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THREE DEAD, SCORES HURT IN ACCIDENT NEAR GUELPH BY DERAILMENT OF TRAIN

Broken Rail Causes Wreck of G.T.R. Passenger Train in Trainer's Cut and Five Cars Are Plunged Over a Steep Embankment—150 Occupants of the Passenger Coaches Are All More or Less Injured—Many Are Removed to the Hospital.

STRATFORD MOURNS FOR TWO DEAD SCENES "INDESCRIBABLY HARROWING"

The Grand Trunk Railway issued the following official statement last night: "At about 2.50 p.m., No. 5, engine 955, Engineer Thompson, Conductor Woods, two baggage cars, two coaches and parlor car left the track on the embankment near Trainer's Cut, two miles east of Guelph. The entire train, with the exception of the engine and tender, went down the embankment. Three passengers were killed, one seriously injured, and thirty-nine slightly injured, the names of whom are given below. Derailment caused by a broken rail.

- THE KILLED. C. RANKIN, STRATFORD, EX-MAYOR O'DONOHUE, STRATFORD, THREE-YEAR-OLD CHILD OF H. C. WALKER, PETERBORO. THE INJURED. Thomas Scott, Listowel, three ribs broken and not expected to live, injured internally. Miss John Walker, Acton West, back injured. Miss Walter, Acton West, elbow slightly injured. Miss Mabel Randall, Camlachie, shoulder injured. W. J. Hays, Stratford, ulna fractured. Albert Rogers, thumb injured. J. T. Heatherman, Stratford, Canadian Express route agent, scalp wound, not serious. W. Alderson, general car inspector, four ribs broken and injured about face, not serious. D. N. Dennison, Stratford, knee sprained. H. Patterson, Stratford, slightly cut about face. Miss K. Cowan, Sarnia, shaken up. J. P. Priest, Toronto, ribs fractured, not serious. R. L. Cross, Toronto, ribs fractured, not serious. J. Anderson, Toronto, arm bruised. Mrs. Donald McGregor, Acton West, cut about head and shoulder, not serious. H. A. Halen, Berlin, head and hands cut. D. O. Ritz, Berlin, hand injured. Frank Kelly, Galt, head and hand cut. Wm. Sutton, Stratford, arm injured. J. S. Andrews, Goderich, head injured and back bruised. J. P. Wright, Detroit, head injured and hand scratched. Geo. Wilson, Stratford, leg injured and body scratched. L. Hutchinson, Listowel, arm and hand injured. John Arksey, Adlington, Man, shaken up and arm slightly bruised. Harry S. Smead, Toronto, right shoulder injured and hand cut. H. W. Acazon, Walkerville, head bruised. F. H. Galusha, Walkerville, leg bruised and cut, ribs bruised. John D. Beale, Sarnia, head injured. R. Pearson, Hickox, head injured. E. Bachelor, Tavistock, arm bruised. W. E. Buckingham, Guelph, slight scalp wound. M. A. Overend, Toronto, scratched slightly about arm. M. P. Barry, Rockwood, back injured and arm hurt. J. P. Scheraga, Toronto, slightly shaken up. R. E. Hayden, Stratford, hand injured. T. E. E. Knowles, Galt, shoulder injured and hands cut. Miss McWhinney, Stratford, head scratched. Adam Klippert, Toronto, right arm broken. H. C. W. Walle, Port Huron, shoulder injured slightly. F. Davis, London, hand injured. Mr. Pooley, Toronto, hand injured. R. Pearson, Picton, head cut. H. M. Patterson, Stratford, lower jaw crushed. B. A. Perry, Toronto, back hurt. R. E. Strong, Ancaster, head badly hurt and amputation may be necessary. H. Walker, Peterboro, arm and side hurt. Miss Starr, car painfully torn. Mr. Jones, Mitchell, side badly sprained. Mr. Strong, Ancaster, not seriously injured. Thos. Scott, Sutton West, lost eye, all ribs broken.

