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Members Seek Information On Railway Services

OTTAWA, March 23 (CP)—Several members in the Commons are seeking additional information on railway services within their own provinces.

Gordon Higgins (PC-St. John's East) urged improved railway service between Louisbourg, N. S. and Sydney, N. S. He said that when the port of North Sydney is icebound, the ferry connecting Newfoundland with the mainland is forced to dock at Louisbourg.

Adequate facilities at the alternate port had been promised when the terms under which Newfoundland joined Canada were being discussed but he found that in going to Louisbourg, travellers from Newfoundland had to use the Louisbourg-Sydney railway.

The railway's stock was outdated. They were lit by oil lamps and heated by stoves at the rear of each car.

Mr. Higgins also requested improved rail services in Newfoundland. A recent report from the Island told how passengers on one Newfoundland train recently were forced to travel for miles in the dark because the lighting system had failed.

There was a mental patient in a strait-jacket aboard and many of the passengers were afraid that he might break loose in the dark and hurt some one.

Gordon Innes (Halifax) sought information on Canadian National Railway coal purchases in the Maritimes. He said the Government had declined to give him the names of the firms from which the C.N.R. buys coal in the Maritimes.

Transport Minister Chevrier said C.N.R. officials had told him that for competitive reasons they could not make the information public. He told Mr. Innes that the committee on railways and canals could force the officials to give the information.

However, the officials might have a sufficiently good reason to deter the committee from forcing it to give the information. It was possible that the publicly-owned C. N. R. should not be forced for competitive reasons to disclose its suppliers to the privately-owned Canadian Pacific Railway.

Mr. Innes said he did not believe the reason was sufficiently valid and felt the information should be made public.

H. H. Hatfield (PC-Victoria-Carleton) asked for action to correct the shortage of refrigerator cars in New Brunswick.

Mr. Chevrier said the C. N. R. had informed him there was no shortage in New Brunswick, but he would make further inquiries. He told of a letter from Prince Edward Island's director of transportation stating that the refrigerator car service was the best in years.

CLASSIC LEGEND

The idea of bull fighting is believed to have originated in Crete, the ancient land of the Minotaur.

HAWAIIAN VOLCANO

One January 7, 1949, the 13,680-foot volcano of Mauna Loa, on the island of Hawaii, erupted for the first time in seven years.

BOTH OVER 21

By Samuel Hopkins Adams

"What?"

"Don't be too easy on that young scoundrel. I think you got him good. Sock him one for me. Good luck."

With a genial grin thirty-nine passed on his lawful occasions. With several parties to select from on that Monday night, Maida at first decided to go to none of them, then decided to go to all of them, then decided to go to the liveliest and stay to the finish, then decided to go to the nearest and come back early, finally decided nothing until the evening arrived.

Not without research she resurrected the same gown which she had worn on that earlier night—which was also a way of giving fate a hand. Having got herself thus arrayed, she naturally went to a couple of the festivities, and found them dull. Because she found them dull she left early—a little after two, in fact, in case fate might be inclined to play any tricks with the timing.

Letting herself in, she curled up in a large chair near a front window and fell asleep. She awoke with the deliberate clump of hooves in her ears. Along the street came the milk wagon with a horse in the shafts which was not Nightmare out of Indigestion by Minnie Flo, but an undistinguished looking bay.

It stopped opposite. Maida's soul. Suppose Wallis had got over it? Suppose he wasn't glad to see her? Suppose he had become interested in some one else? Suppose it had never meant to him what it did to her? ... His figure came out of one basement, stepped to the cart and vanished into another. He was wearing his Milkies. How she had detested them. How could she ever have left that way? Now they seemed the shining raiment of a lost paradise. Lost? Not if Maida (backed up, of course, by fate) could help it.

The bay moved on. Timing herself for the drivers next disappearance she darted down the steps and established herself on the driver's seat. Across the way she could hear Wallis in conversation with old Chris, the special watchman. He came back, went to the rear of the wagon, loaded himself with a two-house supply. Maida said: "Oh, Mr. Route Salesman!"

He stopped dead. Slowly he came around to the front. "Oh!" said he in a tight voice. "It's you. Hello."

"Is that all?"

"I hope you're well," he supplemented politely.

"Yes, thank you."

"Are you married yet?" he asked.

"No."

"When does it come off?" he asked with an elaborate assumption of making conversation.

"Don't you read the newspapers?"

"There is some kind of news one doesn't look for."

"Oh!" said Maida. (Stand still. Try something else. But what line?)

Wallis said, "No one's allowed in our wagons."

"Company rules."

