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TIME FOR A SHOW DOWN.

The announcement is made from Ottawa that the order to close down the St. John Valley Railway has been rescinded, and that I. C. R. operation will be continued for the present. The order to close down the road and dismiss all the employees came like a bolt from the blue, and not even dyed-in-the-wool supporters of the Government are able to clearly interpret its meaning. It had been stated over and over again that the Federal Government in April last had entered into a hard and fast agreement to operate the road on a percentage basis—sixty per cent. to go to the Federal Government and forty per cent. to the Provincial administration. If the agreement was entered into in proper form, why was there a loophole left through which the Federal Government could escape? Why is it that the terms of the agreement are not being lived up to? The fact that a cold-blooded order was issued from Ottawa to close the road, remove the rolling stock and dismiss the employees, shows the utter disregard of the Federal Government for the interests of the people. Even though the order has been rescinded at the point of the pistol, our public bodies, including the City and County Councils and Board of Trade, should heed the warning. They should get busy at once and take such action as will protect the rights of the people. Political place hunters and grafters should be brushed aside and a determined stand taken in the interests of the people of the St. John valley. If the Federal Government has agreed to operate the road on a forty per cent. basis, they should see to it that the high-brows at Ottawa regard that agreement as something more than a scrap of paper. If the road is not being operated under the terms of an Act passed by the Provincial Legislature, Premier Clarke should be compelled to state the reason why. The time has arrived for a show down!

The statement is made in an Ottawa despatch to the St. John papers that the Federal Government has been dropping one thousand dollars a day in the operation of the Valley Railway. We do not hesitate to brand this statement as a falsehood. The road is now 117 miles long, and there is a daily train service to Centreville, and a tri-weekly service between Fredericton and Gagetown. The charge made by the Canadian Pacific for operating a special train on its Atlantic division is two dollars a mile, which is equal to \$472 for 118 miles and return. If the I. C. R. cannot operate one train per day over the Valley Railway without losing \$1,000 per day, they had better arrange with the C. P. R. to do the work for them. Nobody is particularly anxious for C. P. R. operation of the road, but it would be infinitely better than nothing at all.

An Ottawa despatch says that the Hon. Mr. Cochrane, Minister of Railways, notified the New Brunswick Government two months ago that in-

tercolonial operation of the St. John Valley Railway would cease on December 31st. The fact that the Government, on receipt of the note at once got busy and invited tenders for the uncompleted portion of the road, and arranged to have the same close on December 30th, goes to show that there must have been some kind of a proviso in the dictum of the Minister of Railways. The unsatisfactory condition of affairs today with respect to the Valley Railway is due to the shilly-shallying and bungling incompetency of the Provincial Government, more than to any other cause.

The Municipal Council, in annual session today, elected Coun. Ernest Stairs, of Southampton, to the important office of Warden. The new Warden has occupied a seat at the board for a number of years, and at the late election was returned by acclamation. The Mail heartily congratulates him on his appointment.

MR. R. B. VANDINE
NEW PRESIDENT

The regular monthly meeting of the Hospital Trustees was held at the hospital yesterday afternoon with Vice-President VanDine in the chair. After routine business the secretary read a letter from President Clark, informing the Board that in accordance with regulation, his term of office as president and trustee expired with the year and he handed back all the authority invested in him. A most pleasing paragraph in the letter read:

"I will be glad to provide one hundred dollars for the publishing of the annual report of the hospital for the year 1915."

A general expression of regret at the withdrawal of Mr. Clark was made by the trustees and his devotion to the interests of the hospital is known beyond the city. The Board adopted a resolution of appreciation of Mr. Clark's valuable services and thanks for his generous donation. For the lack of funds the Board has been obliged sometimes to forego the publication of a report Not so this year.

A NEW PRESIDENT.

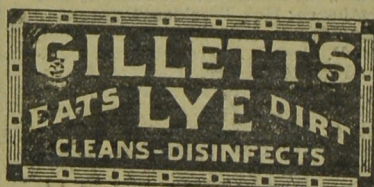
The vacancy in the chair was filled by the election of Mr. Robert B. VanDine and the vacancy in the vice-president's chair was filled by the election of Mr. A. W. Gregory.

Difficulties of a financial nature were greatly relieved by the thoughtfulness of the many friends of the hospital previous to the close of the year. Mention was made recently of the receipt of two hundred dollars from Hon. Henry D. Yerxa of Boston. This has been Mr. Yerxa's annual contribution to the support of the hospital for many years. Another most generous contributor to the hospital is Mr. Edward Moore of this city, and yesterday the institution received a New Year's gift from him in his personal cheque for two hundred dollars. Another welcome gift was the cheque of Searle & Lamson, the well known meat dealers, who for several years have cheerfully aided the hospital.

It was decided, after much consideration, to appoint an assistant superintendent for the hospital instead of an housekeeper. It is thought a selection will shortly be made and the matter is left in the hands of the president and secretary. Miss Murray, the new superintendent, took charge of the hospital on Saturday last and will no doubt, prove a worthy successor of Mrs. Richards.

In speaking of the services of Mrs. Richards as matron for six or seven years, appreciation of her work was referred to with heartiness by the members and a flattering resolution was adopted, a copy of which was ordered to be forwarded to Mrs. Richards, who, it is understood, will shortly open a private hospital in the city.

Mr. George Armstrong, the permanent auditor of the Board, has been asked to report on the accounts of the Board for the next meeting. A number of accounts were ordered to be paid, after which the Board adjourned.

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SUNDAY RECRUITING

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sponded that this was a righteous war and the better the day the better the deed.

GOVERNMENT CRITICIZED.

Ald. Burnett made a caustic reference to the provincial government's attitude toward recruiting.

"It looks strange that a small town like Fredericton can give grants of \$200 for recruiting and the provincial government can put up only the magnificent sum of \$500."

Ald. Lemont remarked that in St. John \$2000 had been granted to help recruiting. In Fredericton and the surrounding country had done well in sending men to the colors, the Fredericton recruiting office being only second to St. John in the number of men enlisted since the outbreak of the war.

The Municipal Council is now in session and it is likely that a delegation from the Recruiting Committee will appear before it tomorrow.

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N.G.—P. A. Gerow.
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Fin. Sec'y—R. M. Currie.
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Warden—A. E. Sinnott.
Conductor—F. T. Langille.
Chaplain—C. A. Sampson.
R.S.S.—A. W. Blackmer.
L.S.E.—C. E. McCutcheon.
R.S.N.G.—M. L. Stevenson.
L.S.N.G.—Geo. A. Davis.
R.S.V.G.—T. E. Sutherland.
L.S.V.G.—Byron Staples.
I.G.—G. F. Crowley.
O.G.—Geo. W. Kilburn.

The lodge was then addressed by District Deputy Grand Master Crowley and other installing officers, also by the Noble Grand P. A. Gerow and Vice Grand T. A. Niles, who afterward entertained the lodge at a banquet at Washington's Cafe.

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