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Big Locomotives Now In Order G. T. R. Will Have Heaviest Type

Further particulars of the orders placed by the Grand Trunk System for locomotive power during the coming year have been received. These orders are largely in excess of any previous year in the history of the road, and include a number of locomotives of the most powerful type in the Dominion of Canada.

Twenty-five Mikado type of engines have been ordered from the American Locomotive Works, Schenectady, N. Y., of which to date nine have been delivered. These are the heaviest engines in use, it is claimed, by a Canadian railway, and are intended for fast freight service. The combined weight of engines and tender loaded is 446,000 pounds, as compared with the previous heaviest type used by the Grand Trunk of 354,600 pounds, a gain of 91,400 pounds. The hauling capacity of the latest type on a straight level track is 6,403 tons but in practical operation will average 5,000 tons, or 600 tons more than the hauling capacity of previous types in the 7th district west of

Belleville, one engine hauled 86 cars of freight, a train three-quarters of a mile long. They will be used on main line service.

Fifty Pacific type engines have been ordered, and of these 19 have been delivered by the Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, and 15 by the Montreal Locomotive Works. The total weight of engine and tender loaded is 375,000 pounds, and of engine alone, 225,000 pounds. Ten Pacific engines of a slightly heavier type have also been ordered from the Montreal Locomotive Works directly the order just mentioned is complete. These are intended for heavy passenger service between Toronto and Montreal and between Niagara Falls, and the Sarnia tunnel.

Lastly 15 large standard switching engines have been ordered from the Canadian Locomotive Works of Kingston, of which three have been delivered, and the remainder will follow in short order. These engines are for use in the large terminals of the Grand Trunk System.

Romantic History of Cavan Blazers Existed Over Half a Century Ago

The following interesting sketch of an organization that existed over a century ago in the eastern part of Durham County, styled "The Cavan Blazers," appeared in The Globe of Jan. 25th, over the signature of "Pickwick."

"About sixty years ago when the law was not regarded with as much dread as in these more populous times, a band of young men, the sons of prosperous farmers of the county of Durham, organized themselves under the name of 'The Cavan Blazers,' with the idea of providing themselves with some startling amusement. They outstripped Robin Hood in follies and destructiveness, if not in romance.

One Sunday morning in January, when the thermometer registered considerably below zero, the Cavan parson entered his church, to discover a shivering sexton gazing vacantly at the spot where once had stood a huge box stove. How was he, poor fellow, to know that while he slumbered, it had been carried away on the shoulders of four sturdy Blazers and deposited in their rendezvous, a shack in the neighboring forest? Here, while devising their plans, the Blazers feasted upon fowl obtained without consent from their respective parents, and cakes and pies stolen from wayside ovens.

A person travelling through Durham in the Blazer days beheld sights that might rival some of those found in the "Arabian Nights." Things had become topsy-turvy. Wagons and barn doors were needed, apparently, for the draught of chimneys; land over the entire country could not

yield a bushel of grain unless the fences were scattered; horses would not draw a load of hay unless their tails were shaved off; a cow would give a pail of milk, provided that the Union Jack floated from her horns; and all pigs required a coat of green paint before they would bring the market price.

Threats only served as kindling for the work of the Blazers. One farmer whose cow had been decorated in the above fashion, boasted "The rascals shan't harm my property again; I've got a gun, I have, and I can use it, too!" Accordingly, he slept in the barn every night for a week. Nothing have occurred during that time, the farmer returned to the house, confident that he had "scared the rascals." On the following morning, however, he was not quite so jubilant for he found that every horse was minus its tail and mane.

Old Davey Bennett was an apple-grower. Every year he stored a large quantity of apples in a little back room in his house. The Cavan Blazers got it into their heads one year that they had a claim on a portion of these apples, and they made up their minds to obtain that portion. So they took advantage of a dark night, and with the aid of a dark lantern, a few cotton bags, a ladder, a pitch fork, and a stove pipe hole which happened to be in the floor of an upstairs room directly over the apple room, took possession of about three fourths of Davey's apples. At first Davey, who was a superstitious old fellow, declared that "it was witches," because there was not an outside door or window in the room,

but when he found a pair of new boots, containing forty dollars, he decided that it was fairies."

