

THE WOODSTOCK DISPATCH.

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THE VALLEY ROUTE.

The delegates who went to Ottawa to press the claims of the St. John River valley route for the new transcontinental railroad have returned well satisfied that the government will give the matter the most thorough consideration. It is certain that the cause of the valley route has been most materially aided by the delegation. Facts were brought to the notice of the committee who received the delegates of which they seemed to have had little previous knowledge, or to which they must have paid very slight attention.

It is not however for the first time in the history of this country that a plea has been put forward for the building of a line of railway from Quebec down the valley of the River St. John. Nearly forty years ago, when the building of the Intercolonial Railway was under consideration the government of the day was strongly urged to construct that railway over the route that nature fixed upon as the natural highway across this province. The contention was then made that a railway over this route would be more cheaply built and would when completed afford less costly transportation than one over either of the other two routes then advocated, viz., the present route of the Intercolonial and the proposed "central route" of the G. T. P. The just claim was then put forward also, that the fertile and populated valley would afford a greater amount of local traffic for the railroad. These arguments were simply unanswerable from an economic point of view and other reasons were sought for a justification of the government's course in selecting a route that damned the Intercolonial railroad before the rails were laid. The advocates of the north shore and central routes claimed that the valley route was too close to the border of what might prove to be a hostile foreign country. This was just after the famous snowshoe march of the militia of this province to Quebec. The valley route was condemned and the long route was selected. Today the government is face to face with the proposition of locating another and a greater road. The arguments that prevailed in the infancy of the Dominion prevail today with greater force, with a force that seems to us to be irresistible. The one argument in favour of the central route is that it is shorter by nearly seventeen miles than the route that is the choice of the people of this province,—nearly seventeen miles in a transportation system of nearly three thousand. The pertinence of such an argument robs it of any claim to answer or even consideration. The proposed central route lies through a country that is at present of incalculable value to this province as timber land. No one needs to be told that to such value the construction of a railroad is a deadly menace. That section of the province is absolutely unsettled, and no future generation will see it settled for the simple reason that it is entirely unfit for settlement. The Gibson branch from Woodstock to Fredericton is a convincing proof of the futility of any attempt to convert a barren into a garden by the construction of a railroad.

The valley of the River St. John is settled by thousands upon thousands of people, the descendants of those who instinctively flocked to the garden of this province. They long ago made the request for a means of transportation and that request was not granted. They have been patiently waiting for the day when their prayer will be answered.

The government of today can answer that prayer or it can refuse the earnest petition of sixty thousand people backed up by nine-tenths of the inhabitants of this province. There is strong reason to believe that they will adopt the former just and wiser course.

FOUR FLUSHING.

As we go to press we learn that the Halifax Recorder has raised the cry that unless the valley route is abandoned the eighteen Nova Scotia members of parliament will resign in a body. The Halifax Chronicle goes almost as far.

"The occasion for these utterances" says the S. John Telegraph "is the recent visit to Ottawa of the New Brunswick delegation in favour of the valley route and the apparently favourable consideration given their views by Sir Wilfred Laurier and his ministers."

Some of these members, in fact most of them, are at present holding down the best jobs they ever had in their lives. The sum of "\$2,500 per" can't be picked up every day. Sir Wilfred has always found men to fill the shoes of the kickers, but he needn't worry. They won't resign. We would like to see this bluff called.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S VIEW.

(St. John Globe.)

While speaking to the Globe of his trip, Dr. Pugsley made an interesting statement relative to the visit to Ottawa of the Fredericton-Woodstock delegation which urged on the government the advisability of selecting

the valley route for the New Brunswick section of the trans-continental railway. He said that after the delegation had presented its arguments to the government he had some conversation with the Minister of Railways. Hon. Mr. Emmerson then stated, said Dr. Pugsley, that the delegation had made a very strong case and that the arguments advanced would be very carefully considered by the government. For his own, Dr. Pugsley continued, he will not be at all surprised if the valley route is chosen, so much impressed did Mr. Emmerson seem with the statements made by Senator Thompson, Mr. F. B. Carvell, M. P., and other members of the delegation.

KINGARTH MYSTERY.

Unfortunate Woman Identified as Mrs. Hussey of Woodstock.
(Fredericton Gleaner.)

The adjourned session of the inquest held at Kingarth last month to inquire into the nature of the death of the unfortunate woman found floating in the booms at that place and also if possible to identify the woman was continued at the Court House afternoon before His Worship Mayor McNally.

Since the former inquest at Kingarth, Deputy Sheriff Foster of Woodstock has been working hard on the case and his efforts appear to have been successful. Mayor McNally, Clerk H. B. Rainsford and Dr. Camber of Woodstock have also been actively and untiringly engaged in clearing up the mystery.

The woman has been identified as a Mrs. Hussey, who had been living for some time with her son-in-law, Mr. Robert Wells, and who had left on the night in question for Woodstock.

At the inquest this afternoon the first witness called was Deputy Sheriff Foster of Woodstock. He said that he lived in Woodstock as provincial constable. He said that he had an interview with Dr. Camber and also with Mr. Bailey, a boot and shoe merchant of Woodstock, who identified the rubber as similar to that sold to Mrs. Wells with whom Mrs. Hussey was staying. Mr. Bailey was the only man in Woodstock who sold this kind of rubber. Dr. Camber also remembered the teeth in question.

The next witness called was Henry Wells. Mr. Wells said that he had lived in Woodstock as a mill engineer for six years.

