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THE RAILWAY QUESTION.

Requesting the Mayor to Call Another Meeting.

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WESTERN VIEWS ON CROW'S NEST

Members Representing Manitoba, Northwest and B. U. Present Their Views.

The Late Conservative Administration Promised the C. P. R. About \$25,000 per Mile.

More Dismissals - Charlton's Sedition Bill - Representative Contingent for England

Ottawa, Ont., April 13.—Manitoba, Northwest and British Columbia members waited on Hon. Mr. Laurier and other members of the government to-day and presented their views in regard to the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass railway. From information which the members got, the late government had made a pledge giving the construction of the road to the Canadian Pacific, and that government aid, including subsidy, would amount in all to about \$25,000 per mile. This is what the government estimates as entire cost of building the road. If the government could get certain concessions in the way of rates, etc., from the Canadian Pacific, the cost would be reduced to about \$10,000 per mile. It was stated that they would not get more than \$10,000 per mile.

Hon. Mr. Sifton was present during most of the interview. A strong case was put forward by the deputation. It was pointed out that the government are perfectly free up to the present to adopt any course desired in regard to the railway. Negotiations have been pending with the C. P. R. for some time, but nothing definite has been agreed on and nothing definite will be agreed to without absolutely settling the question of the west. The government in regard to the west in many cases in the past has been a mistake and the government will endeavor to reverse that policy and have affairs conducted in the interests of the country. It was intimated that the only conditions on which an agreement will be made with the C. P. R. will be that the government will have control of the C. P. R. over the Crow's Nest railway, and the control of the rates by the government. Other important concessions will be insisted on such as the surrender of the road as only be reduced when the road is earning ten per cent on stock. The brief prevailed that such concessions will be obtained by the government, before giving a loan of \$10,000 a mile for 325 miles from Lethbridge to Rossland. From all that can be learned the government are negotiating with the company and making a pretty hard bargain. It was pointed out to the delegation that if the government built the road itself there would be no lever left to exact concessions from the company. Sir Donald Smith may curtail his visit to Canada somewhat owing to the illness of his wife. He told me last night that he would be here at least two weeks yet. All his talk of sending Sir Donald Smith to London as high commissioner, replacing Sir Donald, seems to be laid out. It would be difficult for the government to get along without Sir Donald as he is an able man. He is still suffering from rheumatism, but appears regularly in the house. The government has for the present abandoned all hope of making a treaty with the United States. Possibly after the summer the government may make attempts to have a commission appointed to negotiate fully into the question. Mr. Hogan, of Nanaimo, is here on business with the interior department. Was the Indian lands agent at Westport, Ont., and three forest bailiffs would under him, have been dismissed. He has irregularities in the distribution of his duties. Mr. J. W. Johnston, formerly editor of the Whaling Free Press, is engaged in organization work here. George Webster, chief clerk of the interior department, is to be dismissed and the position abolished. He was appointed to the office at the last general election with a salary of \$1,800, being the partner of Hon. J. F. Wood, of the committee of the house met this morning for organization. The following were elected: Private bills, Mr. Scriver; public accounts, Jas. McLaughlin; standing orders, Mr. Landerkin; petitions and canals, Jas. Sutherland; addresses and elections, Francis Lange; agriculture, Thomas Bain; expiring laws, Beausoleil.

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Residents of Iowa Fleeing from the Advancing Floods.

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GETTING SERIOUS

Great Britain and United States Still Wrestle With the Sealing Question.

Heads of the Sealing Industry in London Express Their Views to a Reporter.

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THE MOST PREVALENT TROUBLE OF THE CENTURY.

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THE SEAL QUESTION

British Government Objects to the Indiscriminate Search of Sealing Schooners.

The United States Insist That Firearms Shall Be Placed Under Seal.

Washington, April 11.—The recent agreement of Secretary Foster and the Assistant Secretary Hamlin by the British government to assist in the negotiations...

The diplomatic correspondence of the past year makes it evident that a severe strain was placed upon the patience of the British and the United States...

