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## Strenuous Year For Ch'town Board of Trade

### President A. A. Pomeroy in His Annual Report Outlines the Creditable Record of Work Accomplished.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade last night President A. A. Pomeroy read his report for the year as follows:

Charlottetown, P.E.I., Jan. 11th, 1922.

Mr. Vice-President and members of the Board of Trade:

The last official act of a President of your society is to submit his annual report, before he resigns his position to his successor. It is the most arduous task of all the year's duties; in all other official endeavours I have been able to count on the advice of able men in your councils, and the ready and willing assistance of every member; in this, my final duty, I have to face the ordeal alone; a trying ordeal because I am neither an orator nor have I the pen of a ready writer.

The last year has been in many ways a trying one. We have all as we discovered that Peace has her problems no less than War. In every realm of the world's activities the last twelve months have been a time of doubts and difficulties. We in this island of ours, have perhaps been fortunate; great crises have had but little effect upon us; industrial upheavals such as have paralyzed trade in many quarters have here been but little felt; we have not had our problems to face. We are not met here as a "mutual admiration" society; there is not one of us here who does not feel that the Board of Trade might have done more, but it is only right that we should review our endeavours to improve conditions, in the spirit of candour to do better next year. Bearing this in mind we look back upon the year that is gone, with all its activities, and I think we may confidently say that we have a very creditable record of work done, of difficulties resolutely faced and decisively overcome.

Our first important problem last year to come under discussion was the adjustment of freight tariffs through the railroad commission.

The next subject for discussion and action was a proposal that a regular service be inaugurated by the Canada Steamship Co. from Halifax to Boston making a stop at Charlottetown. This route was not found by the Commission to be advisable, owing to the cheaper markets in the United States and the limited tourist traffic which could be expected. However, the Canada Steamship Company did operate a service between Charlottetown and St. John's, Newfoundland. This service together with the already well established Canadian Government Merchant Marine Service was continued into the late fall with some beneficial results for our trade, both as to imports from Montreal and exports to Newfoundland. We are assured that this service will be continued during the coming season. At this point I should like to say that the success of this service was due in no small measure to the cooperation of our Longshoremen under the direction of the Labor Union of this city. I feel we owe much

## Murderous Attempt On Board Tram Car In Belfast District

(Special to The Guardian)

BELFAST, Jan. 11. A bomb was thrown at a tramcar bearing 75 persons to their work in the Crumlin Road district this morning. The quick action of the driver which put on full speed resulted in the missile going wide of the mark. The passengers were greatly frightened by the explosion which splintered the car. A man went to the door of his house to learn the cause of the commotion when he was shot by a volley of rifle fire which swept the streets.

## U.F.O. Candidate To Oppose Meighen

(Special to The Guardian)

KEMPTONVILLE, Jan. 11.—The first candidate to be nominated in opposition to the leaders of any of the parties who must seek reelection is A. K. Patterson of Kemptonville. The U. F. O. here nominated Mr. Patterson yesterday afternoon to oppose Mr. Meighen who will be a candidate in the Grenville County by-election. It is understood that the Liberals will not nominate a candidate.

## Would Save Cattle Sight of Killers

MONTREAL, Jan. 10.—Amendment to the criminal code in regard to cattle and other animals will be urged upon the Federal Government by the next session of Parliament by the Canadian Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, following a meeting of the executive committee of the society held here yesterday. Powers are sought for constables to slaughter without permission of the owner any animal found to be hopelessly injured, when the circumstances allow it to remain alive would cause agony. It is also asked to amend the practice of killing animals in abattoirs in the presence of other animals.

At that meeting were as follows:

1. The passing of a uniform traffic law (Turn to the right).
2. The grading of agricultural and food products.
3. The opening of new markets for Maritime products.

The October quarterly meeting had before it the new ruling as laid down by the railroad schedule, namely: That all freight and duties on potatoes going to the U. S. A. must be paid at point of shipment. This was a rather drastic measure and one which could not help but work harm to our potato shippers. After taking the matter up with the various bodies responsible for this measure, we were able to get this order rescinded, such to the gratification of the shippers.

Again your board were able to add to their community usefulness in getting through your Transportation Committee two boats to load potatoes for Cuba, which we are informed arrived at Havana in good condition, thereby greatly relieving the large congestion of spuds on the island.

We have had in all about twenty council meetings during the past year and the brief mention of these I have endeavored to outline comprises but a part of many important questions which came before your board for discussion and action.

The honor you placed in me at our last annual meeting was one I greatly appreciate; you may remember I stated at that time I would rather be the President of our Board of Trade than Mayor of the City, which statement was due to my natural enthusiasm caused by past experiences of the value of such an organization in a community, and I am still of the same opinion.

I asked you last year, when you honored me, for your cooperation, and, Gentlemen, I now have to thank you, as without it we could not have accomplished our many aims and rendered their satisfactory conclusion of value to our Province.

In handing the key and chair to my successor I do so with mingled feelings of regret and pleasure and ask you to extend to him that same cooperation you have so generously afforded me.

