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February 18th

2 Kitchen Cabinets	were \$16.50—on \$ Day \$3 each
2 Xxm. Squares, 6 ft. 9 in. x 9 ft	16.00 " " 3 each
1 3 p.c. Parlor Suite	was 25.00 " " 11
1 5 p.c. " "	was 30.00 " " 13
1 Oxidized Costumer	was 12.50 " " 1
1 Quart. Oak Hall Rack	was 20.00 " " 7
1 Round Mirror, oak frame, 14x18	3.00 " " 1
1 Bissel's Carpet Sweeper	3.00 " " 1
1 Marble Top Table	5.00 " " 1

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REPORT OF COMMISSIONER PRINGLE ON THE SOUTHAMPTON ROAD

Recommends Criminal Prosecution to Recover \$34,607—Result of Charges Made by Mr. F. B. Carvell, M. P.—Bonds were Guaranteed by New Brunswick Government

Ottawa, Feb. 8.—The report of R. A. Pringle, K. C., royal commissioner, appointed by the government last May to investigate charges made by Frank B. Carvell, M. P., in commons as to graft in connection with the subsidy paid to the Southampton Railway for the construction of thirteen miles, built in 1912 and 1913, was tabled in the commons this afternoon by Hon. Frank Cochrane.

The commissioner's report practically substantiates Mr. Carvell's charges. Mr. Pringle finds that the road received a double subsidy amounting to \$81,280, when as a matter of fact it was only entitled to \$46,672. The company which constructed the road and which was headed by James K. Pinder, M.P.P., of York, was thus overpaid \$34,607.

and the minister of railways has asked the minister of justice to take all necessary legal steps to recover for the federal treasury the amount overpaid.

The commissioner further finds that the bonds of the road were guaranteed by the province of New Brunswick to the extent of \$145,927. These bonds were sold at a net discount of \$9,072. The total amount of public aid thus received by the company was \$227,207, whereas the real cost of construction was only \$202,556, or \$15,950 per mile, instead of \$291,517 or \$22,954 per mile, as certified by the government's inspecting engineer, T. V. Johnston.

In other words, the company received over \$20,000 in public aid more than the whole road actually

cost.

The commissioner reprimands Mr. Johnston for having taken the word of the company's engineer as to the cost of the road, instead of having an independent audit made.

