was, I am told, to have a staff sufficient for 100,000 men, as the present militia force recruited to war strength totals that number; but, Mr. Editor, if by staff is meant the purely military one and does not include the civil service clerks, messengers, etc., the statement is grossly mistaken."

reach 245, of which 200 are purely officers of the permanent force. This puts quite another face on the matter. It is pointed out that the reason that the permanent corps is not over 3,000 men is found in the fact that that is all that Parliament provides funds for. Similarly, only 45,000 men were trained last year, because Parliament did not appropriate more funds for the purpose.

The Journal has stated that "officials of the Militia Department draw pensions not only for themselves, but for their families and children." The correspondent asserts that this is misleading. The Militia Pension Act makes provision in certain cases for pensions to widows and children of deceased officers who have served twenty years or more, but he adds: "Up to date not one cent has been paid out on any such." Instead of desertions having been one in three, it is shown that the percentage is just one-third of that.

The political muck-rakers who do not hesitate to attack the Canadian citizen soldiery, in their efforts to manufacture scandals to be used to forward their party's interest, are a poor, mean-spirited lot. They strut and attitudinize and pretend to superior patriotism and honor in contending that Canadian should be taxed many millions annually to bear a share of the cost of the British fleet, but they shriek "Extravagance!" when we merely assume the support of our own coast fortresses, and they begrudge our own citizen soldiery the quarters, the pay allowance, the supplies and the training necessary to make their personal self-sacrifice of real value to the country which they serve. Such a course is beneath contempt.

"A CATARACT MAN."

There has been so much delay and uncertainty about the supply of hydro-electric power to the city that we are not surprised that Ald. Peregrine should make a move to bring matters to a head, especially when the City Engineer has already told the aldermen that the city is at the danger point regarding its water supply. But the Mayor did not need to get so hot about it at the Fire and Water Committee meeting, and jump upon the alderman as if he had been guilty of some disgraceful act. To be a Cataract man may be a crime in the eyes of the Mayor, but he has no right to impugn the motives of any individual alderman or insinuate that because he favors dealing with the Cataract Company that he is not acting in the interests of the city. The Cataract Company has done more for Hamilton than the Mayor can ever hope to do. Ald. Peregrine deserved credit instead of abuse for bringing forward his motion, the object of which was to get the committee to do something by way of providing against what is now considered a real danger. The Mayor knows that the city cannot get hydro-electric power whenever it wants it, and his statement that it could was beside the truth. Promises of the Government and of Mr. Beck have done duty long enough. Is the Mayor anxious to stave the matter off until after the elections?

JAPAN CATCHING ON.

Japanese enterprise does not propose to lag behind. A company has recently built a 60,000-volt transmission line to carry energy from a station on the L'eglava River to Tokio, 25 miles. The generating station is equipped with six 3,000-k.w. generators, 50-cycle, 6,500-volt current. This is stepped up to 60,000 volts, and at the sub-station outside that city, it is stepped down again to a potential of 11,000 volts, and transmitted to 11 distributing stations, where it is again stepped down to 2,000 volts. It is said that power is thus furnished in Tokio at a trifle over \$20 per horse-power.

WHITNEY'S OR ROSS?

While admitting the unwisdom of the proposal that Hamilton should assume a large liability for 30 years, and shut itself up to a power monopoly for 40 years in order to help out less-favored municipalities by joining in the Hydro-Electric scheme, and taking all the risks and chances it involves, the Spectator says, by way of apology for the raw deal which it is proposed to give Hamilton:

Under the power policy of the late Ross Government there was no hope for the municipalities. At their request the Whitney Government has provided a feasible working plan for cheap power. Any element of risk it may contain is no risk at all as compared with the serious risks involved in the plans of the previous Government.

The element of risk to the municipalities did not probably differ greatly in the two schemes. The chances, however, were better under the Ross scheme. Ross provided for 62,500 h.p., price to be fixed by Government for the municipalities—no dickering about it—and empowered the municipalities to raise money for the works, pay for them, appoint all the officials, and manage them.

What did Whitney do? Cut the municipalities out of this Government-priced power, and the Province out of the franchise rental for double that amount. He then acted as intermediary to bargain for power required, took away from the municipalities all authority and control, and all power of initiative and of appointing the officials required in the scheme, yet stipulates that they shall bear every cent of expense, and every element of risk, and imposes on them onerous conditions, including 40 years of absolute submission to an electric monopoly.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Ten out of fourteen counties in Michigan have gone "dry" by Tuesday's vote. The arid section of Illinois was likewise extended. "Irrigation excursions" may now become popular.

