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NO GROUND FOR SCANDAL.

It is suggested that a new scandal has occurred, this time in connection with the Winnipeg to Peninsula Junction section of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway. The rumour, to which the party press gave the greatest publicity, was that Mayor Hodgins, the engineer in charge of the work, had refused to certify earth as rock excavation, and that as a consequence, and in the interest of the contractor, he had been retired. The major has ceased his communication with the railway, and at the request of the chief engineer, but not for the reason that the party press assigns.

TURGEON'S VINDICATION.

Hon. Mr. Turgeon, of Bellechasse, as a public man, is undergoing the severest tests. He was accused of having scandalous and compromising relations with the representatives of a Belgian syndicate, in quest of mineral lands in Quebec. He denied the impeachment. The editor of Le Nationaliste alleged that he perjured himself, and his action against the slanderer was undelayed. The judge, in rendering his decision, gave the minister a certificate of character that any man might envy. Next he placed his resignation in the hands of the premier (Mr. Gouin), and for the purpose of having the people pass upon his case. There is no jury so exacting, so impartial, and generally so honest in the expression of a judgment, and this judgment Mr. Turgeon sought. He first essayed to lay bare his public career, and every act of it, and so permit the electors to say, by their votes, whether they approved or disapproved of it. Incidentally Mr. Bourassa "butted in." He was at the bottom or back of all the allegations that were made against Mr. Turgeon, and he was practically forced to contest the constituency and so make the issue a personal as well as political one. The result has been announced.

Mr. Turgeon has demanded a judicial enquiry into the administration of his department, and a commission will be appointed, with power to go to Belgium, if necessary, and take evidence in the case there. Meanwhile the legislature may meet, and the case may get an airing there. The point of importance is that the minister is not seeking an endorsement without merit. He has taken every step that can be suggested and that means a searching enquiry and a complete vindication.

WHAT WILL THE ISSUE BE?

This Wednesday (November 6th) the question will be settled as to whether England has one of the biggest strikes in many years, not the largest, perhaps, in point of the number of persons taking part in it, but the most comprehensive in the interests involved.

The Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants represents that numerous class which, outside of the engineers and firemen, have to do with the working of the trains—the conductors, guards, porters, and trainmen. The society numbers about 100,000. It has long had grievances which it wanted considered, and grievances which cannot be adjusted on individual appeal.

The railway companies will not recognize any union. They cannot prevent their employees belonging to the labour societies, but they will not give these organizations recognition. This is the crux of the present trouble. The men have, individually, sought an improvement of their positions, and in vain. They have now concluded that their only hope of success lies in a joint appeal. A year ago there was a great labour meeting in Birmingham, and it was then decided to press for a reform in the railway service, both as to the hours of employment each day and the rate of wages.

garnated society immediately concerned, but the other five-sixths are in sympathy with the movement and give it all the support, directly and indirectly, which they can. The result will be a complete paralysis of the railway service in the United Kingdom.

THE PRESS IN EXTREMITY.

Mr. Borden has been the means of causing some strange and sudden changes of opinion in the North-West in the party press. One of them was noted a little while ago, when a Calgary paper, which had denounced Mr. Foster for his land speculation, and, metaphorically speaking, shown him the door, called upon the faithful to stand by the ex-minister and to show him their appreciation at a time when he needed it most.

Now comes the record of another performance quite as remarkable. The Regina Standard has been championing Mr. Borden's new contention with regard to the public lands. Our contemporary caught the idea from the leader that a grave wrong was being done the province in refusing it at once the possession and control of the public lands. The Leader (of Regina), therefore, has been compelled to retract this declaration of the Standard, made at the time the province was being organized and given a subsidy in lieu of the lands.

"The dominion will retain control of the territorial public lands. Perhaps, under the circumstances, this is best for all concerned. The two great needs of the new provinces at first will be population and railway development. To secure the former, the inducement of free homesteads must be continued to be offered, and to secure railway extensions, lands, or the proceeds of lands, are usually granted."

