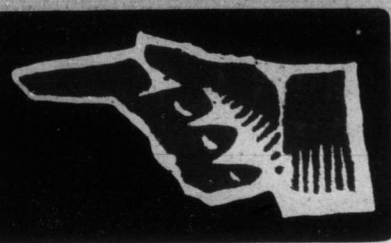


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THE HAMILTON TIMES

FRIDAY, OCT. 22, 1909.

MR. HAYS PRESIDENT.

Mr. Chas. M. Hays was yesterday elected President of the Grand Trunk Railway System in succession to Sir Chas. Rivers Wilson, who retires on a pension of £1,300 a year. Canadians who have marked the great growth and improvement of the Grand Trunk Railway under Mr. Hays' management will congratulate the shareholders of the road upon their selection of a successor to Sir Charles. It is understood that the change of officers involves no change in the responsibility or powers which they exercise; and this must be regarded as wise at this juncture, when such vast construction work in connection with the B. T. P. is in progress. That Mr. Hays should have been chosen to the high office of President, is an eloquent tribute to his recognized abilities as a railway administrator.

At the annual meeting, Sir Charles Rivers Wilson expressed himself as being most favorably impressed with the character of the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific, and with the magnificent advantages of Prince Rupert as a terminus. He frankly said that no Government could be brought to see the necessity of allowing the introduction of Asiatic labor for railway building, and he urged the advisability of the British and Canadian Governments taking up the question of supplying labor for the great railway works. Doubtless the Dominion Government would willingly co-operate with the railway people in facilitating the coming of suitable British labor. Perhaps the British Columbia Government might also be induced to offer such newcomers some attraction in the way of land to induce them to become permanent settlers.

PRIVATE RATES TOO LOW!

Now we begin to understand the contemptible tactics of the "capitalistic party." Bruno Beckhard, of the Bureau of Civic and Industrial Research (whatever that may be), sends out in a paragraph in the Twentieth Century Magazine a statement as to the Manitoba Government telephone system that goes to explain the failure of Roblin, Rogers & Co. to keep their promise to "cut the Bell rates in two." The rates in many cases have been higher since Government ownership and operation went into force. Mr. Beckhard now tells us that "the rates before the change in ownership were unreasonably—or rather, purposely—low, and in some cases the Government did not feel warranted in maintaining them." This is the most ingeniously constructed charge that we have yet heard made against the Bell Telephone Company. All the time Rogers, Roblin & Co. were denouncing it as a heartless octopus and soulless monopoly engaged in bleeding the people by exorbitant telephone rates—all the time those "statesmen" were promising that as soon as the telephone business of the Province was taken over by the Government the "rates would be cut in two"—the rates levied by the Bell Company had been "unusually low." Nay, not only that, but we are asked to believe that the company had been "purposely" giving "unnaturally" low rates all those years during which the Manitoba "ownership" statesmen had been denouncing it! And the inference sought to be conveyed is that all the time it was being railed at and pictured as a monster of extortion, the company had been giving Manitobans telephone service "unnaturally" cheap, and chucking to think how rudely Roblin, Rogers & Co. would be awakened when they looked over the accounts at the end of their first year. Surely it was a pretty shabby trick to play upon the guileless statesman. You can't be up to the tricks of these wicked "corporations." When Billy Maclean awakens to the situation won't he shed "language" in black letters, two-column measure!

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Spain was not long without a Government. The new Ministry is now complete. "Dargal."—It was 11 years ago yesterday that Gen. Yeatman-Biggs stormed the Dargal ridge. In the fight he lost six officers and 100 men. Wonder if the proposed new annex to the Central Police Station will be so luxurious an affair as to attract custom to the police court mill? There appears to be no difficulty in any negotiations with the Street Railway Company when professional trouble makers and their organ are excluded therefrom. The farmed area of Great Britain has decreased from 32,918,514 acres in 1801 to 32,183,073 acres this year. This is a reduction of 735,441 acres, or 2.2 per cent. The United States Windsor glass chaps are organizing another combine. They must have conceived the idea that there is some more money to be squeezed out of the people. No, the city has not so much money to share as to warrant the School Board in rejecting the lowest tenders to award them to favored firms. It pays to play fair with tenderers for contracts. Toronto Tories are arranging for a convention of the party of the Province on January 11, the 94th anniversary of the birth of Sir John A. Macdonald. It is the idea to arrange for party unifica-

tion throughout the Dominion. If the party will then proceed to adopt a set of principles and get new leaders, it may have some justification for its existence.

