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House of Assembly

Official Synopsis of Proceedings

June 18, continued

(The Prime Minister continued.)

In addition Newfoundland was to give Mr. Reid 5,000 acres of land per mile for the operation of the entire system for the fifty years. Taking into account various minor obligations which translated into cash payments added to this, it meant that the million dollars which we would get from him would be largely paid out to him again under these heads. Then we were giving him what proved to be in its pratical application at any rate, a monopoly of the coastal steamship service for a fleet of nine steamers operating around the bays and sections of the coast to Labrador and across Cabot Strait, a monopoly which became so oppressive during the next few years that Sir Robert Bond was compelled to give a contract to the Bowring Company in 1905 for a competing steamship service in order to make it possible for the business people of the city and outports to keep their business enterprises going, because of the heavy charges exacted from them for freight and passage until this opposition service was started. But, in addition our telegraph line was transferred to him with the provision for his purchase of the same after six years, and the Dry Dock was sold to him for $325,000, or about half its cost to enable it to serve as a deep water terminal in the West End for the railroad, which was diverted there from the East End.

Continuing the Prime Minister gave a review of the political turmoil resulting in this country over the 1898 Contract Act.

The answer to this must surely be that the circumstances surrounding the 1898 contract were of such a character as to be absolutely dangerous in itself to the Colony's credit; to cast a reflection, however undeserved, on the good faith and

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AMERICAN SWIMS ENGLISH CHANNEL

Woman gives up Attempt

London, Aug. 6.—Henry Sullivan, of Lowell, Mass., has succeeded in swimming the English Channel, according to a Paris despatch to the Exchange Telegraph. He reached Calais at five after eight to-night, swimming ninety kilometres or nearly sixty miles. The time was twenty-six hours and fifty minutes. Sullivan is the third man to swim the Channel. Captain Matthew Webb swam across August 24th, 25th, 1875, and T. W. Burgess on September 6th, 1911. Webb was subsequently drowned while attempting to swim the rapids at Niagara Falls.

Dover, Aug. 7.—Mrs. Clemmington Carson, the other swimmer attempting to swim the English Channel yesterday, was forced to give up the attempt when within six miles of the French coast.

BISHOP WHITE AT ROSE BLANCHE

Rose Blanche, Aug. 7—His Lordship the Bishop of Newfoundland arrived here on Saturday and was greeted with a most enthusiastic welcome by the town. His approach was signalled from the Fog alarm station and on landing was received by the residents, including the children and their teachers. Arches, decorations and bunting gave the place a festive appearance. Yesterday large and devout congregations attended the service from early morning. In the afternoon nearly 100 candidates were confirmed and all listened with rapt attention to His Lordship's soul appealing addresses. Yesterday was indeed one of Rose Blanche's big days. His Lordship and Chaplain are leaving for Burnt Islands.—COR.

FISH PLENTIFUL AT LAMALINE

According to a report to the Collector of Customs, from the Sub-Colector C. C. Pittman at Lamaline, 20,000 qtls. codfish have been landed to date between Point aux Gaul and Lord's Cove. In this vicinity there is now good fishing for traps, nets, hooks and jiggers. Outside these points very few traps are fishing, owing to their being wrecked in a recent storm.—Telegram.

THE OCTOPUS

Instead of being a fighter the devilfish protects itself from attack by changing colour and hiding from its enemy, according to Professor Heath. He says:

"To agility and naturally accute senses should be added their surprising ability to change their colour to harmonize with that of the surroundings, so that prey and enemies alike are usually unaware of their proximity. This colour change is based upon minute elastic sacs filled with pigment and supplied with muscles for causing their expansion.

"As a devilfish crawls about on the sea bottom its colour can be seen to change in a twinkling from deep chocolate through dull red and to gray. If sand or rock is encountered on the journey the skin is usually thrown into lumps and ridges so that under all conditions the body is practically invisible."

ADVANCE IN WIRELESS

Ioventor Claims Elimination of Radio Interence

London August 1.—An instrument which, it is claimed, marks the most important advance in wireless telegraphy yet made is described by its inventor a Frenchman named Yves Marrec, as eliminitting jaming and interference and reducing the cost of wireless message by at least one-third.

