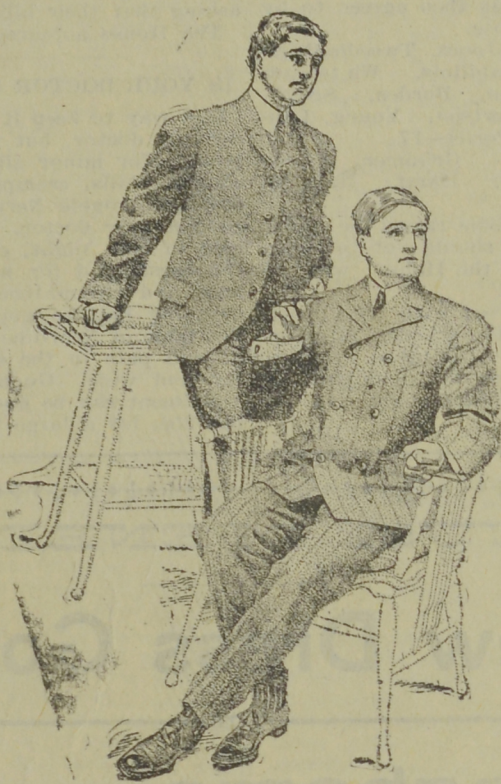


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COLLISION ON C. P. R.

Two Freights Wrecked Near Westfield Early This Morning.

ONE OF THE VANS BURNED AND TRACK TORN UP—ALL OUTWARD TRAINS DELAYED.

Nobody Was Hurt in the Accident—Who's to Blame?

St. John, April 11.—(Special)—A collision between freight trains which occurred this morning on the C. P. R. between Ingleside and Westfield, near St. John, turns out to be rather serious.

A freight train under Conductor Thompson, was standing at a crossing near Westfield at 1.40 this morning.

Another freight from St. John west, and under command of Conductor Tobin, struck her near the end, a van of the flat cars caught fire and was badly burned.

The track was considerably torn up and the rails were warped by the heat.

The Fredericton train was delayed several hours in consequence. All out going trains this morning were also delayed by the accident.

The cause of the collision is uncertain. It is said that a flag man was sent out to warn the second train, but the engineer did not see him.

No one was hurt.

Wrecking crews were at once sent out and the line was cleared by noon.

JAPANESE REINFORCEMENTS.

Mikado Expects to Have 1,000,000 Men in the Field by Autumn.

Tokio, April 11.—(Special)—The Japanese are meeting the Russian plan of reorganization by reinforcement of their Manchurian armies.

Details of figures are carefully concealed but what seems their plan is to double the present army until by autumn next their total military organization will exceed a million men actually employed in the field.

The fighting force is roughly estimated at 700,000 men.

The increases largely will be in infantry and artillery, although an enlargement of the cavalry branch is also contemplated.

It is predicted that this year will see the Japanese artillery superior to the Russian in quality as well as numerically, and it is confidently believed that the Russians will be incapable of overcoming these numerical advantages.

Wherever possible improvements will be carried on until Japan is sufficiently strong to take and hold Harbin and simultaneously continue operations against the Russian forces eastward of that city.

CANADA'S GROWTH.

Lord Strathcona Greatly Impressed with the Progress all Along the Line.

Montreal, April 11.—Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, who left for London today, was asked what had most impressed him since his return to Canada.

"I do not think," he replied, "that any one knowing Canada, as I know it, can return after a certain lapse of time without being very strongly impressed with the splendid progress our Dominion is making in almost every feature that tends to the building up of a nation. I have not been able to extend my visit to the northwest, but there is only one opinion as to the complete success of our Western Provinces, both old and new."

He was then asked for an opinion as to the financial conditions of the country and replied that reports he had received from all sections pointed to a stable financial position.

THE STOCK MARKET.

No Change in C. P. R. Today—The Quotations.

