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## ONTARIO PRISONERS WILL BE EMPLOYED ON THE ROADS

Government is Making  
Arrangements to  
Bring About  
this Course

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
WORKS WILL TAKE CHARGE

Twenty Prisoners to Commence Their New  
Duties at Once.

Toronto, June 3.—The Government has definitely decided to employ prisoners in the building of roads in the northern part of the province. R. F. Fairbairn, the deputy minister of public works will inaugurate the work, going to Matheson, where 20 prisoners will be started building a road to Porcupine. The public works department will be responsible for the commissariat and the care of the men.

## WORK PROCEEDS IN G. T. P. SERVICE

Montreal, June 4.—The management of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway is working actively and continually, under the able direction of Mr. Charles Hayes, to establish the main sections of its service, as quickly as is compatible with thoroughness. That the big transcontinental is making excellent progress is not to be doubted for a moment by those who follow its continual forward movement.

The president has just placed orders for nearly \$2,000,000 worth of new rolling stock, it is said. The contracts were awarded to the Canada Car Company, Silliker Car Company and the Grand Trunk shops at Point St. Charles.

For some months carloads of rails have been moving westward, and they will continue to do so until the country is bridged with them from Prince Rupert to Halifax.

The benefits to Canada at large, but especially in the West, consequent upon the inauguration of the new big transcontinental, are apparent in the way of rising land values and a multitude of other ways.

## AMERICA WILL NOT COMPETE AT TENNIS

New York, N. Y., June 4.—Confirmation has been received here of the report that the Americans would not send a team to England for the preliminary matches for the Davis International Lawn Tennis Cup with the copy of the official bulletin of the English Lawn Tennis Association. The bulletin quotes a cablegram received from Dr. James Dwight, president of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, as follows:

"Regret probably cannot get team for England."

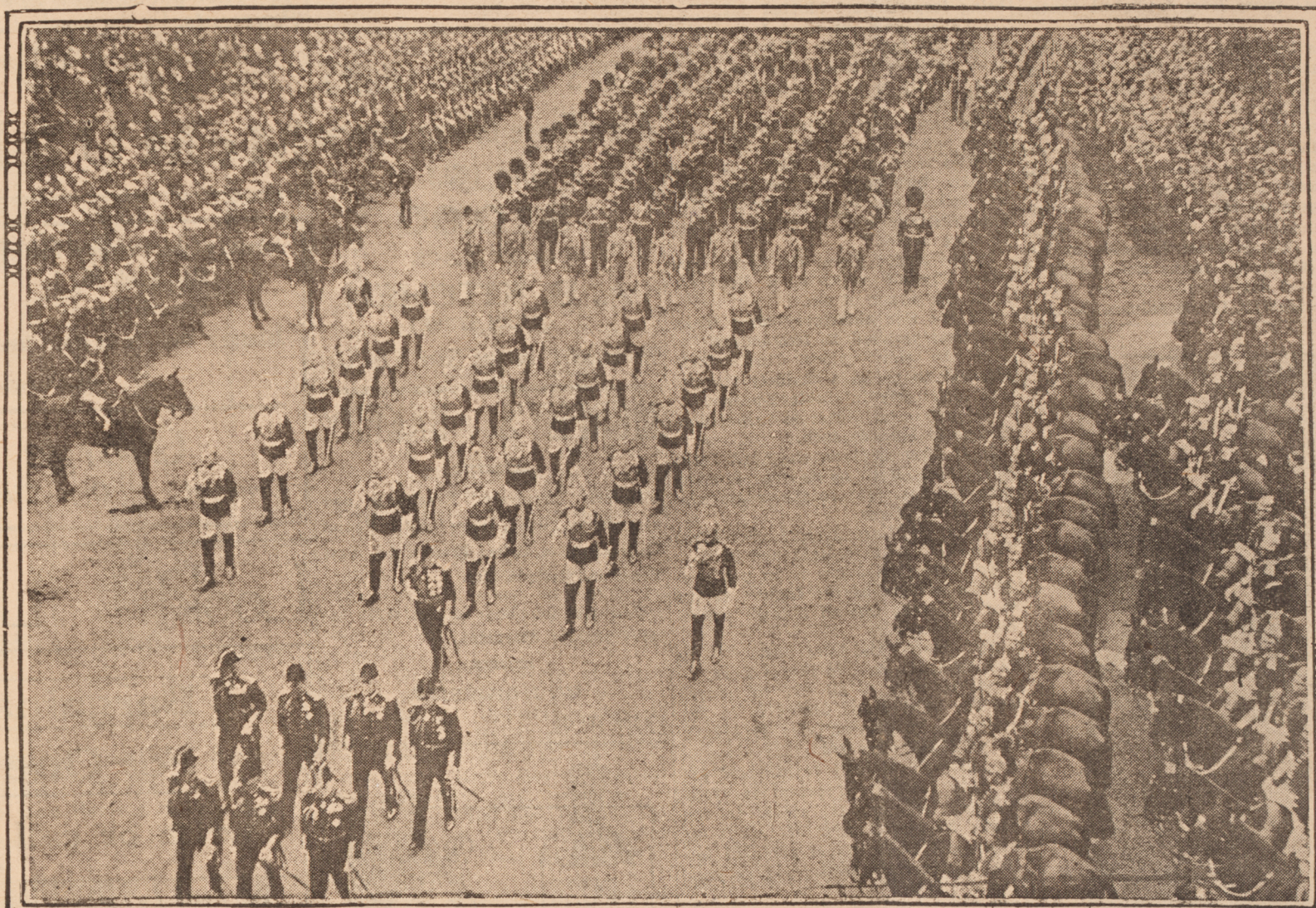
Dr. Dwight is now in New York, but he has not yet been reached for an explanation of the situation. Members of the executive committee of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association expressed surprise at the news and were inclined to think Dr. Dwight, if he had cabled as quoted had done so without authority.