President Ch'town Board of Trade

## Annual Meeting of The Board of Trade

### Mr. E. H. Beer Elected President. Local Railway Employment Question Discussed and Resolution Passed.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade was held last night with President A. A. Pomeroy in the chair. The secretary read a communication from the Deputy Minister of Ottawa outlining the plan of a reciprocal exhibition to be held at Paris this year. An exhibition of samples of French products last year toured Canada with a view to extending French trade, the train being accompanied by a staff of experts. The Canadian Department of Trade and Commerce assisted in every way to make the tour a success and the Canadian railways provided haulage free.

It is proposed that a similar train containing exhibits will this year make a tour through France for a similar purpose to advertise the resources of the Dominion and the French Government and railways have granted similar privileges for the purpose, including the free use for six months of the most suitable building in Paris for a fixed exhibition. Canada will greatly benefit by such an exchange and it is expected that a responsible committee of those interested will be formed in this country with a view to carrying out the project. This communication was on motion referred to the Associated Boards of Trade for action.

Messrs. Jas. Paton and E. H. Beer reported on the entertainment committee with reference to the visit last year of the Maritime Board of Trade delegates and were thanked for their efficient management. Mr. Beer in reply complimented Mr. J. A. Webster on the arrangement made for the motor drive during the entertainment.

President A. A. Pomeroy then read his report, which appears in full elsewhere in the Guardian. Mr. S. A. McDonald in moving the adoption of the President's report, emphasized the qualifications of the Board of Trade and the great things such a board may accomplish. In the election of Mr. Pomeroy as president the Charlottetown board certainly made no mistake. He wished to couple with the acceptance of the report a hearty vote of thanks.

This motion was seconded by Mr. N. Rattenbury and supported by Mr. Tidmarsh, both speakers emphasizing particularly the importance of early standardization of the P. E. Island railway, referred to by the president in his report. The report was then adopted unanimously and the thanks of the board tendered to the president by vice-president E. H. Beer.

The secretary Mr. W. L. Higgins in making his financial report stated that he had pleasure in informing the Board that for the first time since the last few years there has been a surplus of receipts over expenditure. Twenty members were lost during the year owing to the increase in membership and the membership list for the year ending 1921 and 1922 shows an increase of 172. Expenses during the year have been heavy in many respects. We should be careful however not

## Armament Conference to Adjourn Jan. 25

(Special to The Guardian)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The latest adjournment of the conference which Great Britain will wind up its work on January 25th. The Japanese delegation which had planned to leave on the 18th has tentatively postponed its departure until that date. Mr. Balfour who had planned to leave on the 14th has also postponed his departure. Albert Sarraut head of the French delegation has returned to the French pronunciation of being pleased to stay six months if necessary to finish the work.

## C. D. Pringle, K.C. Died at Ottawa

(Special to The Guardian)

OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—C. D. Pringle, K.C., a prominent Ottawa barrister died last night. He was entrusted with several important commissions during the war notably the one to enquire into the price of newspaper and the paper industry generally. He was a member of Parliament for Stormont from 1900 until 1909 when he was defeated. He refused the nomination in 1911 having transferred his practice to Ottawa in the meantime.

He was a member of the following resolution, moved by Mr. J. B. Miller, seconded by Messrs. N. Rattenbury, J. O. Hyndman, S. A. McDonald, Secretary Higgins, Jas. Paton, W. F. Tidmarsh and others was finally adopted unanimously:

That the Charlottetown Board of Trade in annual meeting assembled here strongly protest against the action of the Railway Commission in so reducing the working hours of the Railway workers in the various shops of the Railway works here as to make it necessary for a large percentage of repairs and other work belonging to this Division of the Government Railway to be done in the repair shops at Moncton. Further resolved that our representatives be asked to hold an investigation into this matter and place it before the Hon. Minister of Railways if not otherwise corrected.

The carrying out of this resolution was referred to the council and a delegation appointed to interview today the Federal representatives of the County.

Mr. Tierney of the Marine Department presented the complaint of the department regarding the jurisdiction of the P. E. Island agency and urged that the clerical work be centered in Charlottetown, and that the clerical staff be increased in proportion to the work. He was requested to make his explanation of the conditions in writing.

A vote of thanks, moved by Mr. Tidmarsh, seconded by Mr. Pomeroy, and carried was tendered the publishing process and for adopting measures adopted by the Board from time to time. The meeting then adjourned.

## FILM STARS OVERPAID

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—The motion picture stars have given the owners of movie theatres something to worry about, for it is this star personage and he or she alone, that has sent the price of motion pictures soaring far above the financial heights which theatre owners say they can reach.

The salaries these stars receive are wholly out of proportion to box office receipts, according to William Brandt, president of the Theatre Owners Chamber of Commerce, who spoke at a meeting of that body in the Hotel Astor yesterday.

Almost everything concerned in the making of motion pictures, from the salaries of extras, carpenters and laboratory men to the price of raw films has been reduced except the salaries of stars, said Mr. Brandt. As a member of a committee recently appointed to investigate the reason for the excessive cost of production, he learned, he said, that pictures could be considerably reduced if the stars would accept less money. He stated that if the producers would inform them that they are not to be out of proportion to their pay, that they would accept less money.