The British government appears to have begun generally through the refusal of the British authorities to renew last year's regulations requiring British vessels...

CRITICAL CONDITION

Of Thousands of Canadians

BLOOD IS FOUL AND DISEASED.

Paine's Celery Compound the Great Spring Cleanser.

Is your blood impure and poisoned? It is if you have eruptions, blotches, pimples, sores, eczema, salt rheum, etc.

THE SABBATH DAY.

Rev. Dr. Campbell's Lecture on Its Observance.

The Sunday evening Rev. Dr. Campbell's lecture on the observance of the Sabbath...

TWO MEN KILLED.

Fatal Accident This Morning on the Grand Trunk Railway.

Toronto, April 14.—The Grand Trunk express from Chicago to Montreal was unfortunately enough to kill two men this morning.

AN INSURANCE MAN'S STORY.

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QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Helmecken, rising to a question of privilege, called attention to a paragraph in Friday's Colonist which appeared to reflect on the Speaker's ruling in the matter of Mr. Booth's resolution to give Mr. Cotton's motion dealing with the Toronto system and the mortgage tax a thorough look.

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Water Clauses. The house went into committee with Dr. Walkem in the chair to further consider the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897.

RAILWAY AID. When the Loan Bill was called for second reading, Mr. Semlin asked the premier when he intended to move the second reading of this bill.

DAIRYING. Hon. Mr. Turner moved the second reading of the Dairy Association Amendment Bill. He said the object of the bill was to extend the powers of Dairy Associations.

PUBLIC SCHOOL BILL. Hon. Col. Baker moved the second reading of the Public School Bill. He said the object was to give the city of Vancouver the power of electing a school trustee.

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ESQUIMALT CHOSEN

Select Committee of the Council and Board of Trade Choose Smelter Site.

As No Available Site Can Be Secured in the City Limits They Select Esquimalt.

Power To Be Asked from Legislature to Grant a Bonus Outside the City Limits.

The regular meeting of the city council was held yesterday evening, when the following letter was received from Mr. Selover regarding the smelter proposition:

Dear Sir, Victoria, B.C., April 6, 1897. To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Victoria: Gentlemen: Agreeable to and in conformity with the resolution passed by the joint committee appointed by His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to meet and agree upon some plan with us for the erection here of a smelter, we have the honor to advise you that we have agreed to operate for a period of 30 days on or more stacks, to demonstrate to you that our plant is what is known as a steam plant. Immediately thereafter the sum of fifty thousand dollars cash shall be paid to our trustees; one year from the date of said test a further sum of fifty thousand dollars shall be paid to said trustees; and two years from the date of said test a further and final payment of fifty thousand dollars shall be paid to the said trustees, making in all the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

If this proposition meets with favor and is approved by the vote of your people, we are ready to begin active operations and push the same to completion. Very respectfully submitted, W.M. SELOVER, JR.

The letter was received and read. The report of the special committee formed to consider the matter, which was then presented was as follows: "Your committee in conjunction with a committee from the Board of Trade held two meetings, at which Mr. Selover and Mr. Remington were present, and after considerable discussion the following resolution was adopted: "That the proposition of the Selover syndicate for the construction and equipment of a smelter to cost \$450,000 and to be capable of treating 400 tons of ore per day of 24 hours be adopted for submission to the council, the payment of the bonus to be made on the following terms, namely, \$50,000 within 30 days of completion of works and demonstration of the capacity of same as specified, a further sum of \$50,000 to be paid within twelve months from date of the first payment, and the balance of \$50,000 to be paid within two years from said date of first payment. This resolution was moved by Hon. B. W. Pearce and seconded by Ald. McGregor. Since the resolution was passed Mr. Selover, on behalf of his syndicate, has accepted the proposition set forth in the resolution.

"Mr. Remington informs us," the report said, "that the only available site in the city limits is the Indian reservation, and his opinion is that it would not be advisable to locate a smelter in the heart of the city, and would recommend that the legislature be requested to give the city power to bonus a smelter at Esquimalt where a suitable site can easily be had.