At the annual meeting of the Association not long ago, it was decided to send a team and the executive committee has taken no official action to rescind this action. Beal C. Wright, M. P. Long and N. E. McLoughlin had been named as players. Steps to clarify the situation will probably be taken by those in charge.

### GAME WARDEN ACTIVE.

A Newcastle correspondent writes: Chief Game Warden Doyle is active these days in the prosecution of offenders of the Game Act. Mr. Doyle has secured a conviction over William Gray, of Bathurst, who was charged with the illegal selling of fur. Magistrate O'Brien heard the case, and on the promise that the defendant strictly observe the regulations, no penalty was exacted.

## SCENE TAKEN IN LONDON AT FUNERAL OF THE LATE KING



OFFICERS OF THE LIFE GUARDS, FOLLOWED BY THE MASED BANDS

## RUMOUR THAT C. H. LABILLOIS WILL RETIRE

Said to be a Candidate for Collectors-  
ship of Customs at Dalhousie, or  
May go to Ottawa.

(St. John New Star.)

Newcastle, June 3.—Announcement may be expected almost any day of the retirement, as a member of the Legislative Assembly, of Hon. C. H. LaBilloy, M. P. P., one of the Restigouche representatives and former Chief Commissioner of Public Works for the Province. The North Shore Leader this week contains an authoritative statement that the popular member for Restigouche has decided to retire and will shortly take the necessary steps. The article further states that Hon. Mr. LaBilloy will be appointed collector of customs at Dalhousie, succeeding Mr. George Haddon, the present incumbent of that important office. It is probable that his appointment will be gazetted during the next few weeks.

Another rumor is to the effect that Hon. Mr. LaBilloy will contest Restigouche county in the interests of the Liberal party for Ottawa. It is known that Mr. LaBilloy's health has been none too vigorous for some time and that he has been advised by close friends to get out of the turmoil of party politics.

