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## THE VALLEY RAILWAY

Many people are wondering when to one hundred and seventeen miles of railway between Gagetown and Centreville, constructed at the public expense is to be put into operation. The act under which the road was built provides for its operation by the government of Canada as soon as completed. The road between the two points named was practically finished weeks ago, but as yet there is no sign of operation by the Intercolonial. General Manager Gutelius and a staff of officials inspected it last month, and expressed themselves as satisfied with it, but as yet there has been no official announcement as to when the wheels are to be set in motion. There is evidently a hitch somewhere. It has been stated on good authority that the I. C. R. authorities have absolutely refused to take over the road until the claims for land damages now pending are disposed of. If this is true it practically means that there will be no government operation of the road this winter. The fact that members of the provincial government are trying to induce the C. P. R. authorities to help them out of a hole by providing a train service on the valley road seems to indicate that the report is founded on fact. These negotiations may be successful or they may not be. If the C. P. R. undertakes to operate the road it will dictate its own terms and the people will have to pay the piper.

The matter is one of great importance to residents of the St. John Valley and it means much to the people of Fredericton. The Christmas season is at hand, the highway roads are in no condition for travel and thousands of people would gladly avail themselves of the railway service if it were possible. When the credit of the province was pledged to the extent of millions of dollars to provide money for the construction of this railway glowing promises were held out to the people. Having done their part it is only right that the people should now demand that these promises be redeemed. The road is ready for traffic and why is not the agreement with the government of Canada for its operation on a forty per cent basis put into force. Whose fault is it that the land damages were not adjusted long ago. Upon the shoulders of the Local Government must rest the responsibility for all the bungling and boddling in connection with this great enterprise. We greatly mistake the sentiments of the people of the St. John Valley if they do not resent the shabby treatment they are receiving at the hands of the Kindergarten outfit now misruling this province.

AS FOR THE ITEMS PAID TO THE GLEANER NEWSPAPER AND TO MR. J. N. W. WINSLOW, BEING \$1,600 AND \$3,000 RESPECTIVELY, AND CHARGED TO CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, NO JUSTIFICATION NOR EXCUSE FOR THESE PAYMENTS UPON SUCH ACCOUNT WAS OFFERED AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS BRANCH OF THE ENQUIRY THEY SHOULD BE DISALLOWED—Extract from report of Royal Commission on the Dugal charges.

Premier Borden, Hon. Robert Rogers and Hon. J. D. Hazen are to speak at the opening of the new dock at St. John on Thursday. A call has been sent out to certain of the faithful to meet the ministers during their stay in St. John and discuss with them the political outlook. It was immediately after a visit of Hon. Rob Rogers to the province about a year ago that the Federal government decided to pay a double subsidy to the Southampton Railway.

About the time Mr. J. Kidd Fleming was organizing his timber land steal he paid a visit to a Sabbath School in this city and was introduced by the superintendent as "a real live premier." A little more than a year has elapsed and already he is a real dead one politically.

**EDITORIAL**  
It is said that a wing of the Dominion Cabinet led by Hon. Bob Rogers are determined to force a general election upon the country early in the New Year. Ministers are now travelling about the country feeling the public pulse. Sir Robert Borden is holding out bravely against an election but the Rogers wing are hopeful of being able to induce him to accept the post of High Commissioner to Great Britain.

After addressing a few patriotic meetings and securing for himself a nomination for the Federal parliament that eminent purist Mr. J. Kidd Fleming seems to have gracefully dropped out of sight. An announcement of his departure for the hot springs will soon be in order.

It is said that Mr. J. Kidd Fleming the eminent political grafter and Sabbath school worker has been invited to visit St. John on Thursday to exchange views with Hon. Bob Rogers. Of course he will be on hand. He has nerve enough for anything.

Sir Robert Borden is to speak at St. John on Thursday. It is scarcely likely that he will give expression to any great amount of joy over Mr. Kidd Fleming's debut into the Federal arena.

## TAILORED STYLES TO BE THE THING FOR WOMEN

Toledo, Dec. 4.—Styles for women for 1915 will be seen and not heard. "Strictly tailored" is the watchword. This much became known today just prior to the opening of the twenty-fifth semi-annual convention of the National Cloak, Suit, Skirt and Dress Manufacturers' Association here.

The style committee will report to the convention tomorrow. Today there was a broad hint that "Made in America" clothes for women will now be scissored on severe lines. Laces and furbelows will be taboo.

Skirts will be fuller and flare out from the waist line in plaits with a good six inches from the ground marking the southern boundary. Coats will be most severe. Sleeves will be of the set-in variety. Small colors will predominate.

"Battleship gray" is the popular color.

About three hundred delegates were scheduled to arrive today. Pretty models wearing "the latest" will parade before them tomorrow.

## ADVICE.

All the advice we've listened to would make a volume ten feet through; The leaves if laid out end to end would reach from Hartford to South Bend; They'd make a pipe light for each Lascar From Bombay clear to Madagascar. To take advice we never refused, But all of that advice we used If on a paper it was wrote And then fed to a billy goat Would scarcely tickle that goat's throat.

