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PLEASING NEWS.

The announcement that the Messrs. Scott have acquired ownership of the Victoria mills in this city, and will operate them commencing next season, will be heard with pleasure. The gentlemen who are associated in the enterprise are pushing, enterprising and resourceful; they are thoroughly familiar with the lumbering and milling enterprises, and will doubtless make a great success of their new venture, which also includes securing control of a further large area of valuable lumber lands. The operation of the Victoria mill means the employment of probably over one hundred men, many of them heads of families, and the financial results to them as well as to the city, and let us hope to the new proprietors, will be important. The successful operation of such an industry means a lot to Fredericton, and the enterprise of Messrs. Scott, the Herald trusts, will be amply rewarded.

THE RAILWAY DEBATE.

The debate in Parliament on the government's railway policy is likely to drag on through next week, so many members desiring to speak in the discussion. Several of the speeches have been four and five hours in length and Hansard will be a bulky volume before the debate concludes.

We devote some space today to the able address of Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, Minister of Justice, who effectively called attention to the glaring inconsistencies of the Tory leader's propositions. Mr. Fitzpatrick seems also to have made a vigorous criticism of certain parts of other addressees, repelling the intimation that there was some corrupt motive in the government hastening to make the contract with the Grand Trunk Company. Mr. Fitzpatrick's observations on this point may lead to further acrimonious discussion, but he expresses no fear that any such charge as implied in the frequent reference to Senator Cox's connection with the government's determination to construct the railway, can be substantiated.

Mr. Logan, of Cumberland, appears to have made a strong speech in support of the government policy, combatting especially Mr. Blair's declaration that the construction of the eastern section of the Grand Trunk Pacific will dismantle the Intercolonial and decrease the importance of Moncton as a railway centre.

NOT A FAIR TEST.

Friends of the Reliance, the America cup defender, pretend to take great comfort out of Thursday's drifting match, but their conclusion that they have the best boat is hardly justified by the circumstances. While it is true that the Reliance led Lipton's boat most of the way and had a long lead at the turning point, the wind was so light and uncertain that there was no fair test of the sailing qualities of the two boats.

The next race takes place tomorrow, and it is to be hoped that for the sake of good sport there will be a spanking breeze and a decisive result.

The keeper of the House of Commons and Senate restaurants at Ottawa has been fined for selling liquor without license to outsiders. So long as he sold only to our law makers there was little complaint, but the idea of citizens of the Capital who are not members of parliament, securing stimulants within the sacred precincts of parliament, aroused the Ottawa police authorities to action.

If Woodstock does not become considerable of an industrial centre it will not be the fault of the enterprising and progressive taxpayers of that town. Recently they voted a bonus of \$5,000 to induce the Meductic Meat Co. to remove its plant to Woodstock, and the transfer has already been made, and on Thursday the citizens voted a similar amount to Mr. Henderson, who proposes enlarging the operations of his furniture factory.

The St. Andrew's Beacon, while very much regretting Mr. Blair's opposition to the government railway policy, says that New Brunswick Liberals have concluded that the proper course is for them to adhere to the government. The Beacon speaks of the many successful campaigns through which Liberals were led by Mr. Blair, but concludes that the government is right on the railway question, and that Mr. Blair is wrong.

A report has reached Nova Scotia from Ottawa that Dr. Russell, M. P. for Hants, is likely to succeed Hon. James MacDonald as chief justice of the sister province. Dr. Russell is a very capable lawyer, well qualified for the headship of the Nova Scotia judiciary, but his loss to the Liberal party in parliament would be very great.

Dr. William Bayard of St. John, the oldest practising physician in New Brunswick, was 89 years old today. He is still active in his profession, and enjoys the well merited esteem of his fellow citizens.

The Herald has a letter from a prominent New Brunswick, M. P., on the railway question and will give it attention tomorrow.

It is positively announced that Lord Roberts will visit Canada in September.

Lord Salisbury is critically ill, with little hope of recovery.

THE P. R. A MATCHES.

S. B. Thomas of Stanley Wins the Provincial with the Possible Score.

The weather was quite favorable for shooting at Sussex yesterday and some good scores were made. In the provincial match for a silver jug, presented by Col. H. H. McLean, seven shots at 800 yards, S. B. Thomas of Stanley, took first place, with the possible score of 35 points. He won the jug and a \$10 prize. Mr. Thomas is a young man who has made quite a reputation as a guide and moose hunter on the Miramichi, and his Stanley friends will be greatly pleased to hear of his success at the butts. The York and King's pitcher, competed for by teams of five, was won by the 74th Regiment team.

The Pugsley match for a cup donated by Hon. William Pugsley, seven shots at 900 yards, was won by Sergt. D. R. Chandler of the 74th Regiment, with 31 points. In this match Mr. Thomas put on 29 points and Capt. Massie 28.

Capt. A. E. Smith of St. John, won the grand aggregate with 294 points. Capt. Massie was seventh with 287 and Capt. Thomas eighth with 286. The governor general's medal was won by Capt. Farren of St. John with 47 points.

In the extra series A, seven shots at 600 yards, Capt. Massie won \$5 with 24 points.

The matches were brought to a close this afternoon.

FAVORABLE CONDITIONS.

(Special to the Daily Herald).

New York, Aug. 21.—Forecaster Emery of the weather bureau, predicts a good southerly breeze and clear skies for Saturday's yacht races. He says the weather will be fair to partly cloudy, with fresh southerly winds, probably shifting to southwesterly.

STRICKEN WITH APOPLEXY.

(Special to Daily Herald).

Winnipeg, Aug. 21.—Hon. J. A. Davidson, provincial treasurer of Manitoba, had a slight stroke of apoplexy this morning in his office at the legislative buildings. He rallied quickly, however, and appears to be progressing favorably towards recovery.

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