## REVIEW OF WEEK'S STOCK DEALINGS

New York, June 4.—The week's stock was dominated by the government's inflection against the Western trunk line rate increases. The speculation saw in this a threat to adequate earnings to maintaining dividends, a curtailment of expenditure for improvements, a reduction of working force, an interruption to the sales of railroad bonds and an indefinite list of ulterior minor consequences. The fact that speculative buying of stocks for a month had been based on the expected rate increases aggravated the effect of the incident. Prices fell abruptly to the lowest level of the year. The rapidity of the decline invited to some new demand and a rebound in prices, but the later break was of even greater violence.

### THE MARKET.

The market this morning was one of the largest of the season, but the variety of farm produce was not very large. Butter in prints sold at 23 cents, eggs brought 20 cents, veal 5 and 8 cents, potatoes 75 cents a barrel, rhubarb 3 cents per pound.

## J. P. MORGAN SAID ABOUT TO QUIT ACTIVE BUSINESS

Will Likely Spend Most of His Time in  
Europe Where He Will Devote Him-  
self to Advancement of Art.

New York, June 3.—Announcement

that J. Pierpont Morgan expects to retire from active business is accompanied by the statement that the American financier intends to create a new Prix de Rome for American students in Europe. It is declared in Paris, so cables to The Boston Sunday American announce, that Mr. Morgan is planning to give every opportunity for the development of a distinctive American school of art.

Today every American student in Rome, Paris and Vienna is deeply interested in the statement, with the authority of Mr. Morgan's friends, that his retirement from the multiplied interests he has in business is to be succeeded by his paying all attention to the development of American art.

Following his relinquishing the active affairs of business it is said that Mr. Morgan expects to spend much of his time in Europe, and that he will devote several years to the completing of his art collection, already a notable one.

Mr. Morgan's multiplied interests are known to be shaping so that his active retirement would be entirely possible. Nothing would be impeded and he would be in close touch with developments in America even though in Europe for an extended time.

## LIMIT OF EXPENDITURE HAS BEEN REACHED

The local improvement association this year has confined its attention to the beautifying of the field on the eastern side of the Victoria Hospital and the improvement of the river bank between the bicycle and Boating clubhouse and Shore street. It is not likely that the association will attempt any further work as its funds are fully expended. Many trees were set out near the hospital and the cost of making the improvements was considerable.

The improvement association has not yet received its customary civic grant but it is likely that it will be passed at the meeting of the city council next week.

Mr. Arthur McCluskey of St. John, has been in the city for several days in the interests of the McAlpine Publishing Company. He will return to St. John tonight.

## MR. JAMES HILL IS NOT AT ALL WORRIED

Says Wall Street Crisis is Fictitious—  
Thinks Railroads are Sound With  
Plenty of Business.

New York, N. Y., June 4.—James L.

Hill optimism is undisturbed, even in the face of the government's action to restrain railroads from increasing freight rates and the Wall Street situation.

"The business of the United States is too big for a little matter like this to disturb it" was his response to a question regarding the railroad situation. "The present crisis in Wall Street is more fictitious than otherwise," he continued. "There is no cause for alarm on the part of any body. I don't think it is going to be much of a shower. The only thing to worry the railroads just now is how to handle the enormous volume of business that is offered. What the railroads need at present time far greater than extensions or better equipment is increased terminal facilities for handling the vast volume of business offered."

"So far as cancelled orders for equipment are concerned we're not cancelling any and do not place much reliance in reports that other roads are cancelling their orders."

We have issued no orders to lay off men or to curtail our expenses. And furthermore I see no cause for worry

## THE STOCK MARKET STILL VERY WEAK

(Quotations from direct private wires  
of J. M. Robinson & Son, Bankers,  
St. John, N. B., Members  
Montreal Stock Exchange)

OPEN.	
Amalgamated, .....	64 1/2
Atchafson, .....	102 1/2
Smelters, .....	73 1/2
Canadian Pacific, .....	193 1/2
Brooklyn Transit, .....	76 1/2
Great Northern, pfd., .....	129
Pennsylvania, .....	130
Reading, .....	135 1/2
Soo, .....	135 1/2
Southern Pacific, .....	113 1/2
U. S. Steel, Com., .....	168 1/2
Crown Reserve, .....	290
Quebec, .....	41
Iron, .....	64
Iron, pfd., .....	102

Miss Mary Fenety was a passenger to St. John by boat this morning.

