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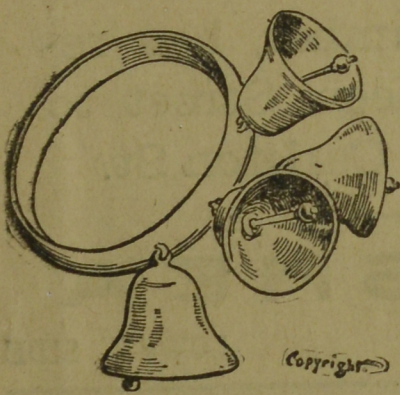
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KILLED ON THE TRACK.

Farmer Met His Death at Jacquet River--Moncton Accident.

MONCTON, May 21.—(Special)—An aged man, supposed to have been lying on the track, was struck and killed this morning at Jacquet River by the Maritime express, which left here last night for Montreal. The body later was identified as being that of John Murphy, a Jacquet River farmer. By having a companion jump on his back while playing ball on Lower Robinson street yesterday afternoon, a lad named Arneud had his left leg badly broken between the ankle and the knee.

THE LEGISLATURE.

House in Supply Voted Items for Public Works--Claim Against Municipalities for Pauper Lunatics and Grand Falls Bridge Discussed.

In the legislature Wednesday, Hon. Mr. Grimmer submitted a letter from the minister of railways, stating that the National Transcontinental Railway Commissioners had undertaken to appoint two men as fire wardens in connection with each engineer's residence on the line through New Brunswick. These men would be in charge of the chief engineer in each district of eight to twelve miles each. They would patrol the line twice each day, having power to call on any number of the men employed by contractors, to put out fires. Such men should be appointed constables. Mr. Sweeney gave notice of enquiry as to charges made by Mr. H. A. Powell at Fairville, on the 11th of February last in regard to the payment of stumpage dues to the province.

HOUSE IN SUPPLY

On the order of the day being called the House resumed the consideration of supply.

On the item for the maintenance of the Provincial Hospital, Mr. Sweeney asked if it was the intention of the government to collect from the different parishes the amount due from the maintenance of their pauper insane.

Hon. Mr. Fleming said that it was quite a question to say what amount they would be able to collect. It was difficult to say what was due, but it was somewhere in the neighborhood of \$25,000 as far as they could ascertain. They would try to get in touch with the pauper officers in the different counties with the view of obtaining some definite information, and when they had got it the council would consider whether they would accept some compromise or press for the payment of the full amount.

Mr. Munroe thought there might be some difficulty in collecting these accounts. There was quite a sum due from Carleton County according to the auditor's report, but a great many of the patients who went from there were strangers who ought not to be provided for at the county's expense, just because they happened to be living in the county at the time it was necessary to take them to the hospital. The charge should be a provincial one.

Hon. Mr. Hazen said the solicitor general had been instructed to look into matters

and try to arrange a settlement with the various counties, as the government was desirous of getting at the facts, and would endeavor to do so in time to report to the House next session. The item passed.

GRAND FALLS BRIDGE

On the vote for public works, Mr. Burgess asked if the commissioner of public works intended to construct the Broadway bridge at Grand Falls. It was very necessary in order to satisfy the requirements of the neighborhood that a thoroughly satisfactory and well built bridge should be erected. It was understood in the neighborhood that it was all settled that the bridge was to be built, but owing to the representations from certain quarters, it had recently been reported that the government intended to abandon the idea. Such a course was very unwise as the bridge was necessary for the people living around.

Hon. Mr. Morrissey said he intended going to view the site and judge for himself as to the best class of bridge to be erected. He had received several protests against the erection of a steel bridge, on the ground that it would be an unnecessary expense.

Mr. LaBillette said that the member for Victoria had every reason to complain, for the contract for the erection of the bridge had been given out and subsequently cancelled. Grand Falls was a growing town and the requirements of the district justified the erection of a permanent steel bridge.

Mr. Sweeney enquired if it was a fact that tenders had been called for, the contract let and subsequently cancelled.

Hon. Mr. Hazen said that the chief commissioner had consulted with him on the subject and also with Mr. Wetmore, and the government felt that it would be better that a further inspection of the site should take place.

Mr. Tweeddale was glad to hear the government intended to build a bridge at any rate. The present structure had been a standing disgrace to this province for some years. The amount of business done at Grand Falls was increasing fast, and while he agreed it was well to be economical, having regard to the great prospects there was in the way of development, the district was entitled to as good a bridge as could be built. The item passed.

Hon. Mr. Grimmer presented the petition of Hiram Lodge of Free Masons in favor of a bill to vest the property of the Masonic Hall in Fredericton in that lodge.

Adjourned.

EDUCATIONAL ADDRESS

Dr. Robertson at the Assembly Chamber Spoke Entertainingly on the Need for Practical Instruction.

Dr. J. W. Robertson, principal of MacDonald College at St. Ann de Bellevue, P. Q., formerly dairy commissioner for Canada, delivered an address on Education in the Assembly chamber last evening. Dr. J. R. Inch presided, and the audience included nearly all the members of the legislature. Principal Bridges and students of the Normal school, and a number of citizens.

The chairman, in introducing Dr. Robertson, took occasion to refer to the splendid services he had rendered to agriculture and education in Canada. He felt sure that the address he was to deliver would stimulate those who heard it to greater efforts in the work of building up the province and Dominion.

Dr. Robertson followed in an address of an hour's duration, and was listened to with breathless interest. He dwelt upon the importance of the school house as an institution, and remarked that the salaries of teachers were out of all proportion to the services they rendered the state. He claimed that the state should educate in order that every boy and girl should acquire power and desire to earn an honest living by honest labor. The state should educate in order that a man might understand the meaning of citizenship and play his part; that he might give the state the best that he has and not use his power to the injury of anybody.

