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EVENTING TYPHOID IN COUNTRY DISTRICTS

ted States Geological Survey akes Suggestions Relating to ater Supply.

ashington, Feb. 13.—The menace of oid fever in country districts—a men- arising from polluted drinking water— nsidered in a report by Myron L. Full- of the United States Geological Sur- Typhoid fever rates are usually great- n the country than in cities, despite prevailing belief that farms, isolated ey are from areas of congested popu- n, are ideally situated for obtaining and wholesome water. Failure to ect adequately the wells in farming icts is given in the report as the most non reason for their pollution, and ig- nce of the manner in which ground r circulates is the cause of the faulty ection. Chemical analysis is not rated by Mr. Fuller as a means of detecting ted water, for he asserts that a care- ommon-sense inspection of the district ually more to the point. Sources of tion in the vicinity of a well or spring ld be noted wherever possible, and ing water should not be drawn except safe distance from them. The distance red for absolute safety varies greatly the character of the rock. For wells in sandstone, slate and shale, one red feet may be sufficient; where the ce stratum is composed of fine sand eet should be allowed; and where it is tone of granite much greater distances be necessary. Water may run pol- in limestone for miles, so that wells gions where limestone makes up the er part of the surface rock should be ully examined after rains for mud floating matter, for these are pretty indications of pollution.

HOPEWELL HILL NEWS

pewell Hill, Feb. 15.—While driving e rear of a funerar procession yester- he horse of Percy Russell took fright an, breaking the sleigh and throwing river and his brother out. The sleigh k a pile of wood, both runners and dashboard being broken. The horse clear of the sleigh and ran some dis- , dragging the driver by the lines be- calming down. Neither occupant was ed.

particularly interesting session of n Rule Division, S. of T., was held evening. A very fine address was by Mr. Wagstaff and readings and bes made up an excellent programme. division furnishes an excellent school e young people. The institution will rate its 61st anniversary next month. . John Russell, who lost a gold watch nday, fortunately had the article re- d to her yesterday, it being found on ond the following day by a traveler.

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P. E. ISLAND WANTS A BETTER SERVICE

Change of Route is Advocated

Members Would Have Winter Service to Tetamagouche

Hon. Mr. Oliver Objects to Report of Tory Speeches in House and His Reply, in Winnipeg Paper That Didn't Come Off — Mr. Bradbury Handed it Out in Advance.

Special to The Telegraph.

Ottawa, Feb. 20—The Prince Edward Islanders believe that the only way to remedy a grievance is to keep hammering away at it. The tunnel and the winter service between the island and the mainland can always be relied upon to take up at least two days of each session of parliament. Today Mr. Warburton, in moving for papers, reports, correspondence, etc., relating to the route of winter steamers between Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, reviewed at length the objections which the islanders had to the present service. He repeated the request of the last four or five years for a change of the present route from Pictou to Georgetown, to the proposed route from Georgetown to Tatamagouche.

Mr. Warburton was supported by Messrs. Richards and Fraser.

E. M. MacDonald strongly resented the charge that Pictou was not the most desirable port and characterized the proposal for a change of route as absurd and ridiculed. Hon. Mr. Brodeur said the government was doing the best it could to provide a satisfactory service to the island. Last winter the steamer Earl Grey had not met with a single delay, and this season there had been only one delay. With a bigger and better vessel on, he thought the service would be made as satisfactory as was possible.

A Discomfitted Tory.

An amusing and withal significant instance of the political ethics of the opposition occupied the attention of the house of commons for a short time at the opening. The matter was brought up by Hon. Frank Oliver as a matter of privilege.

The Winnipeg Telegram of the 18th inst., contained a lengthy report of an address by Mr. Bradbury, the Conservative member for Selkirk, declaring it to have been delivered amid considerable enthusiasm in the house the previous day. The alleged speech was an extensive criticism of the department of the interior on its administration of the St. Peter's Indian reserve. At the conclusion of Mr. Bradbury's purported eloquence, the paper also included a report of an alleged reply by the minister. It stated that Mr. Oliver had replied in "a torrent of abuse," and added that he had failed to produce a single argument in rebuttal, nor "submitted a tittle of evidence" in support of the government position.