Montreal, April 11.—(Special)—Stock quotations this morning were: Dominion Coal, 82, 82½, 82½; Dominion Iron and Steel, 22½, 22, 22; Dominion Iron and Steel, pfd., 69½, 69, 68; Nova Scotia Steel, 64½, 65, 64½; C. P. R., 154½, 153½, 153½; Twin City, 119½, 119½, 118½; Montreal Power, 91, 91, 91½; Rich. and Ontario Navigation, 75, 75, 75.

LAWLESSNESS IN ST. JOHN

Young Men Smashed up Chinese Restaurant—Pistol Shots Fired but Nobody Hurt.

St. John, April 11.—(Special)—An exciting row occurred early this morning in the Oriental cafe, the new Chinese restaurant, recently established here.

Several young men went in and a dispute followed with the proprietor who is a Chinaman.

A row followed, and before it was concluded the young men had wrecked the restaurant.

Pistol shots were fired, but no one was hurt.

Warrants have been issued, and the case comes up this afternoon in the police court.

A LUCKY BOY.

Bernado Immigrant Falls Heir to a Large Fortune.

Sydney, N. S., April 11.—(Special)—Robert O'Callaghan, a lad brought to this country by the Bernado Mission, has fallen heir to a fortune of £30,000 in England.

O'Callaghan has been in Sydney five years, having been brought here from the Halifax orphanage.

A BISHOP'S ILLNESS.

Toronto, April 11.—(Special)—Bishop Sweatman, the Anglican Bishop of Toronto, was taken to the general hospital this morning for an operation for strangulated hernia. He is in a dangerous condition, but will probably recover.

P. E. I. FINANCES.

Revenue for Past Year Decreased \$11,000.

Charlottetown, April 11.—(Special)—The public accounts tabled in the legislature today show ordinary expenditures for the year \$356,119, and on capital account \$19,760.

The total receipts were \$307,730, and the total liabilities are \$730,122 comprising debentures \$231,500, loans \$175,205, due to bank \$021,317.

The revenue fell off \$11,000.

The chief increase in expenditure was for public works.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

New Ontario Town Lost Many Important Buildings.

Manitowaning, Ont., April 11.—(Special)—Fire yesterday destroyed the town hall and six stores. Loss \$32,000, insurance \$10,000.

The buildings burned were the town hall, A. Neilson's store and dwelling, Taylor and Watson's Implement warehouse, W. Craig, jewelry, S. Brock, furniture store and dwelling, W. P. Bradley's blacksmith shop.

ST. JOHN ELECTIONS.

Nomination Today—Returned Mayor by Acclamation.

St. John, April 11.—(Special)—Nomination day in the civic elections brought no surprises, though there is every evidence of a stiff fight.

The only new candidate is Frank L. Potts as alderman for Duke's ward.

Mayor White was not opposed.

NAIL WORKS FOR SYDNEY

St. John Manufacturer Subscribes for \$50,000 Stock.

Sydney, N. S., April 11.—(Special)—The establishment of nail and wire works here is now assured.

The most of the stock is already subscribed. Jas. Pender of the Pender nail works, St. John, has taken \$50,000 stock, and Halifax parties and others \$20,000.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

Lahore, India, April 11.—(Special)—Commissioner Jultundur reports as a result of his investigations he estimates the fatalities in the earthquake in the Kangra district at 10,000, and in the Palampur district 7,000.

JOB FOR FOSTER.

Ottawa, April 11.—(Special)—It is reported here that the Independent Order of Foresters will buy The Saturday Night, a weekly paper in Toronto, and make Hon. Geo. E. Foster its editor.

MR. WILLIS DENIES.

Sydney, N. B., April 11.—(Special)—E. LeRoy Willis, denies that he is negotiating for a lease of the Brunswick hotel in Moncton.

WEATHER PROBS.

Toronto, April 11.—(Special)—Maritime—Moderate, variable winds, scattered showers tonight and Wednesday, but partly fair.

SUPREME COURT.

The Easter term of the supreme court opened here this morning with all the judges present. In the case of Maxime Babineau vs. Fred LaForest, an order of Judge McLeod, postponing the trial, was made the order of the court, on motion of J. H. Barry, K. C. The court will take up the special paper tomorrow morning.