When the Methodist church began to hold protracted meetings in Cavan, several Blazers professing a keen interest, attended meeting number one. Before entering the church they searched the sheds for sparrows. Then they filled their pockets. Now, in those days, churches were lighted by candles. When the meeting was at its height the young men released the sparrows. The frightened birds flew straight at the lights. Imagine the result! In an instant the crowded church was in darkness. The protracted meeting became one of distraction.

For some reason, perhaps to represent themselves as Robin Hood, perhaps to throw into the background their mischievous tricks, and thus keep on the good side of the people, or perhaps through kindness of heart, the Cavan Blazers performed a few deeds which were worthy of the knights of old. Not infrequently a poor widow opened her door to find on the step a bag of flour or a quarter of beef. A sick farmer's lamentings were followed by rejoicings when one morning beheld his grain, which he expected to lose, shocked in the field. The Blazers had blazed away at it all night by moonlight. When the people of Durham county resented the levying of toll on an unfinished road the Cavan Blazers announcing themselves as the people's champions, gathered together in a sleigh-load, and, arriving at the first toll gate, demanded free entrance. Being refused, they broke down the gate, and, lifting the little house containing the tollkeeper on the sleigh, they drove on. Arriving at a swamp, they released their burden and drove on. Marching along the moonlit roads, the Blazers often sang of those deeds, which are still remembered by the people of their native county, after a lapse of sixty years."

SACRIFICE OF THE INNOCENTS

(Special to The Post)

Toronto, Feb. 6.—Dr. Charles A. Hodgetts, medical adviser to the Conservation Commission, Ottawa, addressed the chief officials and inspectors of the civic department of health in the City Hall yesterday on "Conservation of Life." Dr. Hodgetts cited figures to show that infant mortality in Ontario is at the rate of 195 deaths per 1000 population. By infant mortality he meant the death of babies within a year from their birth.

"The infant mortality in eighteen cities of the Province to a casual observer clearly indicates that there is an unwarrantable waste of child life in many of them," he said. "It is the cry of the babies. It is a plea for the education of the parents in all that pertains to infant life. It is the great opportunity for health departments to carry on exploration work at the public cost, instead of leaving it to philanthropy and social organizations. It is essentially a branch of municipal health work and should be instituted and carried on as much as any work now being done."

Dr. Hodgetts referred to the Dominion Government's encouragement of the farmers by granting money for education along agricultural lines, and he said, "The Government might devote a dollar or two each year to the education of our people in the intricate problems of propagating the race and the conservation of the lives of our babies." Dr. Hodgetts claimed that it was as much a part of the work of the Government to spend money on educating the people on these lines as to spend money on bringing men and women into Canada.

Referring to the fact that in this Province there were 34,341 deaths in 1911, Dr. Hodgetts said about 40 per cent. of them were preventible; 14,000 lives which should have been saved to the country were lost. He calculated that each life was worth \$29,000 to the country, hence the total loss in money was \$40,000,000. In Toronto, no less than 6000 deaths had occurred in 1911 that were preventible, and this entailed a loss of from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000. Education was the great need the doctor claimed, to prevent such waste in future.

HIS LAST TRIP TO WINNIPEG SPIEL

At the opening of the Thistle rink at Winnipeg, this week, Mr. J. D. Flavell, was among the guests. The Winnipeg Free Press says—
J. D. Flavell, of Lindsay, congratulated the club on its splendid building. He said that he was exceedingly glad to be back for the Winnipeg bonspiel, as it was 24 years since he first started coming and as he had curled for 40 years he considered that this would be his last time as a participant in the Winnipeg 'spiel.

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However, he said that despite the fact that he was growing old, he hoped to make a showing this year. He said it was a great pleasure for him to come here, as he came for the sport, and always enjoyed it.

