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## THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh southwest winds, fair and warm with a few local showers. Wednesday northwest winds, fair and cooler.

## CATTLE WERE POISONED

Farmers in Vicinity of Shediak Cape Are Much Excited

Cattle Die Under Suspicious Circumstances—An Investigation Now Being Made

Moncton, July 21.—The farmers in the vicinity of Shediak Cape are in a ferment of excitement over the discovery of what is alleged to be one of the most flagrant cases of cattle poisoning which has disturbed this section of the province for many years past.

On Friday morning Mr. John Murray, a prosperous and respected farmer of that district, found four of his best cattle dead in the fields near his home under very suspicious circumstances.

He accordingly at once communicated with Chief Gunn of Shediak, and the latter instituted a rigid examination which served to confirm the suspicions of foul play entertained by Mr. Murray.

It was accordingly decided to send the stomachs of the dead animals this afternoon to Dominion Analyst M. V. Paddock of St. John, N.B., for examination.

It is learned that Mr. Murray has his suspicions as to the author of his present troubles but legal action has been deferred until the report of the Dominion analyst has been received.

In the meantime the police are continuing their investigation and it is likely that if the stomachs of the animals are found to contain poison that an arrest will follow.

Cattle owners in the vicinity are taking every precaution to prevent a similar attack being made on their flocks and herds.

## SON OF REV. WM. PENNA ENDED HIS LIFE

St. Stephen, July 20.—The news of death of Arthur W. Penna this morning gave the community a great shock. He was a very popular young man in the border towns. He had been employed in Oak Hall for some years. Mr. Penna had been enjoying his vacation and intended to return to his work this morning but when he did not appear at the regular hour his room was visited by an employee to ascertain the cause of his absence, when he was found in his bed, life extinct, with a revolver in his hand and a wound in his head.

He seemed to be in his usual health last evening and just before retiring was talking with some friends and said he was tired and would turn in. Mr. Penna was about thirty-one years of age and a son of Rev. William and Mrs. Penna. He has one sister, Mrs. James Dunton of Moncton, who is here, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. Murchie.

## \$50,000 MORE FOR IRISH VOLUNTEERS

New York, July 19.—Within little more than 48 hours since the national executive body of the United Irish League pledged \$100,000 for the maintenance of the Irish National Volunteers, Irish men in this city have formed a New York Volunteer committee to raise \$50,000 in volunteer contributions in sixty days.

## LETTERS OF QUEEN VICTORIA SOLD

London, July 21.—Some letters of a very intimate character written by Queen Victoria to the Duchess of Gordon, were placed on a public sale at Sotheby's today. In one of these letters dated in 1842, when King Edward was a baby two months old and his sister a year older, Queen Victoria wrote: "Our little girl is now at a very interesting and amusing age, and is very lively and intelligent. The boy is a fine, strong child though not as pretty as his sister was at his age."

## Paid H. F. McLeod \$1500 For Contract on Valley Road

Mr. John S. Scott Gives Damaging Evidence Against York's Federal Member in Graft Enquiry at St. John—McLeod Was Provincial Secretary at the Time the Deal Was Made—The Cross Examination of Premier Flemming on the Timber Land Deal Completed—Commissioner Fisher wants Berry

(Special To The Mail.)

St. John, N.B., July 21.—John Scott of the railway contracting firm of Scott and Kelly, swore at this morning's session of the railway inquiry before the royal commission that he was compelled to pay Hon. H. F. McLeod at that time provincial secretary in the New Brunswick government, fifteen hundred dollars in order to get his contract on the Valley Railway. This is part of the charge made by L. A. Dugal in the legislature on April 7th and Scott in giving his evidence, told a circumstantial and straight story.

Mr. McLeod, he said, promised him that portion of the road to build which was afterwards given to Smith & Merrithew. The agreement was practically closed he thought, when he saw in The Gleaner that Luther B. Smith, who was a Conservative candidate in Queens-Sunbury in 1911, had the work he was supposed to do.

