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DEATHS

SANDERSON.—At Greenwich, P.E.I., on May 8th, Mrs. Matilda Jane Sanderson, widow of Mr. Robert S. Sanderson, aged 90 years.

WEATHERBIE.—At Village Green, Lot 49, on the 19th of May, Margaret Weatherbie aged 47 years. Funeral on Friday the 24th May, from her home at 2 o'clock to Birch Hill Cemetery.

REPORTS OF WHEAT CROPS.

OTTAWA, May 20—The department Bulletin says that 19 per cent. of the fall wheat sown in Ontario has been winter killed. In Alberta 15.6 per cent.

FOUNDATION OF TRINITY HOUSE.

LONDON, May 20—The four hundredth anniversary of the foundation of Trinity House, the world famous corporation of the master mariners, chartered by Henry VIII., was celebrated today. It has charge of the lighthouses, buoys and beacons on the English coast.

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DIARY OF EVENTS

TODAY.

City Magistrate's Court, 9 a. m.
P. E. I. Hospital Ladies Aid Society, Meeting, Y. M. C. A., 3.30 p. m.
Dispensary Tea, Paton's.
Prince Edward Theatre, 7.15 and 9 p. m.
People's Theatre, 7.30 and 9 p. m.
Charlottetown School of Music, recital, Heartz Memorial Hall, 8 p. m.

Your next new boarder is probably watchidg the classified ads just now—for "opportunity news."

"Monday May 25th, Victoria Day, being a statutory public holiday, The Morning Guardian will not be issued on Tuesday, May 26th.

"The Evening Guardian will not be issued on Monday but will be published on Tuesday as usual.

Advertisers will please note these changes.

BANKS AND FOXES

Toronto Saturday Night, notorious for its "knocking" propensities, in a recent issue alleges that it had an interview with an "officer" of the head office of the Canadian Bank of Commerce and that that "officer" said the Bank's policy with regard to the Fox Industry was the same as that of Saturday Night. The "officer" is also credited with making other disparaging remarks, about the fox industry. No information is given that would lead us to identify the "officer",—mark not official—and we are left to the surmise that as it could not have been the President who is an official it may have been the nameless "officer" who promenades the outer office in all the glory of a brass-buttoned blue uniform.

Inquiries at the local branch of the bank have failed to elicit any confirmation of the "officer's" views; and reference to the official reports of the Bank shows that certainly they are not endorsed by the President, Sir Edmond Walker.

In the annual report of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for 1913 we are told:

"The breeding of silver-black foxes has received wide-spread attention and much publicity during the year, and has led to study and experiments along the same lines in other provinces."

Not a word here of warning or discouragement, indeed further on we read that "investigation now being made in Prince Edward Island in connection with the breeding of other native fur-bearing animals and the Karakul sheep will be watched with close interest."

The bank is so satisfied with the development of the fox industry that it is now watching with close interest the investigations in connection with other native fur bearing animals and Karakul sheep.

Similarly, in the previous year, the Canadian Bank of Commerce devotes a considerable portion of its report to consideration of the Fox Industry of Prince Edward Island, and concludes thus:

A BUSINESS WHICH PROMISES SUCH ATTRACTIVE PROFITS may have for a while a disturbing effect upon the regular occupations of the province, but THE POSSIBILITIES of breeding in captivity the more valuable native fur bearing animals ARE SUCH AS SHOULD ENLIST WIDE INTEREST AND A CAREFUL STUDY OF THE SUBJECT."

These are the considered views of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. The public will attach more weight to these than to any statement fathered on a nameless "officer" of the Bank by a journal which declines, upon the bank's advice, to study carefully the industry and to consider the possibilities of a business which promises such attractive profits.

Toronto Saturday Night is "knocking" the fox industry because it is the mouthpiece of those who are suffering by the transference of capital from Toronto investments to Prince Edward Island investments. As the bank says the attractive profits of the fox industry is having a disturbing effect upon other industries. We can take no exception to a journal which fearlessly and honorably fights the battle of its city and province and uses every fair and honest means to prevent the loss of capital to another province. But we think everyone will agree that Toronto Saturday Night may be acquitted of acting disinterestedly in this matter. It is out to "knock" regardless of the consequences.