Guelph, Feb. 26.—(Special).—A broken rail on the Grand Trunk main line, two miles east of this city, plunged three passenger cars, a baggage and express car over a steep embankment, resulting in the almost instant deaths of three of the passengers and serious injuries to many others. There were about 150 occupants of the coaches and few escaped without hurt, while all were shaken up. Dr. Robinson here ordered an inquest to be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow. An adjournment for further developments is probable.

The news of the wreck was brought into Guelph by Conductor Woods, who engaged a farmer's cutter. Excitement spread rapidly and arrangements were made to run an engine and coach, containing all the medical supplies available to the scene. The rescuers arrived within a little over an hour, by which time all the dead and injured had been taken out. Many of those whose injuries were not serious, walked into town, where the injured were conveyed to the General and St. Joseph's Hospitals. The dead were placed in an unused building improvised as a morgue.

Auxiliaries from London, Guelph and Mimico were soon on the spot, but traffic on the line was blocked for about six hours. The damage to the coaches was not so great as might have been supposed, since while the interior was wrecked, seats being displaced and lumbered in heaps, the solidly built coaches withstood the shock well, and the only noticeable break was at a spot where the outer work of one had been chopped away to facilitate the work of rescue. The train No. 5 left Toronto at 1 p.m. on the morning of the accident. William Thompson, Fireman William A. Hur-

INSURANCE COMMISSION FINDS CONDEMNNS THE MANIPULATION OF THE CANADA LIFE FUNDS MAY EVILS; NO REMEDIES

Many of the investments it is Found Were Made To Serve Other Interests as Well as Those of the Shareholders—Affairs of the Union Trust and I. O. F. are Discussed at Considerable Length and Warm Criticisms Made—Commission Do Not Recommend State Insurance.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The commissioners are diffuse in analysis and recommendations. In the main, however, they deprecate any drastic legislation and pronounce against state insurance. They submit that a standard form of insurance policy, restrictions as to investments by the company and publicity will only tell a nearly story, evil now complained of by the policyholders, including those who are entitled to participate in profits. They recommend that steps be taken to secure a large attendance at the annual meetings, and that the shareholders be notified of any important matters to be discussed at the meeting. They recommend that voting by mail be permitted, and that proxies be limited to election purposes only. The commissioners are at a loss how to prevent control of any insurance company by a man sufficiently wealthy to buy the majority of the stock, and admit that he is then in a position to "engineer" the powerful aggregations of money for speculation, underwritings and syndicates. The report continues: "The select machinery of finance is operated with insurance funds." In this connection the commissioners add: "The control by one man creates a situation which requires the most zealous scrutiny." The report does not recommend the mutualization of insurance companies and suggests that "the majority of policyholders prefer the additional security afforded by capital stock." All the insurance companies are found to have been extravagant in expenditures. Not one of the companies kept its expenditures for 1905 within the loadings. The great leak is found to be in the enormous expense attending new business had been kept within the initial loading, or if no new business had been done at all, the loadings, instead of showing a net loss of nearly a million and a half, would have yielded a net profit of slightly over a million available for dividends.

SENATOR COX AND HIS CONTROL OF THE CANADA LIFE FUNDS CRITICIZED

of \$220 as commission report says that this amount was not divided with the other members of the syndicate. The report explains that upon the subsequent transfer to the New Ontario syndicate, which eventually became the Great West Land Company, the assets were received by Messrs. Foster, McGillivray and Wilson. None of the three gentlemen concerned seemed to have seen any impropriety in taking part in the discussion at the board of the Union Trust Company of a question in which their interests were so vitally opposed to those of the trust company. Directors in Ignorance. The report adds: "It is impossible to lose sight of the further circumstances in the inception of the transaction that whatever the intention of these gentlemen may have been their co-directors, Stevenson, Boyd and Davidson, were left under the impression that they were putting up their own funds and were not making a personal profit. The lack of proper vigilance on the part of other members of the board, the explainable by their confidence in their co-directors, ought never to be forgotten." The commission then take up the purchase of timber lands in British Columbia by Geo. W. Fowler and others, the "avowed intention of Foster, Mc-

TWO KILLED IN THIS WRECK.