"Thus, we see that if the new provinces owned the unallotted lands they should have practically to give them away. At the same time the cost of land administration would have to be borne. The duties of the immigration department, too, would follow the land. The new provinces could not be easily equipped for these onerous duties. It took the federal authorities many years to bring immigration work up to its present status. They have it now in a state of high efficiency, with experienced agents at work in various parts of the world. It is important that the good work shall continue to go on undisturbed."

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Joe Martin is back in Vancouver, the leader of the anti-Asiatics. Mr. Bourassa, Maclean, a great combination. When shall we see it again?

The Hamilton Spectator refers to Mr. Hanna as "the Napoleon of the Whitney administration." Dr. Beattie Nesbitt refers to him as "Rockefeller's boy." It's a matter of truce or taste.

"All the money you need for grain shipments, but not a dollar for speculation," is the motto of the Canadian banks at the present time. It is well to know what is going on at the present time.

Hon. A. G. McKay, when in Hamilton, said a kindly word of Hon. J. M. Gibson, and the World is displeased. It does not regard the ex-attorney-general as a hero. He is quite as much one, however, as the member for East York.

N. C. Pelson's protest against the alcohol monopoly is having its effect. The Globe editorially demands the release of the alcohol in the interest of the manufacturing which is now being seriously affected by government regulations.

Mr. McNaught, M.P.P., thinks Toronto's license commission has not a superior. Let's see. It is the commission under which all the late scandals have occurred. One of its members was marked in an investigation. Its inspector had to resign. What a record!

SUSPENDED SENTENCE

ON THOMAS DEMPSTER OF GANANOQUE.

He Was Mixed Up in a Cattle Case With a Deputy Sheriff—Gananoque Orangemen Celebrated Gunpowder Plot Night.

Gananoque, Nov. 6.—A case that has excited considerable interest in and about Gananoque is that of Thomas Dempster, King street west, a cattle dealer. Mr. Dempster, having purchased a number of cattle from Patrick Sullivan, in Lansdowne township, paid a certain amount to bind the bargain. On returning to take possession of his purchase he found that they had been seized by Deputy Sheriff Trill, of Brockville, on an execution in favor of Roland Johnson, owner of the farm occupied by Sullivan. Contrary to the orders of the deputy sheriff Mr. Dempster took possession of his cattle and drove them off. The sheriff then sent a man to Gananoque, arrested Mr. Dempster and took him to Brockville on a charge of interfering with the execution of his duty.

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

A Pertinent Enquiry. Montreal Herald. When somebody in Winnipeg asked Mr. Borden what he thought of the plundering now reported from a couple of municipalities? An exasperated, and one absolutely secured by proper recognition. It is remarkable that the man who is a check on all the other officials should in Kingston be the poorest of all.

A Change In Living.

One result of the financial panic in Wall street will probably be the reduction of the cost of living. One of the great packing houses in Chicago has already cut prices ten per cent. It is understood that similar reductions will be made by others. Dealers who have a million cases of eggs in the cold storage in Chicago are worried. So are the bankers who put up the money to carry this stock. The speculators who attempted to control the egg market are likely to have a serious time of it, as prices have a downward tendency. However, they will not have any more sympathy from the general public than anyone else who tries to corner necessities of life.

A Very Deserved Promotion.

Major Barstall, a Canadian officer of much energy and ability, has been promoted to command the Canadian Royal Horse Artillery brigade. In view of the policy of the Canadian militia department, this recognition of the fact that a Canadian officer has the capacity and experience necessary to command Canadian troops is worthy of note. Major Barstall is an exceedingly capable officer, with a good war training and a thorough knowledge of Canadian troops. He is also lucky, and he is to be congratulated on having his merit recognized under a system which takes it for granted that none but imperial officers are qualified for any position in the permanent force worth having.

Riches To Good Ends.