In the light of the election of 155 Royalists to 5 Republicans, the murder of Carlos of Portugal, and his son, appears a still greater crime against the nation. Republicanism did not profit by it; it cannot afford to excuse it.

A railway to Hudson Bay is a certainty of the near future. Hon. Mr. Oliver says the Government has it under consideration, and as both sides of the House profess to favor it, it may now be said to be in practical politics.

The Dominion Government will construct a new western entrance to Toronto harbor, at a cost of \$405,000. This is not election promise "guff" like some technical college hints which we hear these days; the contract has been actually let.

It is said that the quantity of cereals now afloat between exporting and importing countries, is about 68,000,000 bushels. It takes the equivalent of 550 vessels of 3,000 tons each, to convey this cargo. Perhaps, however, the average capacity of the grain steamer is nearer 4,000 tons.

But we hardly think that the most enthusiastic municipal ownership and operation advocate will joyously tie the city up to the Hydro-Electric contract while it contains a clause imposing on us a 40 years' monopoly—shuts us up from ever buying a kilowatt of electricity from any other source, and shutting out all competition. Is that a good "cheap power" policy?

The Toronto World complains loudly that financiers are inclined to be doubtful of Canadian municipal investments because of the inclination of many towns and cities "to waste large sums on ill-considered enterprises, and the ease and readiness with which their powers are extended by the legislatures." The remedy is to be found in a reform by the municipalities, not in complaining at the investors.

The Toronto Mail continues its daily wail because some of the employees of the Marine and Fisheries Department have been discharged and others suspended. We looked for that. It was all very fine while civil servants could file the Minister and thwart his efforts at reform, while loading up Tory members to attack him in the House; but it's quite another matter when the traitorous servants get the official axe in the neck. But these wails are music to honest Canadians.

OUR EXCHANGES

A Policeman's Lot. (Montreal Gazette.)

The dangers of a policeman's work were again illustrated last night in the case of Detective Carpenter and Constables Shea and Foucault, one killed and the others wounded under circumstances altogether unlooked for and naturally unprovided for.

Whitney's Gerrymander. (Toronto Globe.)

The Liberal members on the committee appealed to the Premier for advance information as to what was intended to be done with the various constituencies, but this was invariably refused. Every feature of the measure was thoroughly considered and settled by the Government before it was submitted to the committee, and that unique body had no resource but to accept unanimously or by a futile vote of five to three. The committee was a masterly stroke of faw-titted deception.

A Bid for Votes. (Brockville Recorder.)

The Hamilton Herald is out with an apology for the "tip" Howard Ferguson gave the Tories of that riding that the technical school was likely to be established there, but rather gets its reasoning a trifle mixed when it says that the remarks of Mr. Ferguson are open to a construction either sinister or harmless. The Herald knows right well that the offer of a technical school made by a Conservative member of the Ontario Legislature on the eve of a Provincial election only allows of the interpretation which the Recorder placed upon it, viz.: a bid for votes.

An Awful Toll. (Christian Guardian.)

From March 29, 1907, to March 31, 1908, the lives of fifty men were sacrificed on the one hundred mile stretch of the National Transcontinental Railway, between the Manitoba boundary and the east end of Canyon Lake. This does not include those killed on the section east of Vermillion, and it does not take any account of the scores of the King of the Mountains, north of Vermillion, in which eyes or limbs have been lost. It is freely stated in Kenora that on one section the toll of human life was over a man a mile, and on the fifteen miles south of the Canyon Lake, north of Vermillion, it is said that the bodies of more than thirty workmen lie beneath the sod.

Shaving Supplies.

Every shaver should know that Gerrie's drug store, 32 James street north, carries, besides a wholesale stock for barbers, the most complete retail stock of shaving requirements in Ontario. It has the Hamilton agency for the King Shaver, Carbo-Magnetic and Witch razors, and also sells the Gillette (the best safety), Star and 20 other kinds.

\$10.70 New York and Return. Via Lehigh Valley R. R. from Suspension Bridge, April 9th and 10th; also April 12th and 13th. Particulars at King street east, Toronto, Ont.

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APPOINTED TO HIGH SCHOOL.

DUNDAS BOARD OF EDUCATION MAKES A SELECTION.

