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THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMISSION

The Dominion Government has lost very little time in making the appointments to the Royal Commission on Technical Education and Industrial Training. The announcement that Prof. J. W. Robertson is to be Chairman is a sufficient guarantee that the work to be undertaken will be thoroughly performed, and much useful and practical information obtained.

The area to be covered by the Commission is large, and the opportunities for acquiring the desired information will naturally be in proportion. In addition to a tour of this country, where exhaustive enquiry will be made into existing industrial conditions, the Commission will also visit the larger centers of American industry, and afterwards will make a tour of Great Britain and the leading manufacturing districts of the continent of Europe. It is anticipated that about a year or so will be occupied in this manner, after which the report will be made, and the various recommendations which the Commission may think desirable in the interests of technical education and industrial training formulated. This should be a valuable document and one upon which the Government may act with every confidence.

WOODEN STREET PAVING

The problem of finding the best paving for city streets, which interests engineers and road experts the world over, has been solved with a tolerable degree of satisfaction in Hampstead, one of the residential sections of London, according to Consul General Griffiths. There are in that borough about nine miles of wood-paved streets, those with the heaviest traffic paved with hardwood blocks that cost, including the concrete foundation, about \$3.40 per square yard. They last about ten years and, says Mr. Griffiths, "give excellent foothold for horses on gradients up to 1 in 20." Which is rather surprising, considering the humidity in the London atmosphere.

In St. Marylebone, a very populous borough, there are about fifteen miles of good-block roads, which have to be repaved every ten or fifteen years. The five-inch creosoted deal blocks are placed on an eight-inch concrete foundation, and, although comparatively noiseless, cheaper to maintain than macadam and affording a fair foothold for horses, the paving requires more cleaning than macadam.

When the horses shall have entirely disappeared from city street the paving problem will be a simple matter. But until then, each city will have unsolved difficulties.

THE MONEY-MAD

A man worth \$20,000,000, who has been fined and sent to jail for four months, must do some deep thinking while he is outside the pale of society. This is what has happened to a Pittsburg millionaire found guilty of bribing councilmen.

Is there money enough to repay any man for transgressing the laws? Doesn't such a man live in constant dread of detection? The press repeatedly chronicles the downfall of men of wealth who would have kept out of jail if they had not been money-mad.

This madness for wealth seems to grow on some men who once thought they would be content with a moderate competence. The courts must perform their duty whether an offender is rich or poor, and this fact should seek deeply into the minds of those who think they can bribe public servants and always escape punishment.

If the laws against bribe-giving are not enforced there will be no check to the iniquities of a class of money-mad men who pass for right and honest citizens until their misdeeds are uncovered.

THE SOUTH POLE

The British Antarctic expedition has set sail. It has a long way to go, and it is to be hoped it may get there.

In its way, this is more of a pleasure excursion than that upon which Peary set out. The start is made from the Thames, stopping for coal at Cardiff in Wales, and the valorous explorer does not board his vessel until New Zealand is reached. The test will come after reaching the ice barrier which circles the mountainous interior of the southern polar region; and this has none of the fantastic and evasive character of the floating ice of the North Pole. Nevertheless, the penetration of this region of ice-clad volcanoes may serve to solve some of the problems of terrestrial phenomena which have puzzled the ages.

One thing is apparent; namely that the mystery of the Antarctic has none of the commercial possibilities long attributed to the conquest of the North Pole. It is purely scientific.

The New York World says of President Roosevelt: "He was born to 'meddle, and we would much rather 'have him meddle with British politics than with American politics. "We would rather have him bedevil 'the British Government than the 'American Government than the American Government. We would much 'rather have him make a nuisance of 'himself over there than over here. "The British brothers have been 'waiting impatiently for him, and 'now they have him. If they can 'stand his Guidhall speech, we can. "Some of them used to think they 'would like to have him for Prime 'Minister. If they are still of that 'mind, let them keep him, and peace 'be with them."

The President of the University of Maine seems to have lost his usefulness in that office. The students have requested him not to address them tomorrow, when the bacclaureate addresses are to be given. He says he will. They reply that if he does they will walk out in a body. It is apparent that either the President or the students will have to walk out shortly.

TO CORRESPONDENTS

While the Mail is ready at all times to open its columns for the discussion of matters of public interest, it must not be assumed that the opinions expressed by correspondents are necessarily those of this journal, nor can it accept responsibility for any such opinions. This journal does not undertake to publish all or any communications which may be addressed to it, and any such, not accompanied by the name and address of the writer, as evidence of good faith, will not be noticed under any circumstances.

To the Editor of the Daily Mail:

O. S. Crockett, the York County misfit, hiding behind the weak kneed, back boneless editor" of the Chatham World published an article last Wednesday again insinuating that a camp equipment and a canoe, was stolen by me. The editor of the World was asked by me in a letter dated May 31st, if he did not think it unfair to make such statements without a bona fide case being made out, and he has not had the decency to reply, knowing that it is false.

The misfit having run his course, and being floored again and having spent all his ammunition on an unbelieving public takes shelter in the half bushel of the editor of the Chatham World, J. L. Stewart, and thus retreats from the object of his attack in this manner.

I deny that any camp equipment was ever taken, neither was a canoe, ever taken; but on the other hand, was returned to the Department of Public Works, St. John, in the fall of 1909.

A. E. HANSON

OPERA HOUSE TONIGHT

Miss Avis Paige and her company are in the city and will offer a strong attraction at City Opera House tonight, "The Farmer's Daughter." The company and the play are highly spoken of and theatre-goers will no doubt see an exceptionally good production at the local playhouse, tonight. Seats on sale at Ryan's Central Pharmacy.—d

Gem Theatre

Sweet Revenge, - - An Ugly Duckling
A Story of a School Girl and an Ugly Old Man.

