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THE EXTENSION OF THE I. C. R.

It is to be hoped that the pressure of the Toronto Board of Trade in favor of the extension of the Intercolonial through Ontario will prove more effective than Maritime urgings for this and other improvements to the Government railway system. The road cannot remain in its present incomplete condition and become profitable as a business institution or fulfil its duty as a transportation agency to the country it serves.

Under existing conditions as the Halifax Echo remarks, the Intercolonial is dependent for the bulk of its traffic upon railways under company operation. Most of its east-bound traffic it receives from the Grand Trunk at Montreal and a considerable part of its local and west-bound freight comes to it from the various branch lines under private operation in the Maritime Provinces. Shortly the Grand Trunk will give its own eastern channel of transportation, and unless the existing branches are previously united to the Intercolonial system, these avenues of traffic will undoubtedly be diverted to that or some other company's uses. The recent action of the C.P.R. in taking over the Dominion Atlantic illustrates the policy that any live company entering this field will adopt—a policy which the Intercolonial should have put into force long since.

Mr. Blair had the right idea of the Intercolonial. He saw the futility of a railway with no roots of its own to draw independent sustenance from the productive sources of traffic. His extension of the road to Montreal was only a step in a process he had mapped out which should eventually carry its rails across the prairies to the Pacific. Mr. Emmerson had the same large vision, but recognized the initial necessity of establishing permanently the Intercolonial's Maritime base of supplies, so he set himself to the task of the branch lines. The two schemes go together and both are necessary for the future existence of the Intercolonial as a separate institution.

The Intercolonial must grow or die. Unless it has secured within the next few years, a permanent hold upon its Maritime feeders and direct connection with traffic from Ontario and the West, it will find itself cut off from both sources of supply and forced to compete in its own territory with two or three transcontinental lines, into the hands of one of which, or of the three in combination—worst fate of all—it will then inevitably fall. If the Government hopes and desires to retain the Intercolonial as a public owned fuel instrument of public utility, the railway and to develop it as a user of business common-sense points plainly to the only way.

The Methodist Church in Canada has withdrawn its official ban against dancing and theatres and cards, leaving to its members hereafter the right of judgment as to which amusements are of "hurtful and questionable tendency." This will not likely have any marked effect upon the habits or morals of Methodists in general. Those who have heretofore avoided these amusements have generally done so, not because of this rule of church discipline, but because they could pass their time more intelligently, and these are not likely to change their habits. It is possible too, that now that the ban has been removed from dancing, it will lose its attraction for some who liked to

think it a bit wicked. A thing is so much more fascinating when it is sinful, than when it is merely silly.

A contemporary remarks that it is difficult to understand about that half million in English bank notes recently found in the finance department at Ottawa in an old strong box where it had lain for many years. It was generally understood that the Tories cleaned up everything loose before they left there in 1896.

PROGRESS BEING MADE IN BATTLE WITH LEPROSY

Washington B.C. Aug. 30—Leprosy the uncounted scourge of the ages, is making what is believed to be its stand against science from Molokai, the Coral Isle and prison for the plague stricken in the Hawaiian Group, a few words have been flashed half way around the world to Washington telling of an achievement accounted second only to the discovery of the Lepa bacilli by Hansen in 1879. Three surgeons of the United States health and marine hospital service after months of toil, have grown lepra bacilli in pure culture outside the human body and in tiny thin glass tubes in the laboratory the loathsome germs are now growing their third generation. Four times the scientists have taken the infection from the body of a leper and artificially propagated the bacillus on beef broth, egg or the ameba of the intestines of a guinea pig. The work of Dr. M. T. Clegg, who declared less than a year ago at Manila that he had found that the bacillus could be cultivated outside of the human body, is verified and extended Clegg has been rushed from the Manila scientific station to Molokai to assist in the experiment.

This achievement of the scientists at the government's leprosy investigation station is the first step in the production of a vaccine or a serum for the cure or prevention of leprosy. Precisely the same ground has been covered by the man who evolved the diphtheria and the serum for tetanus. In each of these cases the growing of the germ in pure culture has been the stepping stone to the cure. Dr. Donald H. Currie, director of the station, Dr. Walter D. Binkhoff and Dr. P. T. Holmann are the men who have grown cultures.