PLANNING A CHAMPLAIN CELEBRATION

(Special to The Post)

Orillia, Feb. 7.—At one of the largest meetings in its history, the Orillia Canadian Club initiated a movement for the celebration in 1915 of the white race to Ontario and the visit to this district of Samuel de Champlain in 1615. Speeches endorsing the proposal were made by Dr. Alex Fraser, secretary of the Ontario Historical Society; Mr. John R. Bone, president of the Canadian Press Association; J. T. Simpson, warden of the county of Simcoe; J. P. Downey, ex-M. P., and a number of others. Letters were also read from Dr. John Dearness, president of the Historical Society; C. R. McCullough, president of the Association of Canadian Clubs, and others promising their support.

Resolutions were passed instructing the executive of the club to proceed with the formation of the necessary committees and to take steps to urge the Provincial Government to the erection of a statue to Champlain at Orillia as a memorial of the prominent part taken by the great French explorer in the discovery and opening up of the province of Ontario and of his explorations in this district in the winter of 1615-16, at which time his headquarters were at or near the present site of this town.

The movement is in the hands of an active committee, which will have the hearty support of the whole community and a strong effort will be made to secure a substantial vote in this year's estimates.

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Regimental Meeting of Forty-Fifth Lt.-Col Hopkins Banquets the Officers

The regimental meeting of the 45th Victoria Regt. called by Lt.-Col. Hopkins, was held in the office of Hopkins & Hopkins, Wm-st. south on Thursday evening, Feb. 6.

The meeting was largely attended by the officers, and from the enthusiasm shown it was readily seen that the officers are greatly pleased and honored to have Col. F. H. Hopkins in command.

The meeting was carried out strictly according to King's Regulations, and orders of the Canadian Militia, and the following committees were appointed:

Regimental Committee—Capt. J. J. H. Fee, Lieut. Geo. Crawford, Lieut. W. J. Thorn.

Men Committee—Lieut. Wm. Warren, Major J. A. Williamson, Major E. H. Hopkins.

Band committee—Capt. J. J. H. Fee, Major J. A. Williamson, Lieut. Thos. H. Murtagh.

Auditing committee—Capt. J. J. H. Fee, Lieut. Geo. Crawford.

Major J. A. Williamson is to be commended for the able manner in which he gave a detailed statement of the finances of the regiment.

Major E. H. Hopkins, the veteran quartermaster, was on hand to give

an explanation of his department of the regiment. The meeting was honored by the attendance of Lt.-Col. John Hughes, Brigade Commander of the 9th Infantry Brigade.

When the business of the evening was concluded, Lt.-Col. F. H. Hopkins tendered the officers a sumptuous banquet in the beautiful dining hall of the Hotel Benson.

Col. John Hughes made a very interesting address on the Canadian militia, which was listened to very attentively by all present. He complimented Lt.-Col. Hopkins very highly on the honor which had been conferred upon him by being given command of the "Old 45th" which he himself commanded some years ago. Lieut.-Col. Hopkins made a very suitable reply, and in the course of his remarks he hoped that the 45th would not disappoint Col. Hughes next annual camp.

All the officers present in the course of their remarks assured Col. Hopkins of their hearty support and co-operation.

The meeting came to a close with Col. John Hughes giving a fine recitation entitled, "The 45th Victoria Regiment teach me how to die," and following this all arose and sang the National Anthem.

Big Ranch Industry is Growing In Victoria and Haliburton Counties

"There are better opportunities right here in Ontario for successful ranching, than in the West, but the glamor of distant fields has blinded Ontario men to the possibilities right at their own doors."

In these words Mr. Joan Sheridan, of this city, one of the biggest cattlemen in the country, emphasized the future of ranching in Ontario. Mr. Sheridan told The Star that the possibilities were almost limitless, if the work be followed the right way, and he is well qualified to state, for he owns a ranch area of 9,900 acres right here in Old Ontario, not much over a hundred miles from Toronto.

Ranching and busy Toronto have likely never been associated in the minds of nearly all Torontonians, but it is a fact that a large part of old Ontario within easy shipping distance of this city offers opportunities second to no district of the Dominion for the profitable pursuit of ranching.