The new device receives and prints wireless messages on a tape, something which, it is claimed, has never beeen before accomplished. M. Marrec employs a supplementary apparatus consisting of series of low-frequency valves, which eliminates all obtruding sounds one by one, with the result that the message for which the machine is "tuned" comes out as clearly as though there were only one operating station in the world. Besides suppressing "parasitic" noises, the apparatus completely elimates every interfering message sent out from other transmitting stations.

In an official test for the British Government recently, the French inventor submitted his machine to the most severe condition. He received message from the powerful station near Port Jefferson, Long Island, free of all interferences or jamming. He chose for the test an ordinary office in one of the noisiest parts of London, with electric trains and motor traffic running all around and under it. Moreover he had no outside aerial. The "purified" messages were received so distinctly that the sounds could be heard several yards from the ear pieces

In messages from the United States, M. Marrec explained, each letter has now to be repeated three time and each word twice, after which they still require to be deciphered by a keen expert. Under the new system, according to the inventor, a message need be sent only once, and it is reported in ink on paper. Transmitting stations of immense power and great cost such as the American and British Governments propose erecting, could be replaced, he said, by a series of lower power stations transmitting automatically.

EPISCOPAL VISITATION TO BURGEO

Burgeo, Aug. 4.—The Lord Bishop of Newfoundland arrived at Burgeo on Thursday, 2nd inst., on the Ramea mission boat St. Alban. Confirmation Service was held in St. John the Evanglist Church on the evening of the 3rd, when one hundred and eighty candidates received the Sacred Right. The Bishop was assisted by his Chaplain the Rev. V. W. Cunningham, Rector of the parish. The church was filled and people and candidates listened to an able address by His Lordship. This morning the Bis- and Chaplain left by motor boat for LaPoile. We are very thankful for this Episcopal visit and understanding the difficulties and hardships the Bishop had to undergo, making voyage along this rough coast in small motor boats. We hope that means will soon be forthcoming to provide him with a suitable ship for the purpose:

CHURCHWARDENS.

A message to the Justice Department from Magistrate Cook, of Fogo, reports that a man named Leonard Hart has been killed while working in a sawmill at Horwood.

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DISTRICT WORK TOO MUCH FOR ONE MEMBER

We direct the attention of our readers in this district to Mr. Downey's card in another column of this issue, in which he explains the situation he finds himself relative to district correspondence. We would further point out that departmental and legislative duties are imperative in their demands for attention, and takes up nearly all Mr. Downey's time at the present. Other districts with a population only equal to that of this district have three members and others with half our population have two members to share in district work, while Mr. Downey has to go single handed. If any of our readers find that they do not receive reply to their correspondence as quickly as they expect or may hope, we can assure them that it is not Mr. Downey's fault, but due rather to the unfortunate position of the district with nearly fourteen thousand of population in having only one representative. We have time and again advocated increased representation for this extensive, populous and progressive section of the country, and we trust that before the next general election the necessary steps will be taken to assure the West Coast its rightful due in this respect.

Personal Mention

M. Outerbridge arrived from St. John's on Monday.

C. H. Hutchings, Insp. General of Constabulary, arrived from St. John's by Monday's express.

John Fisher, who had been spending his vacation with his father at Corner Brook, left by Monday's express to resume his duties at the Bank of Montreal.

Rev. W. W. Cotton was a passenger on Friday's No. 1 express enroute to Montreal. A few of his friends who happened to be at the station were glad to meet him.

G. T. Phillips, J. B. Balleny, and other Oddfellow delegates who were attending the Annual Grand Lodge Convention at Bridgewater, N. S., were passengers returning home by Sunday's express.

R. Allan, brother of the late Rev. J. M. Allan, was a passenger by the North Shore. He proceeded to St. John's by Sunday's express. Mr. Allan is a native of Hr. Grace, but for a number of years has been conducting a successful fish business at Montreal.

Mr. Spracklan, Station Master at the Newfoundland Railway Terminal North Sydney, was a passenger on Friday's No. 2 express. Mr. Spracklan has been given a vacation and is visiting his old home at Hr. Grace after which he will tour United States as far as Washington.