Robert N. Carson, a Philadelphia millionaire, who died suddenly last week, has left in his will a provision for a \$5,000,000 home for orphan children near that city, the bequest to become effective after the death of his widow. The United States' millionaires show up well with their benefactions. Similar bequests have been made this year. Anna T. James, also of Philadelphia, left a million dollars to aid in organizing schools for negro children. C. K. Gallard, of Seattle, has given a million and a half for a home for the aged; Mrs. Russell Sage, \$125,000 as a fund for the assistance of indigent females, and nearly \$500,000 has been given in smaller sums for similar purposes. Canada receives many good examples of this kind from the States. Too few of them are copied.

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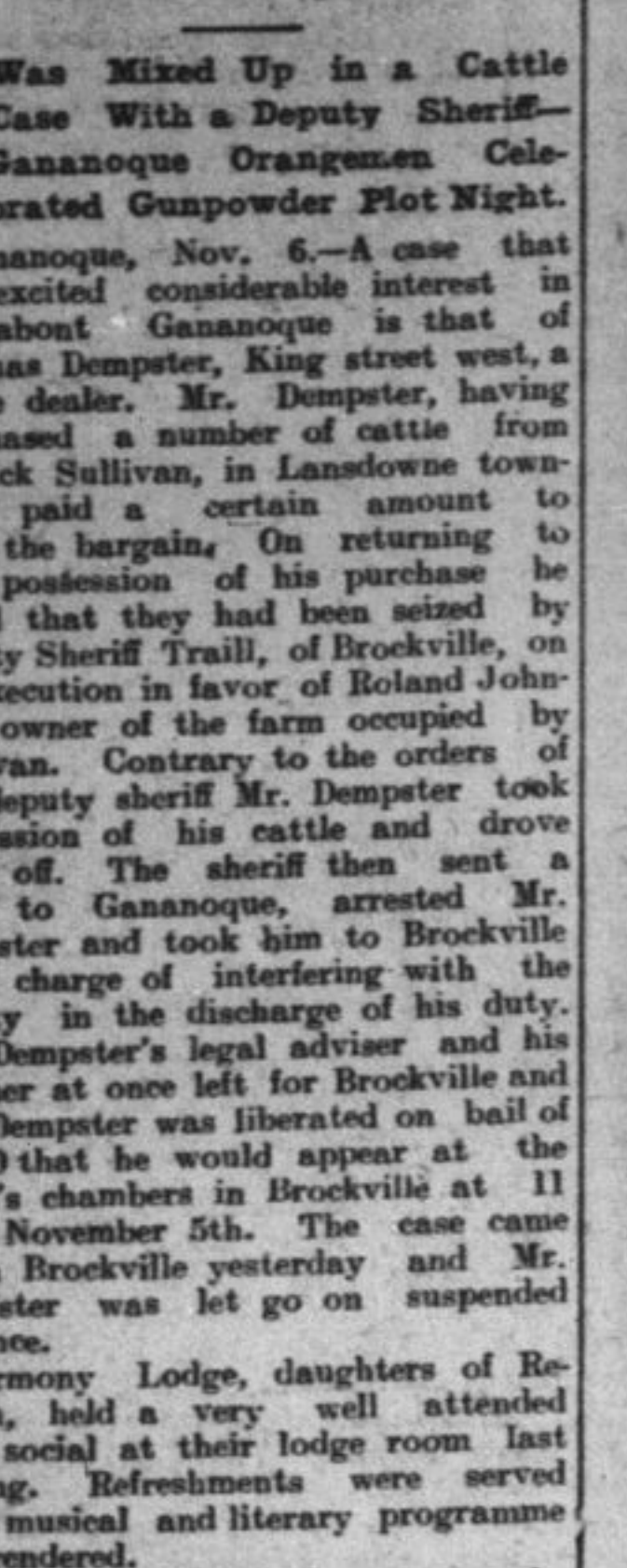
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