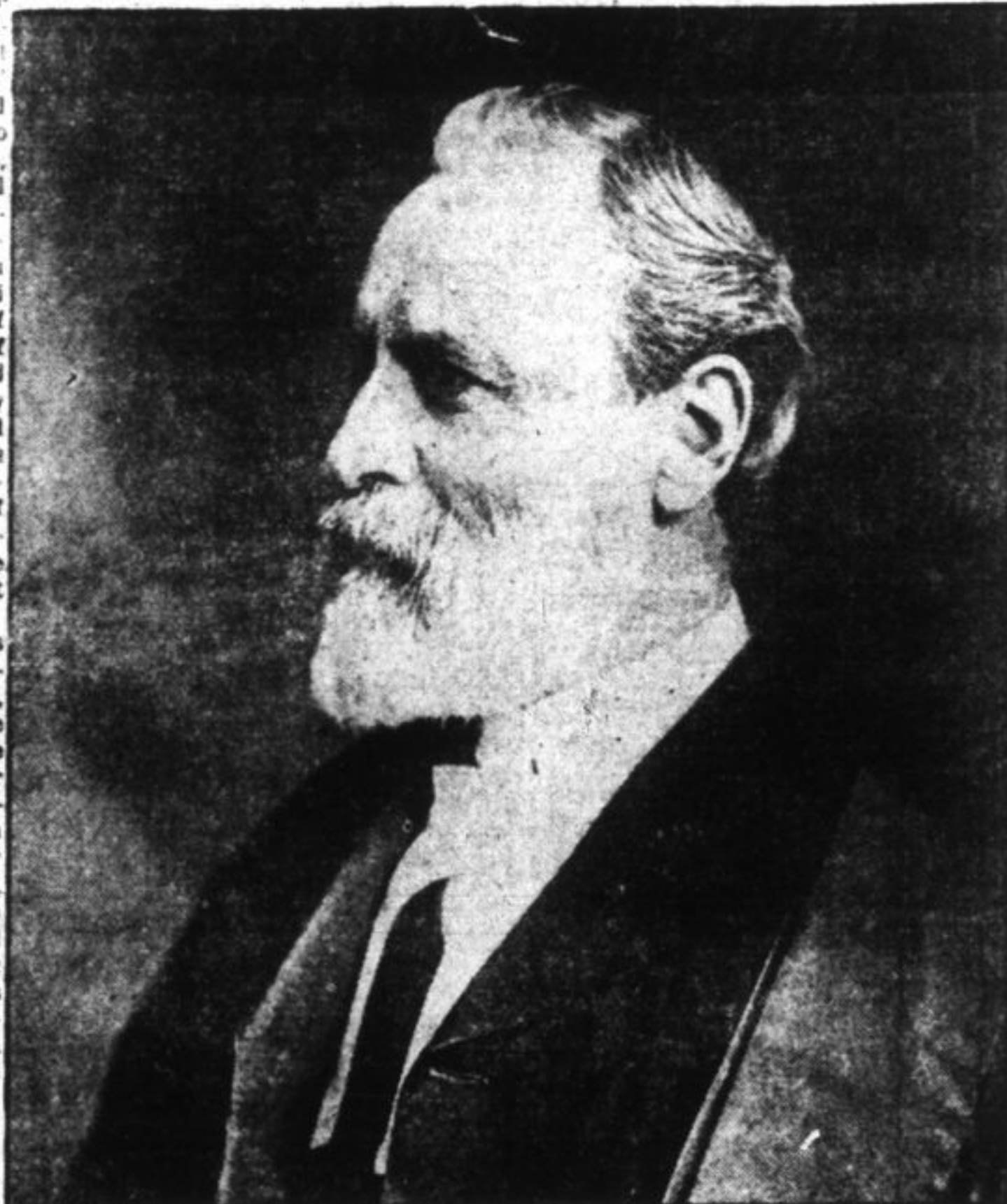


An Eminent French Canadian

THE French-Canadians have always taken a close personal interest in the fortunes of what they call for short "Le Pacifique" just as the English have abbreviated the Canadian Pacific Railway into the more familiar C. P. R. It is, therefore, only right that they should be represented on the board of directors, and no more fitting representative of the race could be found than Senator, the Hon. Frederic L. L. L. Biqué, whose career has been one of such distinction in so many paths of life. Lawyer, business man, and philanthropist, interested in many charities, his days have been and continue to be, full of useful labor in the upbuilding of his native country and in promoting the welfare of her people. His is one of those versatile natures, which, paradoxical as the expression may appear, is only at rest when in the midst of labor.



SENATOR THE HON. F. L. BIQUÉ.

F. L. Biqué, the son of Louis Biqué, was born in St. Mathias, Rouville County, Quebec, on May 20th, 1845. Acquiring his education at the College de Ste. Marie de Monnoir, he chose law for his profession, and later on became an LL.D. of Laval University. He was called to the bar in 1868, and made a King's Counselor for the Province of Quebec in 1885, and for the Dominion of Canada in 1889. Accurate knowledge, sound judgment, and clear speaking made him one of the leading lawyers of his period. His brothers in the legal profession have recognized this. From 1891 to 1893 he was Barrister of the Bar in the district of Montreal.

Senator Biqué has been engaged as counsel in many celebrated cases. He repeatedly pleaded before the Privy Council in England; he was a member of the Royal Commission in the famous Whelan case of 1890; as counsel for the late Hon. H. McTear and his colleagues who were accused in connection with the Baie des Chaleurs Railway by the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, in 1891, he won a wide reputation; in 1896 and 1897 he was counsel for the Dominion before the Behring Sea Claims Commission. For years he had worked in partnership with Sir Louis Jetté, and he still energetically pursues his legal practice. Referring to Senator Biqué the "Montreal Star" says: "As a commercial lawyer he has few if any peers."

