

CHIGNECTO SHIP RAILWAY.

Probable That a Canal Will Convey Ships Across The Isthmus.

The Chignecto Ship Railway is a subject that persists in bobbing up serenely at every session of the Canadian Parliament. As is well known, the intention of this scheme was the making of a short cut over land by means of which ships might be transported from the north western end of the Bay of Fundy to the western end of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The estimate so far on this project has been enormous, estimated at over three millions, and the work has had the endorsement of the leading engineers and the financial support of a number of British capitalists, who have not had any return as yet for their expenditure. It will be remembered that some time ago the Dominion Government refused to grant any further extension of time or to renew the charter of the company. This action of course, has led to much protest among those who are interested, but whether the result of this further agitation will be of any practical benefit, remains to be seen. Many of the best authorities who have examined the proposition from engineering and commercial standpoints, are of the opinion that the Ship Railway is a

practical proposition, only needing the necessary capital and assistance to make it a commercial success of inestimable value to the trade of Canada. Others equally authoritative have said that in place of a railway to carry ships and their cargoes bodily from one bay to the other a canal would be far cheaper and more profitable in every way, than the railway project. It has been pointed out that a river already parallels the railway, and it would only require deepening to enable it to offer a splendid waterway across the Isthmus of Chignecto. It is pointed out that a railway constructed on the lines laid down by the old company whilst practical, could not be operated cheaply enough to make it necessary for vessels to employ its aid, whereas, a canal would be a natural pathway, inexpensive to maintain and of immense value in the development of interprovincial trade. It seems certain that in fine some proposition of the latter description will make its way by the process of natural selection and as the result of conditions which are now felt strongly by the coast wise trade of the Maritime Provinces.—Maritime Merchant.

THERE MAY BE TROUBLE

Over the Disputed Fishery Rights in Nfld—English and French Warships to Proceed Thither.

Judging from the reports in local papers, the French who fish in the vicinity of Newfoundland are not satisfied with the rights accorded them by the fishery

regulations, and are taking matters in their own hands, much to the annoyance of the Newfoundland people, who claim that the French fishermen are straining every point of the law, and a little more too; not only violating the three-mile limit but refusing to allow the Newfoundland boat fishermen to set their nets inside the three mile limit on the north shore, which the latter claim they are allowed that privilege by treaty. It is said they are erecting fish drying houses on the shore. On the arrival of the two British warships—Alert and Buzzard—at St George's Bay, several weeks ago, (the first time this season) this was found to be the state of affairs, and in consequence, the Psyche, cruiser, which is also on this station, and is now on her way to Bermuda from her West Indies cruise, will from what we can learn, take the place of the Alert, as she is a more modern warship in point of armament.

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NATIVES BURNED ALIVE.

Rev. Frank Paton Describes Some of the Horrors of the New Hebrides.

As our readers are aware, the New Hebrides in the Pacific are now under joint English and French control, each Power having promised not to annex them. Rev. Frank Paton, who for seven years has been a missionary among the people of Malekula, the lowest of the cannibals in the groupe, has been interviewed by a Reuter's correspondent. The uncertainty, he says, which prevails regarding the political future of the islands has largely affected trade

but now there is the definite assurance that France cannot annex them, more capital should be available for development. Speaking of the widely-prevalent cannibalism, Mr. Paton says the cannibalism of the New Hebrides is partly religious; and since the introduction of pigs these animals to a great extent have been substituted for human beings; but still cannibalism is regarded with religious significance, the people believing that by devouring a man they secure a triumph over his spirit.

The natives believe that the missionaries seek to inaugurate a new doctrine of strange gods, and, as this clashes with their old customs, they shoot at the missionaries and make things rather unpleasant for them. Personally he has slept in famous cannibal villages, and has always been well treated. A chief gave him a spear which had been handed down by nine generations of chiefs, and also gave him a beautifully polished and carved wooden spoon.

Some of the native customs are horrible. In his part of Malekula people who are ill are buried alive when their friends tire of them. He arrived just too late to save a five-year-old girl who was thus buried. A man stunned in a quarrel, and thus buried, was unearthed by the scratching of some dogs, and returned to his village, causing a great commotion. No wonder we are told he "was never subsequently in complete possession of his senses."

A Letter From The Front.

BLOEMFONTEIN, April 10.

TO LIEUT. COL MCLEOD.

DEAR COL.—I now take my pen in hand to let you know how we are getting along in this far off land. We have lost two of our boys as you have heard long ago, and two more wounded. I will try and tell you about the night we made the assault against Cronje, when he surrendered. The night before our Company was marched down from a kopje where we were doing duty and got three biscuits served out to us for tea and breakfast, and then we got some tea. At 8 o'clock we were marched into the first trench. The front rank slept in the trench while the rear slept on the rear of them. The front rank had their bayonets fixed while the rear were served with shovels and picks and were to advance ten feet in the rear of the front rank, and were to keep the enemy in check while the rear rank dug a trench. Well at two o'clock in the morning we made the advance. We advanced about three hundred yards when there was a halt made and the rear rank with their rifles at the sling commenced to dig for all they were worth but the order came to advance so off we went again, we went something like one hundred yards when there came a flash followed by a volley along the Boer line. At the first flash we all threw ourselves on our faces but quite a number were struck. As it was laid there for about half an hour when the word was passed along to retire. I do not know who gave it but some got up and started back and that brought more fire in our direction. I and my chum never moved but we commenced to crawl back, feet first, but that was slow work so we got up and fell back fifty yards where the Engineers were starting to dig a trench. We turned in and dug for all we were worth. The Boers would send some volleys our way but as soon as they would the Engineers would lie down till it stopped. We had a good shelter about 65 yards from the Boer trenches and near all of company G was there. It was a hard sight to look out on the field around you and see the dead and dying but we had Mr. Boer to look after, so we commenced to pour volley after volley into their ranks, and they got a big surprise to see us near them that morning, for if one of them put out his head he was likely to get it hurt. We kept the firing up for some time when up went the white flag, but we paid no attention to that till at last they came. It was a great sight to see them come out of the trenches. It was enough to pay us for all we had gone through. I got down to the Boer trenches and got two flags. After that Gen. Roberts had us formed up and presented us with an address praising us of course. We stayed there for a few days and then started on the march again. We came across the Boers right along our front but we made a flank move and they retired. There are a lot of fellows sick with the fever and I was laid up with a slight attack of sun stroke but will soon be all right. Fred Wayne has gone to England with Jack Harris. We do not know where we are going when we leave here, but we think to Pretoria. I must come to a close, and I will send you a Kruger shilling.

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Tara Debentures	8,845 49
Brampton Debentures	11,118 47
Cornwall Debentures	29,218 7
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Bank of Hamilton, Winnipeg (current account)	3,800 0
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