

RAILWAY TO KLONDIKE.

Best Route Will be Through Canadian Territory.

The papers report a contract entered into by the Dominion government and Messrs. McKenzie and Mann to build a railway from the Stickeen river to Lake Teslin. The Montreal Witness, a fair paper, with a leaning towards the government says:—

An all-Canadian route to the Klondike, preserving the trade of the gold fields for the Canadian people, and other advantages have been secured by the government without the payment of a single dollar in cash subsidy. The contract has been signed, subject to ratification by parliament, with Messrs. MacKenzie and Mann. The principal terms of it are as follows:—

A winter road is to be begun from the mouth of the Stickeen river to Teslin Lake immediately and finished in six weeks, or by March 10.

A railway is to be built from navigable waters on the Stickeen river at a point in Canada to Teslin Lake, all through Canadian territory. This road, a hundred and fifty miles in length, is to be built and equipped and operated before Sept. 1, 1898, or in seven months from now.

A prolongation of the railway from the Stickeen river southward to an ocean port in British Columbia may be built when required by the government of Canada, in which case the contractors are to have the offer to construct it if they agree to the terms to be imposed by the government.

The contractors are bound to provide steamship communication for passengers and freight from the terminus of the railway at Teslin Lake down the Hootalinqua to Dawson City.

All rates on the proposed railway for freight and passengers are to be first settled by the Privy Council, reduced twenty-five per cent at the end of four years, further reduced by another twenty-five per cent at the end of seven years, and after ten years such rates to be fixed under the general Railway Act.

The contractors are to receive twenty-five thousand acres of land per mile in the Yukon district as a subsidy for the building of the winter road and of the railway, the lands to be so located that the government and the contractors will have alternate lots of a size six miles by three miles. All the land granted is to be subject to a royalty on the gold contained therein of one per cent, payable to the government. No portion of the lands is to be selected by the company until ten miles of the railway are first built and operated, and ninety-two thousand acres may be selected and run out when each ten miles of the railway are built and operated.

All free miners' claims located under government regulations before these lands are selected and base lines run, are reserved for the miners.

The rivers, streams and lakes forming the water stretch from Teslin Lake to Dawson City and a strip of land along each bank are reserved for the public, and the public rights of navigation and the use of all navigable and floating streams are preserved.

The contractors agree to deposit \$250,000 as security for the performance of the contract.

One of the most gratifying features of this important contract, and one which reverses the practice hitherto followed in Canada, is that instead of paying subsidies in cash for the building of the railway, Canada receives one-quarter of a million dollars as a deposit guaranteeing the satisfactory construction of the railway before Sept. 1 next, and a royalty on the gold yield of the lands granted to the contractors. This land grant may be of considerable value to the contractors if they prospect for gold and find it, but in doing so the operation of the contract mechanically enriches the treasury of Canada at the same time, because every block of land which yields them a return will have alongside of it an alternate block of equal dimensions, the property of the government of Canada and a large revenue-producer. At the same time, the Dominion secures the building of a road which Sir Charles Tupper described as part of an all-Canadian route, and one the building of which is essential to the speedy development of that country. Evidently the public rights have been well looked after, and the free miners' claims are given absolute protection, which is a very satisfactory feature of the contract.

By the construction of this work, the most feasible route to the Klondike will be through Canadian territory.

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The Dreyfus Affair.

PARIS, January 28.—M. Zola in a second letter to the Aurore, replies to Minister of War's summons which he received to appear before the Assize Court. He protests against his prosecution being limited to certain points, and reminds the Minister of the charges he has made against Major Paty Du Clam, General Mercier, General de Boisdeffre, General Gonze, General de Pellieux and Major Ravary. "I have made these statements," he adds, "and I adhere to them. It is really possible you do not agree to a discussion of charges which have been distinctly formulated, and which are no less serious for the accuser than for the accused? There has been brought to your notice the law dated July 29, 1881, which contains article 52 which does not permit of proof being offered except on facts circumstantially stated and described. In the summons you think I can't bring forward such proof. You are wrong. I shall have as judges twelve independent French citizens. I shall conquer by force of justice. I will illuminate the consciences of all with the radiance of truth. With the very first words you will see the subtleties of procedure brushed aside by

proof. This proof the law orders me to adduce, and the law would be false if while imposing this duty upon me, it did not afford me means of fulfilling it. That proof is the force on which I rely."

