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ST. JOHN VALLEY RAILWAY

The Carleton Sentinel yesterday published an article on the death of the St. John Valley Railway scheme for so it chooses to regard it. The Sentinel makes some pretty wide statements and asks some mighty pungent questions with all of which it is a little beyond us to agree. The most startling statement is that, "We have been sold out!" This idea has been gaining credence in many quarters. The Hazen administration virtually with malice aforethought held up the negotiations at the last legislative session. The method used was undoubtedly shrewd. The answer to the request sent by the chief executive of Canada proves this.

We quote from the premier's letter:

If the Provincial Government, or the Company with its approval, furnish the Federal Government with the details asked for by the Minister of Public Works, and make a definite proposition for the construction of a railway from Grand Falls to Saint John up to the standard suggested by Mr. Pugsley, and provide for its initial equipment, this Government will be prepared to ask Parliament for authority to take it over upon a long lease for operation as a part of the Inter-colonial System, on the basis of paying over to the Province or to the Company 40 per cent of the gross earnings as proposed.

The Canadian Pacific is daily strengthening its position in the Province of New Brunswick.

It is a great corporation and its business management would be culpably negligent if it did not take advantage of every legitimate opportunity to entrench its position. If it is going beyond legitimate means and is gaining control of the government officers of the land then it behooves us to oust from control of the affairs of the province the men who are willing to sell themselves and the people's interests. The Canadian Pacific undoubtedly dictates the utterances regarding Railways which are made by the organs of publicity closest in touch with the local government.

The management of the Canadian Pacific have long looked upon the St. John Valley as their private property to be utilized when they wished. Is the local administration holding it for them till they are willing to provide such competitionless service as may seem good to them?

The evidence is very strong that this is the case.

PRESS COMMENT

Vancouver News-Advertiser:—"Do a good turn every day; always try to help some human being or beast whenever you can, and remember, first of all, honor your God and your King, obey orders and do all the good you can. God bless you all!" These closing words of advice to the boy scouts by that splendid soldier, General Sir Roberts Baden-Powell indicate the spirit of the organization and of its founder. The profession of arms is sometimes represented as debasing, but it has produced some of the bravest of men. The admonition quoted above is good counsel to boy scouts, and to boys who are not scouts. It will be good for them to remember and follow when they cease to be boys.

Hamilton Spectator:—"If it were profitable some years ago for Canadian cheese-makers to export to Great Britain as well as supply the home demand, it should surely be profitable now. It would be just as sensible for a grocer to refuse to serve customers ten blocks away from his store because he was able to do his regular trade with customers five blocks away. So long as there remains room for the extension of the cheese business in Canada, and export trade warrants profitable extension, we should never be satisfied to

let the expert business slip out of our hands, no matter how great the home demand.

Halifax Wesleyan: Some time ago I visited a home wherein dwelt a youth who was the proud possessor of a gramophone. He kindly offered to "let me hear my own voice," and after sundry whirrings of the clockwork and the delivery down the trumpet, in my best style, of a passage from Browning—the instrument emitted sounds as of a crow with a cold which, I was gravely assured, was an excellent reproduction of "my own voice." I have understood and have sympathized with a certain tendency to restlessness on the part of my audiences since listening to those dulcet tones.

Winnipeg Free Press:—All the records of the three centuries' navigation of the Hudson Bay route by vessels not to be compared with modern ocean steamships more than amply justify the conclusion which finds expression in the closing paragraph of the report of Professor Brock, the Director of the Dominion Geological Survey, who is a member of the Governor-General's party, that when those waters are properly charted and lighted and supplied with the other requisite modern aids to navigation, the route will be available during a third of each year.

Toronto Globe:—The Canadian Associated Press representative at The Hague did a piece of fine journalistic work in cabling so rapidly a complete statement of the findings in the North Atlantic fisheries case. The report was far better and more complete than that sent out by the wealthy and powerful Associated Press of the United States. To those who know little of the cost of Press cables, it may be of interest to learn that the cable tolls on the report were about \$150.

Brantford Expositor:—The Canadianism of Sir Wilfrid Laurier will yet unite this great country in the bonds of nationality. He has consistently preached a united Canada to a common people. We want no distinctions of class or creed and no spirit of sectionalism in this Dominion if it is to fulfill its proper mission and reach its highest ideals. In future we must aim to know the west and east only in emulation of the best in each other as to which can do the best for our common country.