FROM HUMBER TO NIAGARA

C. W. N. A. Tour P. E. I. and New Brunswick

(By A. L. Barrett, Manager Western Star, of Curling, Nfld.)

(Continued)

From Truro the C. W. N. A. train proceeded to Amherst, the shire town of Cumberland County. It is a minature city and has well earned the appelation "Busy Amherst," due to its numerous factories and industries, all established and built up through the enterprise and effort of its citizens. Forts Cumberland and Beausejour are within short distance of the town. These landmarks, the scenes of conflict between the British and French in the early history of the country, have been allowed to pass into a state of dis-repair. The ruins of Fort Beausejour were visited by the Press Party on the way to Sackville. A fleet of fifty automobiles conveyed the Press Party to Sackville, where addresses of welcome were made by the Mayors of the two towns and the party entertained by the Chignecto Club. Here the train was again joined and proceeded to Tormentine enroute to the "Garden of the Gulf" as Prince Edward Island is commonly known. The trip across Northumberland Straits to Borden, a distance of nine miles was done while the party slept undisturbed. Summerside, the home of the retiring president Brennan was first visited. Here the party were feasted and entertained. Addresses of welcome were made by the Mayor and the President of the Board of Trade and the freedom of the Island extended. At the banquet spread at Britannia Club rooms 325 persons sat. After visiting the fox ranches and other points of interest the party proceeded to Charlottetown, the capital of the Island, by a fleet of automobiles. Here is the birthplace of Confederation; and a room in Provincial Building is called Confederation Room. Prince Edward Island is famed for its excellent dairing and stock raising as well as for its extensive vegetable and fruit growing. Prince Edward Island was preparing for a political contest which has since taken place.

Moncton, N.B ,, the railway hub of the Maritime was the next stopping point for the newspaper men. The Canadian National railway connects this town with Truro and carries the Pacific Railway's cars between Halifax and St. John by this route. controversy is on at the present between the Maritime Provinces and the Federal Government over the action of the latter in transferring the headquarters of the Canadian Government (Intercolonial) railway from Moncton to Montreal, and also over the question of representation in the Federal Parliament. Throughout the Maritime Provinces we found very strong and pronounced feeling on these two points, and the feeling was not confined to politicans and others in public life, for many of the common folk were not slow to express themselves as not in sympathy with future political outlook of their provinces. On the other hand some of the western representatives of the party were very strong in their expressions that the East "has in the past enjoyed the lion's share and must now give way and be prepared to conceed to the new and growing West at least a portion of its rightful part." It is hoped, however that this tour will have the result to hasten the time when in the political life of the Dominion there will be no "East" and no "West" but one Canada, with every part of it working in consonant.

In our tour through New Brunswick we noted large tracts of dead hardwood, and upon enquiry were told that the destruction of the timber was due to insects devouring the foliage. The fir too in this part of the country is perishing due to the boreworm. We were told in some New Brunswick districts ninety-five per cent. of the fir had perished through this cause, and that its hardwood was doomed to devastation through the ravages of the leaf-eating moths. An attempt has been made to arrest the destruction by the adoption of forest spraying.

Forest fires too have wrought much destruction this season particularly in the provinces of New Brunswick and Quebec, and many were raging at the time of our tour which had practically wiped out whole settlements.

On the way from Moncton to New Castle an unscheduled stop was made at Bathurst, where the presentation of a beautiful silver pitcher and candelabra to R. Roy Sayles, the C.W.N.A. manager and Mrs. Sayles, whose services had contributed so much to the success of the tour, took place.

Bathurst is the centre of the big game hunting county of Gloucester and is a popular summer and fishing resort, being situated on the Nepisiguit river.

At Newcastle where extensive lumbering and shipbuilding has been carried on for years, also the manufacture of pulp and other industries, there is now being constructed a large paper mill made practicable through the development of hydro-electric power. Both here and at Bathurst there was much employment offering. In fact the constructors were finding difficulty in securing sufficient help. Large sailing vessels—one an old time rigged bark—were loading lumber for the Old Country.