Not less successful as a businessman, Senator Biqué has been associated with numerous commercial enterprises. With the late David Morrice, and the late A. F. Gault he took a prominent part in guiding the destinies of the Y. Hudson Cotton Company, the Hechelega Cotton Company, the St. Ann's Cotton Company, the Canadian Colored Cotton Company (now the Canadian Cottons), the Dominion Cotton Mills Company; and as lawyer for all these concerns, and as director of some of them, his influence has been strong in pointing out the channels through which business should be conducted. As a member of the board of directors of the Royal Electric Company he was one of those mainly responsible for its development. He promoted the Chamby Manufacturing Company, and with Sir Herbert Holt, was amongst the first to discover the possibilities of its hydraulic power. Again, with Sir Herbert Holt, he was one of those mainly responsible for the building up of the Montreal Park and Island Railway Company; many real estate concerns owe their existence to his financier. He is vice-president of the Bank of Hechelega and of La Beauvilliers Insurance Company. He has occupied and is occupying the position of

NEW DIRECTOR OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

ently occupying the position of director in several other companies. It would be difficult to enumerate the different public welfare societies which have benefited by his zeal. During his presidency of St. Jean Baptiste Society the Monument National was erected in connection therewith, and the society became a powerful, useful and leading social and educational institution. It was also under his presidency that La Caisse Nationale d'Economie was established and became an important and evergrowing society.

As a director of Montreal Technical School from its inception the work of Senator Biqué has achieved valuable results. In the care of the sick he takes a deep interest and is a governor of the Montreal General Hospital and of the Notre Dame Hospital. He has been a Catholic School Commissioner, a director of the Parks and Playgrounds Association, vice-president of the Charity Organization Society, and vice-president of the League for the Prevention of Tuberculosis. He was formerly a director of the Montreal Citizens' Association. In 1902 he was called to the Senate by Lord Minto, where he has occupied the position of chairman of the Railway Committee. He continues to take a leading part on all the important committees and in everything that relates to legislation.