Halifax Chronicle: Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech at Vancouver has drawn from the Saturday Sunset of Vancouver—one of the most aggressive of the anti-Asiatic organs—the admission that the anti-Oriental agitation is a thing of the past, as the Government's negotiations with Japan have stopped the influx of Japanese immigrants. Thus, as the Winnipeg Free Press says, are Laurier's "sunny ways" once more vindicated!

Toronto Globe:—Those acquainted with the results of municipal ownership and operation of public franchise in the United Kingdom know that its benefits are both direct and indirect. It has not only provided cheap and efficient services, but has been an effective curb on the methods peculiar to private companies in their conduct of franchise grants. In other words today publicly controlled services set the standard for those still under private operation.

Acadian Recorder—Ireland seems to be prospering. That country is doing better than ever industrially. Last year Ireland raised 4,000,000 sheep, exported nearly \$13,000,000 worth of linen from Belfast to the United States alone, to say nothing of sales in other commodities of these values: Cattle \$45,734,000; butter, \$17,883,000; eggs, \$13,637,000. New and better better times have come to the Emerald Isle.

Sackville Tribune:—The Hazen Government, says The St. John Standard has more territorial revenue than was ever collected in New Brunswick; therefore, the exchange gravely declares, the roads of the province were never in better condition than they are now. What a triumph of logic is here!

Toronto Globe: Oxford University has really considered the admission of women to degrees. Truly the women are conquering the world when modernism can reach Oxford. But yesterday Bernard Shaw complained that let a woman paint ever so badly she cannot become a member of the Royal Academy.

Montreal Herald:—In about three months Mr. Borden will be ponderously explaining that anything we don't happen to get out of The Hague award was lost through the culpable negligence of somebody in the Dominion Government. He is strong on that.

Victoria Colonist:—That story about the King wounding a member of a hunting party, if true, only indicates that accidents will happen in the best regulated families. His Majesty is said to be one of the three best shots in the kingdom.

The business reaction was reflected during August in the largest number of commercial failures for that month, with one exception, since 1897.

IT SMELLS GOOD

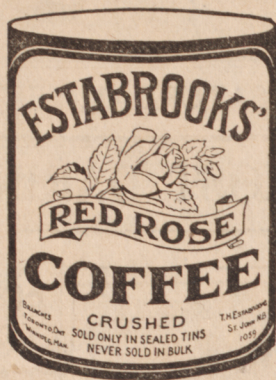
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J. M. ROBINSON & SONS WEEKLY STOCK MARKET REVIEW

This week's market has been a most indifferent one with trading in small volume and with no particular incident. There have in consequence been no developments during the week which call for any special comment and the trend of the market being unsettled it is difficult to find any fixed opinions as to the immediate future. So far as the long periods are concerned it is remarkable that there exists such a diversity of opinion; reports from the Western section are most optimistic with the business outlook for the fall particularly good, while in the East there is almost depression. Probably both of these opinions are in error and it will eventually be found that this autumn will prove a rather quiet and very normal period with money rates quiet and comparatively low and this same condition is likely to apply also to the stock market. The political situation is quiet nothing new having happened during the last seven days nor does it appear that anything is likely to happen in this connection which will have any particular effect on the general trend of security prices.

It is remarkable that the students of finance are still of the opinion that the bottom of the market has not yet been reached but that succeeding a short and unimportant advance in prices which began after the severe decline of July there will be a further subsidence which will carry the general level of the stock market even lower than it has yet been; whether this opinion will prove correct or not remains to be seen. On the other hand it is no less to be noted that there is a strong body of opinion which holds that the decline which has already been witnessed has fully discounted any business depressions which we are likely to see during the next twelve months, time alone also will prove the correctness or incorrectness of this opinion.

Taking the situation as it appears today with the decline in business which has already made itself felt and the probability of still further depression owing to general tendency towards extravagance which is world wide in its effect and the set-backs to the agricultural sections of the country which, while producing crops probably equal in bulk to those of last year, nevertheless considerably smaller than should have been raised considering the area of land under cultivation, it appears to us that the opinion first discussed is the correct one and that the tendency of the markets during the next two months will prove it.

