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## KINGSTON'S COMPANIES IN STEAMBOAT MERGER

### The R. and O. N. Company Becomes Owner.

### TO RETAIN THE NAMES OF THE VARIOUS COMPANIES FOR THE PRESENT.

### But the Group Will Begin Working Together as One Organization—How the Stock of the New Company Will be Issued.

Montreal, May 29.—At a special meeting of shareholders of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company, held Tuesday afternoon, at which Sir Rodolphe Forget, M.P., presided, and which was attended by a large number of influential shareholders from Ontario and the west, the following official statement was given out:

"All arrangements have now been completed by which the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company becomes the owner of the following companies: The Niagara Navigation Company, the Northern Navigation Co., Ltd., the Island Lines, Ltd., the Turbine Steamship Co., Ltd., the Hamilton Steamboat Co., Thousand Island Steamboat Co., St. Lawrence River Steamboat Co., and several subsidiary companies.

"Although for the present the various companies will keep their individual names, the group will immediately begin working together as one organization. The capital of the Richelieu company, after including the above companies, will be \$10,000,000. The combination will include over seventy vessels of all classes, including the largest and finest passenger, combination passenger and freight steamers and bulk carriers in Canadian waters. This amalgamation is a connecting up of such companies as will give a perfect and complete passenger and freight service on Lake Superior, Lake Huron, Georgian Bay, Lake Erie, Lake Ontario, the St. Lawrence River and St. Lawrence river, besides the contemplated expansion to the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

An outstanding feature is the bringing under one concern of terminal properties in all the big commercial and industrial centres, which are of inestimable value, and saving the new organization the heavy outlay which was formerly incurred by the individual companies in having to maintain several terminal dock properties in the important centres. The principal properties will include unique and central wharves in Hamilton, Three Rivers, Sorel, Toronto, Hamilton and Niagara River, Sault Ste. Marie, Midland, Port William, and other important and growing centres. These properties are not in a single instance duplicated. The shareholders of the new organization comprise to a remarkable extent the big exporters and manufacturers along the various routes traversed by these vessels, as well as innumerable patrons of the line.

The Richelieu and Ontario company, which is over its sixty-eighth year, and has grown from a little steamboat and one large (which carried the fleet in 1845) to its present position, has not, in its various developments and expansions, ever had a dollar of water in its capital. All the companies entering into the new combination earned last year an average of thirteen per cent. on their capital, and with the natural economies expected and higher rates of freight and passenger tariffs should do very much better the present year.

A new issue of stock in payment of the Niagara Navigation Company, which was purchased partly on a cash basis, is to be made to shareholders whose names are on the books May 31st, at four o'clock p.m., in proportion of one new share for each four shares held. Stock will be sold to shareholders at par, the policy of the company being to give to that of the Canadian Pacific railway, and giving to the shareholders whatever profit the market value gives to the stock.

Investigations are being conducted by United States attorneys in districts from which have come complaints. One of the objects of the investigation is to determine whether there is any relation between certain exchanges and mine operators or railroads.

New Jersey has gone strong for Roosevelt.

Art pictures now on sale. Weese's.

Strange shooting in Alberta.

Medicine Hat, Alta., May 29.—J. Lawson, a 47-year-old rancher, is charged with attempted murder. H. Harpell, another wealthy gentleman, is in the hospital with a bullet in his head, and declares that his neighbor shot him. He went into his barn to feed his horses, and his assailant, who was hiding in the hay, it is said, fired.

The Montreal police arrested Eusebe Laevillier and Armand Parent, two assistant paymasters in the employ of the city's road department. Pleading psychists is alleged.

You cannot improve on Port Perry or Eldon Butter, at all first-class grocers.

"For Dutch treats," ice cream bricks, Gibson's.

Proposed structure to be placed across the Niagara River, below Niagara Falls, as a memorial of one hundred years of peace between United States and the British Empire. The design was made by T. Kenneth Thompson, a Canadian engineer in New York City. The general plan has already received approval. It is hoped that the bridge completed by sixteen-fifties—the one-hundredth year after the conclusion of peace in the last war between United States and Great Britain.