He saw McLeod, who said the change had been made without his consent, but promised Scott and his partner, Kelly, another section at an advantageous price, but in view of the increased price he thought he should have a consideration of one hundred dollars per mile. After looking the work over, Scott and Kelly found, they thought, that a cent a yard extra on excavation would give them three thousand dollars more money, and this money they agreed to split with McLeod. This was just before the general election of 1912 and at McLeod's suggestion the money was not paid until after the election by arrangement and at the suggestion of McLeod, Scott sent the money, one thousand five hundred dollars, from Woodstock by Dominion Express to the manager of the Bank of Montreal, Fredericton, who, McLeod told the witness, paid it over to him.

Scott's partner, Kelly, was with him several times when he talked to McLeod. The story was dramatic and was plainly and clearly told and the express receipt produced.

McLEOD OBJECTED.

Hon. Mr. McLeod was in court, and with his counsel, Titus J. Carter and George W. Fowler, made a most strenuous effort to keep the evidence out on the ground that Scott and Kelly were not contractors but subcontractors. McLeod made an elaborate argument and took part in objecting to the evidence and to Carvell's method of examining.

The commission, after a lengthy consultation, decided to admit Scott's evidence.

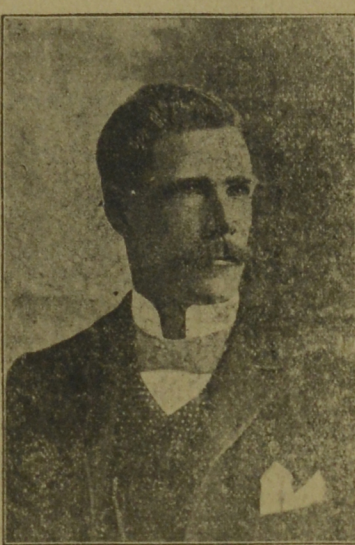
Before adjourning, Mr. C. F. Chestnut was on the stand. He is a stock holder and director of the St. John & Quebec Railway. He said he had not paid anything for his five thousand dollars worth of stock.

HARRY WOODS ON DECK.

A St. Stephen man in the city today says that Conservative Organizer and Chief Whip Harry W. Woods, M.P.P., was in Calais recently to interview W. H. Berry and while there he was introduced by Mr. Berry to his friend as Mr. Smith. Woods has been in consultation with Premier Flemming frequently since the legislature adjourned.

St. John, July 21.—"I still think that the government should make some effort to secure the attendance of W. H. Berry before this commission. Personally, I would be very sorry to see the inquiry ended without his testimony. Although Acting Premier Clarke has said that he knows of no legal means to compel Mr. Berry to return, he also said that he had not asked him to do so. I think Mr. Clarke might at least write Mr. Berry a letter asking him to give evidence."

These were the remarks with which Commissioner W. S. Fisher yesterday greeted Mr. Carvell's statement that he is still using every effort to secure Mr. Berry's attendance, although his hopes of success were not as strong as they were three weeks ago.



MR. JOHN S. SCOTT

connection with the timber lands graft was resumed. It arose in connection with a discussion regarding the procedure of the inquiry. Mr. Carvell urged that the case should not be closed and counsel compelled to argue until after the evidence in the Valley Railway inquiry should be completed, in order to give an opportunity for the introduction of Mr. Berry's evidence if it should become available. Mr. Fowler opposed this, but the commission finally decided to leave the crown lands matter open while the railway inquiry proceeds, and to resume the railway inquiry this morning at ten o'clock.

Premier Flemming was on the stand again for the entire session yesterday afternoon, while Mr. Carvell finished his cross examination and Mr. Teed his re-examination.

One of the premier's admissions on the stand yesterday was that he had received a letter from W. H. Berry soon after the missing official had reached Boston. He denied that he had communicated with Berry in any way, that he had been in communication with G. C. Cutler or that he knew that Mr. Berry had waited upon Mr. Cutler.

Mr. Flemming's memory was not as good as it might have been, at times. He even forgot the first name of a man with whom he had a conference, by appointment, at his brother's house after the charges were made, a man who is one of the principal contractors on the Valley Railway and who is widely and generally known by his first name or, still more familiarly, as "Uncle John."

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## PEACE CONFERENCE MEETS AT MACKINAC ISLAND, MICH.