In spite of diligent advertising and the maintenance of many recruiting stations Uncle Sam finds it hard to get men enough for his navy. The new world population does not take kindly to either military or naval service.

That laboratory would be a great thing for the hospitals and for the city at large. But some aldermen would probably rather give the money to the Hydro-Electric Commission to help out its scheme. Set Ald. Hopkins after them.

Why should Dr. Cook require six weeks to prepare his polar "data" for the examination of the Copenhagen University? Might he not as well have stayed at home and prepared a case without making the northern trip at all?

The Turner jury is funnier than Mark Twain. It conceived the idea that Mrs. Turner tied the cord about the child's neck to keep it from crying, accidentally killing it thereby! The inductive power of some jurors' minds is wonderful.

There is not an alderman in the City Council who, as a matter of private business, would commit himself to the costs and risks and disabilities of the Hydro contract. Why, then, should any one of them seek to commit the city? What is the motive?

Of course before the Gore Park fence is removed inquiry will be made to decide as to whether the late city solicitor's view, that there were legal obstacles to the removal in the original deed, was the correct one? That should be easily ascertained.

Let the ratepayer mark those aldermen who are plotting to betray the city to the Hydro-Electric gang. They may earn their price for such turpitude, but it will bring them the lasting hostility and contempt of every honest Hamiltonian. How many aldermanic Judases does the Council harbor?

A Berlin despatch remarks on Germany's appreciation of the fact that she made a great blunder in beginning a tariff war with Canada. German goods have been subjected to a surtax by Canada, and since 1903 her percentage of our import trade has declined from 5.46 to 2.27 in 1908. Tariffs can kill trade, and Germany is beginning to find it out.

A few days ago the Hamilton Herald was mildly expressing wonder at the course of the Hydro-Electric Commission in delaying the settlement of the power question. Now it is railing at the aldermen for not departing from the terms recently agreed on and tying up the city in a 30-year monopoly contract, at the unknown price, to the Hydro scheme!

Ald. Cooper, who seemed ready to betray the city into the Hydro snare, has the hearty approval of the Hydro-maniac organ, the Herald. Who would have thought it? And if Ald. Cooper could imagine himself making such a deal on his own account—he to take the risk and pay the bills—he would conclude that he was a fit subject for a commission in lunacy.

There is a prospect that the tax rate, instead of being lowered, may have to be raised next year. With an exceedingly heavy programme of municipal expenditure, including a lot of new schemes, with the School Board constantly increasing its demands for large sums from the taxpayers, and with a part of the Council eager to waste the ratepayers' money to forward the Hydro-Electric scheme, there is little hope of seeing the tax rate reduced.

Sometimes the cowardly sport of having does not succeed according to schedule. Thirty-five students of the Seattle State University undertook to haze a Japanese student, Tagiro Ogawa. It was 35 against one, but the programme had to be called off, and when the class convened the next day, 15 of the hazers were unable to take their places, having broken noses, black eyes and various other disabling injuries, while Ogawa was on hand, courteous and smiling as usual.

A somewhat peculiar case is to be tried at Barrie in December. A son of the late Senator Mermer (Con.) is suing Senator Ratz (Lib.), claiming that an agreement was entered into whereby Senator Mermer's widow was to receive \$1,000 annually so long as she or Senator Ratz lived in consideration of Mermer's resignation. Senator Ratz denies any such agreement, contending that Senator Mermer vacated the seat by becoming insolvent and assigning on July 16, 1908, dying on Aug. 11, 1908. Mr. Ratz was appointed in the January following. The nature of the claim will make the case one of public interest.

The British Columbia Provincial situation is somewhat complicated. The trickery of the McBride Government is springing a Provincial election at this time immediately following a big deal by which the Government undertakes to guarantee a large amount of C. N. R. bonds, is very characteristic. It is understood that two members of his Cabinet refuse to support the deal and have resigned. McBride's scheme is probably to attempt to snatch a verdict before the people are thoroughly informed as to the big deal. This view

Thanksgiving Time This is Anniversary Week Here

A YEAR AGO this month we entered on a new era of the history of this store in this new and up-to-date homefurnishing building. We are celebrating it in a way so that our friends, the public, who have made the growth and progress possible, can participate to their advantage. The next six business days will be full of all sorts of chances to save money whether it is merely a chair or a rocker you have to buy or a house to furnish. So if you want a new carpet or anything for your home, this Anniversary Sale is your chance to get it cheaper than at any other time. Goods bought now, kept until wanted.