At Campbellton there was also much industrial activity, nobody seemed idle. Like Newcastle it is built on the bank of a magnificent sheet of water, and it is an important fishing port. The scenery is beautiful in this section of New Brunswick, somewhat resembling western Newfoundland.

Only a few years ago Campbellton was practially wiped out by fire but an extensive town has since been built. The background of the town is formed by Sugar Loaf Mountain towering 2000 feet above sea level, from which a magnificent view is obtained of the surrounding country.

Everybody is anxious to reach the Province of Quebec these days. The line runs through farming country with the St. Lawrence River in the distance.

We noted that the farms in this section of Quebec province though for miles in length are very narrow, in many instances not the length of a train in width. Indicating that whole families for generations stuck to the farm lots were divided among the members, who in turn in later years divided their portion among their children. On every farm a portion was given for pasture on which were from eight to fifteen head of cattle.

Levis is on the south bank of the St. Lawrence, Quebec is right across and steam ferries run to and fro at short intervals. The Ocean Limited, by which train a few of us had preceeded the remainder of the party was three hours late on the morning when we pulled into Levis station. Quebec was partly enveloped into fog and smoke but by the time we had crossed the river which took only a few minutes, it had all cleared away and the sun was shining in all its glory.

To be continued.

EDITOR JEFFREY THANKS HIS WEST COAST FRIENDS

EDITOR WESTERN STAR,

Dear Sir—I am very grateful to you for your kind reference to my appointment to the Editorial Chair of the Evening Telegram, and for your warm welcome into the journalistic profession.

I have received letters of congratulation from several of my many friends and one time associates on the West Coast, and if you will allow me through the medium of the STAR to express to these my thanks; and the assurance that the welfare of the west always has been and always will be a matter with which I feel closely connected, I shall be glad.

Yours faithfully,
C. E. A. JEFFREY

90 YEARS OF AGE

The Yarmouth Herald completed its 90th anniversary last Wednesday. Its first issue having been published on 9th August, 1833, a fac-smile copy of which together with an illustrated section they issued with their Anniversary number. The Yarmouth Herald was established by Alexandra Lawson who managed and edited it for 62 years, and has since 1865 been conducted by his son; the Herald holds the unique record of ninety years of continous publication by father and son. We offer congratulations to Editor Lawson and trust that the Herald may long continue to enjoy its high distinction.

SUPREME COURT

The Supreme Court on Western Circuit is being presided over by Judge Kent. Simon Butler is attending as Clerk, and John Cahill as Crier. J. A. Barron is Crown Prosecutor. Other lawyers in attendance are C. E. Hunt, F. S. McGrath, and J. O'N. Conroy. The court is skeduled to open at Curling on 22nd inst.

The Canadian cruiser Arleaux took coal and water at Humbermouth and sailed again yesterday.

CARD

For the first time in my representation of St. George's District I find myself unable to reply promptly to district Letters. My district mail averages over fifty letters per day, and at most I can only reply to twenty-five; hence my arrears are large. After the Legislature closes I will be able to catch up.

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" " " Curling " 1.00 p.m.

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Jonathan G. Sheppard
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Lark Harbor

Brief and Newsy

Thos. Whalen was killed by fall of rock at the Bell Iron mines last Thursday.

The annual Supreme International Convention of the Knights of Columbus took place at Montreal last Week.

The British Government have undertaken the salvage of the four big guns of the H. M. S. Raleigh at a cost of $4000, according to the Sydney Record.

There has been a steady drop in the price of flour the past month or more, but as the time approaches for the stocking up for the winter months, we would not at all be surprised should an attempt be made in the flour market to change the tide to an upward tendency, notwithstanding the fact that the Canadian Wheat crop this season is one of the biggest in its history, while in Europe there is considerable wheat due to excellent crops

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With the Rod

Several of our local Waltonians have had good trout fishing at Hughes Brook of late.

A man of Flat Bay was before Magistrate Carty recently charged with netting Flat Bay Brook. He was fined $10 00 and costs.

Serpentine River was in excellent fishing condition last week and fish are plentiful there. But at present there are no fishing parties there.