Halifax, N. S. Feb. 26.—(Special).—A head-on collision took place at Brookfield, 50 miles from here, on the I. C. E. tonight, between the Boston express, from Montreal and No. 9 passenger train, which left here at 10:15 tonight, bound west, as a result of which two men were killed outright and one fatally injured. The Boston express, which was two

FIRE IN MONTREAL SCHOOL SUFFOCATES 16 CHILDREN AND HEROIC LADY TEACHER

Awful Holocaust, Caused by Explosion of Furnace—Dense Smoke Ascended Between Walls and Flooded Building With Deadly Fumes.

PRINCIPAL FOUND DEAD SURROUNDED BY BODIES

Montreal, Feb. 26.—(Special).—Sixteen scholars and their teachers are dead from suffocation the result of a fire which broke out in the Hochelaga Protestant School, 59 Frontenac-street, this afternoon. The school was a brick building, about 15 years old, situated at 59 Frontenac-street, on the east side, above St. Catharine-street. There were schoolrooms on two floors and the dwelling of the caretaker, Mrs. Hand, was on the top flat. There were two staircases, both leading to Frontenac-street, one for the boys, the other for the girls. The teachers were all ladies, the principal being Miss S. Maxwell, who graduated at the Normal School in 1903 and has been principal in the Hochelaga School for the past four years. Her father was the late James Maxwell and her uncle is B. J. Maxwell, the lumber merchant. There is every indication that Miss Maxwell sacrificed her own life for the scholars. Her body was found, surrounded by those of children. The fire broke out at 1:45 o'clock this afternoon, caused by the explosion of the furnaces in the basement. It spread very quickly, and the water pressure was very low. Relief Cut Off. Flames sprang up to the roof and burned fiercely on the second floor, completely cutting off the escape of Miss Maxwell and the children in an upper room. Miss Maxwell herself finally had a death of heat from the ceiling of the window and only gave up when absolutely helpless. The children were accustomed to fire drills regularly every week. On discovering the fire the gong was at once rung, but for some reason, not yet explained, did not regularly ring. There were 250 pupils in the school at the time. The bigger boys and girls succeeded in escaping from the school, but 16 of the little children and nearly all those of the kindergarten class who were caught.

FISH DEPOSED FOR MISCONDUCT

Harriman Makes a Surprising Statement in His Examination by Interstate Commerce Commissioners.

New York, Feb. 26.—An assertion that Stuyvesant Fish was deposed from the presidency of the Illinois Central because of misconduct as to the funds of the company, continued today to answer questions relating to individual stock transactions; explanations of the transfer of three hundred thousand shares of Southern Pacific stock to William G. Rockefeller during the attempt of James R. Keene to secure control of the road, and of the delayed announcement of the dividends in Union Pacific and Southern Pacific, were among the features of the testimony of E. H. Harriman before the Interstate Commerce commission today. Mr. Harriman occupied the stand all day, his examination being conducted by Frank B. Kellogg of St. Paul, special counsel for the government. The statement of the witness as to Stuyvesant Fish came in the middle of the morning session. Mr. Kellogg in reference to the Illinois Central spoke of the "squabble" between the witness and Mr. Fish. There was a renewal of the objection to the right of the commission to enquire into the private stock transactions of Mr. Harriman and the matter took the same course yesterday. The commission ruled that the questions must be answered, then followed a formal refusal, stated to be upon the advice of counsel, and the record was in each instance formally completed. The most interesting of the objections was to the possible speculation in stock of the Union Pacific in July and August and particularly on the day the announcement of the dividend was held up.

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Feb. 26 (8 p.m.)—Light local snowfalls have occurred today in Ontario, while elsewhere in the Dominion the weather has been fine.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Feb. 26, below: 22; above: 34; Victoria, 42-46; Vancouver, 38-45; Calgary, 6 below-5; Winnipeg, 10 below-4; below: 4; above: 14; Toronto, 4-10; Ottawa, 8 below-6; Montreal, 10 below-7; Quebec, 16 below-2; below: 8; above: 8; Halifax, 2-16.