The following letter was also received from Mr. Selover: "I beg to advise having received a dispatch from my syndicate stating that the terms of payment of the bonus are accepted. I shall be glad to complete the negotiations as soon as possible, my syndicate being prepared to proceed with their undertaking at once."

Ald. McCandless moved that the report be adopted. The committee had, he said, searched the city for a site, but there was not a suitable location for a smelter inside the city limits. He thought the legislature should be asked to allow the council to bonus a smelter outside the city limits. Ald. McGregor, who seconded the motion, was of the same opinion. The resolution was then put and carried.

Among the other communications received was a letter from the office of Mr. Ritchie, acknowledging the receipt of \$150, the payment of that engineer for his inspection and report on the Beaver Lake water works. This was received and filed.

Munroe Miller, president of the Fruit-growers' Association of Victoria district, wrote asking for another interview with the city council in reference to the use of the city market stalls. The request was granted and a meeting with the fruit-growers will take place on Wednesday afternoon next at three o'clock.

D. F. Adams, who supplied the lumber to the city under contract with the last council, wrote "as a parting shot" asking that the matters relating to the purchase of lumber be gone into and complaining of orders for the supply of lumber being given to other firms. All Stewart moved that the letter be received and filed.

"No," said Ald. McGregor, "it's not awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, DR. ROBERTZ'S CREAM BAKING POWDER MOST PERFECT MADE. A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia. Used on any other adulterant 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

CITIZENS UNANIMOUS

Government Called Upon to Grant Aid to the Coast-Kootenay Railway.

They Do Not Want the Penticton Line Bonus Handed Over to Mr. Heinze.

Mr. Helmcken Falls in Line With Public Opinion and Favors the Scheme.

The people of Victoria at the public meeting held last evening again endorsed the Coast-Kootenay railway scheme and urged upon the provincial government the desirability of assisting the road.

The meeting was unanimous and consequently harmonious. Mayor Redfern was voted to the chair and read the requisition, already published, on which the meeting was called. The requisition was signed by 112 resident ratepayers of the city. Without adding anything to the requisition the mayor called on Ald. McCandless, who explained that he was not interested in the Victoria and Eastern railway, nor had he been asked by any member of the company to work for the line. He supported it because he had been through the Kootenay country and believed the road would pay for the start, which was more than could be said of some roads now running. The line, he believed, was more necessary than other lines for which aid was being asked. Some roads proposed to lead population into the country which they were to pass through, while this line had a population at each end. When Marcus Smith explained the country through which the Coast-Kootenay road would pass he was looking for a one per cent. grade. Things which were not thought impossible are now quite practicable. A three or four per cent. grade is not a matter with Mr. Heinze. The line would not be as hard to build as had been other lines through the mountains. He believed the problem of British Columbia's prospect was about to be solved. He moved as follows:

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TORONTOIANS IN TROUBLE. Well Known Doctor and Constable Charged With Procuring Abortion.

Toronto, April 14.—In the police court this morning Dr. Walter Hamilton, the well known practitioner, and Police Constable Binstard were charged with procuring an abortion on a 17-year-old girl named McNally. The girl claims she was seduced by Binstard, who is a married man, and was taken by him to a doctor, who performed the operation. The first time it was unsuccessful, but he made a second successful attempt. The prisoners refused to plead and the case was remanded, but being refused.

Larissa, April 15.—There in the Turkish reports that irregulars have been driven from Larissa. A few irregulars were part of the expeditionary returned to Greek territory and have retreated across the frontier. The main body of the irregulars is continuing its successful advance against the Turks, with a view to raising the Macedonian rule of the Sultan.

The report of the capture north of Balkin, by the Greek army, and in addition to the forces of the irregulars, the army forces have advanced to Larissa, where there is a bridge across a mountain. From that point Chief I. is directing operations, sending men consisting of Italian, Cyprian, the well known Ser, to the left of Pivastri, structures to attack and capture a small town occupying an important strategic position. It accomplished their task in a most creditable manner. The irregulars are being driven to the Turkish frontier.

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