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THE TRANSCONTINENTAL SURVEY.

The Moncton Transcript unnecessarily rushes to the defence of the Transcontinental railway engineers, against what it pretends to regard as attacks from the Herald because the Valley route has not received the attention and fair show it was entitled to from the gentlemen who are working for the commission.

The Herald has said just what it meant on the subject, and the circumstances warranted the references made in these columns.

The Herald has declared that information with respect to the Valley route survey in the matter of profiles etc., are not available to those who sought it, and that while the interim report of the engineers makes ample comparisons between the central route and the Intercolonial, no such comparisons are instituted between the Valley and Central routes, an indication that the engineers did not start out with seriously considering the former in their calculations.

The fact that the Commissioners themselves have decided to have a new survey of the Valley route before a final selection is made is the best evidence that the first survey was not as complete as it should have been.

When the Fredericton and Woodstock delegation met the premier at Ottawa these facts were pressed on him, and he gave his promise then, that not until the fullest information was available with respect to the Valley route, would the government agree to the location of the road by either route through New Brunswick.

The effort of the Transcript to exhibit the Herald as making insinuations against the engineers, is a piece of rhetorical pyrotechnics to withdraw public attention from the fact that our contemporary is alone among the newspapers of New Brunswick in its advocacy of the Central route, and does not seriously disturb this journal. The engineers have been told by gentlemen in representative positions that the survey of the Valley route is far from satisfactory, and they will not need to look for insinuations, in that line when they have been told exactly how the friends of the Valley route regard the character of the survey.

The Herald has made no charge against the honesty or ability of the engineers, as The Transcript intimates, but we do feel that they have given the valley route but scant courtesy and have directed their efforts chiefly towards making out an almost impossible route through the centre of the province, a route that is not wanted by any respectable sized proportion of the people of New Brunswick, and will not add to the feasibility or practicability of the Transcontinental Railway.

If The Transcript does not already know, we can inform it that the engineers are still working on the most difficult portion of the central route, trying to thread a passage through the Tobique Mountains, and it is a year since the surveys were commenced, while the survey of the valley route was completed in a few weeks. What evidence is there in this fact? Let The Transcript answer the question if it can.

In the meantime let it be known that a competent and trustworthy New Brunswick engineer who was employed on the difficult section of the central route has been recently superseded by a Nova Scotian, a young man with limited engineering experience, compared with the New Brunswicker, who may possibly be suspected of favoring the valley route.

All the friends of the valley route ask at the present time is that a complete and unprejudiced survey of the line be made, with plans, etc., afterwards available to the advocates of the route, and, all things being considered, they would be much happier if they were assured that New Brunswick engineers are permitted some responsibility in the work. The Nova Scotians have had their turn, now give the native sons a chance.

AN OBJECT LESSON.

On one of the public streets of Fredericton today during school hours, half a dozen boys, ranging from eleven to thirteen years of age, were seen endeavoring to induce two dogs to fight.

This is not chronicled as an item of news but to suggest a few things. In the first place, why were not the boys at school, or if they are wage earners because their parents need their services, why were they not at work.

If they were jiggling from school, there is evidently need of a compulsory school law to keep boys from falling into mischief and furnish them with the necessary education to fit them for being intelligent and useful citizens.

It was always true, and is so still, that "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do." The boys who dodge school or their work to set dogs fighting are not likely to be much of a credit to themselves, their parents or their country, and it is from classes like these that the criminals are recruited.

Would it not be better for the state in the first instance to compel children to attend school, and thus relieve itself of the responsibility of perhaps sustaining them in later years in the jail, the penitentiary or the poor house?

The idle boys dog baiting, was an object lesson which should not be lost on those who are striving for the betterment of humanity and civilization.

The Tory party in the province of Quebec is so badly disorganized that it was unable to put up a candidate for the vacant seat in the legislature for St. Lawrence division of Montreal, and on Saturday, Mr. Geo W. Stephens was elected by acclamation. The vacancy was created by the death of ex-Mayor Cochrane.

If Prince Louis had come to Fredericton and gone hence to the Miramichi country, he would undoubtedly have got a moose. As it was he had to go back to Halifax without one.

If the Marchioness of Donegal, now en route to Fredericton, and Prince Louis of Battenberg, who is also coming here, strike the city at the same time there will be some doings in "Society."

Everybody will regret to hear of the serious illness of Rev. Dr. Roberts and will express the hope that he may soon recover.

BITS OF NEWS.

Items of Interest Culled from Our Exchanges and Other Sources.

It is reported that Russia will station 300,000 troops on the Chinese frontier after peace has been declared partly because she is apprehensive of their joining the malcontents at home and partly in intimidation of the Chinese.

The death occurred at his home, North Street, Halifax, Sunday morning, of John Ahearn, one of the best known citizens of Halifax, and for many years a conductor on the I. C. R. He was 51 years old, and leaves a widow and four children.

At Kingston, Ont., Saturday, John W. Harnett of Nova Scotia, who pleaded guilty of passing a forged check on the Bank of Montreal was sent to Central Prison for two years less one day. He forged the check at Watertown, N. Y. He also forged two checks on Sumner & Co. of Montreal, N. B.

James Woodhead, a baggage porter at the Windsor station, Mont., was badly wounded Sunday night by the discharge of a shot gun rolled up in a bundle of baggage. The gun, which was the property of a Pennsylvania sportsman returning from Canada, went off when Woodhead threw the bundle containing it into the baggage car. The charge shattered one of his arms and entered his face and chest. He is in the hospital in a critical condition.