Probabilities: Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Easterly to northerly winds; fair and cold, light local snow falls.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Easterly to northerly winds; fair and cold; light snow showers.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fair and cold.

Lake Superior—Northerly winds; fine and very cold.

Manitoba—Fair and continued cold.

Saskatchewan and Alberta—Fair, with rising temperatures.

THE BAROMETER

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To-morrow we offer cream and Persian appliques, black chiffon and gull appliques, linen and lace appliques, the regular price of which ranged from 75c to \$2.00 per yard. Tuesday, to clear a yard..... 50

BLACK COTTON HOSE, 25c a pair

A fine new shipment just arrived of Women's Plain Black Cotton Hose, in a nice medium weight, suitable for early spring wear, made of best Maco yarn; also made of fine gauge cotton, double soles, Heilmord stainless dye, spliced heels and toes, sizes 8 1/2 to 10, regular 25c a pair, but special for Thursday, only..... 25

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To-morrow witnesses the last day of our February Shoe Sales. We have been giving very tempting offerings all through this month, and as we bring the month to a satisfactory close we will give for to-morrow such value as we never equalled before.

The lot is composed of Women's High-grade Lace and Button Boots, in patent colt, vied kid, dongola and gum metal calf, Hand-turn and Goodyear welt extension soles, with Cuban or military heels, best New York and Boston makes. There are several of our new spring lines in this collection, all sizes complete, and regularly sold at \$2.75 to \$5..... 2.95

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Indian Remedies

Great virtues are ascribed in India to the claws and horns of certain animals. The claws of a bear, a wolverine and the claws of a moose are in great demand with the common people. One or two claws may be worn near the lions but should one possess a large number of fortunate owner makes a sort of a charm and wears them around his neck.

Deer's horns ground into fine powder is an excellent remedy for rheumatism and is found for the same substance; it is sometimes made into a powder of stunts is supposed to cure the growth of the long and slender tail of the black scorpion are supposed to keep children warm on their winter tread.

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**PRISON LABOR DEBATE
ENDS IN A DIVISION**

Government Sustained by 53 to 16. Studholme (East Hamilton) Voting with Opposition—Messrs. Preston, Hanna and Studholme Contribute to the Argument—Labor Member in Fighting Humor.

Prison labor was the subject of a three-cornered discussion in the legislature yesterday when T. H. Preston moved his representations of April 17 last year on somewhat different grounds, and Hon. W. J. Hanna applied some old and some new arguments. The novel element in the situation was a fifty minute disquisition from Allan Studholme, the labor member from East Hamilton. His speech would have made an impression had he not been interrupted by twenty minutes of a waste of words. The result was a division in which the government was supported by 53 votes against 16. Mr. Studholme recording his first vote with the opposition. The debate arose out of Mr. Preston's motion that the contract system as applied to prison labor is harmful to the prisoners employed on such contracts, prejudicial to both labor and capital employed outside of prison, and opposed to sound public policy. That any contracts with the government for Central Prison labor now in existence should be abrogated at the earliest possible moment. Hon. Mr. Hanna moved in amendment that "this house approves of the announcement made by the government that the whole question of prison labor has been for some time under consideration and will be considered in any way, shape or form, and that any such thing had been considered in any way, shape or form, it might have occurred to the gentleman making the announcement that the hon. gentleman (Hon. J. J. Foy) had on two occasions refused him judicial positions offered him as an inducement to desert the cause he had so much at heart. It was not likely

he would do so now when the opportunity was given him to carry it to such a successful issue. Premier Whitney also announced the decision of the court confirming W. A. Preston in his seat at Port Arthur. His estimate were then brought down, and Hon. A. J. Matheson stated that he would make his financial statement tomorrow. **Objections to Contract System.** In introducing his prison labor motion Mr. Preston said it was not necessary to abandon such a system as that which had been employed in productive labor. The only question was how that labor should be employed. The system of handing over labor to contractors outside the walls was now obsolete. In the public account system the government handled the entire product. Under the contract system the prisoner worked for the contractor, and the contractor employed the prisoner on public works without competition to other interests. The contract system had three objections to it. First, it was a waste of view the method was not helpful to the reformation of the prisoner. United States reports objects to a system that authority was divided and friction arose, the guards keeping goods, which might be used to bribe or get all he could out of him, and secondly, it was objectionable from the point of view of free labor, lowering the standard of wages.