Of three wires of the same thickness one made of gold will sustain 150 lbs., one of copper 302 lbs., one of iron 549 lbs.

## POTATO GROWING OF HEAVY SCALE IS A MISTAKE

Senator Baird Says That Catering for  
the Cuban Market in This Line is  
a Very Unwise Policy to Follow.

(Telegraph.)

Senator Baird, of Andover, was in the city yesterday prior to leaving last evening for Montreal. Speaking to The Telegraph regarding the agricultural situation in the river section at the north of the province, Senator Baird condemned as bad business the manner in which the farmers were placing their reliance in the Cuban potato trade. "We are too near Aroostook up there," he said, "The people have been unhappily attracted by the methods of the farmers on the other side of the line. The success of the Aroostook farmers in devoting their energies so largely to the cultivation of potatoes has excited our own farmers to such an extent that they have almost entirely forsaken their old staple means of livelihood. They have now almost only one thing to depend upon—potatoes. In seasons such as the past one has been, when potatoes are largely a drug on the market, they find themselves in difficulties."

"Oats are bringing a high price in St. John and elsewhere at present, but there is none in Carleton and the neighboring counties to be shipped. Formerly we shipped thousands of bushels of grain annually to St. John alone and made a good profit at it. We have now little but potatoes, and they are of no very great value."

"The exploiting of the Cuban trade in potatoes seems to me to be a very unwise policy for the province. Not only has it led the farmers to rush into potato raising to the exclusion of other profitable crops, but it does not seem either that the trade which can be worked up in Cuba is proportionate to the excitement which has been aroused over it. The island is not large enough to afford a paying business great enough for New Brunswick to desert her general farming business in order to go into competition with other prolific sources of supply. If the province would continue to raise potatoes in a reasonable proportion she would find sufficient market near at hand, in Montreal and elsewhere, to make ample profits on potatoes while still realizing on other crops which are much more than worth while."

"The Cuban potato trade has been a constant source of trouble to the banks. They are called upon to advance the expenses of shipment to a market which cannot be called a paying one if the past season is to

## THE CANADIAN COMMISSION ON TECHNICAL EDUCATION

### MISCHIEVOUS BOYS FIRE AN OLD TANK OF OIL

After Decoying the Watchman, and  
but for Prompt Action of Firemen,  
Conflagration Might Have Ensued.

Roxbury, Mass., June 3.—Mischievous boys, not realizing what they were about, early last evening set fire to nearly 1000 gallons of oil in an old tank that stood on a vacant lot on Webster St., not far from the corner of Harrison Ave. But for the fact that the tank was some distance from the rows of wooden tenements a conflagration might have resulted.

Wednesday afternoon an old tank, weighing about five tons and containing nearly 1000 gallons of crude oil that had been buried with the tank about 30 years ago, was found in the ground at the corner of Hampden and Howard Sts. where a foundation is being dug for a new building. The tank was bought by Marks Angell, a junk dealer, and yesterday afternoon was removed to the vacant lot on Webster St. The tank, with the oil in it, was being guarded by a watchman.

Shortly before 6 a gang of small boys gathered about the tank. They decoyed the watchman and while he was chasing one of the boys several more, it is said, threw a burning newspaper into the tank of oil.

In an instant flames shot through the hole in the upper part of the tank with a roar. Dense volumes of black smoke then poured forth.

An alarm was given from box 224 and on the arrival of the three fire engines, orders were given to flood the tank. Within 250 yards of the blazing tank there are a number of wooden houses, but at no time were these in danger owing to the work of the firemen. The blaze was drowned after tons of water had been poured into it.

### PRESIDENT HARRIS DISCOVERS N. S. STEEL

Montreal, June 4.—(Special)—Mr. Robert E. Harris K.C., of Halifax, president of the Nova Scotia Corporation, stated this morning that the Scotia Company is making excellent progress and that, as far as he knew the directors and the shareholders were fairly well satisfied as to its future.