Mary Miles Minter receives \$60,000 a picture, said Mr. Brandt, and Katherine MacDonald \$50,000. She makes about four a year. Wallace Reid gets as salary of \$45,000 a week, Rudolph Valentino \$3,500 and William Farnum \$10,000, he said.

## Anglo-French Prospectus Of Proposed Treaty

### Submitted by Lloyd George Stipulates British Safeguards for France, No Naval Competition and all Europe Treaty Including Russia and Germany.

(Special to The Guardian)

CANNES, Jan. 11.—A memorandum containing the conditions upon which Great Britain will agree to a defensive pact with France was issued here this afternoon. It makes the first condition of the alliance that there shall be no naval competition between France and England and provides that British naval experts confer with the French with a view to cutting down the latter's program to prevent such competition. The second condition laid down by Lloyd George who was the author of the memorandum calls for the agreement to the International Conference proposed for Geneva in March which is to include Germany and Russia. The third British condition is that the defensive pact with France shall be the basis for a wider scheme of international entente to guarantee peace that is an all Europe treaty. The memorandum declares Great Britain makes the security of France a problem of her own and that she will be ready again to throw in her forces as in 1914 if French soil is attacked. Premier Brandt will tomorrow explain to both chambers the nature of the proposed agreement with England and will ask each house to vote confidence in the treaty. He will receive interpellations to be asked on the ground that there is no time for discussion of them. If the Premier is not immediately withdrawn to private life, on the other hand if the outcome is satisfying him he will return to Cannes and sign the agreement.

## Time Hags Havily On Foo'pad's Mind

(Special to The Guardian)

OTTAWA, Jan. 10.—Mr. G. I. Riley, ex-chief of the Timber and Mines Branch of the Department of the Interior, now residing in Winnipeg, was held up by highway men recently and relieved of a gold watch which had been presented him by the members of the Department on his retirement in 1905. Word to this effect was received in Ottawa yesterday.

Through the efforts of the Winnipeg police and also due to the troubled "conscience" of the robber who returned the watch for a consideration, Mr. Riley still retains his souvenir. Mr. Riley is well known in Ottawa and was for 23 years attached to this branch of the Department of the Interior. He retired in 1905 to accept the position of Lands Commissioner of the Grand Trunk Railway but is now in private business.

## RECENTLY RELEASED CONVICT AGAIN IN TROUBLE

SYDNEY, Jan. 10.—Admiral Kitpatrick, negro gunman, recently released from Dorchester penitentiary, was yesterday committed to the Supreme Court by Judge Magrah on a charge of stealing coal from the Dominion Steel Company's yard. A second charge of looting during the recent Libby's fire is still to be heard.

## WOOL PRICES ADVANCED.

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—There was a large attendance and bidding was spirited throughout the Government wool auction here today, when the Government offered \$8,000,000 lbs. mostly of low-grade wool. Every pound offered was sold. The wools went largely to dealers, although some manufacturers, including the American Woollen Company, were buyers. Prices showed an advance of 26 to 25 per cent. on the average, as compared with the previous sale in early December.

## SUPREME COURT

At the Supreme Court yesterday the non jury case of Bernard Creamer, contractor, vs. the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation, was up before Mr. Justice Arsenault. Gaudet, K. C., for plaintiff, Jeanston, K. C., for defendant. Mr. Creamer is suing for a balance claimed to be due on account of Kelly's Cross Church, of which he had the contract. Mr. Creamer was examined as a witness, and the case will be continued this morning. The three prisoners, Mackinnon, Turze and Essory, against whom true bills were found yesterday, were arraigned yesterday and pleaded not guilty. The trial was set down for Monday next. On Tuesday last in addition to the cases reported yesterday, judgment was given in the case of Peter G. Clark, appellant vs. Frank J. Traflet, Respondent. Appeal from the County Court of Queen's County where plaintiff recovered judgment for \$13 and costs. The Chief Justice delivered the judgment of the County Court, and directed that judgment be entered for the appellant with costs in both Courts. Saunders, K. C., for appellant, J. A. McDonald for respondent. Judgment was also given in the case of S. Rattenbury Ltd., Appellant vs. Colin R. MacPhail Respondent; an appeal from a judgment of the County Court of Queen's County where judgment had been entered for respondent for \$65 and costs. Mr. Justice Hazard delivered the judgment of the Court, allowing the appeal and revising the judgment in the County Court with costs in both Courts. Martin, K. C., for Appellant, Bentley, K. C., and Shaw for Respondent. The Court meets this morning at 10.30 a. m.

## The Weather, Temperature, Tide, Moon, Etc.

TORONTO, Jan. 12.—Moderate winds. Partly overcast and not much change in temperature. High tide this morning at 9:30 and tonight at 9:30. Sun sets this afternoon at 4:30 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:30. Full moon Friday January 13, 10:36 a. m.

Noozie the Sunshine Kid



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