He quoted James Russell Lowell as saying that every man is as lazy as he dares to be, and as selfish as his education allows him. The state, he claimed, should educate a man so that he would have power to co-operate with the state.

At MacDonald College the proudest thing they had was two hundred students, who have learned the art of living and co-operating together. In our way of carrying on education the teacher is the least esteemed of all our public servants—only a teacher—nothing rasper him like the belittling phrases used all over Canada in reference to a teacher. He was the principal of a large college, but classed himself as a teacher as he wanted to be one of the group.

He pointed out that less than ten years ago there was not a college in Ontario that had anything to enable a woman to understand the things of nutrition and qualify her for the household. When the colleges opened in September, he believed everyone of them would be equipped to teach household science. Woman should dominate in the kitchen as well as in the drawing room.

He was glad to say that he had something to do with putting manual training in the Normal schools. He had letters of remonstrance, which were among the curiosities of his letter file today. People had been afraid that the work would destroy the boys' fingers. Manual training is now taught to 22,000 boys all over Canada at the public expense. Sir William MacDonald gave \$40,000 at the outset to start the work, but it has cost him \$182,000 altogether. The subject is now taught everywhere, from Vancouver to Sydney.

He had also had to do with establishing school gardens in this province. Dr. Britain, who was in charge of the work, was the best teacher of nature subjects he ever knew. He had taught in the Normal school of this province, and every teacher was his friend. Recently the speaker was down in Washington conferring with President Roosevelt, and was told that the subject taught by Dr. Britain was to become a great national work. He regarded Dr. Britain as a juryman in this county. It is actions, such as you have done today, that have brought disgrace upon the name of Carleton county. Prisoner (turning to Gray), I am obliged to discharge you, because the jury says you are not guilty, which is not in accord with the evidence.

The prisoner, who had subsequently been acquitted of the charge of murdering his daughter's infant, was defended by Hon. W. P. Jones, and Solicitor General McLeod represented the Crown.

GRAY ACQUITTED.

Evident Miscarriage of Justice in Carleton--Judge Scored the Jury.

WOODSTOCK, May 21.—To the surprise of everybody Richard Gray, on trial in the Circuit court for incest, was acquitted.

The evidence of the Crown seemed conclusive as to the prisoner's guilt, and Judge McLeod charged strongly against him. After the verdict of acquittal had been rendered by the jury, which was composed of Henry Post, Delbert Belyea, J. M. Tompkins, John Harper, George Caldwell, Russell Hatfield, Bert Rockwell, Wm. Kearney, Harley Hannah, Michael Mulhern, Ambers Giberson and Dudley Day, Judge McLeod said:

"I cannot compliment you on your finding. This is the most extraordinary verdict I ever heard. Jurymen taking the oath, as you have done, should pay some attention to the evidence. This is a plain, clear case of guilt. I trust none of you will ever again be permitted to have a place

in discussing the school garden movement, the speaker spoke of the educational work of Sir William MacDonald in this work. At one time he went to him and said that he was \$90,000 in the hole, and Sir William gave him a check for \$100,000. He had also established MacDonald College for the benefit of all Canada. So far \$2,400,000 had been expended in erecting and equipping the buildings. They still had \$2,000,000 in the bank drawing interest, so the college would not cost the people of Canada anything.

The college had a school of household science, which is a subject of vast importance to the nation. There was also a school of agriculture, and a school for teachers in connection with the college. New Brunswick has 60,000 school children, and is expending \$230,000 on them, or less than \$4 per head. He did not think the people should be afraid to spend money in educating the boys and girls of the province.

Swearing of MacDonald College he said that they would be willing to give from eight to twelve New Brunswick teachers a year's course of training at that institution without costing them a cent. All they had to do was to give a guarantee that they would teach one year in the province after their return. The speaker closed his splendid address by drawing a picture of what he considered to be the ideal school, and expressed the hope that in education-work New Brunswick would set the pace for Canada. He also paid tribute to the efficient service rendered the province by Dr. Inch.

Premier Hazen, after paying a tribute to Sir William MacDonald and complimenting Dr. Robertson on the great success with which he was meeting with in his work, moved a vote of thanks to the speaker of the evening. The motion was seconded by Hon. C. H. LaBillette, and unanimously adopted.

A vote of thanks was also presented to the chairman on motion of Dr. Robertson.

TALK ON AGRICULTURE.

In the Assembly chamber at noon today Dr. Robertson addressed a large gathering on the agricultural needs of the province. Hon. Dr. Landry acted as chairman, and there was a good attendance of members and others. He quoted from the census returns to show that the amount invested in agriculture in New Brunswick was \$51,000,000, and the yield from the same was about \$10,000,000 annually, while all other industries combined did not yield over \$5,000,000. He strongly urged the young people to remain in New Brunswick and to encourage this he thought an agricultural college should be established. He told what had been accomplished for agriculture in recent years by scientific investigation as to the best means of destroying weeds and insects, selection of seeds, etc., and stated that there was work still undone. He believed that nothing could help agriculture more than education, and he hoped to see in this province before long a school for agriculture, and one where domestic science could be taught. He strongly urged the farmers to engage in the raising of poultry on an extensive scale. He thought that was a great chance for a forward policy in New Brunswick in the matter of agriculture.

A hearty vote of thanks, moved by Hon. Mr. Fleming and seconded by Hon. Mr. McKeown, was presented to the doctor for his excellent address.

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