"I have no objection at all," said Mr. Oliver, "to the member for Selkirk publishing a speech which he did not deliver, but he need not have credited me with contributing to a debate which never occurred."

Mr. Bradbury rose amid Liberal laughter. He confessed he was "the victim of circumstances. He had suppplied the newspaper with an advance copy of an address he intended to deliver, but was not responsible for its premature publication or for the report of the minister's immaginary remarks. He hoped the house would accept his assurance as he was not "the first member to have his speech published before it was delivered."

STMR. STANLEY BREAKS THROUGH ICE TO PORT HASTINGS

Released the Steamer Kilkeel, Coal Laden, Which Has Been Frozen In for Weeks.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 20—Breaking the bondage which the ice pack had enforced for three weeks in the harbor of Port Hastings (C. B.), the government steamer Stanley released yesterday the steamer Kilkeel, coal laden, which had long been frozen in there, and opened the port to shipments from an extensive coal mining region.

The Stanley had only just released herself from the ice farther south, where she had been detained nearly a week. She continued today her interrupted voyage to the Magdalen Islands with the first winter mails ever sent to the inhabitants there.

Prominent Massachusetts Man Dead.

Medford, Mass., Feb. 20—Charles H. Wilson, general manager of the United Shoe Machinery Company, died at his home in West Medford, tonight of pneumonia. He was 53 years of age and leaves a widow and one son.

SAYS AMERICANS WILL DISCRIMINATE ON PANAMA CANAL

Their Own Ships Will Get Precedence Notwithstanding Treaties, Says French Economist

Big Waterway Likely to Bring United States and Japan to a Clash in Chinese Markets.

Canadian Press

Paris, Feb. 20—The Panama canal was the subject of a lecture tonight by M. De Rousiers, professor of political economy, before the Franco-American committee, presided over by Admiral Fournier. After reviewing the history of the canal, Professor De Rousiers said that the United States would be the complete master of the situation. He pointed out that although the treaties guarantee equal treatment to all nations, the United States could discriminate in favor of American ships trading between two American points.

It was impossible to determine the effect of the competition on the Suez canal, as rates have been definitely fixed. He considered the Panama canal would, for the most part, merely augment trade between the western States and Brazil and Argentine.

Admiral Fournier said that, in his opinion, the principal effect of the Panama canal on far eastern affairs would be the great impetus given to American expansion in China under the new spirit of imperialism, but the United States faced a powerful rival in Japan. He expressed the hope that the problems would be solved peacefully.

WARM SCENE AT CHINESE INQUIRY IN VANCOUVER

Robert Kelly Defies His Accusers to Prove Their Charges — Pays His Respects to Traducers.

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 20—"I never made a five cent piece out of graft in any party in all my life," Robert Kelly concluded his evidence this morning before the Chinese commission by flinging back in the teeth of those who made the charges of graft against himself and the Liberal party.

"I want to say to Jas. P. Martin and other people that I, Robert Kelly, never made a five cent piece out of graft in this party or in any other. I defy any man to make that charge against me, and put it to the proof. Of course, I am treasurer of the Liberal Association and handle the funds, but when it comes down to saying that I took a cent piece for getting a man a job, or made any graft, I answer that I have not done so. I have not got to make money in that way.

"As for offering a judgship for sale, I defy Mr. Martin or any other man on the face of the earth to substantiate that charge. Let any may put it down in black and white, and I will make him prove it if he is worth going after. I have been slandered by this bunch and called everything. When I came back from California I thought I was a horse thief and when I was down there it was said I had skipped out. I would run away from no one. I have gone into business, and I am prosperous. I came here with a couple of hundred dollars and was working hard building up a business when Mr. Joseph Martin was flying around Victoria in a hack with his friends—"

At this point Justice Murphy intervened.

TWO NOVA SCOTIA FISHERMEN PERISHED

Belonged to Gloucester Vessel and Were Lost During Terrific Gale That Dismasted the Schooner.

Boston, Feb. 20—The lost by the Gloucester schooner Cavalier, as announced by wireless from the revenue cutter Androscoggin, were Camos Bobbin, of Arichat (C. B.), and John Porper, of Guysboro (N. S.)

