

WHAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL DO FOR ST. JOHN

Elaborate Plans for the Development of Both the East and West Sides of the Harbor in the Public Works Report—The Work in Other Parts of the Province.

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—Hon. Dr. Pugsley tabled in the house today the report of the department of public works for the fiscal year 1908.

In reference to St. John, the report says: "At the port of St. John (N. B.), the winter export and import business, which is developing with great rapidity, extensive dredging has been performed on the western side of the harbor, affording, at low tide, berths with thirty and thirty-two feet clear depth, accommodating the large Empire steamers of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Donaldson, and the Allan Lines.

"A further systematic development of the west side is about to be commenced, and the department has undertaken consideration of the establishment of an ideal deep water terminal in that part of the harbor known as Courtenay Bay, where complete surveys are now being made.

"It is well also to emphasize the fact that in the construction of her national ports, Canada is profiting by the experience gained at the older harbors of Europe, and is laying out in each case a comprehensive scheme of development, the commencement of which can be begun modestly as the means of a young country proceeds and the needs of trade warrant.

"From the above, it will be seen that Canada is fully conscious of the immense possibilities which the future holds for her, and that every effort which prudence and enterprise can suggest is being used to improve existing opportunities.

"It is most interesting to note what the results have been so far. There has been a vast increase in shipping from the great lakes to the sea, Boston and New York have lost the European grain trade to Montreal; St. John is now in a position to successfully compete with Portland for the winter trade; and the Canadian route is being recognized as the quickest and shortest for through transportation from Europe to Asia.

On the subject of expenditure generally, the deputy minister says: "The continued expansion of this large branch of the public service is shown by the accountant's statement of expenditure for the fiscal year 1907-8, which reached a total of \$11,190,384.94, an increase of \$1,851,939.63 over that for the year 1906-7, which was \$9,338,445.31.

In the year 1907 the total expenditure was \$1,744,654.21. This had grown by the year 1900 to the sum of \$3,563,026.34. The total expenditure for 1904 reached \$9,492,273.52, while the amount expended as given in detail above for the year 1908 amounted to \$11,190,384.94.

Reference is also made in the report to the following expenditures on other New Brunswick works during the fiscal year:

Anderson's Hollow, breakwater	\$474
Back Bay fishing station, Charlottetown	196
Buctouche, Kent county, wharf	337
Buctouche, Kent county, wharf	3,600
Campbellton, wharves	6,653
Cape Tormentine Breakwater	5,174
Charlottetown, wharf	2,103
Chatham Custom House wharf	1,809
Chick Fish, Kent county, despatch channel	1,400
Dalhousie Harbor improvements	22,348

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negotiations are in progress with the Vancouver Dry Dock & Shipbuilding Company for the construction of a dry dock under the act of last session.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, replying to Mr. Gorman, said no complaints had been received from any Japanese board of trade in Japan, the Japanese government or Japanese newspapers criticizing W. L. R. Preston's work as Canadian trade commissioner. On the other hand there had been some praise by Japanese newspapers.

Mr. Armstrong learned from the minister of customs that the exports of Japanese cultural products to Germany from Canada in 1908 totalled \$551,929.

Dr. Sproule directed Mr. Graham's attention to the alleged fact that in a recent railway wreck on the Pennsylvania road where both engines and a passenger car were crushed into a mass of ruins a steel Pullman car immediately behind the engine escaped without a scratch. What did the minister propose to do towards introducing steel cars on the I. C. R.?

Mr. Graham, in answer, pointed out that the cost of changing from wooden to steel cars would preclude the possibility of carrying out the reform for some years to come. Although the house accepted unanimously the Lancaster bill when it was before the house on Monday, the member for Lincoln encountered an unexpected difficulty this afternoon when the third reading, which was expected to be a mere formality, was delayed at the request of Mr. Graham, who said he desired to get the opinion of the chairman of the railway commission, who was at present in Winnipeg. Mr. Graham was not anxious to delay the further progress of the bill but he had stress on waiting till Judge Maclellan had expressed his view on the subject.

Mr. Lancaster said a strong case for his pet measure. If it was delayed in getting to the senate and then sent back for amendment it might not be reached again by the commons as was the case last year.