A Honeymoon through Snow to Sunshine
A very pleasant trip from New York to the Sunny Southern South.

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**J. M. ROBINSON & SONS
WEEKLY MARKET LETTER**

The Standard Oil Clique Said to be Behind--Bear Attack on New York Stocks--Strong Position of C. P. R.

St. John, June 4—Contrary to all expectations the Stock Market has had a very serious break during the week; ten days ago before closing for the holiday it was generally anticipated that there would be a quiet normal market with a steady advance in the prices, in fact all conditions pointed to this, immediately after the opening on Wednesday it was announced that the Government of the United States had sought to restrict in the Western Railroads from increasing their rates by issuing an injunction to this effect, this was a signal for heavy liquidation; on Thursday the market was quiet with good signs of a moderate advance and though Friday opened quiet before the day had advanced very far selling said to be led by the Standard Oil clique was noted in heavy volume and prices declined very materially. There is apparently no other explanation for this break in the market than the action of the Government as noted above. Crop reports are good particularly in Cotton which shows a higher average than usual with a much larger acreage sown than last year; further news of American securities sold abroad is expected; the commodity prices in grain, cotton and pork have declined very materially and all these conditions should be the signal for a material advance in securities.

Commenting on these conditions the Boston News Bureau says: "A year ago when the Patten fancy turned to grain rather than cotton the spot price for wheat reached \$1.35 This May ended with wheat at 94 cents or almost 30 percent lower" "Apart from and beneath the skirmishes of Pitt leaders and the vagaries of the weather lies a large change in market position which the drop in price denotes."

"Its origin can be traced back to the panic. In our feverish effort to obtain needed foreign gold we exported hugely for a while. Thus in the fiscal year ending with June 1908 we shipped out 165,000,000 bushels of wheat although the 1907 crop had been only 634,000,000 bushels against 735,000,000 the year before. This left us only 470,000,000 bushels for domestic consumption against a normal requirement of 520,000,000. To meet this deficit took about all the wheat we had in stock."

"Our position was not bettered in 1908 as only 540,000,000 bushels were left to ourselves; but last year's harvest yielded 730,000,000 bushels, a gain of 72,000,000 over 1908; and an estimated home need of 540,000,000 bushels would leave 197,000,000 available for export between harvests. But again we had not the panic impelled-culturists have lately acquired the holding habit and power, and Europe has been able to buy lower in rival grainaries therefore we have not filled out this export margin, instead we are likely to reach 100,000,000 bushels of exports this fiscal year, which means that we shall have replenished our reserves by a round 100,000,000 bushels. The impulsion of our foreign trade balance finds a partial offset in our restored wheat stock and in cheaper flour."

If in this year we can raise pretty close to 700,000,000 bushels of wheat and 12,000,000 bales of cotton as the chances now seem to favor our doing the tension should be somewhat eased in two large elements of high living cost and of undue speculative uncertainty."

CANADIAN PACIFIC

The strength of this stock can be accounted for two conditions, 1st, that the gross earnings of the Company are increasing very fast, the rate of increase for the fiscal year up to the 21st of May being a trifle over 21 percent, it is estimated that up to June 6th the increase will be from \$16,000,000 to \$17,000,000. The 2nd condition favoring the high price for the stock is the prospect of another stock issue.

Possibly a third condition might be added to those noted above, namely, freedom of the Canadian Pacific from taxation a factor that is probably not fully appreciated.

An estimate of earnings as compared with those of last year is of

**CREW OF WRECKED
SCHOONER HAVE A
VERY TRYING TIME**

St. Johns, Nfld., June 3—With crew boats and compass missing, the 100 ton schooner La France, which left Halifax eight days ago for Bay of Islands, with a cargo of provisions, drifted ashore, waterlogged, nine miles west of Port Au Basque today. Tonight, after having been in small boats for two days, her crew reached Port Au Basque and told a tale of danger and privations. Six days after leaving Halifax the sailors said their vessel struck a sunken rock and rapidly filled. Believing that the craft was going down, the crew piled into the boats and rowed aimlessly about for hours, until the dense fog which prevailed lifted enough to allow them to set a course for port.

**ALBERTA MEMBER
RESIGNS HIS SEAT**

Calgary, June 3—T. H. Riley, Liberal member for Gleichen in the local house, has resigned as a protest against the Sifton government. He objects to the manner in which the lieutenant-governor and the premier, while chief justice, manipulated things, because the lieutenant-governor prorogued the house without allowing the members to say a word after the announcement of the resignation of the Rutherford government, and because W. H. Cushing was eliminated from the Sifton cabinet. Mr. Riley was one of the most vigorous members of the insurgent party in the house.

THE GEM.

Entire change of pictures at the Gem tonight. Four big pictures that will please both young and old. Don't forget the Gem.—d.

"And Laura, did you order me a leg of lamb at the butcher's?" "The butcher was out of legs of lamb," Miss Laura replied, "so I told him to send you up a leg of beef instead."

particular interest showing a very large prospective increase in both gross and net and almost double the surplus earned against dividends the estimate is as follows:—

| | 1910 | 1909 |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Gross earnings | \$93,000,000 | \$76,313,300 |
| Net earnings | 35,000,000 | 22,955,500 |
| Operating ratio | 63 percent | 70 percent |
| Earnings on stock | 16 percent | 8½ p.c. |

MONTREAL

Considering the weakness and general downward trend of the New York market it is almost surprising that the Montreal stocks hold so well, it certainly speaks volumes for the prospects ahead of the Dominion in the next three or four years. Though there has been no boom in Montreal stocks for some weeks there has been a very steady market with little fluctuation in quotations due undoubtedly to the outlook for prosperous conditions throughout the Dominion referred to above and the large earnings shown by Canadian Companies.

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