"Well, it isn't my idea of co-operation," said she sorrowfully.

Two quarts of Grade A milk fell and crashed. The plagiarism from Mr. Metzger had been too much for the bearer's strained nerves.

"There's a proverb about that," said Maida.

"Well, I'm not crying," returned Wallis doggedly.

"I did. When I left Bermuda. And again, pretty nearly, at the Lex-Lohengrin the other day. Have you seen the Wonders picture?"

"Yes."

"What did you think of it?"

"It hurt like blazes."

"Yes. Didn't it?"

"You, too?"

"What would you suppose? Metzger told me about your thinking you'd thrown away the reel with that—that episode... Wallis, this is all pretty silly, isn't it?"

"What is?"

"Our pretending any longer."

"I've never pretended about you."

"No. No, you haven't. Darling, take me back to Bermuda."

Old Chris, the special, strolled over with the morning paper beneath his arm. "Got a rider, lad? Oh, it's you, Miss. Pretty late, isn't it?"

"Good morning, Chris. I want to go to Bermuda."

"You're on the wrong boat."

Wallis dropped three more bottles. "Now look what you've made me do! I'll lose my job."

"That should worry him," remarked the watchman. "How's my nevy doin' up at the Kane stables?"

"All right, I guess," said Wallis shyly.

Elected Director



R. C. VAUGHAN, C.M.G.,

who was elected a director of Commonwealth International Corporation Limited at the annual meeting. Mr. Vaughan recently retired from the chairmanship of the Canadian National Railway.

Mutual Fund Holds Annual

Shareholders of Commonwealth International Corporation Limited (a mutual fund) were told at the annual meeting that since the end of the fiscal year on Dec. 31, 1949, the number of shares outstanding had increased from 1,852,637 to 2,048,997 and total net assets, taking investments at quoted market values, had increased from \$6,788,123 to \$7,823,097.

It was reported that during the first two months of 1950 new additions to the Corporation's portfolio were 1,925 shares of Dominion Foundries and Steel and 140 shares of International Business Machines. Several additions were made to amounts of issues already held, while \$200,000 Government of Canada 1 3/4 per cent bonds of 1950, 110 shares of Guaranty Trust of N.Y., 2,675 shares of Industrial Acceptance Corp. and 165 shares of Steel Company of Canada were eliminated.

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He considered them doubtfully. "You're both over twenty-one, ain't you?" he inquired.

"That's what started it all," said Maida.

THE END

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Pioneer Days

In P. E. I.

By F. H. MacArthur

From this brief sketch the reader will be able to get a picture of conditions as they existed in this Island back in 1847, or a little over a century ago.

During the fifteen years that the Rev. Francis Metherall lived at Vernon River, a very strong attachment had grown up between himself and the residents of that place. He had instructed them in religious matters, and taught them how to obtain the lasting riches. They had sympathized with him in his many hardships, and had given him some of their meagre possessions; for there were times when the parsonage cupboard was as bare as Mother Hubbard's.

On a certain occasion when guests were expected at the manse, the supply of flour was exhausted, the last loaf eaten. How were the strangers to be fed? That was the \$64 question of that day.

Thinking the preacher might be running low of the staff of life, Mr. Tweedy of Gallas Point, ordered his sons, Thomas and Joseph, to take a bag of flour to the parsonage. It came just in time for the evening meal, and the visitors were dined, entirely ignorant of the circumstances under which it had been attained.

There was little money in circulation in those days; the missionaries being paid in the exchange then current - produce. Indeed, in order to exist, every preacher had to have enough agricultural experience to cultivate his own plot of ground.

During Mr. Metherall's earlier years on the Island, he travelled long distances in the coldest part of the winter with no robe for his sleigh. Think of it! When Mrs. Whitlock, mother of the Rev. Jesse Whitlock, heard of this, she collected money and the robe was purchased. Before getting the horse and sleigh, Mr. Metherall had worked his circuit for three years in fair weather and foul.

In his position as superintendent of the district, Mr. Metherall had some very trying journeys to make, especially as he was, by this time, well advanced in years and the condition of the roads was terrible, to say the least. Writing in the autumn of 1845, he says: "I intended to set off for Lot 7; but finding the devil very busy in Vernon River, I thought it wise to stop over Sunday. On Monday, I started my journey of 110 miles, which I have to travel in two days. I called on some of our friends by the way, and read and prayed with them. I rode on horseback 55 miles the first day, started again next morning and covered the entire journey by sunset."

All the early preachers experienced like hardships. Their continual hard work plus exposure to storms and cold wore them down in the end. Yes, the life of a missionary in those by-gone days was fraught with untold sufferings, but few ever complained.