Particulars of the schooner's troubles were received from the Androscoggin this afternoon in a wireless message which stated that an officer from the cutter boarded the schooner today and learned that on January 25th last, one of the schooner's dories was found capsized, containing the body of Bobbin. The body of the other doryman, Porper was not recovered.

On February 11, about seventy miles northeast of Cape Sable during a heavy north northeast gale, the Cavalier lost all her spars except the stump of the mainmast and the main boom with all the gear except a lone mainsail. The gale lasted until the 14th and during this time she drifted to a position about 150 miles southeast of Cape Sable. During calm spells, the Cavalier's crew rigged storm try-sails and storm staysail, under which she was attempting to make port when sighted by the Androscoggin.

AT WORK ON CORONATION ROBES

PREPARING FOR THE CORONATION

Skilful fingers are now busy in England making the ermine and rich velvet robes and coronets for the coronation of King George V. One of the two uppermost views snows, on the left, the pillow on which lace is made with the numerous pricked pattern bobbins and a finished piece, while on the right are seen little girls engagedin the work. The lower view shows a finished piece of Honiton lace. The work is being turned out at a large school in Shaldon, a pretty seaside village on the South Devon coast.

TAFF AND DR. BRIDGES SPEAK AT WASHINGTON BANQUET

President Pleased at St. John Mason's Good Wishes for Reciprocity—Says United States Has More Territory Now Than They Can Properly Govern—Says He Knows Canadians and Their National Aspirations.

Canadian Press.

Washington, Feb. 20—"I really believe that with the consummation of the Canadian reciprocity agreement there will be a drawing together of two great nations; but a drawing together by closer business and social relations and not by political union," declared President Taft tonight at the centennial celebration banquet of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the District of Columbia.

The president followed Henry S. Bridges, grand master of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, who spoke of the good will of Canadians toward the United States in the Canadian reciprocity negotiations.

"I am delighted to know," said the president, "that Brother Bridges comes to us not panoplied for war, but for peace. He does not look forward to annexation nor the drying-up of the St. John river, nor has he any of those dreams which afflict certain people with lively imaginations, some of whom are only innocent and others of whom have a little different motive from that of teritorial aggrandizement."

The president's remarks were greeted with laughter. He spoke of the summers he spent in Canada, saying: "I have come to know the people of Canada, to understand their aspirations, and their belief in their independence and their future as an independent government. We have Alaska, we have Porto Rico, we have the Philippines—heaven knows, we have enough; and before we look out for other burdens and responsibilities let us show the world we can meet perfectly those we have.

"I am convinced that the agreement will be for the good of both countries; but I am not the whole thing, neither is the lower house. There is a great, a dignified body at one end of the capitol that moves with due deliberation; sometimes it seems as if it were too dignified and too deliberate to reach any conclusion on anything; but in the hundred years during which this lodge has existed, laws have been passed in the senate and, being a true Mason, I am an optimist. I have every hope that the issue may be properly determined. I speak with due moderation. I would hurry no one, but time passes and a stitch in time save nine."

Delegates were present at the banquet from grand lodges in various parts of the country and among them were many past grand masters and high officers of the order.

GERMANY SENDING ITS CRACK CRUISER TO SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS

Kiel, Germany, Feb. 20—The new German cruiser, Von. Der Tann, will sail tomorrow for a month's visit to South American ports. According to the ministry of marine one of the purposes of the voyage is to demonstrate to South American governments the advantages of German warship construction. The cruiser purports to be the fastest afloat.

MONCTON METHODIST PARSONAGE DAMAGED $100 BY BLAZE

Special to The Telegraph.

Moncton, Feb. 20—Cenetral Methodist church parsonage had a narrow escape from a bad fire about 7 o'clock this evening. While Rev. J. L. Batty and family were at tea, the chimney took fire and started a blaze in the woodwork in the attic. The chemical engine was called out and quick work saved a bad fire. About $100 damage was done the building.

MONTREAL STREET RAILWAY WOULD IGNORE THE CITY

Goes to Quebec Legislature for a Renewal of Its Franchise

Bill Provides That Public Utilities Commission Shall Have Power to Make the New Deal—Hot Fight Expected.