Mackinac Island, Mich., July 21.—Many distinguished men of the United States, Canada and Newfoundland assembled here today for a conference of the American peace centenary committee. At the opening session of the meeting today the members of the committee were formally welcomed in an address by Governor Ferris of Michigan.

The meeting will last two days and will be devoted to consideration of plans for the coming celebration of a century of peace among the English-speaking peoples. Steps will be taken to bring about the organization of a co-operating American-Canadian-Newfoundland committee to prepare for the celebration in the border states and provinces. The matter of international boundary monuments will be discussed, together with plans for a series of maritime pageants, including a marine parade from Buffalo to Duluth, touching both American and Canadian ports. Among the things which the committee plans to do are the following: To present a replica of the St. Gaudens statue of Lincoln to the people of Great Britain and Ireland on February 21, 1915, at an estimated expense of \$45,000. The British gov-

ernment already has offered a site for the proposed statue opposite Westminster Abbey and the parliament buildings.

The presentation to the people of Canada of a memorial of Parkman, the American historian of Canada, for erection on the ground of the parliament buildings at Ottawa, after the design of Gutzon Borglum, the sculptor, at a cost not to exceed \$35,000. The erection in the City of Washington of a memorial in commemoration of the Motherhood and Womanhood of the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic-Tauto-nic worlds, to be known as the Queen Victoria memorial, prepared and executed under the auspices of a woman's committee, of which Mrs. Ira Nelson Morris of Chicago, is the head at a cost of from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

For memorials of friendship to be given by the people of the United States to the people of Germany, France and other nations, at an expense contingent upon the public response to the appeal for funds, but estimated at \$200,000.

To meet half of the expense, in conjunction with the British committee, of a memorial to be presented to the City of Ghent, at a cost of not to exceed \$10,000.

PREMIER ONLY WITNESS.

Premier Flemming took the stand for the third day's examination yesterday when the Dugal charges were resumed before the royal commission at the Court House. The commission sat at two o'clock and the premier was the only witness called. During the afternoon it was partly arranged that the argument in the timber charges should be begun this morning but subsequently it was decided, in consequence of a wish expressed by Commissioner Fisher, that the case would be kept open so as to enable the government to make an effort, if they so choose, to get the evidence of W. H. Berry.

When Mr. Flemming was called he was examined by Mr. Carvell.

Mr. Carvell—What position do you occupy in the Flemming Lumber Company?

Mr. Flemming—Managing director.

Q.—Who is the president?

A.—John Gibson. Flemming & Gibson Limited, is the company.

Q.—To whom was loaned the \$15,000?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Have you had any letters, telegrams or telephone messages from W. H. Berry since June 3 last?

A.—Yes, sir.

## THE MARKET GOING STRONG

Was Irregular and Heavy at the Opening But Stiffened Up

Canadian Pacific Stowed a Gain of a Full Point From the Opening

New York July 21.—At opening market was irregular and heavy, Union Pacific being a strong exception, showing a gain of 3-4 of a point over night. Attendance was comparatively light, the expectation being that the market would be dull until rate decision was rendered.

Bear crowd appear to have sold all they can or care to. Foreign selling ceased and report that a considerable in the price of steel bars had been made, started a sharp covering movement, during first part of second hour as a result stocks showed a gain of from one-half to a full point over opening. Foreign selling of C. P. R. ceased and that issue showed a gain of a point at end of first hour.

(Quotations by J. M. Robinson & Son, Bankers and Brokers, Fredericton, N.B.)

	Open	Noon
Copper .....	68 1/2	69 1/2
Brooklyn .....	91 1/2	91 1/2
C.P.R. ....	134 1/2	136 1/2
Great Northern .....	121 1/2	122 1/2
Lehigh .....	135 1/2	136 1/2
Northern Pacific .....	108 1/2	109 1/2
Pennsylvania .....	109 1/2	111 1/2
Reading .....	161 1/2	162 1/2
Union Pacific .....	126 1/2	127 1/2
Sales to 1 o'clock, 208,000.		

## MONTREAL MARKET.

Crown .....	117
Brazilian .....	73 1/2
Laurentide .....	181 1/2
U.S. Steel .....	54
Paint Com. ....	57
Shawinigan .....	132 1/2
Commerce Bank .....	204 1/2

## LOCAL

### FINED FOUR DOLLARS

A man charged with exposure of his person appeared in the police court this morning and was fined four dollars.