## GERMAN FINDS BACILLUS That Will Prevent Foot and Mouth Disease.

Berlin, May 29.—A discovery of the first importance to the Canadian cat-dressing industry is reported by Prof. Wilhelm Grugel, dean of the hygienic institute of the University of Hooftok. Prof. Grugel announces that he has not only found the bacillus which causes foot-and-mouth disease, but has also found a serum for rendering cattle immune against the malady. The serum is not curative, but preventive, and can, therefore, be administered only to healthy animals. Experiments with a large number of cattle have, it is stated, proved unqualifiedly successful.

Prof. Grugel says that the only feature requiring further investigation is the determination of the strength of the serum and the length of time the treatment remains effective. He is continuing his experiments along those lines.

## WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Chicago, May 29.—Mrs. John J. Dunn, wealthy widow of a former coal merchant here, was burned to death on the porch of her home when the rocker of the chair she occupied struck a box of matches and ignited them.

Mrs. Dunn was asleep in the chair. The fire spread to a pile of newspapers near her and then to her clothing. The flames were extinguished by a small boy with a garden hose, but the woman died of her injuries.

## A BEGGAR AT NINETY-FIVE.

Old Prisoner in a Montreal Court for Many Years.

Montreal, May 29.—The oldest prisoner to come before the local courts in many a day appeared before Recorder Dupuis, when Emma Roy, ninety-five years of age, appeared on a charge of begging on Craig street. She pleaded guilty to the charge, and after explaining to the court that she had a friend who would take charge of her, on Dorchester street, she was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

## FRENCH DYING OFF.

Paris, May 29.—The French minister of labor, in the report of the vital statistics of France for 1911, says the number of deaths was 24,869, more than the total of the year previous, thus continuing the unfavorable situation of France as compared with that of growing nations.

## "CAGED DAUGHTERS" LEGION.

Lecturer Has Hundreds of Letters From Unhappy Girls.

London, May 29.—Miss Josephine Knowles, is continuing her lectures on "Caged Daughters."

Since her last lecture she said yesterday, she had received hundreds of letters from girls who were unhappy, who were living at home, and who were entered for in the way of food, clothes, and necessities, but were without the command of a sixpence, and had no training or education fitting them to earn their own living.

It had been suggested that emigration on a large scale such as she had suggested was not a sufficiently drastic remedy. At any rate her solution, Miss Knowles declared, was based on sound common sense. For here in England there are a large number of superfluous women, and in the colonies men are wanting wives and unable to find them.

## SAFETY ON GREAT LAKES.

Philadelphia, May 29.—At the international navigation congress today William F. Anderson, of the department of marine and fisheries of Canada, said that the dominion would be very glad to confer with the United States as to the best method of protecting the lives of passengers crossing the great lakes or any other body of water separating the two countries.

## Carnegie Library for Montreal.

Montreal, May 29.—The controllers passed a recommendation to council to spend \$500,000 on a library, and to ask Andrew Carnegie to keep his promise, made some years ago, to give money towards a building.

## Charles D. Handless, Ogdenburg, N.Y., is to be appointed postmaster of that city.

## LATEST TIDINGS

### Despatches From Near and Distant Places.

## THE WORLD'S EPISODES

### GIVEN IN THE RICHEST POSSIBLE FORM.

### Matters That Interest Everybody—Notes From All Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

Toronto Methodists plan a war on race-track gambling.

The Massey gold rush seems to have been a flash in the pan.

Only one-third of Toronto's city militia men can go to camp.

At Hagersville, Ont., burglars blew the safe of the post office, but were frightened away without loot.

Hon. Dr. Beland, former postmaster-general of Canada, is seriously ill at his residence, St. Joseph of Beauce, Que., suffering from an affection of the throat.

At Philadelphia, police were battering at the door to prevent a tragedy, when Erastus Cannon shot and killed himself. Jealousy was the motive.

The town of Skiatook, Okla., was practically wiped out by a storm, early Tuesday. Three persons are known to have been killed. Many are reported injured. There were other casualties in the state.

At Mandanville, W.Va., Edward Hinson, a prisoner for the last five years in the state penitentiary, is alleged to have taken indirectly upwards of \$5,000 worth of goods. Hinkle was employed as a shipping clerk.