Fishermen on the western rivers continue to have good fishing. It is said that salmon were never more plentiful in our rivers than they are this season.

L. D. Irving and Mr. Peafce returned from Serpentine River on Sunday when they spent nine days fishing and landed 65 fish, ranging in weight from 3½ to 23 lbs. In one day they caught 17 salmon, some of them weighing 22 lbs. each.

There are quite a number of salmon in a pool at Junction Brook below the dam. but so far they refuse to rise to the fly. The fish cannot get above the dam, but it is thought they may work down the river later on. Some are advocating that permission be given to net these fish, but opinion is divided on the matter.

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Curling

The yacht Hawk left Saturday for Hawke's Bay.

A concert takes place in St. Patrick's Hall to-night.

Basha's clearance sale opens on Friday and will continue until Tuesday.

Mrs. W. H. Haliburton of Port au Port was in Curling a few days last week.

Rev. E. Davis went to Grand Falls by Sunday's express to attend District meeting.

Dr. Gear, dentist, joined the s.s. North Shore on the round trip to Montreal and return.

Preparations are being made for the holding of the Methodist garden party to-morrow.

The annual excursion to Innismara (Woods Island) will be held on Sunday, August 19.

The schr. Valhalla, Capt. Meade, arrived from North Sydney last week with a cargo of coal.

One of the Canadian cutters on the fishery research expedition came to Curling Monday morning.

The s.s. Stella Maris arrived from Halifax early Monday morning. She brought a large freight of flour, etc.

Mrs. Whitaker, of the Bungalow' Grand Lake, spent the week-end in Curling, and returned home by Sunday's express.

The schooner Donald Silver, Capt. Joseph Hackett, arrived from Halifax Monday with a cargo of oil for the Imperial Oil Co.

Const. C. H. Parsons who is stationed at St. Anthony, has been here the past week on a visit to his parents at the Tourist Hotel.

The unsettled weather of last few days is proving very unsatisfactory to people haymaking. Many of our people have less than half cut and what is down it is hard to get cured.

The s.s. North Shore arrived on Saturday from Montreal. This is the first trip of the Clark S.S. Coy's. steamer here. She brought a large freight for Humbermouth, Corner Brook and Curling, and some 27 round trip passengers. The ship sailed again Sunday afternoon.

The fruit crop here this season is a failure. The early frosts of last fall, before the wood and buds were fully ripened, did much damage to the plum trees with the result that many people have lost most of their best trees, particularly greengrges. There will be very few if any plums to go the market this season.

News of the World

Five masked men blew up a bank safe at Yamaska, Que., last Thursday.

The Prince of Wales will visit Canada next month and will spend some time at his ranch in Alberta.

Four members of a family party were drowned at Richmond, Maine, when their auto backed off a ferry.

The fire losses in Canada for July amounted to $2,047,900, being less than at and previous month this year.

A score of persons were injured when seven coaches of a harvester train became derailed last Wednesday near Warren, Ont.

The heat in Washington was so intense that 175 persons became prostrated while watching the funeral of the late President Harding.

New York, Aug. 10.—President Harding's life was insured for $52,100, with six companies, according to a statement made public to-day by the Insurance Press.

New York, Aug. 9—Ralph Catre, a Porto Rican, was arrested in Brooklyn last night charged with the theft of fifty thousand dollars worth of diamonds from a safe in the cabin of the steamship Boswell, August 3.

Balgonis, Sask, Aug. 20—Elizabeth Grad, aged five, accidentally hanged herself yesterday. A pail on which she stood to look through a hole in the barn in some manner was knocked away and the little child was left hanging with her head in the whole.

Estevan, Sask., Aug. 10—A stick of dynamite with fuse and cap placed on the floor, and lying on the floor with the dynamite between his teeth; was the method by which John Lonning, well digger, aged 38 years, ended his life here yesterday.

Nelson N. B., Aug. 10.—Damage estimated as high as $250,000 was done here late yesterday by a fire which orignated in the plaining mill of william Sullivan, Limited, and fanned by a hurricane, jumped the road, swept several buildings out of existence, and destroyed from 5,000,000 to 9,000,000 feet of dressed lumber.