Three disciples of Evan Roberts, the famous Welsh revivalist, have arrived in Montreal and commenced in the Stanley street Presbyterian church Sunday night a series of revival meetings, which will be extended throughout Canada and the United States. The three revivalists are Rev. G. O. Griffiths, formerly pastor of a church in Rutland (Eng.); J. Tudor, a Wales lawyer who abandoned his profession to become an evangelist and Dewi Michael, a watchmaker by trade.

The heir to a fortune estimated at \$5,000,000, Frank Houghton, 32 years, son of Chas. W. Houghton, a wealthy physician, committed suicide at Philadelphia Sunday, by inhaling gas. After the death of his mother, about 18 months ago, he became melancholy and this added to brooding over his unrequited love for Mrs. Horace Houston, his sister in law, is said to have prompted the deed. He was at one time engaged to the young woman who married his brother and he had several times threatened to end his life.

The jury of the Androssoggin County Supreme Court, which has been hearing the evidence at the trial of Rev. Frank W. Sandford, the leader of the Holy Ghost and Us Society of Shiloh, on a charge of manslaughter, in causing the death of Leander Bartlett, disagreed and was discharged by Judge Emery. Eight jurors favored conviction and four acquittal. Sandford was accused of ill treating and neglecting Bartlett, who was the 14

year old son of Mrs. Bartlett of Winchester, Mass., and thereby causing his death. The Bartletts were for a time inmates of the Shiloh colony.

Denton H. Hopkins, a die cutter in Brooklyn, shot and instantly killed his wife in a duel with her in the hallway of her flat in Johnson St., Brooklyn, Saturday. Although married thirty years the two were living apart, having quarreled over money matters. Saturday Hopkins called at his wife's flat, knocked for admission and when she opened the door they began to fire at each other with revolvers. Hopkins' sister, who witnessed the duel, was unable to say which shot first. Hopkins was wounded in the hand by a bullet from his wife's weapon, and finally shot her in the eye. She died instantly. Hopkins was arrested and charged with murder.

W. H. MURRAY'S WILL.

Estate Divided Between His Brother, the Latter's Children and His Three Sisters.

PROBATED AT \$615,000 BUT MAY BE WORTH \$1,000,000—NO PUBLIC BEQUESTS.

The will of the late William H. Murray, lumberman and capitalist, was probated before Judge Trueman at St. John, on Saturday at \$615,000 real and personal property.

The executors named are S. E. Ranney Murray, A. J. Gregory and J. Fraser Gregory, and letters testamentary were granted them. A. W. MacRae is proctor. The name of J. Fraser Gregory was added in a council to the will of this year's date.

The document was drawn in 1892, and is short and concise.

With the exception of a few small bequests, the property is divided into five portions, one going to each of the three sisters of the late Mr. Murray, one to his brother, Ranney Murray, and the remaining part to be held in trust for the nine children of his brother, whose names are Florence, Olivia, Louise, Margaret, Mary, Doris, Sydney, William H., and an infant. There are no public bequests.

The testator directs that a \$3,000 mortgage given by the wife of his nephew, Murray E. Gilbert, should be cancelled.

The real estate, which consists of the deceased's house in Douglas Avenue, is valued at \$15,000, and the personal property, estimated at \$600,000, includes timber holdings, cash, a \$10,000 life insurance policy, and stocks and shares in various industrial and other enterprises. It is the general opinion that owing to the difficulty of accurately valuing some of the holdings, such as timber lands, the estate will eventually prove to be worth in the vicinity of \$1,000,000. It is understood that the business interests of the late Mr. Murray will be looked after by J. Fraser Gregory.

The deceased lumber merchant had long been regarded as one of the richest men in the province, and it is interesting to recall that his house in Douglas Avenue has always been owned by men of wealth. Three of the city's richest men have owned it—the late C. F. Woodman, the late James Hamilton, and finally Mr. Murray.

GIBSON NEWS.

Oct. 9.—At St. Mary's Parish Church last evening the pulpit was occupied by the Very Rev. Dean Partridge, of Fredericton, who preached a very interesting and practical Thanksgiving sermon from the 6th verse of the XVI. Psalm—"The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places yea, I have a goodly heritage." The excellent choir rendered special music and the pretty little church was beautifully decorated with fruit, grain and vegetables as it is the custom at harvest time.

The pulpit of the Baptist church was occupied by Rev. Mr. MacIntyre at both services yesterday.

Yesterday being a delightful day there was a great deal of driving in our little village.

Next Wednesday evening the ladies of the Auxiliary are to hold a Harvest Supper and concert in the Church Hall which promises to be a grand affair.

A THOROUGH INSPECTION.

Hon. H. R. Emmerson, Minister of Railways and Canals, Mr. M. J. Butler, deputy minister, and Collingwood Schweizer, consulting engineer to the department, have returned to Ottawa from an inspection trip of the Canal system of Canada.

Hon. Mr. Emmerson claims that he has made a record in the line of inspecting canals never equalled by any of his predecessors. Since the promulgation of parliament he has inspected every government canal except the Soo and that he will visit next week.

Mr. J. B. Gillespie of St. John, joined his wife here Saturday evening and they are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Edgecombe.



A SWEET BARGAIN.

20 pounds of the best fine granulated sugar for a dollar at G. T. Whelpley's.

A manuscript of the Bible made in the ninth century, and the oldest one in existence, is being exhibited at the British Museum.

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