Linseed and Turpentine are not only popular remedies, but are the best known to medical science for the treatment of the nervous membranes of respiratory organs. Dr. Chase compounded this valuable Syrup so as to take away the unpleasant taste of turpentine and linseed.

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What Fredericton Thinks.

The Gleaner thinks that if Woodstock form a company to deal in farmers' produce it will be the gainer, while Fredericton will suffer. In a recent editorial, the Gleaner says:—

"The Board of Trade of Woodstock have by resolution, unanimously adopted, recommended the organization of a company for the handling of agricultural produce brought into that town. Four years ago The Gleaner advised that such a company be organized for Fredericton; and while the suggestion was well received there were none who cared to assume the responsibility of moving in the matter. If the Woodstock people adopted the suggestion of the Board of Trade, and arrange to buy up country produce to be shipped to the larger centres for sale, Fredericton will be injuriously effected, for naturally our country friends at or near the upper end of the county will proceed to Woodstock to do business instead of, as now, to this city. It is the duty of our people to take prompt action in this matter."

Woodstock Market.

Loose hay \$5.50 to \$6.00.
Pressed hay, \$7.00 to \$7.50.
Oats, .20 to .22.
Potatoes, .80 to \$1.00.
Firkin butter, 14½.
Roll butter, 16.
Cheese, .09.
Lard, .09 to .10.
Pork, .05 to .05½.
Beef, .04½ to .05.
Chickens, lb., .06 to .07.
Geese, lb., .07.
Ducks, lb., .08.
Turkeys, lb., .10.
Beans, yellow eyes, \$1.10.
Onions, \$1.00.
Buckwheat Meal, .80 to .90.
White Beans, \$1.00.
Hard wood dry per cord, \$3 00.
Hard wood green per cord, \$2.50.
Choice lots of butter are sold to private parties for 20cts. per lb.

Notice of Sale.

To Wallace W. Ross of Hartland in the County of Carleton and Province of New Brunswick, trader, and all others whom it may concern:—

TAKE NOTICE that there will be sold by Public Auction in front of the Post Office in the Town of Woodstock in the said County of Carleton on SATURDAY, the FIFTH day of MARCH 1898, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the following lands and premises: All that certain piece or parcel of land and premises situate in Hartland in the Parish of Brighton and County of Carleton aforesaid, and lying and being on the western side of the main highway road leading through Hartland Village to Woodstock, and bounded as follows:—Beginning on the western side of said Road and running westerly by the southern side of William McAdam's Blacksmith shop and in a straight line with said shop fifty eight feet more or less to a certain cedar stake, thence southerly parallel with said highway thirty feet to another stake, thence easterly to the side of said highway fifty eight feet more or less, thence northerly by the side of the said highway to the place of beginning, and being same land described in the deed from George R. Burt and wife to said Wallace W. Ross and J. Wesley Atwater, bearing date the twelfth day of October, A. D. 1885, and recorded in Book "N", number three, of Carleton County records, on pages 698 and 699, together with all and singular the buildings, fences and improvements thereon or belonging or appertaining to said premises.

The above sale will be made under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety six, and made and executed by Wallace W. Ross of Hartland in the County of Carleton and Province of New Brunswick, trader, of the first part, and the Globe Savings and Loan Company of the second part, and recorded in the office of the registrar of deeds for the County of Carleton as No. 38367 in book "W", No. three, pages 124, 125, 126 of records, default having been made in the payment of money secured by and in the performance of the covenants contained in the said mortgage.