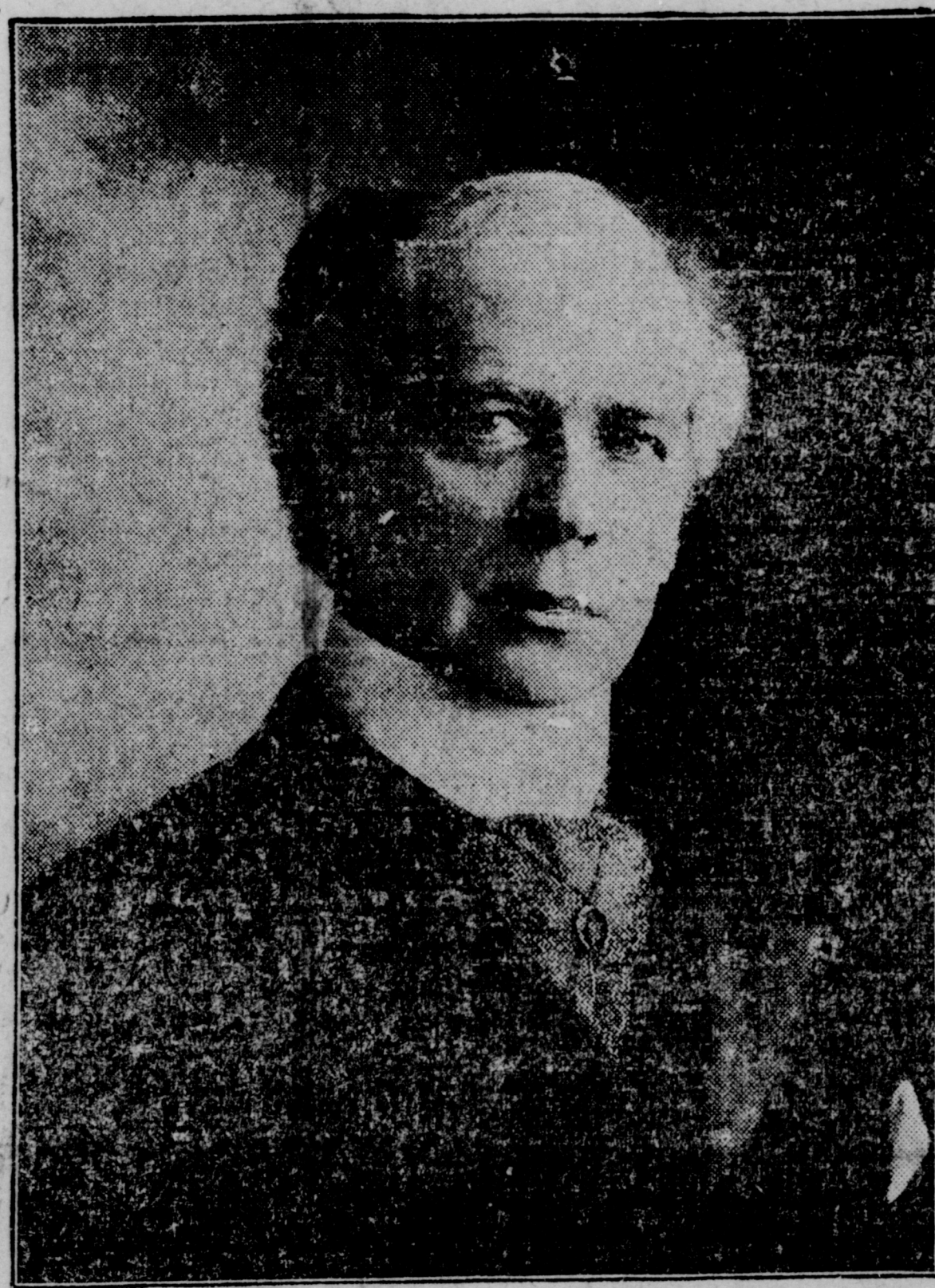
The report further states that the minister of railways, in recommending a double subsidy of \$6,400 per mile on an alleged cost of \$22,954 per mile, acted solely on the report of his engineer in accordance with the usual custom. Mr. Pringle suggests that the subsidy act should be amended so as to make it compulsory hereafter for railway companies to classify and keep their books, accounts and vouchers in shape so that the department of railways may be satisfied that the reported cost of construction is correct.

Mr. Pringle declares in his report that David W. Brown, the chief engineer of the Southampton Railway, in giving to the government inspecting engineer, Johnston, the data as to the cost of the road gave "what he well knew was a false statement and that such statement was given for one purpose, and one purpose only, and that was to obtain for the Southampton Railway Company a double subsidy to which he well knew they were not entitled."

Ottawa, Feb. 9.—Proceedings will be instituted immediately in the Southampton Railway case in New Brunswick. The court action will be

SERVICE AND SACRIFICE THE DUTY OF CANADIANS

The Liberal Leader Expresses a Willingness to Continue the Party Truce Until the War Is Over—Will Support the Government's War Legislation, but wants Money Honestly Expended—Splendid Spectacle of a Free Empire's Rally



OTTAWA, Feb. 8.—Canada's political truce stands, if the note given by Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the Commons this afternoon is to be taken up by the Government. The war and its efficient and patriotic prosecution is the supreme issue. None are for party and all for State. This was the dominant note in the great speech with which Sir Wilfrid Laurier opened the parliamentary session this afternoon. Difference as to prospective Imperial questions stand over, as do domestic differences, till the conflict has been won by Britain and her Allies.

PRESERVE CANADA'S GOOD NAME.

With his patriotic undertaking the Liberal leader pressed for the keeping unsullied of Canada's good name. He drew attention to the serious allegations of fraud and mismanagement which had resulted in Canada's young manhood being sent to serve in boots which had caused them discomfort, suffering and loss. He urged upon the Government the necessity for prompt, thorough and public investigations, in order that responsibility might be placed and future offences guarded against.