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Our Exchanges

Laurent reached Hamilton by rail, and waited at the station nearly three hours before anybody came to meet him. That shows the difference. At Toronto station people are coming and going all the time. NO PRIVILEGES. (London Free Press). Hamilton is informed that it must come into the Hydro-Electric scheme flat-footed if it would enjoy the privileges of sister municipalities. WHY SHOULD IT? (Belleville Intelligencer). "A nation's defence is Christianity," says Mr. J. A. Macdonald, editor of the Globe. Such is the way in which the attention of the Globe's readers is called to an address delivered in Buffalo on the 16th inst. at a meeting of the laymen's missionary movement. Why was the prefix "Rev." omitted? Was it because "Rev." is incompatible with the duties of a Globe editor? If that was the reason for the omission the Globe should be commended for its respect of the word. A NEWSPAPER. (Toronto Star). A newspaper, however, is not printed by one man for one man, but is produced by many men for many men. Some readers do not want to know who rolled a peanut for three blocks. Others do not want to know what C. P. R. is selling at to-day; some want to know all about Halley's Comet, while others are wondering what the House of Lords will do; some search for every printed word that bears on the possibility of war between Germany and Great Britain, while others are equally eager for anything bearing upon the great struggle lowering in the future between Jim Jeffries and the Big Smoke. These and others are the people. Far be it from us to claim that we know better than they do what news is THE WASHERRWOMAN'S 800. (Pittsburg Times-Gazette). All know the Scriptural parable of the widow's mite. All know the commu-

dation of the gift. Sermons have been preached and morals pointed therefrom. There is also the familiar Scripture story of the Mary who anointed the Saviour's feet, and the rebuke of the one who objected that the precious ointment should have been sold and the money given to the poor. The widow who gave the mite was commended not for the thing itself, but for her spirit of devotion. The rebuke was no condemnation of giving to the poor and was accompanied with a reminder that there was unfulfilling opportunity to relieve their necessities in effect an admonition to do so. At a recent assemblage in New York, at which more than \$46,000 was contributed in response to strenuous appeals of a well-known exhorter who has succeeded as few others in opening purses by playing upon the emotions, a washerwoman was singled out from all others for mention as the giver of 800 for the cause of missions. Instantly the widow's mite and the anointing of feet is called to mind and criticism stops. But it is notable that there is no chorus of approval. The cause to which the money was given is on its face a good one. The contributor gave from a full heart. If she is criticised for giving of her poverty, then how about the widow who gave the mite, which was all she had, and the Mary who gave the ointment? One can hardly be disappointed and not the other. Nevertheless, there is no question of whether the modern washerwoman ought to have been permitted to follow so literally the Scripture example—should have been let make a sacrifice so great in proportion to the earnings of her occupation and her own necessities. Conditions now and at the birth of Christianity are different. The Christian churches and agencies of Christian benevolence are not actually suffering for money. They have many and wealthy contributors. The washerwoman sets an example to others more prosperous, but thousands of Christians will question the good taste of taking the little savings fund which she gave under emotional stress. Lawyer—What is your first name? Witness—Perkins, sir. Lawyer—I said your first name, not your last. Witness—Well, that's my first name. I had it when I was born.—Boston Transcript.

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MRS. TURNER GUILTY

But the Jury Made It Manslaughter After Being Out Two and a Half Hours.

Toronto, Oct. 22.—After deliberating for over two and a half hours, the Criminal Assize jury trying Mrs. Mabel Turner on a charge of murdering an adopted infant brought in a verdict of manslaughter at 9 o'clock last night. As the foreman of the jury gave the verdict a stir of surprise was noticed in the court room, and not the least surprised was Mr. W. A. Henderson, the lawyer for the accused, who stepped over to the prisoner's pen and smilingly shook hands with the woman. Mrs. Turner showed no emotion, and received the verdict with apparent indifference, although she smiled slightly as her counsel spoke to her.