PENSIONS AND THINGS

An illuminating and, in some ways, an amusing discussion took place in the Senate a few days ago on the superannuation of Judges of the Superior Court.

Senator Power of Halifax opened the discussion by directing attention to what he called "the unsatisfactory conditions of the law" respecting the subject in question. He defined the "unsatisfactory conditions" as follows:

"For a good many years it has been felt that the administration of justice in Canada suffered because a number of judges continued on the Bench after they had ceased to be able to render the country full value for the salaries they received. There were judges who were deaf; there were judges who were blind; and there were judges who were afflicted with senile debility; yet they remained on the Bench because there was no way of getting them off the Bench.'

And the only way that presented itself to this astute senator for ridding the administration of justice of such an incubus was to pension them off! In the lower levels of life, where men and women, who are not judges, live and move and have their being, and who provide a living for themselves and their families on much lower salaries than judges receive, a much cheaper riddance is available. When they become deaf and blind and afflicted with senile decay they are taken off the "bench" at which they labored before they were overtaken by their affliction, and gently laid upon what in vulgar parlance is called "the shelf." If, during their time of useful service, they were foresighted enough to provide some upholstering for the "shelf" they pass their remaining days in comparative comfort, without any assistance from outside sources. If this precaution—has been neglected or has met with misfortune, their children, who by this time are grown up, willingly provide for them. This failing resort must, perforce, be had to outside assistance, usually the state, which has made generous provision for such.

Senator Power explained that previous to 1903, judges who had been on the Bench for 15 years had the privilege of retiring on a pension equal to two thirds of their salary. But the judges, notwithstanding the fact that they were becoming deaf and blind and physically and mentally decadent, refused to leave the Bench naturally preferring the ills they had—with a full salary—rather than fly to others that they knew not of—on two thirds pay. And so the administration of justice continued to be encumbered.

In 1903 another attempt was made to clear the judiciary. It was enacted that when a judge had attained the age of 70 or 75 years and had continued in office for 15 or 20 years he could retire on an annuity equal to the salary received at the time of retirement.

The result of this enactment was that those who had served long enough to entitle them to full pay allowance gratefully retired, whether their mental and physical powers were or were not impaired. The others, with equal unconcern as to fitness, persisted in holding to the Bench until their term of service qualified them for the full pay list.

This is the condition that Senator Power wishes to have remedied and there are grave difficulties in the way.

Senator Ross of Middleton expressed the opinion that judges, as a rule received too much in this present life, and entirely too much in superannuation. "I do not think," he said, "that you can arrive at any fair or just settlement of these salaries and allowances without a comparison of what the earnings of other people than these, such as members of parliament and the whole Civil Service are. I venture to say that if you take the county court judge who is paid $3,000 and then has a retiring allowance made to him you will find he is better off than nine tenths of the men that live in the county towns all over the Dominion."

Senator Ross was sorry that the act providing a retiring allowance to cabinet ministers was repealed and he would like to see it placed on the statute book again. "Of course," he said, "that does not apply to the Senate, because when we come here we get our pension," which was a generous admission on his part as to the prerogatives of the Senate. Senator Ross also suggested that "some provision might very properly be made for the widows and children, if any, of the judges who die after being retired."

What the rest of the world outside of the Senate is asking is, Why should judges who receive their offices and fat salaries by political preferment, railway employees and Civil Servants who are blessed with fat salaries during this present evil life of struggle, should be pensioned off on retirement, while others who have fought the good fight, just as strenuously or more so, who have served their day and generation with equal faithfulness, should be laid on the "shelf" aforesaid, or lose their job through the oncoming of deafness, blindness and senile decadence without the prospect of even a "shelf", without a retiring allowance This question was not discussed in the Senate.

SUBSIDIES AND CORRUPTION

With much that has been said by Mr. Bennett and Mr. Nickle in the Canadian Northern Railway debate The Toronto News is in hearty agreement. For years, we have denounced subsidy-giving as the chief source of electoral corruption and the railway lobbyist as the most dangerous influence in the corridors of Parliament. One doubts, however, if the railway interest has always been the aggressor. Too often there has been a partnership between the railway builder and the political manager. Too often the country has been robbed in the interests of private promoters and the promoters plundered in turn for political subscriptions.