It was injurious to the outside manufacturer. It had been shown that manufacturers had to abandon such lines as were produced by prison labor. Otherwise they had to make an inferior quality of article. In the remotest states of the Union contract labor was forbidden, and the Dominion government had given up the system. The public account system made uniforms for the mounted police or worked under the public account system. **Going back to 1890 Mr. Preston** quoted Sir W. R. Meredith and asked why the contract system had not been submitted for competition in the present instance. Sir William had asked 37 years ago, "The government could not afford to disband this army of prisoners, and as a result of the report made the contract system was changed to a public account system. There was a steady drift under all governments from the contract system to systems under which the government was in entire control. **Cause and Effect.** It was the policy of the late government, asserted Mr. Preston, to do away with the contract system. The recent woodenware contract had been made at a lower rate than that which had been condemned 16 years before by the friends of the present government. The contract was made by the late government, and the present government was bound to honor it. **"We are indebted to that for the present resolution,"** retorted Premier Whitney.

Mr. Preston argued from the figures he gave that lower rates were paid under the present contract than under the Brandon contract. **A good deal of good-humored banter** passed across the floor as Mr. Preston proceeded to Premier Whitney elicited the fact that Mr. Preston was relying on figures prepared by Mr. Cane of Newmarket, a prominent Liberal manufacturer. Mr. Preston remarked that the government would have to settle with the labor party. **"We will do that,"** returned the premier. **An unfavorable comparison** had been drawn by the provincial secretary be-



Skidoo to You!
Old Bound Ledger: "Well, I guess my time's up. Those Copeland-Chatterton people are right—the perpetual Ledger is the thing."

tween the public accounts system, by charging against it the loss sustained in material taken over, and the contractor to that extent the public accounts system was unfairly loaded. The cost of guards, bookkeeping, auditing etc., had not been reckoned, and should be placed against the contractor, since the public accounts system had to bear all these expenses. He thought that on the face of it the Taylor, Scott Company had not paid as much as they had expected to. **Hon. Mr. Hanna** stated that they had never been in a deficit position. **From United States penitentiary** figures Mr. Preston argued that the rates under the contract were lower than those paid in a number of states 60c and 65c being paid under contract, while 60c, which is the Ontario maximum, was made to meet the minimum of the states quoted, and 45c was the lowest figure he could find. **The financial side** was the least important, Mr. Preston urged, citing the case of the boys at Pennington distributed by Superintendent Keiso among foster homes. Agricultural work he submitted, was the most desirable in which to engage convict labor. The good roads system might be assisted by the manufacture of cement culverts to be given to the municipalities, and colonization on both sides of the house would sympathize with the provincial secretary in any efforts he made to deal with the question.

Provincial Secretary Replies. Hon. Mr. Hanna's satisfaction that the motion had been brought forward. The government had not waited for the motion, however, and had proceeded to deal with it. Some-thing had been stated that the matter had been under consideration, that it could not be dealt with as a matter of good discipline, and that it would be dealt with about it would be laid before the house. **The question had not suddenly assumed** its present importance, but was a legacy of the previous administration. The system of idleness had been productive of much trouble, and it was a discipline, and had been a cause of expense. **From 1842 it had been established** that the public account system should be served at Kingston. John S. MacDonald stated that the Central Prison was intended for prisoners serving over six months, and that the contract was opened on June 1, 1874, and started with all the labor under contract, and the contract had not been altered since a great portion of the labor had not been under contract under Liberal rule. One of the early contracts was at 50c a day, with the Canada Car and Steel Company, but it never was paid, and the reason given was that prison labor was not worth anything. **It was not fair,** it was then shown, to compare the United States prison labor with the contract system. The terms and conditions of the contract were different, and the average term was about eight months. **The contract had been pointed** out as being in striking contrast with the Taylor, Scott contract. It had netted the government a profit of \$12,000, and the contractors had kept getting deeper and deeper into the government's debt, until in 1895 the public account system was introduced. **The account was squared** by increasing the inventory of materials, by borrowing and making a couple of cross entries. **Costly to Province.** From its inception down till 1905 he ventured to estimate that the province received one cent for prison labor, and he questioned if the actual loss would run into many thousands of dollars. **There were four classes of labor** when the government came into office. Supplies for hospitals, the institutions were manufactured in the prison under the old government, and the present government had continued this. **His honor** would not allow it was at least objectionable in its relation to outside labor. 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Substitute Employment.