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STR. MINTO CLEAR FROM FIELD OF ICE

Pictou, N. S., Feb. 3.—The steamers Stanley and Minto, running between Pictou and Georgetown, are again clear of the ice. The wind changed and came favorable and the Minto got clear of the ice last night and arrived at Pictou this morning. The Stanley sailed from Pictou this morning.

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LOCAL LUMBER MILLS

Stetson, Cutler & Co.'s two mills at Indiantown and Pleasant Point are the only two in the city running at present. The "Big Mill" will close down soon for a month for repairs.

The saw mill of A. Cushing & Co., Union Point, will resume operations early in March.

Chas. Miller's mill at Pictou will be started late in March, if weather conditions are not too unfavorable.

SWINDLED THE GRAND TRUNK

Five Men Arrested in Toronto on a Charge of Selling Fake Railway Tickets.

Toronto, Feb. 3.—When arraigned in the police court this morning on a charge that they "did conspire, combine, confederate and agree to defraud the Grand Trunk Railway by allowing certain persons to be carried as passengers of said railway without paying their fares," Conductors Daniel Corrigan and Frank McCallum, of the Grand Trunk Railway, and three Hebrews, Jacob Woods, of Toronto; his cousin Joseph Woods, of Montreal; and his brother-in-law, Harry Rosenberg, of Toronto, all reserved pleas and elections and were remanded for a week.

These five arrests are the discovery of a daring ticket swindle scheme, which is supposed to have been in operation on the Grand Trunk trains between Toronto and Montreal for more than three years.

Simultaneous arrest of all five was planned by James E. Stein, manager of the local detective department last night.

In three years that this scheme is alleged to have been in operation it is calculated that the G. T. R. has been defrauded out of thousands of dollars.

Detectives say that Toronto men were the principal buyers of alleged "fake" tickets and as the trip to Montreal this way would only cost \$4 there was a rushing business, which paid great profits.

There were two plans of working the scheme, they allege. One was to issue blank tickets numbered and initialed by the vendors, which the buyer would hand to the conductor on a train and would be carried to Montreal. Imperial Bank checks were used to operate this scheme as the color is exactly the same as that of the tickets used by the Grand Trunk.

Blue pencil marks with initials on the bottom made the "dummy" look enough like a regular passage to allay the suspicions of anybody who might be watching the conductor taking fares. Tickets to or from Montreal could be purchased this way according to the ticket men, who have been working up the case for six weeks.

Another alleged plan was to sell a ticket for some point near Toronto and then go with him to the train and "fix" it with the conductor. One man is alleged to have worked this game independently of the others.

ASTHMA CAN BE CURED

Mr. Munro Gunn Says Catarrhizone Cured Him After Six Years of Incurable Suffering.

Six Mile Brook, N. S., Feb. 4.—For many years Mr. Gunn has been a resident of this town, and has Asthma and Catarrh of the throat.

"For six years," states Mr. Gunn, "I have suffered from Asthma more than you can describe. I could not sleep, I could not eat, I could not work, and I was in a constant state of nervous prostration. I was told that I was a hopeless case, and I was told that I was a hopeless case, and I was told that I was a hopeless case."

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MONTREAL POLICE HEADS WILL BRING LIBEL SUITS

Montreal, Feb. 3.—The charges and counter charges with regard to the administration of Montreal's police department have at last spread to the courts, and will be thoroughly investigated if the cases go ahead.

Chairman Proulx, of the police committee, today entered a libel suit for \$5,000 against R. W. Villeneuve, the most persistent producer of charges against that department, and another for \$10,000 against La Patrie.

Chief of Police Campeau has also entered a libel suit against La Patrie for the same editorial.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The St. John Horticultural Association at the annual meeting yesterday afternoon in the board of trade rooms went on record as urging the extension of the street railway system to Rockwood Park at an early date.

Hon. J. D. Hazen, president of the society, was in the chair. The yearly reports were received and the 1908 directors re-elected. The extension of the local traction system to the park was referred to in a report by George S. Fisher and the resolution mentioned was adopted.

G. E. Fairweather, H. B. Schofield and Mr. Fisher were appointed a committee to act in the matter. This was the only business except the adoption of the reports.

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Passengers on the incoming Boston train last night included two Poles, one of whom walked with the aid of an improved crutch made from a cedar limb. While working in a Maine lumber camp an axe missed its aim and buried its sharp blade in his foot almost severing half of it. He and his brother are now returning to Digby county where they reside. To save the injured man great inconvenience it was deemed advisable to convey him to the St. John Hotel, at Read's Point, as he desired to take passage on the D. A. R. liner Yarmouth.