A COLD BATH.

A small boy named Bustin, while playing on the Star Line wharf this afternoon fell into the river and had a narrow escape from being drowned. He was fished out by some parties who happened to be near at the time.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements of People in Whom Our Readers are Interested.

Mr. R. B. Hanson spent Sunday at Calais, and returned home yesterday.

Miss Jean Neill returned Monday from a pleasant visit to St. Stephen.

Mr. Watson Allen, K. C., of St. John, is among the guests at the Queen.

Messrs. Purdy and Lantum, M. P.'s, spent Sunday in St. John, and returned to the city yesterday.

Mr. Horace Longley, C. E., of the G. T. P., is a guest at the Queen.

Mr. George McAvity of St. John, is among the guests at the Queen today.

Judge Hanington of Dochester, is among the guests at the Barker.

Mr. J. T. Carter, barrister of Andover, is at the Barker.

Chief Justice Tuck came up from St. John last evening, and is a guest at the Barker.

Mr. J. S. Armstrong, C. E., of St. John, is stopping at the Barker.

Judge Landry of Dochester, is among the guests at the Queen.

Mr. James Friel, barrister of Dochester, is a guest at the Queen.

Mr. Charles S. Hickman of Dochester, is a guest at Queen.

Mr. George E. Howie of the G. T. P. survey staff, arrived home yesterday.

Mr. J. F. VanBuskirk, who has been confined to his home with an attack of la grippe, is steadily improving.

Mr. Paul Dillingham of Scotch Lake, returned today from a pleasant visit to his former home at Rochester, New Hampshire.

Mr. William Whitehead of Boston, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Nan Rowley, and Mr. Park Rowley of St. John, are spending a vacation with their parents at Marysville.

CITY BILLS.

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did not begin to pay their taxes until August 15th it would always be necessary for the city to borrow the meet overdrafts. Mr. Barry suggested that the committee should hear a statement from Ex-Ald. Farrell, who was familiar with civic affairs.

In reply to Mr. Copp the city clerk said he thought \$60,000 would cover all the civic expenses this year.

Ex-Ald. Farrell, at the request of the chairman, gave his views on the proposed bill. He agreed with the premier's remark that if the city went out of business at the end of next year and collected the back taxes, there would be no floating indebtedness. The city would must go on each month, and as matters now stand, no taxes can be collected until the middle of August, consequently it is necessary to go to the banks and borrow. He contended that there was a difference between an over expenditure and an over draft. The city blue book would show no over expenditure in the city departments. It is not a fact that the city has to pay 5 per cent, on \$20,000, overdraft the whole year round, as for part of the year the amount is greatly reduced. If the bill is passed the chances are the council will still have to borrow from the banks, and the rate of interest on debentures and overdraft will total nine per cent.

After the delegations had retired the committee passed the bill with an amendment, reducing the amount to be borrowed from \$21,000 to \$8,000.

Mr. King moved that the bill be not recommended, but this was voted down and an amendment by Mr. Hazen that authority be given the city to borrow \$8,000, was carried.

OTHER BILLS.

The corporation committee this morning had the Ingelwood Pulp and Paper Companies bill before them. Mr. H. H. McLean and Mr. George McAvity were heard on behalf of the bill and Mr. Watson Allen against it. The company wished to obtain powers of expropriation for the purpose of carrying their sluice way over a piece of land which the owner will not sell. The committee thought that they could not depart from the principle laid down last year that a private individual or company could not obtain powers of expropriation. The bill stands over until tomorrow.

The bill to extend the powers of the Madawaska Log Driving Co. was not recommended.

The Auto Road Company's bill was recommended.

The bill to amend the act incorporating the town of Dalhousie was recommended as amended. It gives power to the commissioners to levy taxes for the repair of the streets and to improve the town hall. It authorizes temporary loans to meet current expenses, gives persons taxed on \$300 income, a vote and enables the ratepayers to exempt the Restigouche Woodworking Co. from taxation and to supply it with water.