A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,—It strikes an ordinary citizen that the authorities are moving very slowly in respect to the ghastly finding of remains under the bath room floor at Linden Hall. All kind of stories continue to spring up. The latest is that the late Mr. Penety once had an old horse die in his barn and when they went to bury the animal a part of one of its legs was missing and it may be that this leg wandered off by itself and got under the bath room floor. On the other hand, I believe that a Mr. Bidlake claims the remains as a portion of his cat. Whether it is a horse or a cat, Mr. Editor, it is due to the descendants of both that this terrible mystery should be cleared up. It is to be regretted that the doctor has been unable to tell whether the remains are those of a female or male. If a female cat there are probably many descendants still alive to whom the knowledge of the deceased cat's unhappy end would solve a long mystery, or if a horse, that animal has likely left some relations, who would be pleased to learn what became of the lost leg. The investigation should not only go far enough to tell that

During the week there has been a slight flurry in the stock of the American Hide & Leather Co., owing to rumors of an increase in dividend which unfortunately for those who purchased on this assumption, did not prove true. The affair has been widely referred to as another stock market fiasco though it is unlikely that its effect was felt except among a small circle of traders.

CROPS.

Recent reports go to show that while the crops will not be up to the average of the past few years they will nevertheless, owing to the largely increased area of land under cultivation, prove to be of very considerable volume and as a consequence there will result a very normal volume of business to the country through the coming winter though in all probability this volume will not be greater than at present.

COTTON

The Cotton Market has proved one of the interesting features of the trading this week and has shown a marked decline in price with a prospect, except for an occasional reaction, for still further declines as the new crop comes to market.

Our correspondent advise us as follows:

"The September condition figures, making the average condition of the crop 72.1 per cent proved about as expected and caused no change of opinion as to the outlook, estimates as to the possible yield carrying from about 11,500,000 to 13,000,000 bales according as there is an early or late killing frost. With the passing out of August contracts, the market, at the same time, passed out of the control of the old bull leaders for with the new crop movement increasing daily, and with spot values marked down from an old to a new crop basis, there has been selling of September on all bulges by trade interests, which is evidently against cotton to be shipped here, and which naturally has placed a restriction on bull support. The old bulls are probably confronted by serious enough a problem in the marketing of the spot supplies they have been forced to carry forward here and abroad, without greatly increasing their commitments in this respect, and from a speculative bull market such as has existed for the past three months, and during which extreme prices have been reached at the expense of speculative shorts, we are entering a period during which bull speculation must be confined."

PERJURY IN SKENE TESTIMONY

Albany, N. Y., Sept. 9.—Supreme Court Justice Leboeuf today issued a warrant for the arrest of Charles J. O'Neill of New York, on a charge of perjury in connection with the testimony he gave at the trial of Former State Engineer Frederick Skene.

The limb belonged to a cat or a horse, but also who are entitled to have the remains so that a proper and respectable burial may be given. No doubt such an enquiry would mean much expense, but it would be money well spent as it would clear up one of the most ghastly mysteries in this Province's history. I am surprised that the mayor, has not long before this called a special meeting of the City Council, to take up this matter. The council has no trouble in holding meetings to consider other matters but which, all must confess, fall into insignificance when compared with solving this ghastly mystery. Hoping Mr. Editor, that this letter will wake the authorities up,

I remain,
Yours, etc.

CITIZEN

Aug. 29, 1910

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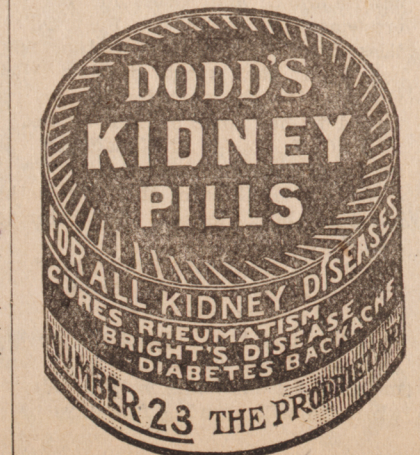
Sept. 8.—We had a heavy rain here last night and it is raining this a. m.

"The farmers are through with their haying, which has been the biggest rop housed in this section for years. Some are also through harvesting their oats, which are also a good crop. Buckwheat is also good, but potatoes the tops of which are all dead, are turning out poor, so say those who are digging.

Miss Verna B. Murch, who is a graduate nurse, of Boston, has just arrived at her home on a vacation and intends stopping a few weeks. She says the summer has been a hot one. We are getting another mail per week each way now, which is very satisfactory to the people of the east side of the river. We hope it will continue.

There is joy in the Amos Jordan family over a new arrival—a boy.

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