The whole basin of the Kawartha Lakes region, from the summit of Balsam Lake clean through Orca Victoria, North Northumberland, North Durham, North Peterboro and North Hastings—in fact the whole extent of the limestone formation in that district affords possibilities for a ranchmen's paradise. The successful pursuit of ranching requires large holdings, reasonably cheap land, plenty of water, and an abundance of shade during the hot weather.

WATER AND PLENTY OF GRASS. All these necessary qualifications are found in the region mentioned above. The whole district abounds in lakes, rivers and springs; and, while the land is too stony for intense farming, the soil is rich. On account of the small surface stone, the moisture is retained, and the grasses add a verdure seldom surpassed even in rich alluvial lands.

A start has already been made in the line of cattle raising in the district, which indicates what may yet be achieved when people become thoroughly awakened to the great future of the district in the ranching industry. There are now in a part of North Victoria County the following ranches in active operation:

The Daniels ranch of 700 acres, owned by Mr. Wm. Webster, who has already shipped over 300 cattle this season.

The James Brodie ranch, east of Burat River, of 2,000 acres. Mr. Brodie goes in for thoroughbreds, and feeds about 300 head of sterling stock.

The McDonald and Laidlaw ranch of 5,000 acres. The following ranches owned and operated by Mr. John Cheriden, of this city—the figures in brackets indicating acreage: Hugel ranch (300), Four Mile Lake; Smith (500), Carnegie, (2,300), and Pearce (500) ranches, Balsam Lake; Norland ranch (300) Mud Turtle Lake; Hugh Cameron, (2,300), Dillon (200) and Wm. Cameron (2,900), ranches, Kirkfield District—a total area of 9,900 acres.

In all Mr. Sheridan feeds about 2,300 head of cattle, and ships his heavier stock direct from the ranches to the markets of Britain. The lighter stock he winters with the farmers of Mariposa township, to be returned to the ranches about May 1st. Mr. Sheridan is also feeding 500 head this winter at the Toronto Distillery.

"What I have done others can do," said Mr. Sheridan this morn-

ing. "If they have the business sense. The opportunities lie open to those who know the cattle business and are not afraid to work. The profits are large, and will be still larger, as the soil is annually enriched instead of being impoverished."

MARKET FOR HAY Mr. Sheridan is also firmly convinced that ranching in this district if developed to the full, would be a boon to the hay producing counties of old Ontario, and would make Toronto the greatest cattle and hay market on the Great Lakes. Even now the demand for hay in Toronto would receive a serious setback, if Mr. Sheridan and the other owners were to close their ranches up north.

Ranching in this district would, moreover, open up a region to productivity that at present is left barren once the timber is cut, being only used then as a tourist district. —Toronto Star.

CONDUCTOR'S FAMILY RECEIVED \$3000

Toronto, Feb. 7.—The Canadian Pacific Railway has agreed to pay \$3,000 to the wife and family of Conductor W. H. Green, of Havelock, killed near that place on October 19th, 1912. His freight train was telegraphed by another train from the rear, his trainmen having neglected to put out the usual warning signals. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict finding no one to blame.

The widow, aged 42, is left with six children. The family is being supported by the eldest lad, whose age is twenty-two. The ages of the other children run from twenty years, the age of the eldest daughter, to nine years.

The widow has also \$1,500 insurance, which, with the \$3,000 will be devoted to keeping the family home together.

The settlement was ratified by Justice Middleton at Orsode Hall.

HOCKEY PLAYER BADLY INJURED

Last Wednesday there was a very interesting hockey match, which was very closely played, the score at the finish being Minden 13, Haliburton 10. Haliburton was put to a disadvantage as three of their men were unable to play, and their places had to be filled at the last minute. There was a large crowd in attendance at the rink. While the boys were doing a little practising before the match commenced, Mr. Alfred Sewel, the Haliburton goalkeeper, got a very bad blow on the face with the puck, his face was cut open from his eye to his chin, and three teeth knocked out. Dr. Baker dressed the wound and at last reports he is getting on as well as can be expected. His place was filled by Mr. Heady, who although a good goalkeeper, is not as good as Mr. Sewel. Mr. Sewel is very popular in the hockey club, and we hope to see him about again soon.—Bobcaygeon Independent.

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