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ST. JOHN IS DEEPLY CONCERNED IN THIS

Grain Shippers Will Meet in Calgary Today to Consider Whether Winter Shipments May Not be Sent Via Vancouver

Calgary, Feb. 3.—Today at Calgary opened the most important conference which has taken place in years and the subject under discussion is whether winter shipments of Alberta wheat shall go in future by St. John or by Vancouver.

The rate by St. John is 25 cents a hundred from Alberta to Port William; 25 cents from there to the Atlantic and about five cents to Liverpool, about 55 cents in all. The rates via Vancouver, and the Chargeur Unis of Paris quote a rate of 22 1/2 cents from Vancouver to Liverpool, via the Suez Canal and calling at Hong Kong.

The conference is called by Premier Rutherford and includes shippers of grain, millers, farmers and all interested in transportation questions. Their only difficulty at present is the lack of terminal facilities at Vancouver and the wheat has all to be sacked and this eats up all saved in rates. It will not affect Montreal as in summer the rates via the St. Lawrence are smaller than they can be by the Pacific. It is the long haul from Calgary and west of that to St. John which causes the great expense.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MISS RUTHERFORD

While her mother had her head averted for a fraction of a minute Miss Hazel Irene Rutherford, daughter of Clement A. Rutherford, of Dearborn & Co., passed away as she sat in a rocking chair in the family home at 116 Garthman street, at 5:30 yesterday afternoon.

Miss Rutherford had been reclining in the chair in the sitting room for most of the afternoon and just previous to her death Mrs. Rutherford spoke words of encouragement to her daughter and bided herself momentarily in another part of the room. When she returned and spoke again to her daughter she noticed that her head was inclined slightly forward but it was not until she felt her daughter's hand that realization of the truth came to the alarmed mother.

Dr. L. A. McAlpine and Dr. William Warwick were hurriedly summoned. Life was extinct, however, and all measures adopted by the physicians were unavailing; death had been almost instantaneous.

Miss Rutherford was in her twentieth year and the only living child of her parents. For a year she was a student at Acadia Seminary, about Sept. 1 she left for New York with the object of visiting relatives in the American metropolis and after a week's sojourn in New York an opportunity to enter Mount Sinai Hospital presented itself and she decided to take a course in nursing. She was later advised that her heart was not in the proper condition to withstand the arduous duties of her chosen profession and on December 20 she tendered her resignation. Two weeks later she contracted remittent malarial fever while visiting relatives in New York and on receiving notification of her illness Mr. Rutherford went to New York and accompanied her daughter to St. John on January 18. She had organic heart trouble and the fever had further weakened her.

Miss Rutherford was prominently identified with the German street Baptist church Sunday school. The funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock on Friday. For Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford there will be widespread sympathy in their sudden bereavement.

TRURO PASTOR FOR A TORONTO CHURCH

(Toronto Telegram)

It is expected that the pulpit of Deer Park Presbyterian church, recently occupied by Rev. D. C. Hossack, who has retired, will be filled by Rev. George B. McLeod, of Truro, N. S. It is his own Presbyterian will relate that it is very probable that Mr. McLeod will accept the Deer Park invitation.

Born on a farm at Murry River, P. E. I., Mr. McLeod has worked his way through school. When a boy he worked at a trade thereby making enough money to enable him to attend the public school. He was determined to secure a good education, but he hadn't financial aid. A friend loaned him money for one term at Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, where he secured a teacher's license, and since then he has gradually climbed the ladder rung by rung.

In 1895 he took the pastorate at the Presbyterian church, Newcastle, Ontario, and for the last six years he has preached to a large congregation in the First Presbyterian church, Truro, N. S.

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TO BANQUEI MR. BORDEN

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—(Special)—The Conservative members of the commons and senate will banquet R. L. Borden on Wednesday, March 3.

The Trinity church, chorists enjoyed a sleigh drive to Torriburn and return last night. It was 7 o'clock when the start was made, and two hours later the party sat down to a turkey supper in St. James' hall.

Rev. J. W. B. Stewart, curate of the church, was in charge of the excursion, and Rev. R. A. Armstrong, the rector, was in charge at the dinner.

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