## "FLAMBOYANT FLAP-DOODLE"

### Is How London Standard Describes Senator Smith's Speech.

London, Eng., May 29.—The Evening Standard, to-day, says that Senator Smith's Titanic speech in the senate, yesterday, was so much flamboyant flap-doodle. This paper admits, however, that there were many things in the report that the British government should take notice of.

## Dropped Dead at Goderich.

Goderich, May 29.—Andrew Williamson, one of the best known fishermen on the great lakes, dropped dead in front of his residence here, to-day. For some time he had been in charge of gunboats, but later went on lake steamers.

## THERE IS \$800,000

### Indebtedness to Farmers' Bank—Can't Collect One Quarter.

Toronto, May 29.—That of an outstanding indebtedness of \$800,000 to the Farmers' Bank, probably only \$188,000 could be collected, was the statement made by George J. Clark, assignee, at the inquiry before Commissioner William Meredith, this morning. Ordinary obligations totalled \$712,284. The total loss through bad debts would likely be \$633,407. A very large amount of this loss, Mr. Clark stated, was due to absolute mismanagement.

Some idea of the length of time it will take to settle the affairs of the bank was given when Mr. Clark stated that there were suits pending in United States courts that could not come up for a year and a half.

## Ready Very Soon.

Corwall, Ont., May 29.—It is expected that the Corwall canal will be ready for navigation late on Wednesday afternoon. The canal staff worked all night and all day and another night session will be necessary before the locks, damaged by the Imperial company's steamer Imperial will be replaced by new ones. Several boats which were in the canal when the accident occurred are moored in the mud.

## General Booth May Lose Sight.

London, May 29.—Following the operation for cataract on his eye, last night's bulletin reports that inflammation of the eye is spreading considerably and jeopardizes General Booth's chances of regaining his sight.

A woman writer says a kiss on the forehead denotes reverence. Perhaps she is right, but the average girl doesn't care for that brand of reverence.

Only the real optimist can smile in the face of adversity and mean it. Masone in Arabia receives thirty-five cents to fifty cents a day.

## CONFERENCE CHANGES

### The First Draft of the Stations Ready.

On Wednesday afternoon the stationing committee of the Montreal Methodist conference concluded its work and brought down its first draft. The changes are as follows:

Montreal, East End—E. B. Brown. Montreal, Hochelaga—J. Nelson. Montreal, Fairmount—G. W. McCall. Montreal, Shaw Memorial—M. J. Robinson.

Montreal (Delormier)—C. A. Brown. Lachine—J. H. McConnell. Hudson—W. R. Johnson. Claremont—James Pletts. St. John's—W. T. Smith. Perth—W. E. Reynolds. Kemptville—G. Edwards. Merrickville—R. Stilwell. Montague—M. S. Lehigh. Easton's Corners—W. A. Wilson. Jasper—W. G. Bradford, J. Scanlan. Locksley—G. E. B. J. Addison—Thomas Meredith. Elgin—Frederick Tripp. Phillipsville—William Pearson. Finch—S. J. Bridget, B.A.; F. A. Cassidy, M.A. Westmeath—A. A. Hamilton. Renfrew—J. J. Hughes. Braside—To be supplied; G. Maxwell. Annapolis—F. A. Read. Ottawa East—J. A. Mavey, D.D. Ottawa West—M. Taylor. Ottawa, Wesley—J. E. Blanchard. Kingston, Queen Street—G. I. Campbell.

Pittsburg—W. J. Nesbitt. Snydenham—Paul Pergan, B.A. Inverary—Arthur F. Shortell. Gananoque—W. S. Jamieson, M.A. Gananoque—W. S. Jamieson, M.A. Bishop's Mills—George A. Adams. Frankville—G. C. Corrwajl—J. Douglas Richardson. Iroquois—J. Howard Philp. Morrisburg—A. J. Strick. Aultsville—William A. Hanna. Greenwood—F. Morton (Snake River).