Rule in Regard to Teachers Absent From Their Classes to be Strictly Adhered to.

Dundas, April 9.—A special meeting of the Board of Education was held last evening at which the following members were present: J. J. Steele, chairman, and Messrs. Douglas, Tyson, Reid, Dickson, Thompson, Sullivan, McPherson and Nelson.

The High School report for March showed 100 pupils on the roll with an average attendance of 83, an increase of two on the roll and four in average attendance over March of last year. The fees collected amounted to \$64. A good map of Canada had been received, free of charge, from the department of the interior. The Board was asked to pay the entrance fee of the Cadet Corps to the Rifle League, which was agreed to.

The public school report showed 487 names on the roll and an average attendance of 425—a slight decrease compared with March of last year. Fees collected, \$9.50. Banners for best attendance during the month went to the rooms of Principal Moore, and Miss Swanson. Nine supposed truants were reported during the month. The amount deposited in the school savings bank since its inauguration some two years ago, aggregated \$824, of which a considerable part had withdrawn.

Trustee Douglas, for the Property Committee reported that it thought it would be better and no more expensive, to have two means of egress in case of fire, from the second floor, one on the east and one on the west side of the building, instead of one only from the north end of the hall, and the committee was authorized to change the plans in this respect, if it deemed it preferable.

The Internal Management Committee reported that eight applications had been received for the position of first assistant High School teacher, and recommended that that of Charles McKinnon be accepted. In case of Mr. McKinnon not accepting, T. H. Roberts, at present in Cuba, was the second choice. This recommendation was adopted.

A request from the Public School principal that no pay be deducted from Miss Scott's salary during four days' absence during the illness and death of her mother, was, last month, referred to the committee. The committee recommended that the rule long in vogue, that teachers off duty, on their own account, have pay deducted for the time, be adhered to, but that in view of Miss Scott's faithful services as kindergarten teacher, she be paid a bonus of \$2. The Board struck out the paying of the bonus, the feeling being that the rule had worked well and paying a bonus in the case was not an evasion of it.

To this the committee was quite agreeable. As Miss Scott is well and venerated by the Board, it is almost certain that she will yet be remembered at the hands of the members, but the rule in regard to teachers being absent will remain. The Board then adjourned until next Monday evening, when it will meet to deal with the revision of the salary schedule.

TAPLEYS TOWN

Misses Clara and Mattie Cranston were guests of Mrs. Wm. Mulholland on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. London, of Glanford, have recently removed to their new home on the town line, lately owned by Miss Jessie Poley.

Mr. Gries and sister, Miss Gries, of Hamilton, have taken up their residence on the farm which Mr. Gries recently purchased from Mr. McIntyre.

On Tuesday evening a concert will be held in St. George's Hall, in aid of the football club.

Friends in this community extend their sincere sympathy to Mr. Wm. Jerome and family, of Glanford, in the hour of their sad bereavement.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Saltfleet Presbyterian Church met at the residence of Mrs. C. Jamieson, Fairview Farm, on Tuesday afternoon, April 7. Although the roads were in an unfavorable condition, a good average attendance of the members was present, and some important matters were discussed.

Gold Medal Flour Per Bag \$2.50

Friday, Saturday and Monday we sell Gold Medal Flour, as much as you want of it, at \$2.50 per bag, \$1.25 per 1/2 bag, 63c per 1/4 bag. Also 500 quarter bags Lily White Flour to go at 50c per sack. Remember, this price only for days named. Royal Household or Five Roses Flour, \$3.20 per bag, \$1.60 per 1/2 bag, 80c per 1/4 bag.

Butter Special 500 lbs. each Ingersoll and Exceter Creamery Butter, fresh and choice, going 33c per lb., also 1,000 lbs. Jersey Lily Creamery to go at 32c lb., and 700 lbs. Dairy Roll Butter to go at 30c lb.

Raisins and Nuts Special Finest Seeded Raisins, 1 lb. pkg., regular 15c, going 12c pkg. Finest Select Valencia Raisins, regular 3 lbs. 25c, going 23c lbs. 25c. Recloned Currants, 3 lbs. 25c. Finest Lemon and Orange Peel, 13c lb., 2 lbs. 25c. Finest Shelled Walnuts, regular value 40c lb., special 27c. Shelled Almonds, 40c lb. Mixed Nuts, per lb. 11c. Walnuts, per lb. 13c.