Quebec, Aug. 10.—Forest fires were reported to have broken out yesterday and to-day on each side of the St. Lawrence River, in the Malbaie region. On the north side the fire swept through the neighbourhood of St. Fidele, consuming hundreds of cords pulpwood belonging to Montmary Woodlands. The fire threatens to destroy many camps.

New York, Aug. 10—William Rockefeller left and estate with a gross value of $102 584,438.36, it was shown yesterday in the report of the State Tax Cummission. The report showed a net value of $67,649 667 30 after deductions for administration expenses, debts, funeral expenses and commissions to executors. Mr. Rockefeller, who died on June 24, 1922 had numerous debts of several million dollars each. The Federal and State inheritance taxes amounted to more than sixteen million dollars.

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Corner Brook

Basha's are building a store on the west side of Corner Brook.

Three cargoes of lumber have arrived at Corner Brook the past week.

A railway office is being opened at Corner Brook, with T. Pumphrey as agent.

W. J. Whiteway and F. Maidment are erecting a store at Corner Brook, having purchased a site from S. J. Farnell.

The schrs. Vivian Ruth and Freedom are landing cargoes of lumber at Corner Brook, from White Bay.

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House of Assembly

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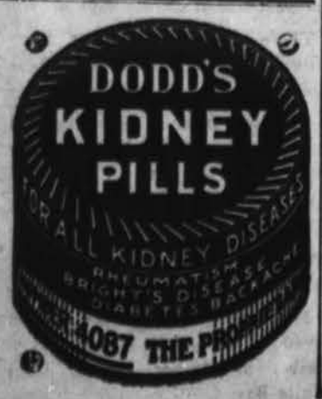
honour of our legislators and to present Newfoundland to the world as willing to sacrifice its future for mere temporary monetary advantages. It was therefore the bounden duty of the people to retrieve their credit and to dispel the feeling of hostility from unbiassed observervers which this extraordinary measure unquestionably provided, as voted by the press and the public men of the outside world. I venture to say that nothing in the history of the country has done it so much injury abroad, or such injury at home, as the impressions which this 1898 contract gave to the world at large; although, I concede most of those who supported it at the time did so in good faith, and in the belief that without it the country would be ruined. Equally, I believe, the method of operation of the railway, especially after Sir Robert Reid's health began to fail, was decidedly harmful both at home and abroad.

In 1905 as we know, the Harmsworth people established the paper mills at Grand Falls, and in so doing they recognized the fact that it would become necessary for them to depend upon the railway system of the Colony for the transfer of most of their incoming supplies and to export all of their product over the railway system. At that time the idea was to use Lewisport, which was in easy access to their mills and which would have served all their purposes. Indeed, practically everything for the construction of the mills was brought in via Lewisporte, but owing to their inability to secure satisfactory rates for the carriage of the paper they manufactured, covering a period of years, they were obliged in self-defence to enter upon the construction of a railroad of their own, some 22 miles long from Grand Falls to Botwood, and to build a shipping port at the latter place. This was totally unnecessary duplication of the railroad line, it deprived the existing railway of a very large volumme of business and it created a most harmful uneconomic competing agency which was forced into existence only because the Harmsworth's found themselves confronted with a monopolistic condition similar to that which prevailed in the coastal steamship service and which, as I have already stated, compelled Sir Robert Bond to establish a competive line of coastal steamers under the Bowring Contract.

Coming to the arrangement just made with the Reids the Prime Minister sumarized.

We might have undertaken costly protracted litigation before the same Privy Council, but there was the possibility that the Colony might lose and have to pay an enormously larger sum than two million dollars.

On the other hand it might be argued that we would win and be entitled to receive a large sum of money but in the first place we were advised by some of the leading lawyers in England that the possibility of winning this action could not be assured and in the second place even if we won we were next faced with the question of our bill of damage from a company which was admittedly bankrupt and had no substantial assets whatever to respond to any claim which we might make against it. That is to say, whatever private resources the Messrs. Reid might possess of their own, these were not liable for the debts of the railway nor for any



judgment awarded by the Privy Council against the Reid-Newfoundland Company as a Corporation as distinct from a partnership.