Avalon—Herman W. Mcintosh. Richmond—Thomas J. Vickery. Metcalfe—J. W. Phee, McFarlane. Vars—Wilbert W. Weese. Riceville—James M. Larmour, Ph.D. Vankleek Hill—Joseph Piel, B.D. Palmira—Fortune—(N. C.). Kazimierz, Que.—E. A. W. J. Danville—Robert C. McConnell, B.A. East Angus—Henry Mick, S. T. L. Ulverton—Charles Huxtable. Little Metis—George O. Trednick. Stanstead, Que.—T. Anson Halpeney, B.A. Beaufort—G. Wells Fisher. South Stukely—Fisher, S. Schagel. Sutton—Francis J. Hayden. Granby—George S. Clendinning. West Shefford—Eric A. McLaren.

## SWEEP FOR ROOSEVELT IN NEW JERSEY STATE

### The Colonel Will go to Chicago Convention With Twenty-Eight Delegates

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## TOLLS ON THE BRIDGE WILL BE SOON ABOLISHED

### DOCKMEN STILL OUT.

### Conference With Board of Trade Proved Abortive.

London, Eng., May 29.—The striking dockmen are still out. A conference with Hon. Sidney Duxton, president of the Board of Trade, with these men, to-day, proved rather abortive, some leaders stating that the men could not go back to work pending a joint conference, others agreeing to go back. Finally, united action was stopped when the news came out that the London Chamber of Commerce had passed a resolution affirming the right of its members to employ union or non-union labor as it pleased.

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## TO REMOVE TAFT MEN.

### Reported Intention of Roosevelt Leaders Causes a Stir.

Washington, May 29.—Rumors that attempts will be made to seat new national committees, so that they can serve on the republican national committee when it begins the hearing of contest cases in Chicago, June 6th, have stirred political leaders here more than any recent move in the presidential campaign.

In many states where the Roosevelt victories were pronounced, the delegates chosen to the Chicago convention were instructed to elect new national committees.

The rules of the national committee and the procedure of former conventions are opposed to such action.

## BURN PROPERTY.

Santiago, Cuba, May 29.—A body of insurgents burned 3,000 tons of sugar cane, many cars and other property on the plantation of Marcos Sanchez, in the vicinity of Guantanamo, belonging to the American Fidelity company.

## Meat to be Dearer.

Winnipeg, May 29.—W. R. Hull, a prominent cattle magnate, who is on a visit here, says that very few cattle will be shipped from Alberta to Toronto markets this season. This means that meat in Ontario may be scarce and dear.

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## The Government Has Taken Over the Bridge.

## ACCEPTS CITY'S GIFT

### KINGSTON NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTENANCE.

### Hon. F. D. Monk Writes Dr. J. W. Edwards, M.P., That He Has Given Orders for the Abolition of the Toll Charges.

Ottawa, May 27th, 1912. "Dear Doctor,—I have your letter of the 24th inst., and I beg to say that I have given instructions that the Catarqui bridge should be free from tolls. I quite agree with all you say. Yours sincerely, F. D. MONK, Minister of Public Works."

When the announcement was made that the government had taken over the bridge, Dr. Edwards immediately wrote to the minister of public works urging him to abolish the tolls. In his reply Hon. F. D. Monk said that he would give the matter full consideration. Dr. Edwards wrote again to Mr. Monk on May 24th, and submitted additional reasons why the bridge should be free and received the above reply on Wednesday morning. Dr. Edwards was highly elated with the results of his efforts.

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## DIED.

MACKIE—At Winnipeg, on May 24th, John Mackie, aged 31 years. Funeral private from the residence of Mrs. S. Babcock, 4 Garrett Street, on Thursday afternoon at four o'clock.

MACALISTER—Entered into rest on May 27th, 1912, at her late residence, 22 Deane Street, Kingston. Mrs. Forbes, relict of the late James Macalister.

O'NEIL—In Kingston, on May 25th, 1912, Ruth O'Neil, aged 16 years and 4 months. Funeral from her father's residence, 312 Queen Street, on Thursday afternoon, at two o'clock, to Catholic Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully requested to attend.

WILLIAMSON—At Kingston General Hospital, on May 28th, 1912, John Williamson, aged 52 years. Funeral from Joseph Morton's residence, 297 Queen Street, Thursday, at 2:30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully requested to attend.

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DAILY MEMORANDA. Board of Works, 2 p.m., Thursday. Council Board, 7:30 p.m., Thursday.