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Bright Outlook in

The Business World

The successful manner in which Canada has been able to combat the depressing business conditions which have so keenly affected the United States has been instrumental in attracting wide attention to the Dominion. The construction of transcontinental railways, the growth of manufacturing industries, the increase in numbers of corporations, the development of mines, the profitable trade in lumber and pulp wood, the splendid inducements to capitalists, and the advantages awaiting responsible settlers, have all marked the progress of this country during recent years. This is an enviable position, and it is certain that Canadians fully realize and appreciate their responsibility. The opportunity to better their position financially and commercially has come to Canada. Big things in the financial world, huge undertakings in the industrial arena, and immense construction work of a public and private character, demand her attention and must soon be carried out.

The business outlook in Canada at the present time is of the most encouraging nature. Spring orders for merchandise are coming in from all over the Dominion, and while these are limited as to the quantity of delivery, the sales are being made on a cash basis. Factories and mills are commencing to make up their time by taking back employees who have been laid off during the past winter. Locally this is shown in a large number of industries which are now running on full time, with prospects of largely increased business. Another factor worthy of mention is the large amount of dividend money to be distributed by Banks, corporations and industrial concerns, during the next month or six weeks to their thousands of shareholders throughout the Dominion. A conservative estimate places this dividend figure at between \$7,000,000 and \$8,000,000. This money will, no doubt, be immediately placed in circulation, and it will do its part in stimulating trade, especially in the retail arena. Happily for Canada, the labor horizon is fairly bright, as there are at present, except among the Quebec longshoremen, no indications of trouble between capital and labor.—Montreal Witness.

Independent View

of Intercolonial

Something of the worth of the Intercolonial Railway to the Dominion was made clear in a recent article in the Toronto News. The News, it will be remembered, is an independent journal, which in its independence leans somewhat toward the Conservatives. In its article the News referred in part as follows to the Intercolonial: Hon. Mr. Graham's annual review of the affairs of the Intercolonial included some facts which will bear a deliberate statement. On the whole, the year has been favorable; apart from the fact that there is a surplus, the operation of the railway seems to have been distinguished by increasing efficiency and economy. The giving of figures is embarrassed by the fact that the fiscal year 1906-7, which is under review, was a short period of only nine months. The statistical year still ends on June 30, so that figures can be given for double periods. Looking first at money figures, we find that the gross receipts for the fiscal year, the nine months ending March 31, 1907, were: Passenger earnings \$1,932,438 Freight earnings 4,032,745 Mail and express 235,039

Miscellaneous	28,087
Total	\$6,248,311
Expenditure:	
Maintenance of way and structures	\$1,111,888
Maintenance of equipment	1,180,521
Conducting transportation	3,485,224
General expenses	147,537
Rental of leased lines	105,000
Total	\$6,030,171
Thus there was a surplus of \$218,139.	

The full year's operations give a better idea of the power and capacity of the line. The results from June 30, 1906, to June 30, 1907, were:

Gross earnings	\$8,599,119
Gross expenses	8,202,064
Surplus of earnings over expenses	\$397,055
Next for the business which produces the revenue.	
First, passengers. The passengers moved one mile in 1907 were 111,876,186	
The passengers moved one mile in 1906 were 100,177,932	
Thus the increase was 11,698,254 passenger miles; or 11.6 per cent.; a very satisfactory increase.	

What makes this more satisfactory is the fact that it was effected coincidentally with an economy in train service. The 2,076,444, and in 1907 was 2,033,563; a decrease of nearly 43,000 miles. Thus about two per cent. fewer trains were run, and more people were carried. Cheap rates were given, the average receipts per passenger per mile having been 1.746 in 1907, and 1.768 in 1906. Thus there was a slight cheapening in the year.

Secondly, freight. There was, first, a decrease in the freight train miles: In 1906 3,149,173 In 1907 3,036,013 The decrease was 113,160 or 3.5 per cent. In 1906 \$8,047,469 In 1907 \$2,698,113 Decrease 5,349,356 or over 9 per cent. In 1906 617,555,903 In 1907 663,215,240 Increase 45,759,332 or over 7 per cent.

There was also a decrease in freight car miles, loaded and empty: In 1906 617,555,903 In 1907 663,215,240 Increase 45,759,332 or over 7 per cent. This means that the cars did more work. Taking the tons of freight per car, empty or loaded, we find: In 1906, 10.63 tons in 1907, 12.58 tons; increase, 1.95 tons. The improvement is still more marked if we take the loaded cars alone: In 1906, 12.26 tons; in 1907, 14.52 tons; increase 2.26 tons.

It may be noted that Mr. Graham put forward a new line of defence against the charge that the management of the Intercolonial is dominated by politics. The total number of employees is 8,291. Of these, 65.3 per cent.—say 5,350—are members of unions, with hard and fast agreements as to wages, promotions, etc. That leaves some 2,940 others; of these, again, about 10 per cent. are independent of political control. So the area of political favoritism extends over only some 2,650 employees out of more than 8000.