Quebec, Feb. 20—A surprise was presented to the legislature today when a bill was introduced providing for the amalgamation of the Montreal Street Railway and three suburban lines the company now controls.

This, however, is the least important feature of the bill. The Montreal Street Railway has been negotiating with the city recently for an extension of its franchise, but up to the present very little progress has been made. To avoid the possibility of failure to reach an agreement, the bill provides that if at the end of a limited time, which is placed at four or five weeks, the city and the company have been unable to come to an agreement, the entire matter of a new franchise for the city and its suburbs is to be placed in the hands of the Quebec Public Utilities Commission, with power to make a contract with the company in the city's behalf.

In bringing about the amalgamation of the four companies, it is provided in the bill that the public utilities commission shall have the right to fix the terms so as to prevent the watering of stock. Furthermore, two of the suburban companies are under federal charters, and it is provided that these shall be given up and the companies placed under control of the commission.

The Montreal Street Railway Company was recently acquired by new interests, and they are desirous of securing a long term franchise for the four companies concerned, and placing the stock on the British market. To this end they are prepared to give up the contracts already existing, some of which have forty years yet to run. The feature of the bill taking the matter out of the hands of the city council is apt to lead to a hot fight.

SURPRISE PARTY FOR STANDPATTERS

UNCLE SAM'S NAVAL PROGRAMME A BONE OF CONTENTION

Much Opposition in Congress to the Enormous Expenditure

Chairman Foss Tells of Sister Ships Being Built, One by Contract and the Other at Navy Yard, and the Former Will Cost $3,000,000 Less.

Canadian Press.

Washington, Feb. 20—The naval appropriation bill was considered at great length in the house during an afternoon and night session today, and practically all of the provisions of the measure were agreed to, with the exception of the new building programme, which will come up tomorrow, and which is expected to precipitate a lively fight.

The bill provides for two battleships of the super-Dreadnought type, carrying twelve 14-inch guns, two fleet colliers; eight torpedo boat destroyers and four submarines. An attempt will be made both to decrease and increase this programme, but the committee believes it has enough votes to carry it through.

A proposed repeal of the clause in last year's bill that all ships let out by contract should be under the eight hour labor law, will be fought from both sides of the chamber. There also will be a fight to have one of the new ships constructed at a navy yard.

Chairman Foss, of the naval committee, stated today that of two sister ships now under construction, the one at the New York navy yard is costing $6,400,000, and the one by private contract $3,900,000.

HON. J. R. STRATTON DENIES ANY CONNECTION WITH FARMERS' BANK

Took No Hand in the Promotion or Organization of the Now Defunct Institution.

Peterboro, Ont., Feb. 20—Hon. J. R. Stratton has issued a statement in connection with the Farmers Bank case, in which he explicitly denies any participation in the negotiations upon which the conspiracy charge now being tried, are based. "In no manner, shape or form, direct or indirect," he says, "had I anything to do, nor did I assist in doing anything in connection with the promotion or the organization of the Farmers Bank I had no conversation with any of the provisional or subsequent directors of the Farmers Bank."

Mr. Stratton further declares that he never had any communication with the minister of finance or any other officer of the dominion government regarding the incorporation of the bank, and that he never, directly or indirectly, received any moneys in connection with the organization of the bank. His only connection with the bank was the purely technical one of his presidency of the Trusts & Guarantee Company, which made a loan to the bank in the ordinary course of business.

Mr. Stratton adds that Hughes Charles, of Montreal, was mistaken if he (Mr. Charles) made the statement that Mr. Stratton had ever told him that by advancing $80,000 to the bank he (Mr. Stratton) had made a substantial commission.

GREAT NORTHERN TO BUILD $1,000,000 DEPOT AT WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 20—J. J. Hill announced that negotiations for the use of joint terminals with the C. N. R at Winnipeg, are off and he will build in Winnipeg this spring a million dollar depot for his Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Midland Railway.

Three years ago Hill purchased a right of way into the heart of the city at a very high figure. He will now construct the line from Emerson where his lines enter Canada to Winnipeg.