Sugar 20 lbs. Best Granulated Sugar, \$1.10 lbs. for 50c; 13 lbs. for 25c; 21 lbs. Bright Yellow Sugar, \$1.00; 10 1/2 lbs. 50c; 5 1/2 lbs. 25c; 4 lbs. Cut Leaf Sugar, 25c; 4 lbs. best leaf Sugar, 25c; 100-lb. bags Best Granulated Sugar, \$4.95. Maple Sugar, pure, per cake, 10c.

Oranges and Lemons Jumbo Navels, could not be nicer, per doz. 45c, worth 60c. Large Navels 27c per doz., worth 40c. Florida Russets, good size, sweet and very juicy, per doz. 12c, worth 20c. Messina Lemons 1c each, 12c per doz.

Hams and Roll Shoulders

Pork products are on the move upwards, and we do not expect to be able to sell Hams very long at present prices. Whole Ham, per lb., 14c. Half Ham, per lb., 14c. Roll Shoulders, per lb., 12c. Best Pure Lard, Government inspected, per lb., 14c.

- New Laid Eggs, per doz. 18c
Small White Beans, special, 8 lbs. 25c
Apples, good eaters, and good, sound stock, basket 25c
Onions, Yellow Danvers, special, basket 25c
Farmers' Corn, 3 tins 25c
Quaker Corn, 3 tins 25c
Quaker Sugar Peas, 2 tins 15c
Quaker Gem Peas, 3 tins 25c
Quaker Tomatoes, per tin 10c
Farmers' Tomatoes, per tin 10c
Pumpkins, 3 tins 25c
Quaker Refugee Beans, 3 tins 25c
Blueberries, per tin 10c
Lombard Plums, tin 10c
Pitted Cherries, per tin 18c
Deli Peas, per tin 12c
Strawberries, per tin 18c
Raspberries, per tin 18c
Peaches, Crawford, per tin 18c
Sliced Pineapples, 2 tins 25c
Beets, per tin 10c
California Prunes, largest, 2 lbs. 25c
California Prunes, large, 3 lbs. 25c
California Prunes, small, 4 lbs. 25c
Cooking Figs, 5 pounds 25c
Dates, Teddy Bears, 4 pounds 25c
Dried Apples, 4 pounds 25c
4 lbs. Best Pearl Tapioca 25c
4 lbs. Best Japan Rice 25c
6 lbs. Best Longrun Rice 25c
2 packages Colon's Macaroni 25c
5 packages Alliance Jelly Powder 25c
3 pkgs. Cowan's Chocolate Icing 25c
3 packages Mellin's Food 25c
3 packages Boston Laundry Starch 25c
3 packages Celluloid Starch 25c
3 packages Mazall 25c
3 packages Purified Rice 25c
3 packages Wheat Berries 25c
2 packages Malva Vita 25c
2 packages Shredded Wheat Biscuits 25c
2 packages Tri-salt 25c
4 packages Prize Oats 25c
3 packages Quaker Oats 25c
Quaker Oats, extra package 25c
Tillson's Premium Oats, package 25c
7 lbs. Tullison's Ind. Oats 25c
7 lbs. Germ Meal 25c
7 lbs. Rolled Wheat 25c
9 lbs. Gold Dust Cornmeal 25c

Eastern Township Maple Syrup, qt. regular 35c tin, for 20c; Dally's or Red Ribbon Self Raising Buckwheat Flour, 3 packages 25c.

Matches Special

Princess Parlor Matches, about 1,000 in a box, regular 5c box, going, 3 boxes for 11c; Silent Tip Matches, 500 in box, 3 boxes in package, regular 15c pkg., special 10c per pkg.

Soap Special

Surprise, Sunlight, Comfort, Richard's Pure, Victor, Naphtho, or Quick Naphtho, per box of 100 bars, \$3.90. Soap improves with age, and by buying a box you win both ways, lower price and more actual work; any of above times 6 for 25c.

Housecleaning Needs

Harvey's Household Ammonia, 5 pkgs. for 25c. Red Ribbon Household Ammonia, regular 10c pkg., going at 7c pkg., 4 for 25c. Kleenex, 6 pkgs. 25c. Soap Chips, 6 pkgs. 25c. Borax, 1 lb. pkg., 3 for 25c. Chloride of Lime, 5 and 10 lb. pkgs. Gillett's Lye, 3 tins 25c. Gold Dust, 6 pkgs. 25c. Pearlina, 6 pkgs. 25c.

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