

THE MORNING GUARDIAN

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NOBODY KNOWS.

Nobody outside of the Government and the Grand Trunk magnates knows what are the new terms and conditions upon which the Government and the Company have agreed and which Parliament is shortly to be asked to ratify. We all know that the original agreement has failed and broken down because the five million dollar deposit which the Company agreed to put up months ago was not forthcoming. The Company, or rather its directorate offered to put up certain Grand Trunk bonds, but this they had not the legal authority to do, nor had they the express consent of the Grand Trunk shareholders to appropriate these securities for that purpose. Parliament could legalise the action, but nobody knows whether the shareholders will empower their directors to put up the bonds in any case.

The Montreal Witness tells that a good many of the ministerial following at Ottawa would not be disappointed if circumstances forced the Government to build the new highway itself and then adopt whatever plan is considered best for its management. This implies that an entirely new arrangement may be made. Then again we have it on the authority of the Ottawa Free Press, the home organ of the Government, that the route originally proposed south of Lake Nipigon has been found unsatisfactory. There is there little land fit for agriculture and apparently small mining prospects. The grades would not be of the nature laid down by the Charlton standard. Better farming land and much easier grades can be had by going some 300 miles further north. And Sir Sanford Fleming in a speech at Toronto the other day said the road should be built far north, nearer the Hudson's Bay than to Lake Superior.

So nobody knows where the route of the road will lie, if the road is to be built.

And what is of equal importance is that nobody knows whether or not the extension from Quebec to Moncton will be included in the new arrangement if a new arrangement with the Grand Trunk is made. Pretty powerful influences are opposed to the duplication of this portion of the Intercolonial. It is well understood that the Grand Trunk people have no liking for this part of their original bargain. The North Shore counties of New Brunswick are opposed to it, because it will diminish the importance of the Intercolonial, and probably lessen the number of trains and the facilities for traffic which they now enjoy. This duplication of the I. C. R. formed a strong ground of objection on Mr. Blair's part, and the people of St. John have registered their dissatisfaction with the situation in a rather emphatic way. The entire St. John valley is about as little pleased with the original arrangement as the North Shore or St. John itself. These conditions must give pause to the Government and by so much increase the uncertainty of a project about whose present status or future prospects nobody knows very much.

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The Maritime Merchant of Halifax in its latest issue publishes extensive extracts from President Messervey's report to the Charlottetown Board of Trade and devotes its leading editorial article to Island affairs. Referring to some of our disabilities The Maritime Merchant says:

"While we publish them we feel that readers outside of the Island will feel that the Province is quite right in its contentions and admires the energy and determination that the Charlottetown people show in following these questions up. There are many natural reasons why the Island should flourish, but it seems to suffer many unjust handicaps."

The Patriot thinks "it would be more becoming to Mr. Blair to look less pleasant and hold his tongue." We think it would be too hard to adopt a rule in Canada by which all office-holders should "never smile again", or which would force their tongues to cleave to the roofs of their mouths. Surely a man may smile and smile and not only not be a villain, but still be an office holder. Besides The Patriot editor came almost painfully near being an office holder himself. Had he succeeded in his ambition we are sure he would have come smiling to his new duties, and would have resented any interference with his high privilege of beaming radiantly upon his many friends.

The London Chronicle says the Russians have taken remarkable precautions for the provisioning of their troops along the greater part of the length of the Siberian Railway. This is done by burying at intervals of each quarter of a mile stores of concentrated food, each lot being sufficient to maintain a company of 200 men for a week. The position of these supplies is not known to the sergeants or captains but only to the commandants, who have the information in cipher. These supplies are only to be used as a last resort when the regular rations are not available. And as Siberia is one huge refrigerator, the food will keep, at least in this weather. So it would appear that the Russian authorities have not forgotten everything. The weak point in this precautionary proceeding would be if the Japs should happen to get hold of the cipher that tells where the stores are hidden.

The Russian soldiers are conveyed over the Siberian Railway in box cars, with small windows cut in the sides, each car being provided with a stove and sleeping bunks. A twenty-five car train will carry about 36 soldiers per car or 900 in the train. This of course makes no allowance for supplies, ammunition, horses or field guns. Roughly calculating seven trains to the mile, trains enough to carry 100,000 men would cover 16 miles of railway. At least half as much more in the way of train accommodation would be required for guns, baggage, horses and their supplies for the journey, making 24 miles of engines and cars. As many cars must necessarily be returned westward as are sent eastward, even if they come back empty. Sidings are 25 to 30 miles apart. These facts and figures may give some conception of the traffic on the Siberian Railway which the war involves, and what must be the delay and trouble when a car becomes derailed or any form of accident stops a train.

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