### VISITING AUTOISTS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Albert Nelson, of St. John, arrived in the city yesterday by auto. They are en route home from a trip to Eastern Maine.

### DEATH OF CHILD.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sewell, of Lincoln, have the sympathy of their many friends on account of the death of their infant child which occurred Monday night. The funeral will take place Wednesday.

### HAD INDIFFERENT LUCK.

Messrs. Warren Coleman and Robert J. Carlisle, of New York, returned yesterday from a weeks fishing trip to the north branch of the southwest Mirimichi. They report the fishing rather poor on account of the low water. Mr. Coleman, however, succeeded in killing a ten pound salmon and several, grilse.

### HORSE RAN AWAY

While Arthur Titus was unloading a car at the C. P. R. siding in Gibson this morning a passing train frightened the horse which ran away smashing the wagon. The same horse was concerned in the runaway which resulted in the death of Mr. Titus' father about a year ago.

### MEETING NOT HELD.

The meeting of the Automobile & Boating Club called for last night was not held on account of lack of a quorum. The matter of holding water-sports during the summer will be considered at the regular August meeting.

### FINED FOR FURIOUS DRIVING.

A coachman appeared in the police court this morning on the charge of furious driving on York street. He was convicted and fined five dollars.

K. Gordon of Moncton is registered at the Queen.

## SIR WILFRID IS COMING

Liberal Chieftain to Visit New Brunswick During August

Mr. F. B. Carvell, M. P. Will Accompany the Grand Old Man on His Western Tour

St. John, July, 21.—Liberals in New Brunswick will be glad to know that at this most interesting time in the political history of the province, that Sir Wilfrid Laurier the great Liberal chief, will in all probability pay a visit to New Brunswick and deliver two addresses at central points. It is expected that the Liberal leader will spend the last week of August in the Maritime Provinces and deliver two addresses in each New Brunswick and Nova Scotia before leaving on his projected tour of the west.

E. Mc Donald, M. P. for Picton, one of the fighting Liberals in the House of Commons passed through the city yesterday on his return from Ottawa, and met between trains F. B. Carvell, M. P. for Carleton, and E. S. Carter, Liberal organizer. Mr. Mc Donald brought the good news that Sir Wilfrid was planning to spend the last week in August just before leaving on his Western trip, in the Maritime Provinces. Two meetings at central points are likely to be arranged in New Brunswick and the same in Nova Scotia, with places and dates to be announced later.

On his western trip Sir Wilfrid is to be accompanied by Mr. Carvell, Hon. McKenzie King and Hugh Guthrie, M. P. for South Wellington.

## GOOD ROADS

### MEETING AT BUTTE

Butte, Mont., July 21.—The fifth annual convention of the Intermountain Good Roads association, which convened here today for a session of three days, is the largest and most important meeting of its kind ever held in this section of the country. The association embraces Colorado, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, Idaho and Montana. Several of the States are represented at the meetings by their governors. Plans for international highways and the improvement of the local highways throughout the six States will be discussed at the meeting.

## SHED CLOTHES

### TO ESCAPE THE HEAT

London, July 21.—Since the first of this month London has sweltered in heat such as has not been experienced since 1911, the coronation year of King George, when Britain had a summer of sunshine seldom experienced in this country. One can understand that a yearning to shed clothes during the present torrid spell has been almost overwhelming, but it is rather startling to hear a well known young society lady boasting to her friends that she motored for several miles through the most fashionable section of London clad in nothing but a white silk wrapper and a veil and hat. If the car had come to grief even that particular young lady might have been embarrassed.

## HEARING IN AN IMPORTANT CASE

Detroit, Mich., July 21.—The case of the United States against the Mellogg Toasted Corn Flakes Company of Battle Creek, came up for hearing before the United States Court of Appeals here today. As the case is one of nation-wide importance, certification was granted to have the suit heard by the court of appeals instead of going through the district court first. The question to be decided is whether the Battle Creek concern can fix the price of its product as sold by retail dealers. The company contends that a patent container permits this practice.