They might be employed in road-making, and there would be a saving in jail in the district. The limit had been made an object, but it was not found to be so in Dakota. The men might be trusted at outside labor more freely in Ontario, as there was less inducement to escape. He cited the experience of the Mevor re-uge in this respect, and pointed out that the most offender was not so much as he was painted. The farm would give him a better chance, and if the problem could thus be solved, the government would have accomplished in three years what the Liberal government had stood before help for 27 years. He concluded by announcing that the government would issue a commission to inquire into the whole subject, members of which would be announced before the close of the session.

Studholme Speaks.

Allan Studholme had not made many notes, for he asked several questions in his speech which had been already dealt with, and he had not assured himself of the ground of the accuracy of several statements, taking, as he declared, "the Grit newspapers" as his authority. He began by asking if the government had not promised in the campaign of 1905 to have all prison-made goods so labelled. Mr. Hanna's obvious report was that the government was not then in existence. Some candidates might have done so, but the government realized this was not a full measure of relief, and they were prepared to give a full measure of relief.

Mr. Studholme then asked if 25 per cent. only of the prison goods were sold in Ontario, whereas the balance sold in Mr. Hanna replied in England, Africa, South America, Australia and in other parts of the Dominion.

"I am very pleased to get this information," said Mr. Studholme, "as it shows the inconsistency of the government, whose policy it is to exclude such goods coming from England." The government front benches were unable to persuade Mr. Studholme that they had not Dominion legislative powers, and he proceeded. He warned Mrs. Taylor that the sooner she gave up her contract the better it would be for her. There had been a woman in everything since the Fall in Eden, and he drew a dubious inference. There were too many lawyers doing business in places where what was needed was level-headed business men or mechanics. How would the honorable members like to work at 48 an hour, he wondered. The

government and the opposition had been merely housecleaning, and he gave them notice that their sins would find them out.

"We will put you back where you were so many years ago if you do not stop that contract and stamp the goods prison-made," he threatened the government. Labor had nothing to expect, he asserted, from Grit or Tory, constituted as they were to-day. He next charged Mr. Hanna with having entered into a family compact in the Taylor contract, and alluded to mysterious money matters.

Assault on Cabinet.

Hon. Mr. Hanna: I hope the other remarks of the hon. gentleman in the house have a better foundation than the present one. I have no connection either near or remote with Taylor, Scott & Co. If the hon. gentleman thinks there is anything of that sort of thing he should ask for an investigation and he would get it to his heart's content.

Mr. Studholme, as usual, was very pleased to receive the information, and turned on Col. Hendrie, who had promised to resign, he stated, as a protest against the government.

Hon. Mr. Hendrie explicitly denied the charge.

Mr. Studholme said he could show him the promise on the back of one of his election cards.

Col. Hendrie offered to produce one of his election cards.

"If you will read it you will find your statement is not correct," Col. Hendrie assured the Third Party. Mr. Studholme was not abashed, however, and with some remarks on the ethics of stealing turkeys returned to the prison labor problem. He wished the government to pay a fair day's wage to the prisoners for their labor, and give a portion of it to the wives and children of the incarcerated. The provincial secretary had not yet told the house, he stated, what Taylor, Scott & Co. were getting out of the deal. He had heard of the study of hypnotism, where people shake their hands at you and put you to sleep.