His residence was about one half a mile from the river, he having lived there since last October. Mrs. Mary Jane Hussey owned this house previously, but afterwards she lived with him. The mortgage was foreclosed and the place sold to Mr. Wells, he giving Mrs. Hussey a written agreement to support her during her life. She lived with him from Christmas until April 22. She was missed on the morning of April 23rd. Witness regarded her of sound mind although she worried a great deal. He had twice heard her say that she expected the river would be the end of her yet. No notice was taken of these remarks. On the night before Easter Sunday she went to bed as usual, sleeping up stairs. He and his wife slept down stairs.

Mrs. Hussey did not appear to be particularly worried on that day. She stated previously that she was going to Houlton. Witness did not see Mrs. Hussey again. In the morning she was missing. They had never had any quarrels, but had always lived peaceably. Witness knew nothing further as to her departure.

The other witness called was Mr. Daniel Albert Wort, who testified that he was engineer in the water works department, residing in Woodstock. He said his mother was Mrs. William Hussey, aged 60 years. She had her ears pierced for earrings and also had a set of false teeth, which witness thought were made by Dr. Camber. He had not talked with her since last summer but had heard that she was in Woodstock last winter.

Mr. Wells told him he had bought the property from his mother. Witness had never seen anything in the papers about a woman being found drowned nor did he hear anything about the matter until a week ago Sunday. He thought his mother was in Houlton. He should say from the description given that deceased was his mother. Witness always thought her to be of sound mind. She was fretful but he never heard her mention suicide. Mr. Wort said that his brother Harry told him he had seen his mother on Good Friday and she seemed much upset. She told him Wells had bought the property and was going to turn her out. His wife also told him that his mother and Wells did not get along well. Witness did not think that his mother would commit suicide.

After Mr. Wort's evidence had been taken the jury retired and returned shortly with the following verdict:

That the body of the woman found in the river St. John at Kingarth in the Parish of Kingsclear, County of York, on June 15th, 1905, was the remains of Mrs. William Hussey, Woodstock, Carleton Co., who was last seen alive on April 22, 1905.

And we believe deceased came to her death by drowning, whether accidental, suicidal or through the agency of another we are unable to say.

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SUDDENLY CALLED HOME.

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Correction.

Coun. Connolly (Brighton) informs the reporter of the County Council that his remarks regarding the sheriff's salary at the June session, should read as follows:—

"I think the sheriff left a wrong impression on the minds of some of the councillors when he said he only received about \$300, that he receives as fees as sheriff; as jailor, he gets \$250; he gets his house rent free, his fire wood is furnished him, cut and put in and paid for by the county. He gets \$2 a week for boarding the prisoners; that, when the bedding and all the furniture used by the prisoners is furnished by the county, pays him very well. If he does any other work he gets pay for it; hardly any of us get pay if we don't work. It is his own business if he employs deputies to do most of the work."

LICENCIATE W. J. HAMILTON and family of Amherst, N. S., arrived in Woodstock the 27th instant on their way to Green Bush, York County N. B., where they will make their home. Brother H. takes charge of the Meduetic circuit this year including Meduetic Green Bush, Central and Lower Southampton churches.—King's Highway.

DIED.

CLARK.—At Landsdown, Car. Co., N. B., July 22nd, of hasty consumption, Otis, in the 17th year of his age, only son of Ernest Clark of Landsdown.

JONES.—At West Glassville, N. B., July 23rd of consumption, Emma A. in the 20th year of her age, daughter of Daniel and Anna Jones. Her last words were "For God sent not his son into the world to condemn the world but that the world through him might be saved; John 3:17."

CARR.—At McKenzie Corner, Carleton County, July 26th, Letitia Anna Carr, aged 72 years and four months, beloved wife of Geo. Carr.

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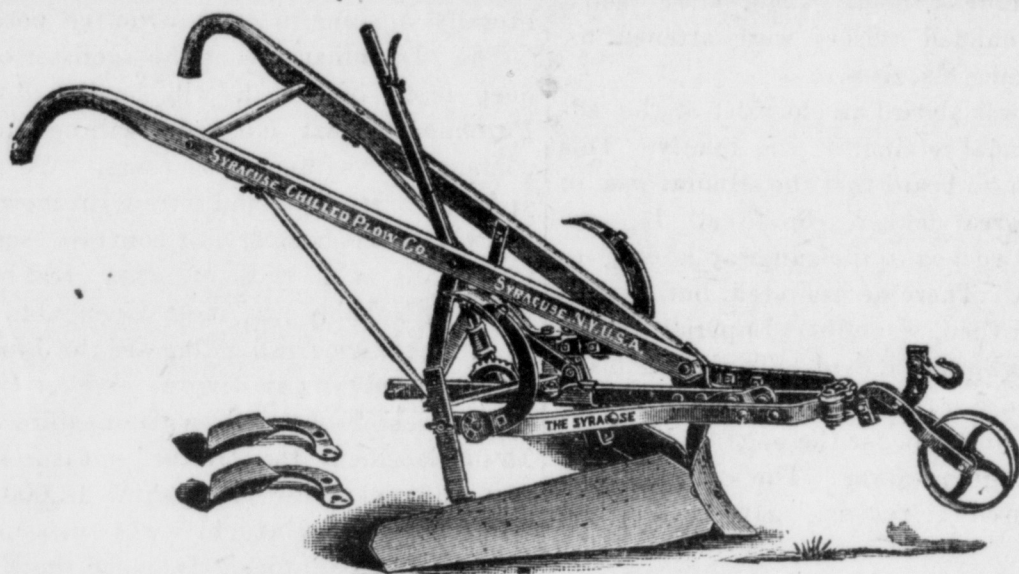
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