Senator Biqué has always been a believer in the Canadian Pacific Railway, and for many years has been a loyal shareholder of the company. On the directing body he succeeds the late Honourable Robert MacKay. If death has taken away one gifted mind from the C. P. R. another ripe in experience and wisdom has succeeded. In 1875 the then Mr. Biqué married

with cheese. Miss Mildred Arthur of Lattimer spent the week-end as the guest of Miss Mildred and Pauline Anglin. Little Willie Dixon, who has been on the sick list, is convalescent. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Stanley of Mount Chesney are at Charles Clark. Mr. and Mrs. James Boal spent Sunday at Henry Scott's, Milburn. Ross Clark has returned home after visiting friends at Battersea.

BATTERSEA.
May 23.—The Ladies Aid Society held its annual business meeting at Mrs. Hugh Ritchie's home on Wednesday, May 21st. These officers were elected: President, Mrs. Fred Ball; vice-president, Mrs. Chris Lake; secretary, Miss M. Clark; treasurer, Mrs. William Ormsbee. After the business meeting, tea was served by the hostess, and a pleasant evening was spent. The Red Cross Society held its bi-monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. F. Ball on Thursday, May 17th. Letters were read by the secretary from several of the Battersea boys acknowledging parcels they had received from the society. The whole community is grieved over the sad news that Pte. John Williams is missing. The word was received by the family this week. John Williams went overseas with the 146th Battalion. Rueban Knapp has returned to Toronto after being home during the sickness and death of his father. Miss C. Curson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Richards, of Ida Hill. Mrs. Charles S. Clark is recovering slowly after her recent sickness. Mrs. William Ormsbee had the misfortune on Sunday morning to step on a nail which penetrated the foot, but she is improving.

Leeds
DUCKMAINE.
May 24.—Farmers have finished seeding and are now preparing for planting. Mrs. A. Earle is spending a couple of days in Ottawa with her daughter, Evelyn. Miss Buella McCarty and Giles McCrea, Lansdowne, spent Sunday at Mrs. S. Patience's. R. Heaslip, Meleadeu, spent Sunday evening at James Patience's. Samuel Fair, who has been confined to his bed for the past two weeks, suffering from rheumatism, is reported not any better. S. Snider is painting the exterior of R. Moorehead's residence. Mrs. A. Stringer, Herkimer, is visiting relatives here. Mrs. Patience and Donald spent Sunday in Taylor.

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FROM THE COUNTRYSIDE

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BATH
May 24.—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Seymour have returned home from their visit with friends in Belleville. Rev. A. L. McTear is attending the meeting of the synod in Kingston and has been elected honorary clerical secretary. Mr. Sinclair, Toronto, gave an impressive address on Sunday evening last in the interests of the Dominion Alliance in the Methodist church here. Mrs. and Miss McLeod of Toronto have arrived here and intend to spend the summer in their cottage on the Point.

ENTERPRISE EAST

May 23.—Farmers have finished grain seeding and are now plowing and preparing for corn. Gardens will be very late this year as the weather has been so cold and backward. Dairymen report the milk yield smaller. Grippie is prevalent. The 'phones which were thrown out of working order by the high winds, are in working order again. The dance in Y. M. Hall, Wednesday evening was largely attended. Miss Kathleen Breen entertained a number of her friends on Sunday last. The sad news reached here of the death of Pte. Dalphus A. Turpin, who was killed in action May 11th. W. H. H. Napane, was at Edward Tim's on Tuesday. Miss Frances McDonald was the guest of Miss Anna G. Fern on Saturday last. James Murphy at Edward Finn's on Thursday evening. Mrs. W. H. Mawson has returned home from visiting friends in Trenton.