"Honorable Hanna must have signed that contract under such influences," he declared, while everyone in the house roared with laughter. He threw down a challenge to Mr. Hanna to meet him on any platform to discuss the question, offering to pay half the rent of a hall. He saw from his speech that Mr. Hanna was a fighter and he liked to meet such a man.

Like children.

The two parties acted like children, however, one saying the other had done something and the other replying they had done so too. There was no sense in that. Why didn't Mr. Hanna get up in his place like a man and admit he had made a mistake? Any man who would do that could have his vote. He had no use for a man who merely made ex-

uses and didn't give one common-sense reason for it. It was not because he was Mr. Hanna he blamed him.

"He is not the man for the place. The manly man will come to the top every time," was his remark.

At this juncture Mr. May called Mr. Studholme's attention to the 6 o'clock rule, and he offered to stop.

"Not at all," said Premier Whitney. "The hon. gentleman must have his time," and Mr. Studholme took another seat on the bench, in which he asserted that the question must be discussed from the widest standpoint and the present discussion would show the people of Ontario how important it was.

Questions Answered.

In reply to Hon. G. P. Graham's questions, how many hours of labor were furnished by the Central Prison inmates to the Ontario Electric Co. during the year 1906, and what amount of money was paid by Heleg Charlotte Taylor for the labor of Central Prison inmates during the year 1906, with the dates and amounts of the several payments, Hon. Mr. Hanna stated 288,887 hours and in 19 payments of as many different dates, a total of \$911.23.

To J. A. McMillan, who asked what were the names of all woodward manufacturers to whom the provincial secretary, or other official of the government, communicated the intention of the government to let the wood-working shop at the Central Prison? Mr. Hanna said the intention of the government was generally known to those in the trade, who had dealings with the north shop, Taylor, Scott & Co. was the only firm with whom negotiations were taken up.

Hon. Mr. Hanna stated in reply to Mr. Preston (Brand) that the original cost of lumber taken from the government by Taylor, Scott & Co. ranged from \$20 to \$25. What was on hand as received from shippers was turned over to Taylor, Scott & Co. at cost to the government. What had been culled and worked over was sold on a valuation by Samuel McBride, wholesale lumberman, Toronto. He valued it from \$11 to \$12 per cord, and reported that it was remnants and poor ends of several years' standing. This was verified by others as well. Taylor, Scott & Co. took it over at this valuation. All other raw materials sold to Taylor, Scott & Co. were sold at exact cost. The total amount paid by Taylor, Scott & Co. was \$24,944.19.

The choir and congregation of Trinity Methodist Church were highly gratified by the excellent service given by Mr. J. Churchill Arlidge during the absence through illness of the organist, Peter C. Kennerly. The city will have representatives at the meeting of the National Dairyman's Show at the Reginald Hotel to-day. These will be Property Commissioner Harris and Ald. Chisholm.

Will Become Lieutenant-Governor--Resulting Cabinet Changes.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 26--(Special).--There is now no doubt Premier Tweedie will be the next lieutenant-governor of New Brunswick his place as leader of the government being taken by Hon. William Fugatey, attorney-general.

Just what will be taken into the cabinet to succeed Mr. Tweedie as provincial secretary is not known, but the prospects are that Hon. C. N. I. Kerner, recorder of the City of St. John and at present acting judge of probates, will be the man.

This will mean that some private member will resign, probably Mr. J. Purdy, one of the members of the city.

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Good demand for stocks in the loan crowd.

Sharp decline in copper stocks in London.

Harriman says \$80,000,000 of water injected into the Colorado Fuel & Iron.

Steel trade shows no importance to rumors of depression.

The talks are expected to meet the spring demand for currency.

London settlement for new day, and quotations are now for the afternoon.

Meeting for dividend on Soo about Feb. 27.

Missouri Legislature passed a two-cent annual railroad rate bill yesterday.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Havana Electric Company was scheduled for today in Havana.

Union Pacific suffered a decline of a little over a point, but has been a good day for the stock.

Investment in American securities.

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On Wall Street.

Marshall, Spader & Co. wired J. G. Beatty of the close of the market.