It would seem that when God has work to be done, he always supplies a workman to do it. When a man was needed to guide the U.S.A. through the great crisis of civil war and slave emancipation, the great and humble Abraham Lincoln was assigned to the task; and Lincoln, like our early missionaries, received his training in the backwoods of pioneer settlements. Such men never recognized defeat or opposition. They had the courage to maintain their rights and independence wherever they went; in Church or State, before high or low, friend or foe, heedless as to whether this or that person approved their course. To them the Lord had given the command - "Go! Work in this vineyard." And so, in obedience to His voice, they resolved to follow the call of their God, and in their obedience, they accomplished a glorious success.

In times of great tribulation, men of all faiths are drawn near to God. Protestants, Catholics, Jews, etc., stand together as one. Evidence of this oneness was frequently met with on the battlefields, on the oceans and in the air. When the fatal hour draws near, as the result of some terrible disaster, social and religious differences are cast aside; all turn to the One who alone can bring solace to the troubled and frightened soul. But why do we have to be confronted with some impending danger before we can be brought into this oneness of mind? Why after almost two thousand years of civilization and christianity do we find ourselves as far from the brotherhood of man as ever?

There was no social or religious discrimination among the pioneer preachers who labored in the wilds of this Island. Protestants of all denominations, and Catholics, welcomed the visiting missionaries at all times. Maybe the time will come when the principles necessary for social regeneration and the attainment of one religion and social order throughout the land will be set up. But to achieve such an end, man must seek a higher will and wisdom than he now possesses. Amid the trials and tribulations of a decadent society, a new age must be born, an age which will produce great unbiassed minds; or as Lincoln puts it:

"With malice towards none; with charity for all, with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."

Vote Money For Unemployment In Newfoundland

OTTAWA, March 23 (CP)—Finance Minister Abbott announced in the Commons that unemployment in the new Province of Newfoundland is running "greatly in excess" of estimates made in January.

He made the statement in obtaining Commons' approval of a vote of \$1,125,000 to provide unemployment assistance to Newfoundland. He said this represented three quarters of the amount that had been earmarked for assistance to Newfoundland in the estimates when they were prepared by the Labor Department.

Mr. Abbott said it will be necessary to ask for a supplementary amount at a fairly early date.

Earlier, Labor Minister Mitchell disclosed that at March 2 there were 18,600 Newfoundlanders registered for employment with the Government's National Employment Service office. The figure represented approximately 17 per cent of Newfoundland's employable population of 112,000.

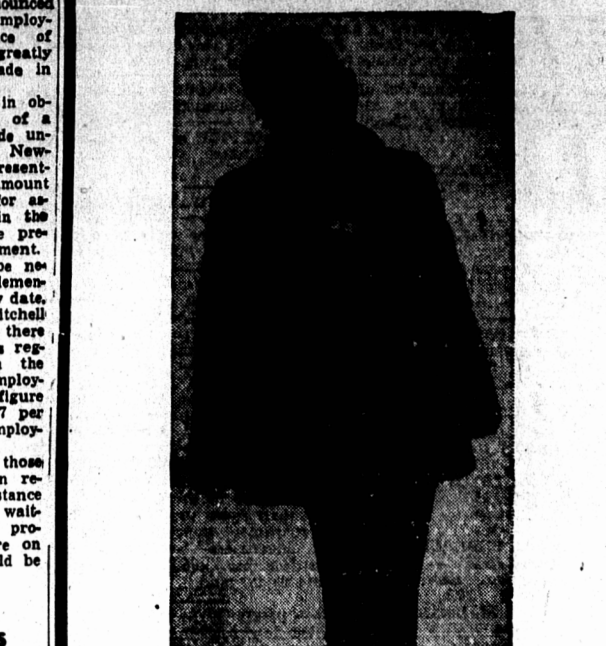
Mr. Mitchell said 13,700 of those seeking work are either in receipt of unemployment assistance or insurance benefits, or are waiting for their claims to be processed. The total expenditure on this account for March would be almost \$1,000,000.

Customs Collections In Newfoundland

OTTAWA, March 22 (CP) — More than \$14,000,000 has been collected in Newfoundland in customs and excise duties, income taxes and succession duties, in the 11 months ended Feb. 28. It was shown today in a Commons return tabled for W. J. Browne (PC—St. John's West.)

The total was made up of: Excise taxes, \$2,546,506; excise duties, \$1,222,467; customs import duties, \$3,011,714; income taxes, \$3,446,248; and succession duties, \$30,990.

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