Rare discrimination was used by a little girl the other day when her uncle (who by the way is a minister and a D. D.) was visiting her father. Her baby brother was suspected of swallowing some missing beads and she was told to put in a call for a doctor.

"But I'm a doctor, Edith, won't I go?" said the D. D., who is fond of a joke.

"No, uncle, we want a doctor who practices, not one who preaches."

## CAME FOR \$10,000 AND WAS ARRESTED

Andover, Mass., Dec. 6.—"Wrap \$10,000 in a newspaper and deliver it to me Dec. 6, or I'll blow up your new house."

This was the wording of a note received by John J. Joyce, one of the wealthiest residents of this town, according to the Lawrence police. Arthur H. Sewade, aged 22, of Lawrence was arrested today charged with having sent the message.

The police say that Sewade came to the Joyce home today and introduced himself as "the man who wrote the note." Mr. Joyce handed him a dummy package. As Sewade left the house, he was arrested.

## Wanted

WANTED—For school district No. 5, Allendale, Parish of Dumfries, a second class female teacher. Address J. S. MADDEN, Sec., Allendale, York Co. 2 ins, 2 w. d.

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## KAISER HAS PNEUMONIA

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sians, has been stiffened by the addition of German troops to the garrison.

"The German plan of using only German troops in the northern campaign along the Vistula river and of sending all the Austrians to the defense of Cracow has been changed," says this authority.

"The need of reinforcements caused the Germans to withdraw Austrians from Cracow to Lodz. Hence the two armies again mixed.

## RUSSIAN STATEMENT ABOUT SITUATION

Petrograd, Dec. 8.—An official statement given out today by the general staff of the Russian army indicated that the Russians were considering the abandonment of Lodz. This statement says: "During the fighting in the second half of the month of November, Lodz acquired great military importance, but the German offensive on the Lodz Lowicz line having failed the defense of Lodz lost its urgency. The defense of this large city presents many difficulties from the military point of view, and gives to our front an abnormal contour, which is embarrassing to our communications with the rear. It may therefore be expected that with the setting in of a lull on the left bank of the Vistula the Russian lines in the region of Lodz will be reformed.

"On December 6, the Germans held themselves at a considerable distance from our front. This same day showed no activity whatever, and the arrival of fresh German forces was indicated by changes in the locations of the Austrian troops. These detachments withdrew from the front, between Czenstochowa and Cracow, assembled in considerable numbers to the south of Cracow, where certain detachments of German troops also were concentrated. For this reason the region of Czenstochowa has lost, for the moment, the importance it held in the beginning of the operations. All these things impelled us, in the interest of more advantageous localities for our forces, to move forward from the occupation of certain other points.

"On December 5, the Germans made a tentative offensive movement in the direction of Milawa and Praszysich, but they were repulsed with serious losses.

## CONFER WITH KITCHENER.

London, Dec. 8.—The Belgian premier and war minister, Charles De Broquerville, and General Melis, chief medical officer of the Belgian army, conferred today with Earl Kitchener, the British secretary for war, concerning the disposition of the Belgian wounded and sick in England and France.

General Melis denies the report of a typhoid epidemic in the Belgian army, saying that only 164 cases have been reported. Half the army has been inoculated against typhoid and serum is available for the inoculation of the remainder.

## INSPECTION (St. John Globe.)

Mr. H. Russell Cowan of the Botanical Department, Ottawa, is in the city in connection with the inspection of potatoes for shipment to the United States and Upper Canada and will remain here indefinitely. He states that there are now twenty inspectors employed by the department on this work and several are stationed at Fredericton and Woodstock.

Mr. Cowan states that he had as yet had no official notification that the American embargo had been raised and was daily expecting a telegram announcing this. Under the new regulations potatoes from Quebec and the Maritime Provinces for points west of Quebec must be inspected and certified before shipment. Table potatoes, or those selected from consignments, some of which have been infected with the powdery scab, are permitted to be shipped to Upper Canada, but cannot be used for seed potatoes. Only potatoes of the first grade, or those having no traces of infection, are allowed into the United States and these must be certified by the Canadian Department, before they are admitted. The powdery scab is the principal source of trouble, but the inspectors are also keeping their eyes open for traces of the canker and other diseases. The infection is also prevalent in Maine and New York and potatoes cannot be brought into Canada without certificates of inspection. When informed that it had been announced here that the American embargo had been raised, Mr. Cowan expressed some surprise and stated that while this action was daily expected no notification of an official nature had been received at Ottawa prior to his departure on Saturday.

## THE 23RD BATTERY.

The battery of Field Artillery now being organized here has been designated the 23rd battery of Field Artillery. Two of the big guns were this morning removed from the Exhibition Building to the Armory, where they will be used for purposes of training.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS .....  
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The Board of School Trustees offer for sale a lot of Fredericton School Bonds.

These bonds are for \$500 each. Interest at four and one half per cent, payable half-yearly, are exempt from taxation, and will be sold in lots to suit purchasers.

For price and further information inquire of any member of the Committee.

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