Also all that other certain lot, piece or parcel of land and premises situate in the Parish of Peel in the County of Carleton and Province of New Brunswick bounded and described as follows, being: "All that lot of land situate in the Parish of Peel in the County of Carleton and Province of New Brunswick, and being part of lot number sixty four, containing one and one-quarter acres more or less, and being the same piece or lot of land heretofore conveyed by one Avard Hannon and his wife to one Roderick R. Ross, by deed bearing date the fourth day of October, A. D. 1861, and recorded in the records of the said County of Carleton in book "Y" of records on pages 413 and 414, as by reference to said deed will more fully and at large appear, said lot having been afterwards, by deed bearing date the second day of November, A. D. 1895, and recorded in said Carleton County records in book "Y", No. three, on pages 769 and 770, conveyed to said Wallace W. Ross by Charlotte W. Ross and others, the widow and heirs of the late Roderick R. Ross, late of said Parish of Peel, farmer, deceased", together with all and singular the buildings, fences, and improvements thereon or belonging or appertaining to said premises.

The sale of the last described and mentioned property will be made under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the twenty-first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety six, and made and executed by Wallace W. Ross of Peel in the County of Carleton and Province of New Brunswick, butcher, of the first part, and the Globe Savings and Loan Company of the second part, and recorded in the office of the registrar of deeds for the County of Carleton as No. 38544, in book "W", No. three, of records, on pages 337, 338 and 339, default having been made in the payment of money secured by and in the performance of the covenants contained in the said Mortgage.

In witness whereof the said Globe Savings and Loan Company, in pursuance of a resolution passed by the Board of Directors of the said company, have caused the corporate seal of the said company to be hereunto affixed, and these presents to be signed by their President and their Managing Director and Secretary, this twenty fourth day of January A. D. 1898.

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Phonographs in Russia.

Edison's phonograph has had a battle royal with Russian press censorship, says the Anglo-Russian. In the pavilion of the public gardens in Taganrog the machine was exhibited, and attracted large audiences. It played and sang and laughed and spoke for some time undisturbed, until a police officer heard the machine reciting one of Kiroff's famous fables, viz., "Demyan's Ukha" (soup or hospitality), but with some variations on the original text. The officer got suspicious, and not trusting to his memory, he ran at once and got Kiroff's book, and came again to listen to the phonograph's version of the fable reproduced not at all as it was passed by the censorship more than half a century ago. An alarm was raised at once, the higher local authorities communicated with, and the manager of the pavilion, Mr. Parafinovich, was called upon to explain the behaviour of that speaking American beast. All the poor manager could do was to open the mysterious inside of the criminal machine and hand over to the authorities the indiscreet cylinder which threatened to tell the peaceable inhabitants so many undesirable things. But the arrest of the chief criminal was considered insufficient, as it could not have acted without a human accomplice. So, according to the Taganrog Viestnik, the affair has taken its official course, and the innocent manager of the pavilion has lost in the meantime his generally good appetite and sound sleep, as he does not know in what punishment the official proceedings will result, and how long he will have to wait until his fate is decided.

Cease from antedating your experiences. Sufficient for to-day are the duties of to-day. Don't waste life in doubts and fears; spend yourself on the work before you, well assured that the right performance of the hour's duties will be the best preparation for the hours or ages that follow it. 'Tis the measure of a man, his apprehension of a day.

The teacher of the infant class at the Sunday school, to interest the little ones, had begun to tell the story of the fall of man, when a mite of a girl was heard to exclaim half aloud, "Oh, I'm so tired of that story about the Adamsses."

18 YEARS TOWN CONSTABLE.

Mr. B. Knisley, Hagersville, Ont., holds the record of having been town constable for 18 years. Mr. Knisley says: "I was cured of kidney and bladder weakness by three boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills. I often had to rise five or six times in the night on account of bladder weakness. The pills entirely did away with this annoying symptom. I highly recommend them for all kidney or bladder troubles."

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AMHERSTBURG, Ont., Jan. 31.—Jas. R. Gillean, proprietor of the Lakeview Hotel, here, is one of the happiest men in town. For some years past, he has been in very poor health, and was a great sufferer from Kidney Disease.

In spite of all that medical skill, and numerous remedies could do, Mr. Gillean grew gradually worse. His sufferings increased, and there seemed to be no hope of curing the disease.

One day a friend called to see him, and advised him to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, telling him they had cured a number of cases, of which he knew, and which were all worse than Mr. Gillean's. The latter procured a box, and so much good did it do him, that he bought three more. These cured him completely and he is now obliged to hold quite a reception, every day, so many friends call to congratulate him on his happy recovery.

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