ENTITLED TO INFORMATION

Sir Robert Borden met the Liberal leader on the high plane taken. He expressed appreciation of the patriotism of the Opposition and had no exception to take to Sir Wilfrid's comments concerning expenditures. He agreed that the country was entitled to all possible information, and suggested, in explanation of the boot scandal, that the goods were prepared on old specifications and had to be turned out in a hurry. Whether his followers will continue the same attitude and agree to de-

to recover \$34,000 improperly paid in the form of a double subsidy while criminal action will likely be taken against those responsible for padding the estimates of cost. The justice department will select local counsel to conduct the prosecution in Fredericton.

ferring a General Election until next year is not yet known.

In concluding his speech the Premier read an important communication just received from Right Hon. Louis Harcourt dealing with the efficiency of the Canadian troops, and stating that their training was now completed, and they were ready to join the Patriotes at the front.

At the evening sitting Dr. Michael Clark, of Red Deer, followed the Premier in a spirited speech, in which he emphasized the oneness of purpose in the mind of all Canadians and their united determination, free from party considerations, to give their best in service and sacrifice to the Empire. "Our task," declared the eloquent Britisher, "is to get behind the men in the trenches and stay behind them till their task is accomplished."

Mr. E. M. Macdonald, of Pictou, called the attention of the Premier to the fact that reductions of wages had been made in certain industries in Canada engaged in the manufacture of shells and other munitions of war. He pointed out that not only did the law passed in 1900 provide for a fair wage schedule in all Canadian Government contracts, but that in 1891 a British statute required that a fair wage schedule should be inserted in all Imperial contracts.

FAIR WAGES DEMANDED

He asked the Premier to take steps to see that in all contracts let for the Imperial Government by any committee or commission appointed by this Government in connection with Imperial supplies a fair wage schedule should be imposed to maintain current wages.

The Premier assured Mr. Macdonald the Government would take steps to see this was done.

This is of great importance to all workmen engaged in manufacturing articles for Imperial purposes.

Mr. J. F. Singleton, Chief Inspector of dairy products was in town this week looking after the enforcement of the Dairy Industry Act.

SENATOR COSTIGAN IS 80

(Ottawa Citizen, Feb. 1.)

Hon. John Costigan, who has been a member of the Dominion Parliament since 1867, the year of Confederation, is eighty years old today and happily is in the best of health. He is spending his eightieth birthday with his daughter, Mrs. Walter Armstrong, 152 Carling avenue, and his great-grandson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Goodwin, was at the party, so that four generations were present at the gathering.

Senator Costigan was born at St. Nicholas, Que., Feb. 1, 1835. In 1861 he was elected to the New Brunswick legislature to represent Victoria County. He continued as the local member for Victoria County until 1866. The following year he was elected to the House of Commons as the member for the same constituency. In 1904 he was elevated to the senate, in which house he is still an active and valuable member.

SAND THE SIDEWALKS

To the Editor of the Sentinel:

What can be done to impress upon the street committee the necessity of using sand upon the sidewalks? One serious accident has already happened and it is only a miracle that there has not been more. The sidewalks on Main street need attention during the winter, and while the conditions in the past may have been bad there has been nothing to equal this winter. The "economy bugs," now at the wheel, can better employ their time in looking to the safety of the citizens than in playing to the galleries. Sand the sidewalks and do it every day if necessary.

PERSONAL MENTION

The Misses Edna and May Bolster, of Fredericton, are visiting Misses Nellie and Jessie Foster, Elm St.

Mrs. George Cumber was called to Boston Tuesday night owing to the illness of her sister, Mrs. Ella Payson.

Scott's camp was the scene of a merry gathering Tuesday evening, when a large sleighing party enjoyed the hospitality of the owners of the camp. The men in charge added to the pleasure of the occasion by their assistance in the festivities that were carried out. Those present were: Misses Helen Hand, Carrie Munro, Jean Sprague, Mary Sprague, Kathleen Hand, Kathleen Lynott, Carrie Boyer, Alice Sprague, Alice Neill, Lou Pierce (Oak Bay), Jean Smith, Mary Wright, Gretchen Smith, Mary Balmain, Perth Sprague, Mabel Lister, Alta Adams, Mildred Balmain, Viva McAfee, Hattie Gable, Marion Lindsay, and the Messrs. H. Ferguson, K. McLean, Shaw, Aiton, Sprague, Quinn, Atherton, Daly, Burpee, Dansereau, Bailey, Campbell, Kenneth Scott, Gordon Scott, Moores, Boutin, Valois, Bradley, Jones, Hartley. The party was chaperoned by Mrs. Chas. Jones and Mrs. Perley Hartley.