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CONTRADICTORY EVIDENCE. St. Catharines Court Airing Charges of Attempted Bribery of Aldermen.

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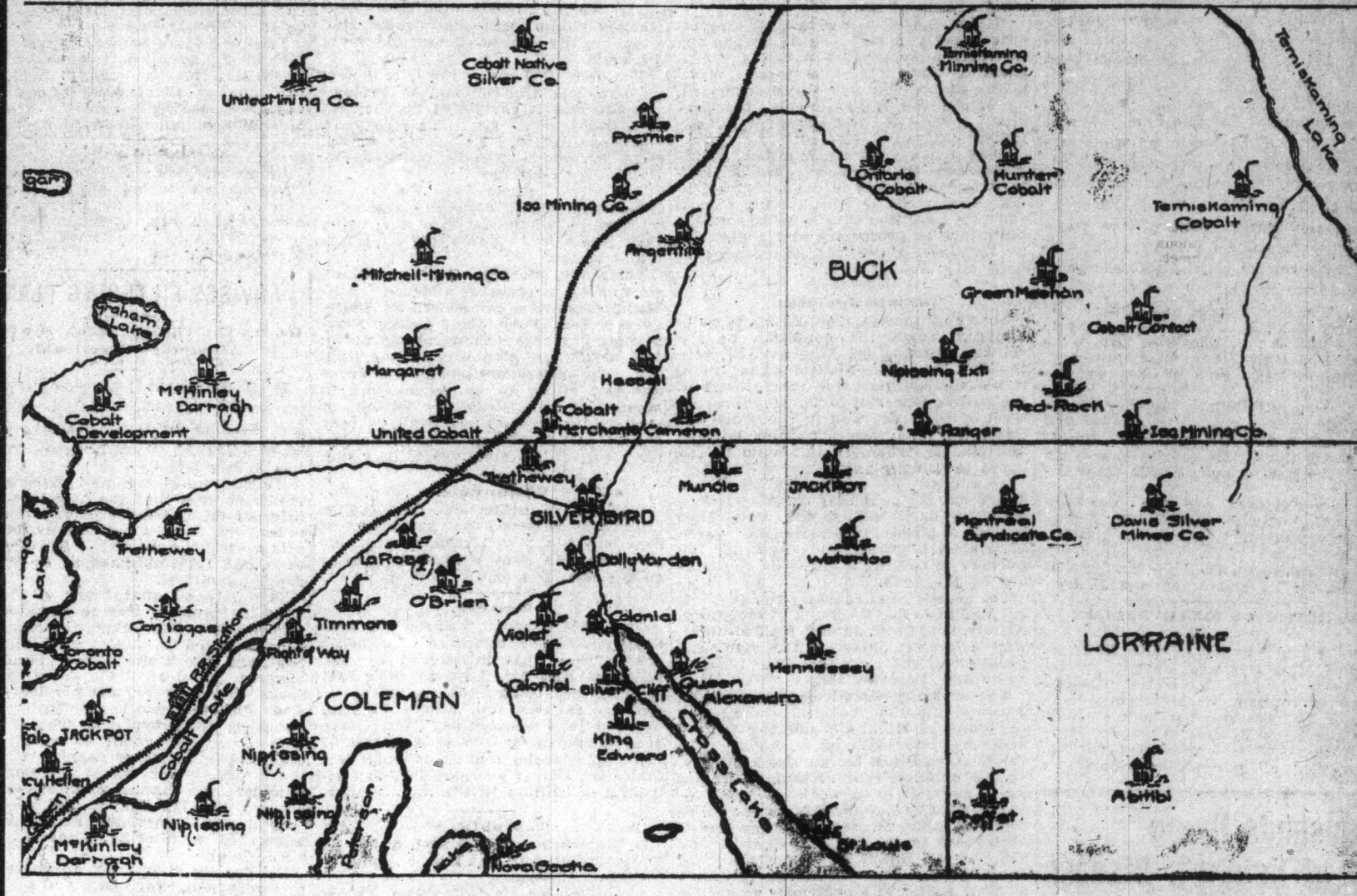
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