SELBY

May 23.—Mr. Rodgers of Brockville occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church on Sunday night. A large number attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Anderson on Friday last. C. Gunn and family spent Sunday with friends at Murray. A. Wood and Mrs. McCutcheon returned home on Sunday from Ufca, N.Y., where they attended the funeral of Mrs. G. Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Lee-mon spent Sunday with friends at Belleville. R. Paul made a flying trip to Denbigh on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Gollinger left on Tuesday to spend a few days with friends at Boomville, N.Y. D. McCauley and sister and Mrs. J. Wood attended the

DENBIGH

funeral of Mrs. Richardson on Friday. Visitors: Mr. and Mrs. J. Rose and children and Mrs. Weese and Mrs. Miles at Mrs. A. Rose's; Mrs. K. Weese at C. Arnold's; Mr. and Mrs. C. File at Mrs. J. Gou's; Mr. and Mrs. J. Armstrong at Miss A. Woods'; Mrs. McCauley at I. Anderson's; Mr. and Mrs. Barum at A. Lummon's.

FRONTENAC

May 22.—The Denbigh cheese factory started operations yesterday with Thomas Love of Matawatchan again as cheesemaker. M. R. Reid, of Sharbot Lake, I.C.S., paid one of his official visits to some of the schools in this vicinity last week. Among the business men visiting the farmers in the village and vicinity last week were R. Reeves, of Eganville and J. Clark, of Kingston, trying to buy cattle, sheep and lambs, and J. Box, of Calabogie, and J. Kelly of Matawatchan, trying to secure all the wool they could get. Rudolph Stein, who had just returned from a visit to his uncle, Emil Petzold, who resides in Grey county, left again yesterday for Saskatchewan, where he owns a homestead. William John, sr., also left yesterday again for New Ontario, to add to the improvements he is making on a homestead he has taken up there. The north end of the automobile road which is to be built from Kaladar station to Denbigh has been surveyed and located last week, and it is hoped that actual construction work on it will be commenced soon. The spring session of the ninth Division Court of the County of Lennox and Addington will be held in G. Adam's hall on the 31st inst., and the Court of Revision for the municipality of Denbigh, Abinger and Ashby will be held at the Denbigh House on June the 2nd next.

YARKEE

May 24.—Pte. Claude Leggett arrived home from the front on Wednesday after serving two years and over in France. Pte. Leggett is one of nine who's left of his battalion to return home. W. Bell has left for Tweed, where he has secured a position in the foundry. Messrs. Bolton, Babcock and Holland have purchased Ford cars. Yarkée has a splendid train service now, daily express, Sunday included, and a train running from Picton to Yarkée, returning to Picton at 9.10 daily. A new steam pump has been placed here for supplying water to the engines. A large number of people went to Deseronto to witness the air-

KEELERVILLE

plane exhibit this week. Lieut. Knight of Kingston was in the village recently in search of recruits for home service. Dr. Babcock has gone to Sault Ste. Marie to practice dentistry. Mr. Corkhill, P.S.I., paid his first visit to the school last week since receiving the appointment. M. Wagner spent the week-end with his family here. Mrs. M. Martin has gone to Montreal to reside. Word has been received here of the death of Pte. Y. Irish in France. A memorial service will be held in the Methodist church on Sunday, May 27th. Morley Card is erecting a new garage on his premises. Alan Peters of Trenton visited at home here. M. Wallace has accepted a position with the C.N.R. and left for Belleville last week. Edward Connolly, of California, is visiting with his brother John. Mrs. Raymond left last Sunday for Belleville to visit her father, who was critically ill. Pte. Walker, of Toronto, spent a few days here with his wife and family. A new stage line run by Mr. Hicks, between Newburgh, Yarkée and Kingston, started last Saturday.

KEELERVILLE

May 23.—Most of the people in this vicinity have their seeding finished and are now waiting for the warm weather to come to plant their corn and potatoes. Many from here intend taking in the celebration at Jones Falls on the 24th. Charles Clark, James McLroy, and Alexander Jackson have each purchased new cars. John Robb and Douglas Anglin were in the city on Saturday

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