The report of Mr. R. C. Morgan who for nearly two years past had charge of railway operation is next dealt with.

Mr. Morgan's report is taken up on the assumption that the railway has been a losing venture from its inception. Showing the earnings and expenses of the line for the 18 years from 1904 to 1921 inclusive. In each of these years there was a loss, ranging from $19 162 in 1910 to $1,681,261 in 1921. The increasing rates of expenses to earnings began to mount up with the bringing into operation of the new branch line construction after 1910, and to a still greater extent for 1918, when the increased cost of coal, etc., and higher wages due to the war took effect. In 1919 the earnings were 88 per cent. of the expenses; in 1918, 80 per cent., in 1919, 69 per cent, in 1920, 52 per cent., and in 1921, 45 per cent. The totals for the whole period were :—Earnings, $14,317 343; expenses, $20,096.346; loss, $5,779,-003. Average of earnings to expenses, 70 per cent.

Insufficient traffic, excessive gradients, unremunerative branches, too low freight rates, insufficient mail subsidies, unremunerative agencies, increased cost of labor and material, as for instance in 1921 the wage bill increased by 248 per cent. and the material bills by 283 per cent. over 1915 and while the peak has apparently been reached the downward trend has not yet afforded much relief.

It was not until after war hostilities had ended that it became known that the Reids, in addition to extracting from the Government every possible concession in these directions during the war, were also piling up a huge bill for alleged extra services in the way of running additional trains and otherwise, which to our amazement amounted to millions of dollars. This was only one bill, and it might be described as a bill of shadowy claims. They also furnished us with another bill for over $6,000,-000 for more direct and specific claims, including their steamers, machine shops, locomotives and other equipment, and everything which they claimed they had provided for the railway and allied services for the past twenty years. These claims are as follows :

Reid Newfoundland Co. Ltd. Memorandum

Buildings, etc. . . .	$ 819,831.15
Sidings and Y's . .	448,872 13
Bridges and Culverts	147,933 90
Ballastings, etc. . .	147 946.64
Snow Fences	33 303 15
Rolling Stock on hand	1,706 577 50
Train Light. equip't.	60,359 64
Building unpaid for at Port Union . .	7 445.55
Balance due on 1917 Account Carbonear Terminus	6,458 05
Unsettled Claims, Branch Railways .	255,000.00
Car Shop and Equipment, (St. John's)	72,808,87
Locomotive Shops Equipment . . .	96,204.40
Station and Freight Shed Equipment and Stock	24,139 99
Section and Round House Equipment	131,937.94
Filling done St. John's yards since 1918 .	6,380.00
Plans and Drawings at St. John's offices	23,022 00
Coaling Equipments	225,000 00
Telegraph Lines, 900 miles at $250.00 .	225,000.00
Station Supplies (Stationery)* estimated	7,230 00
St. John's Offices Equipment estimated	36 694 14
Sleeping Car Equipment estimated . .	15,554.52
Dining Car Equipment estimated . .	7,024.65
Stock at St. John's estimated	100,000 00
Timber Lands (as per Act, 1914) . . .	415,226.00
Express	700,000.00
Steamers	979,800.00
Steamers (Stock and Equipment on hand)	50,000.00
	$6 533,687.58

Reid Lands

Some information with respect to the Reid land may be of interest to the Committee.

By the railway Operating Contract of 1893 the late Sir R. G. Reid was granted 5 000 acres of land per mile of railway in consideration of his operating the Railway for ten years from 1893 to 1903. That transaction was closed twenty years ago.

In 1904 (by 4 Ed. VII. Cap. 13 the Transportation of Timber Acts) the Legislature took back the timber rights on 415,226 acres of the Reid lands within three miles of the sea (Sec. 4) and directed to the Governor Council to issue to the Reid Newfoundland Co. in exchange perpetual leases for one-half that acreage, or 267 613 acres of timber land (Sec. 8). These lands have not been given to the Company though the Act was passed nineteen years ago. The Reids now give up their statutory rights to this land.

The result is that the Reids do not hold and have not since 1904 held all the lands to which they were entitled in respect of the operation of the Railway from 1893 to 1903.

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