DR. CHAS. WHITNEY HAS BROKEN RECORD FOR MOOSE PHOTOGRAPHY

Mr. D. W. Clinch of St. John arrived in the city at noon today after a month's stay in the Miramichi woods with Dr. Charles Whitney's party which has been there a couple of months securing photographs of scenes in the woods illustrative of the life of wild animals particularly moose. Mr. Clinch says Dr. Whitney has broken all records for photos of moose having secured upwards of two hundred. This record has been made under difficulties as during the time Dr. Whitney has been in the woods, rain fell on twenty-eight days making photography impossible. Dr. Whitney will remain on the Miramichi a fortnight longer. He has made his headquarters at McKel Lake and Trout Lake up to the present.

Mr. Clinch will go into the woods himself in the course of a few days to take a series of moving pictures of wild animals for Gaumont & Co. of New York.

Messrs Griffin of Stanley are acting as guides for Dr. Whitney and are highly spoken of by him.

APPOINTED REVISOR

Mr. C. Barker has been appointed a revisor for the Parish of Sheffield in the place of Duncan London resigned.

APPLY FOR INCORPORATION

Messrs. G. Clowes Carman, Charles Nevins, Harry M. Hopper and Henry O. McInerney of St. John have applied for letters patent of incorporation under the name of the Menzies Construction Company, Limited.

P. N. S. REOPENS TOMORROW

The Provincial Normal School will reopen after the summer vacation tomorrow morning. The attendance will be the largest in the history of the institution. Over three hundred applications for admission have been received from intending students.

ANNIVERSARY SALE.

As will be seen by their announcement in another column Messrs. A. Murray & Co. the well known dry goods firm will tomorrow celebrate their first anniversary by holding a grand cheap sale. This concern started business here on Sept. 1st 1909, and have succeeded in building up a large and profitable trade. Mr. Murray the manager of the firm is an experienced dry goods man and he is surrounded by a courteous and efficient staff of clerks. His half page announcement will repay a careful perusal.

LIEUTENANT COL. BRIDGES LEAVES FOR MONTREAL TODAY

Will Take Up Duties of P. M. O. to Quebec Command—His Departure a Distinct Loss to Fredericton—A Successful Physician and Surgeon—Brief Sketch of His Career.

Lieut. Col. J. W. Bridges, who was recently appointed Principal Medical Officer of the Quebec command, will leave this evening with his family for Montreal, where they will reside in future. In the departure of Colonel Bridges, Fredericton loses one of its best known and most useful citizens, and he will carry with him to his new field of labor the best wishes of all classes for future success and prosperity. Col. Bridges' new command comprises Military Districts Nos. 5, 6 and 7, so his transfer really comes in the way of a promotion. Col. and Mrs. Bridges have been prominent in social circles here for years, and they will be greatly missed in the community.



LIEUT. COL. BRIDGES

COL. BRIDGES' CAREER.

Col. Bridges is a native of Sheffield, Sunbury County, where his father, Mr. William J. Bridges, still resides. He came to this city in 1881, and took a course at the University of New Brunswick from which he graduated with the degree of B. A. While at college he took an active interest in athletics, and won the championship title two years in succession. A record made by him in the mile run stood the test for ten years.

He studied medicine at Edinburgh University, graduating in 1888, after a brilliant course with the degree of

M. D. While attending the University he was a member of the students representative council, an organization which afterwards erected and equipped a large building known as the Students' Union. After practicing a few months in a suburb of Edinburgh, Dr. Bridges returned to New Brunswick, and located at Moncton, where he remained several years. In 1892 he purchased the practice of Dr. J. Z. Currie, and established himself in this city, where he has since resided. He has long been recognized as one of Fredericton's most skilful physicians and he has been particularly successful in difficult surgical and typhoid cases.

He has been a member of the Victoria Hospital staff for many years, and he was one of the organizers of the York and Sunbury Medical Society, which organization tendered him a complimentary banquet a few days ago.

As a citizen, Col. Bridges has always identified himself with every movement having for its object the betterment of the conditions of life in the community. He was active in several fraternal societies, particularly the Sons of England and the Fredericton Curling Club had no more enthusiastic member. His departure will be a distinct loss to the medical profession, as well as to the organizations to which he belonged and to the city as a whole.

HIS MILITARY CAREER.