Our rising young tenor, Kenneth McDougall, will sing the "Allies Song", Monday evening, in the Presbyterian church.

DOLLAR DAY.

The Aberdeen Hotel is now under the management of C. W. Dugan and no doubt this popular house will receive a share of the patronage of the travelling public.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the Married Men's ball, which will be held in the Hayden-Gibson theatre Monday evening, 15th inst. The Woodstock orchestra will furnish the music.

DOLLAR DAY.

Bottling works establishment will soon be opened in the building on Queen street owned and occupied by James Cluff. The proprietors of the new concern are Messrs. Kearney and Cluff. An experienced man from Montreal will have charge of the manufacturing department.

A demonstration by the Sutherland sisters is going on this week at Mair's drug store. A young lady, of pleasing personality, who explains the merits of the Sutherland sisters hair remedies, has a marvelous growth of beautiful hair that reaches to the ground, which she attributes to the use of these hair preparations.

The regulations made under the authority of The Dairy Industry Act provide that when dairy butter is put up in blocks, squares or prints and wrapped in parchment paper the paper shall be printed or branded with the words "DAIRY BUTTER," in letters at one-quarter inch square, in addition to any other wording the butter maker may desire to use.

February 5th the Sentinel, at the request of Chief Kelly, asked for information concerning the whereabouts of Reginald Richardson. As a result of the enquiry the boy has been located and put in communication with his parents. This is one of the many illustrations of the importance of using the columns of the paper WITH THE BIG CIRCULATION.

New Brunswick Barristers' Society at its annual meeting held in Fredericton on Tuesday night, elected the following officers: President, A. R. Slipp, K. C.; vice-president, W. A. Ewins, K. C.; secretary-treasurer and librarian, D. T. O. Allen; council, J. D. Phinney, K. C., M. G. Teed, K. C., A. J. Gregory, K. C., F. R. Taylor, K. C., M. N. Cockburn, K. C., P. J. Hughes, A. B. Connell, K. C. Dr. Phinney, who was elected at the head of the council, is critically ill. He is the oldest living member of the society.

Recruiting at The Armoury

Major J. J. Bull, the recruiting officer for Carleton, Victoria and Madawaska, has an office in the armoury here, and the following have already made application for enlistment in the 40th Battalion: Richard Beach, Joseph Starkey, Frank Phillips, William Nevers, Chas. Wright, Charles Greer.

Major Bull expects to leave for Perth and Edmundston, Friday. During his absence an officer will be at the armoury here.

THE INDIAN RESERVE.

Mr. Carvell, M. P., has taken notice of the following in the House of Commons:

On Monday next—Order of the House—For a copy of all letters, telegrams, correspondence, leases and other documents relating to the cutting of lumber by Mr. B. F. Smith, and others from the so-called Tobique Indian Reserve in the Province of New Brunswick, since the twelfth day of March, A. D., 1914, and also of all agreements, offers and premises made either by the said B. F. Smith or the Department of Indian Affairs, with reference to the sale or disposal of any of the said Tobique Indian Reserve since the said date, or any logs or lumber cut thereon.

2. Also a statement of all lumber cut by the said B. F. Smith from the said Reserve, the rates of stumpage charged, and the amounts actually paid thereon from the first day of January, 1912, down to the date hereof.

The Woodstock Orchestra, under the direction of C. Preston Gerrish, gave the first of their concerts in the Hayden-Gibson theatre Wednesday evening before an appreciative audience. Taken as a whole the concert was a pronounced musical success and the rendition of the difficult selections on the program was a revelation to those present. This fine organization deserves the hearty support of all the citizens of the town and should be liberally patronized on every occasion that they appear before the public.