"How do you regard the report, recently circulated to the effect that the Nova Scotia Company was quite amenable to persuasion on the part of the Dominion Steel and coal Company to join the merger?" Mr. Harris was asked.

"We are not troubling ourselves with mergers. We are doing our best to increase our business and all we want is to be allowed to attend to that."

Are there any grounds for expecting an immediate increase in dividend to 6 percent? was asked.

"Well," replied Mr. Harris, smiling, "that is a question which the board will deal with in due course." Asked as to the financial condition of the company Mr. Harris said: "Oh! we are very happy so far as that is concerned. We have no liabilities and a good balance on the right side of our account with our bankers."

### SCOTT ACT CASE

The proprietor of a livery stable was before the police magistrate this morning charged with violating the Canada Temperance Act. Several witnesses were examined.

Miss Mildred Walker, daughter of Ald. Joseph Walker, has returned from Sackville, where she has been attending Mount Allison Ladies' College.

he relied upon as a criterion. They have to put up the prices of barrels and the costly freightage before the potatoes are shipped. If the goods were going to Montreal, they would go in bulk and the freightage, which would, of course, be much smaller, would be paid in Montreal."

### The Appointments An- nounced by Hon. Mackenzie King Represents All Interests

PROFESSOR JAMES W.  
ROBERTSON IS CHAIRMAN

Will Tour the World, Gathering Information  
on Industrial Training and Technical  
Education.

Ottawa, June 3.—Hon. MacKenzie King announced in Berlin, Ont., last night the appointment of a Royal Commission to study the needs of Industrial Training and Technical education as provided for by the last session of Parliament. The commission consists of seven members headed by Dr. J. W. Robertson, formerly Dairy Commissioner for Canada, and now head of the MacDonald College at Ste. Anne De Bellevue. He has been for years chief exponent of technical education in Canada, and is undoubtedly the very best man available for the position. Other members are Hon. John N. Armstrong, of North Sydney, who has taken a leading part in the development of technical education in Nova Scotia, who will represent the Maritime Provinces; Dr. Geo. Bryce, the founder of the Manitoba Board of Education; Mr. Gaspard Deserres, head of Montreal's big new technical institute; G. M. Murray, Secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association and nominee of that body; James Simpson, Chairman of the Toronto Board of Education, and a prominent official of the Trade and Labor Congress of Canada for years past; David Forsyth, head of the Berlin Collegiate and Technical Institute, which is the largest in Ontario. The Secretary of the Commission is Thos. Bengough, of Toronto.

### REPRESENTS ALL INTERESTS.

The Commission represents all interests, and is probably non-political. The members will be required to devote their whole time for at least a year in investigating the subject.

It is expected that the Commission will enter upon its labors early in the month of July. The Minister of Labor states that it will begin by making a tour of the Dominion from the Atlantic to the Pacific, visiting all the important industrial centres and ascertaining by personal enquiry and investigation, as well as by the hearing of evidence, the needs of employers and workmen alike as respects industrial training and technical education.

### WILL TOUR THE WORLD.

Having completed this part of its work, the Commission will then visit the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany, France and any other countries that may seem necessary, with a view to ascertaining the best methods by which similar need are being met, and the work of technical education furthered in other lands. It is expected that at least a year will be required for this work. Professor Robertson, Chairman of the Commission, is at present in England, but has been informed of his appointment by cable, and has announced that he will return to Canada and be ready to enter upon his duties early in the month of July. All of the Commissioners will be obliged to give their individual time and attention to the work of the Commission.

### STEAMER ASHORE

Christiansand, Norway, June 4.—The Danish liner, United States, bound from Copenhagen to New York, ran ashore at six o'clock this morning in Christiansand Fjord. A steamer has gone to take off the passengers.

### METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES.

The pastor, Rev. J. W. McConnell, will preach tomorrow morning. Special address to children. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the close of the service. Sunday School at two o'clock. Union service at the Rink at 7 o'clock. A cordial welcome to all the services of the church.