Between 1898 and 1911 from $8,000,000 to $12,000,000 must have been spent by the Liberal party in elections. No doubt a portion was used legitimately. It is impossible to have a general election without considerable expenditures by both parties. Unfortunately the ordinary citizen recognizes no obligation to contribute towards the expenses of elections. It is assumed that a party in office draws upon the agencies which do business with the Government. Thus railway builders, contractors and sellers of public supplies are expected to "come down handsomely," and in the past if they have failed to do so subsidies, public contracts and Government business have gone elsewhere.

We all know that this condition has prevailed in Canada for a generation, and so far as we are concerned we rejoice in the temper now manifested alike in Parliament and in the country which will make this system of waste and robbery impossible in future. It is curious, however, that Mr. Bennett and Mr. Nickle should oppose the agreement with the Canadian Northern Railway which is the first great step that has been taken by any Government to end the evil conditions which have prevailed so long and to subordinate private to public interest. It is a great thing to acquire $40,000,000 of common stock in a transcontinental railway. It is a great thing to have squeezed $45,000,000 of water out of a set of securities. To that degree the Canadian Northern Railway will be able to give lower freight charges and to force down the charges of its competitors.

Besides the Government will have direct supervision over the company's expenditures and an inner knowledge of all its affairs. Further, if with the aid afforded the Mackenzie interests do not carry the enterprise to success it will fall to the Government and we will have a national railway touching all the Provinces and holding a commanding position in local and through transportation. What is to be gained by denying that in the situation in which the country finds itself the Canadian Northern Railway has to be assisted unless consequences are to be precipitated which no Government dare face. If Ministers had not acted they would have been treated as feeble criminals by the very newspapers which are now preaching and denouncing. The whole Opposition would have gone to the constituencies in protest against the cowardice and ineptitude of the Government. Altogether, when one looks at the acts and methods of the Laurier Government at Ottawa for fifteen years the attitude of the Opposition towards the Canadian Northern agreement is pitiful and absurd. —The News.

N. B. ROYAL COMMISSION

According to St. John Standard, Lieutenant Governor Wood of New Brunswick has appointed, as the successor of Sir Frederic Barker on the Royal Commission to investigate the Dugal charges, Judge W. W. Wells of Ottawa, a respected and esteemed ex-member of the bench of New Brunswick province. At the same time his Honor announced that Mr. Justice McKeown would be chairman of the tribunal. While there has been a very general regret that Sir Frederic Barker's health has been such as to prevent his acceptance of the chairmanship there will be every confidence in his successor in that office. Mr. Justice McKeown is well qualified for the important duties which will attach to the chairmanship of such a body, and he may be depended upon to bring to his decisions and rulings that fine spirit of absolute justice which has been such an outstanding characteristic of his career upon the bench.

His colleagues Judge Wells and Mr. Fisher, are men with a high sense of duty and fairness and altogether the Commission is such as to assure a complete non-partisan hearing. All the facts will be brought out and the truth or falsity of the charges established by the evidence alone. This is what is desired by the Government of this province, and Mr. Dugal and others associated with him have also stated that their solicitude is for a fair enquiry. This being the case there should be every satisfaction with the Commission as now composed. It is to be hoped there will be no further delays in getting to work and that the hearings will be vigorously prosecuted until completed.

NOTES

A good strike of mineral oil is reported from Calgary, in a field that has been prospected for some time. This should be a good thing for the western country and for trade generally. When there is developed at home a source of supply of an article generally imported, the transportation companies do not lose much directly and what they do lose is made up to them by the revenue local business that is developed.

A Toronto physician, in advocating a treatment of nitrate as a cure for cigarette smokers, says users of tobacco would overcome the habit easily if they left tea, coffee and meat alone, and, of course, all alcoholic beverages. Not many persons will be in a hurry to follow his advice. The ordinary man would find it as hard to do without his tea and beefsteak as to deprive himself of his cigars or pipeful of tobacco after meals. The doctor will have to think out some other cure. The remedy he suggests is worse than the disease, generally speaking. People have no desire to live on bread and water only.

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