Col. Bridges has been identified with the militia for the long period of twenty-eight years, having joined Capt. Loggie's Company of the 71st Regiment in 1882 as a full private. He succeeded to the rank of surgeon major in 1893. Upon the formation of the Army Medical Corps, he resigned from the 71st and joined the Army Medical staff service, and soon after was appointed P. M. O. of District No. 8. He filled this position until 1904, when he resigned to enter the Permanent Corps. In 1907 he proceeded to Kingston and was the only candidate in that year to pass the examination prescribed for majors in the Army Medical service. This secured for him his present rank of Lieutenant Colonel. For a short time Col. Bridges served as principal medical officer for the Maritime Provinces, and last year, during the miner's strike at Glace Bay, he was on duty there with a detachment of the R. C. R. This year he acted as P. M. O. at the camp at Three Rivers, P. Q. Col. Bridges is entitled to the long service medal and recently made application for it.

HALF MILLION TREASURE FOUND IN OLD SAFE

Ottawa, August 31—There is half a million dollars treasure trove in the treasury of the Government and a peculiar story goes with it. On Friday the Finance Department sent one of its strong boxes to be repaired at a Wellington Street locksmith's. The box was locked and no one had a key. It was just an ordinary job to the workmen who always repair these strong boxes. Workmen tackled the job, got the box and discovered in it a pile of English bank notes. A phone call brought panting civil servants to the shop. They counted up the notes to the total of about \$500,000, parceled them up and carried them back to their department.

MR. CARVELL SPEAKS HIGHLY OF THE G. T. P. IN NEW BRUNSWICK

(Telegraph.)

F. B. Carvell, Woodstock, M. P., for Carleton County, arrived in the city last evening, and is registered at the Royal. He has just come in from Moncton after a trip over the Transcontinental. He spoke enthusiastically of the G. T. P. line, and the kind of country it will open up. He says no one has any idea of it until he sees it. The steel is all laid to the Quebec boundary from Moncton, he thinks, with the exception of about twenty miles. He rode continuously from Plaster Rock to Moncton over the G. T. P.

NO APPOINTMENT YET

No appointment to the office of tax collector has yet been made as Deputy Sheriff Winter is expected to complete one month as collector. The applicants for the position are said to be the same as made application on the resignation of Mr. Hedley VanWart.

THE ANNEXATION OF KOREA BY JAPAN

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—The text of the treaty by which the Korean Kingdom was annexed to the Empire of Japan, just published here, is the occasion of a bitterly sarcastic editorial in The Novoe Vremya. The document, the paper says, constitutes "an historical example of shameless hypocrisy." The insidious importance of the treaty is null, says the Novoe Vremya. It adds that Russian interests in the Hermit Kingdom are insignificant, and for that reason Russian diplomacy will not raise its voice in protest. Great Britain and the United States have been hard hit in the opinion of the editor who, however, concludes that as war is the sole means of annulling an accomplished fact, the situation will be accepted, for assuredly none would go to war with Korea.

PERSONAL

Mr. George H. Deeks of the Toronto Construction Company is in the city.

Mrs. James Palmer, Master Kenneth Palmer and Miss Vandino, of Sackville, who have been spending a few days with friends in the city, returned to Sackville today.

Mr. James Robinson, ex-M. P., of Miramichi, is at the Barker House.

Mr. W. A. Fraser, of Brownville, Me., is in the city.

Mr. D. W. Clinch, of St. John, arrived in the city by I. C. R. at noon today. He is at the Queen. Mr. Clinch will go to St. John this evening.

Miss Jessie Segee, who has been visiting her father, Mr. C. H. Segee, returned to her home at Farnham, P. Q., last evening.

Rev. J. H. McDonald was called home from St. John this morning by news of the serious illness of Dr. Creed.

Mrs. G. A. Wintemute, of Medicine Hat, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McKay, of Kingsclear, returns home this evening.

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MARYSVILLE TOPICS

August 31—Mr. and Mrs. J. Edwin Cowan of Douglas Avenue, St. John arrived in town Saturday evening accompanied by Misses Jennie and Doris McConnell who have been visiting them. They made the trip by automobile returning on Monday taking Mrs. J. R. McConnell, Mrs. Walter Millikan and little son back with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith of Portland Me., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Lee of St. John are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rowley.

Miss Stella Clayton has returned from a visit to St. Stephen.

The new bandstand is in place why cannot we have some music? Of course, the gas has not been put in yet, but the bandmen could use lanterns as they formerly did for a few times.

Mrs. Staples, of Gibson was the guest of Mrs. Chas. Chisholm on Tuesday.

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