A REMARKABLE THEORY.

A remarkable theory of how the child came to its death was, according to one of the jurors, the basis of the verdict of manslaughter. This theory was in effect that Mrs. Turner, having brought the child to the Wood street house, was afraid of its presence there becoming known and tied a piece of cord around its neck to keep it from crying, accidentally killing it thereby. That finger marks were also found on the dead infant's throat received little attention.

"This explanation of it was advanced by the foreman," said one of the witnesses last night, "and what with uncertainty caused by other parts of the evidence nine of the twelve thought there was enough doubt to bring in a verdict of manslaughter. Three of us thought it should be murder. We were like that for an hour and a half, but, you know," explained the jurymen, in a matter-of-fact way, "we didn't want to stay there all night, so we gave in."

the jury, and spoke for an hour and five minutes. He reviewed the evidence leading up to the discovery of the box near Niagara Falls, referring with emphasis to the absence of evidence as to where the infant was kept from Saturday to Thursday of the week following its adoption. "You have heard the evidence of Mr. and Mrs. Goldie," said counsel for the defence. "They have stated that they did not see any baby other than the one now alive. Where was the baby all this time?"

Mr. Henderson reviewed the evidence given by Conductor Edwin O. Parish, casting doubt on the conductor's identification of Mrs. Turner as a passenger on his train on the day the body was found. Counsel referred with marked feeling to the newspaper publicity given the case and to the methods of the police in respect to giving out information. "Some very caustic remarks have been handed down by the judges at Osgoode Hall about the police handling of these stories," then Mr. Henderson raised his voice.



MRS. TURNER

inals. Commenting upon the character of the Crown witnesses, Mr. Blackstock said "There is not a witness who went into this box who has not endeavored to tell to you truthfully the facts as they are. This mass of evidence moves upon you with that cogent force that is absolutely irresistible to the mind."

address Mr. Henderson rose and asked that the jury be instructed upon the alternative verdicts of manslaughter and of concealment of birth, open to them. The latter His Lordship dismissed as having no application to the case, but explained the various grounds on which a verdict of manslaughter could be found. A verdict of this nature, he pointed out, involved the conclusion that there was no intention to cause harm to the child.

RIVERS WILSON

Receives Pension on Retiring From G. T. R. Road.

No Change in Responsibility of Executive Officers.

London, Oct. 21.—At the half-yearly meeting of the Grand Trunk Railway, Sir Charles Rivers Wilson, who presided, said the effect of the depression of 1908 had extended into 1909. He expressed regret that there had been no improvement, but trusted the conclusion of the coming half-year would prove more satisfactory to the shareholders.

RUSSELL A WITNESS.

He Testifies at Cleveland on His Own Behalf.

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 21.—W. L. Russell, the Lima promoter, wanted in Canada on the charge of defrauding stockholders in mining deals, told his story on the stand today in Commissioner Walther's court, and made a pretty strong witness. Unless the Canadian officials can break it down there is not much chance that Russell will be extradited, according to attorneys who are interested in the case on both sides.

WITH POKER.

Stepson is Alleged to Have Driven Iron Into Woman.

North Tonawanda, Oct. 20.—Mrs. Saffina Kokowski, 38 years old, wife of Joseph Kokowski, of No. 36 Eighth avenue, was stabbed in the abdomen with a stove poker by her eighteen-year-old stepson, Joseph Kokowski, at her home here at noon today. The poker was driven into Mrs. Kokowski's body about six inches, she may die.

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Chinese Egg Examiner.

The artificial incubation of duck eggs is a thriving industry in some parts of China, more particularly in Canton, where a large and ready market encourages the business. The first thing to be done is to secure suitable eggs, and this is done by men who devote themselves entirely to the task during the summer months. The examiner squats on the ground, and holding the egg up to the light, turns it round and judges its suitability by the state of the shell and the clearness of its contents.

Natural History Phenomena.

Teacher was telling her class little stories in natural history, and she asked if anyone could tell her what a groundhog was. Up went a little hand, waving frantically.

OH, ABUSED WOMAN!

If you have ceased to be in love, they call you inconstant. If you don't know whom you love, or whether you love at all, they call you fickle. If you don't choose to love at all, they call you indifferent.