I.C.R. TRAIN DERAILED NEAR RIVER JOHN

Pictou, N. S., Feb. 20—The afternoon I. C. R. train from Pictou to Oxford Junction, met with a serious mishap today. Near Munro's Siding, two and a half miles this side of River John, something caused the whole train of fifteen cars to leave the track, the engine alone remaining on the rails. Thirteen of the cars were freight and two passenger coaches. No person was hurt, although the passenger cars are in rather bad shape. The freight cars are badly wrecked, many of them were laden with perishable food products from P. E. Island. The mixup will not be cleared for a day or two.

Senator Aldrich for Reciprocity

Writes President That He Will Do All He Can For It

"Interests" Before Senate Committee in Force in Opposition to Trade Agreement—Hale Expected to Lead the Obstructionists—Expect Extra Session March 15.

Canadian Press.

Washington, Feb. 20—Senator Aldrich, chairman of the finance committee of the senate, has written to President Taft, that he favors the confirmation of the Canadian reciprocity agreement. Whether the letter makes promise of assistance in getting action in the senate at the present session has not been disclosed, but senators who have seen the letter intimate that the Rhode Island senator will do all he can to aid the president in carrying his programme to success.

The announcement that Senator Aldrich, whose name is attached to the existing tariff act, had subscribed to the terms of the reciprocity agreement with Canada, was received with great surprise in the senate especially by the "stand pat" senators, who have come out against the agreement on the ground that it is not in compliance with the tenets of the Republican party on the subject of protection. Some of these senators, who are loathe to believe the report that the chairman of the finance committee, who in tariff fights has always been found on the side of protection for every industry, whether manufacturing, agricultural or mining, had endorsed the president's programme for freer trade with Canada.

Soon after the Canadian agreement was sent to congress, and it was reported there was little chance for action in the senate at the present session, President Taft wrote to Senator Aldrich, who is ill at Jekyll Island, Georgia. It is understood that the executive urged the veteran tariff bill maker, to come back and take charge of the fight for the measure in the senate. At one time it was rumored that Mr. Aldrich might be back, but this report was denied.

Standpatters Before the Senate.

Washington, Feb. 20—Hearings on the McCall bill to carry out the provisions of the Canadian reciprocity agreement were begun today by the senate committee on finance. During the forenoon the only witness was John Strange, of Neenha (Wis.), a paper manufacturer and former lieutenant-governor of his state. Mr. Strange opposed the bill in vigorous language, charging that false sentiment in favor of it had been manufactured by a league of newspapers. Mr. Strange's statement contained the following arguments:

That the United States has no more need for Canadian pulpwood than it has for Canadian disease germs; that spruce is not necessary to paper making, as any wood which has a fibre will suffice, and that there are many woods which are better than spruce; that the firs of the northwest make excellent paper, and that there is nothing better than the soft woods of the south.

In connection with his statement about timber of the south, Mr. Strange said that if the Democrats knew what they were about they would take such action as would make them the future paper makers of the country. He declared that Wisconsin, Minnesota and West Virginia in twenty years would be growing enough for all the mills of the country, and that paper making was just developing in the south through the utilization of timber unfit for lumber.

These statements were brought out chiefly by questions from Senator Hale, whose evident purpose was to show that Canadian timber for paper making was not needed in the United States; that there was sufficient standing timber for immediate needs, with conservation already taking due care for the future.

Mr. Strange said that the arguments of the newspapers were a conglomerate mass of nonsense.

Manufacturers' President Protests.

At the afternoon session Edward Hines, of Chicago, president of the National Manufacturers' Association, voiced the objections of lumber dealers to the agreement.

Mr. Hines sharply criticized the course of Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corporations, in what he characterized as the delay of that official in preparing his report on the lumber industry, under a resolution of a previous senate. He charged that it had been held back for three years, then only to be brought in at an inopportune time, "when reciprocity is to be tested."

He also challenged the statement that the timber lands of the United States are held by a few people. On the contrary, he declared that there is no large industry in which there was greater diversity of ownership.

Mr. Hines declared that the reduction in the tariff on lumber affected by the Payne-Aldrich bill had had the effect of reducing the price on ordinary lumber $1.50 to $2 per thousand.