Bill To Restrict Evils

Of Divorce

Ottawa, March 24.—Senator Cloran introduced in the senate a bill entitled an act to restrict the evils of divorce. The bill provides that the offending party to a marriage contract shall have no right to remarry in Canada after obtaining a divorce from the Canadian parliament, and further, that if such party remarry outside the Dominion such remarriage shall be considered invalid and illegal and the remarried person shall be considered a bigamist within Canadian territory.

More Than Fifty Ice Drownings

Boston, Mar. 28.—More than half a hundred lives were lost through drowning through the ice in the waters of New England and the eastern provinces of Canada during the winter season just closed which is believed to have been a record one for the number of deaths met in this manner. The winter was one of the mildest in years and the ice as a result was somewhat thinner in most places than usual, endangering the lives of hundreds besides those who died by drowning.

Statistics compiled from the report of accidents in New England and the Maritime Provinces from advices sent to the newspapers, show that 48 persons were drowned in 42 accidents, but this record is not complete as many mishaps of this nature occur in the thinly settled sections of northern New England and beyond which are never heard of outside the locality in which they occur. The three drownings reported from Connecticut is also believed to be much below the actual number. The northern section from which full reports are lacking, contributed more than one-third of the known number of lives lost and was probably two-thirds of the whole number of deaths. The proportion would be more than one-half.

Most of those who met their death through the ice did so while skating and probably two-thirds of the whole number were children, many of whom were under ten years of age.

Men Barely Escapes Marrying Daughter

Geneva, March 26.—A curious and romantic story is reported from the town of Appenzell. In 1887 a Swiss named Joseph Muller deserted his wife and child, a little girl named Anna, about six months old at Lucerne, and fled to Mexico.

Mme. Muller died soon after, and Anna was adopted by a prosperous butcher of Lucerne, who gave the girl a good education. Eighteen months ago the butcher sold out his business and bought a large hotel at Appenzell, Anna now a handsome, intelligent girl managing the establishment. Last May, Joseph Muller, Anna's father, who had made a large fortune in America, arrived at the hotel, but as Anna had taken the name of her foster parents, he was not aware of the relationship. A local doctor of good family and the elderly Joseph Muller became suitors for Anna's hand, and in July last the girl chose the latter. The marriage was fixed for the end of December, and in the meantime Joseph Muller courted his daughter. The day before the wedding Muller, seeing his fiancée wearing some jewelry which seemed familiar to him, questioned her about it and discovered the truth. Next day he left for Berlin, and sent his daughter a letter explaining his conduct, and advising her to marry the young doctor; he enclosed a check for \$40,000 in the letter. The other day Anna Muller was married to the doctor, but has not heard of her father since his flight.

Telegram Saves Him From Taking Poison

Utica, N. Y., March 28.—A fatality was narrowly averted last night when William Brady, a passenger travelling over New York Central from Montreal to New York city, was stopped barely in time from taking a poison sold him through mistake by a Montreal druggist. Brady has the telegram to thank for escaping death.

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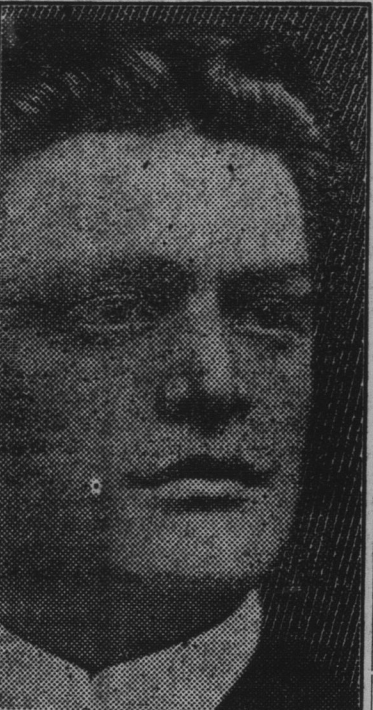
Shortly before the train left Montreal, Brady entered a drug store and requested that a perscription he had been compounded in a hurry. Soon after Brady had left with his medicine the druggist discovered that he had by mistake used a deadly drug in compounding the mixture. The druggist, thoroughly fright-

ened, and not knowing Brady's destination or the train he left on, sent messages to several stations on the Grand Trunk and other roads informing the man of the mistake which had been made.

Stole Jewelry Worth \$165,000

San Francisco, Calif., March 26.—The man arrested here yesterday by detectives on the strength of a photograph of Edward Burke, a New York jewelry buyer, wanted for theft of \$165,000 worth of pearls and diamonds, is J. R. Bosc, and for the first year he has been in Nevada, where he was supposed to be a wealthy mine owner. He became interested in a mine in connection with J. H. Seaman of Reno and Goldfield, and visited this city frequently in company with Seaman. On two occasions Seaman reported to the police of this city the loss of jewelry from the apartments, which Bosc shared with him. Once in Reno, Seaman permitted Bosc to have the key to his safe deposit box on the pretext that he wished to deposit mining stock there. It has been discovered by Seaman that \$20,000 worth of jewelry belonging to his wife is missing from the box. Seaman later identified Burke as Bosc and when pawn tickets aggregating \$2,000 were found on Bosc's person by the detectives and the jewelry represented traced to the pawn shops, it was found to be Seaman's.

THE BARBER'S UNION Of Montreal, Canada.



MR. EDWARD BOUSQUET, PE-RU-NA SCORES Another Triumph In Canada.

President Edward Bousquet Lauds In Glowing Words.

Mr. Edward Bousquet, 290 A. P. street, Montreal, Can., president of Barber's International Union, Local 45, writes: "For several years I have suffered from catarrh. I tried many remedies with little or no result. I was advised by a friend to try Peru, and after using a few bottles, I am much relieved. I believe Peru to be the greatest known catarrh remedy of this age. I cheerfully recommend Peru for catarrh."

Never Had A Bank Notice.

The News editor met a friend of his on the street the other day intently studying a letter from the Post Office. It had a familiar look to us of a bank notice and we intimated to him that he would have to shortly pay up. "There is a mistake he replied, 'I never gave or took a note in my life, it must be for some other man. We nearly fainted. To think that he had a man in Amherst that a bank notice was an utter stranger to and who was never called up about three o'clock to be notified that it was 'balance day' was beyond our comprehension. He ought to see the one hundred mark without any trouble.—Amherst News.

Changes Likely In The Shipping Act

Important amendments to the Canada Shipping Act are expected to be made at the session of parliament. Among other changes it is expected that there will be a change in the law relating to certificates of masters and mates. At present all vessels of from one hundred to two hundred tons must have a master with certificate, and those above two hundred tons both master and mate with certificates. In the United States neither master nor mate needs certificate on vessels up to five hundred tons, and the present conditions make it hard for Canadian owners. Frequently they are compelled to take inefficient old men as mates, because no other with a certificate can be secured. Not only is this the case, but another result has been the transfer of registry of Canadian vessels to Barbados, where there is no restriction whatever as to certificates.

Mr. Mackenzie King, Deputy Minister of Labor, has left for London to lay before the Imperial authorities the facts respecting the feeling in Canada on the question of the restriction of the immigration of Asiatics. The Colonist has no hesitation in saying that for issuing these instructions to Mr. King the Government is deserving of universal approval. The opening of the question, urged that it was one presenting such grave difficulties as to demand the summoning of a conference of representatives of the various Colonies to deal with it, and, while a decision to pursue this policy has not as yet been reached, the mission of Mr. King is a step in that direction, and it has, therefore, our heartiest approval. In Mr. King, Canada has a delegate whose fitness for the important task allotted him all parties will unite in saying is all that could be desired, and Conservatives, not less than Liberals, will hope that he may be able to impart such information to the home authorities as will enable them to gain an adequate knowledge of the actual situation in Canada in respect to one of the gravest problems which has ever confronted the statement of the Empire.—Victoria Colonist, Conservative.

A Bad Bargain.

(From The Christian Advocate.) A story is told of the famous Richard Brinsley Sheridan, that one day when coming back from shooting, with an empty bag, and seeing a number of ducks in a pond, while near by a man was leaning on a fence watching them, Sheridan asked: "What will you take for a shot at the ducks?" "Well," said the man thoughtfully, "I'll take half a sovereign." "Done," said Sheridan, and he fired into the middle of the ducks, killing a dozen or more. "I'm afraid you made a bad bargain," said Sheridan, laughing. "I don't know about that," the man replied. "They're not my ducks."

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Provincial Liberal Convention

A Convention of the members of the Liberal Party in the Province of New Brunswick will be held at the City of St. John, on

Wednesday, April 22 for the purpose of considering and acting upon matters of general importance to the party.

A. O. SKINNER, President N. B. Liberal Association
R. E. Armstrong, Secretary
St. John, N. B., March 20, 1908.

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On a Bedroom Wall

(On the wall of a bedroom in Skibo Castle, Mr. Carnegie's country seat in Scotland, is a little poem in gold lettering on watered silk bordered with sprays of green. It is full of comfort and tenderness; and to a weary spirit it sounds like the benediction that follows after prayer.) Sleep sweetly in this quiet room, O thou, whoe'er thou art, And let no mournful yesterday Disturb thy peaceful heart. Nor let to-morrow scare thy rest With dreams of coming ill; Thy Maker is thy changeless Friend— His love surrounds thee still. Forget thyself and all the world, Put out each glaring light, The stars are watching overhead; Sleep sweetly then—Good night!