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"The newspaper, with the law, should assume the accused innocent until proven guilty; should be the friend, not the enemy of the general public; the defender, not the invader of private life and the assailant of personal character. It should be, as it were, a keeper of the public conscience."-Henry Watterson.

DAILY EDITION.



MONDAY, JULY 10

### THE QUESTION OF HIGH FREIGHT RATES

For several months, the Winnipeg Free Press has been agitating the question of the excessive freight and express charges levied upon the people of Western Canada. The series of articles are being bound in pamphlet form, to still further carry out the campaign against the burden of heavy railway rates.

Some very pertinent series of facts are quoted to show that the west is being discriminated against by the railways. For a hundred mile stretch in the east the rate per hundred pounds charged was 30 cents; in the west 40 cents. For the 495 mile stretch in the east from Montreal to Bothwell the rate was 58 cents; for a similar distance in the west from Winnipeg to Waldeck, the rate is \$1.14, an increase of nearly 100 per cent. In some cases the discrimination exceeds 100 per cent, as in the case of Winnipeg to Sidewood for which \$1.26 per hundred pounds is charged as against 58 cents for the journey from Montreal to Windsor, the distance in both cases being the same.

It is shown how the C. P. R. on its Soo line carries coal under the Stars and Stripes for \$1.50 per ton for a 396 mile haul, but requires \$3.05 per ton for hauling coal in Western Canada under the Union Jack on a 395 mile haul. The Canadian Northern on a 499 mile haul extorts \$3.70 per ton.

Express charges are also dealt with, the express companies being subsidiary companies to the railway companies. It is made clear that to quote the words of Judge Mabee, chairman of the Railway Commission, that, "The original principle upon which the express company tariffs are based was 'What are the heaviest tariffs we can obtain from the public for the least service we can give them?" 'Figures given by Judge Mabee show that the Dominion Express Company which is a side line of the C. P. R. has a total of \$24,500 paid upon its \$2,000,000 capital, and has paid the C. P. R. in the eight years covered by the inquiry of the Commission no less than \$13,409,240 in profits. The Canadian Express Company with a total of \$27,520 paid on its \$500,000 capitalization has paid the Grand Trunk an average of \$923,909 per annum. The Canadian Northern Express Company, owned by Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann and their associates with the magnificent sum of \$5,000 in real money paid up on its capitalization of \$1,000,000 (of which \$300,000 has been issued by the aforesaid philanthropists to themselves in the form of paid up stock) has paid the Canadian Northern \$353,126 in the six years of its existence.

Some such inquiry as that conducted by the Winnipeg Free Press is needed in Northern British Columbia, where the burden of excessive freight rates is very heavy. Why should a shipment of household goods by water from Vancouver to Prince Rupert cost 76 per cent of what it costs to ship them from Toronto to Vancouver even at the excessive rail rates charged on the western journey? Why should a Prince Rupert tradesman bringing a shipment of crockery from the potteries at Newcastle have to pay twenty dollars for the five hundred miles from Vancouver to Prince Rupert, when it costs seventeen and a half dollars to bring the same goods from Newcastle, England, to Vancouver, travelling round Cape Horn.

A dictionary weighing twelve pounds, shipped from Toronto to the Daily News office had a charge of over three dollars to meet for expressage. Even upon goods purchased in the city a heavy percentage has to be added by the storekeeper for the freight charges he has had to pay.

It is time the public wakened up to the fact that it is not the manufacturer, nor the wholesaler, nor the retailer, but the ultimate consumer upon whom the heavy burden of excessive freight rates falls. Through the medium of the means of distribution, the railway companies and express companies impose and collect taxes from every person in the country. Where their charges are fair, the tax is a just one. Where their charges are in excess of an equitable return for the amount of money actually invested, and the cost of the service, the tax is an unjust one, and should be rigorously contested.

### INDIAN CHIEF GETS HIS WISH

Paul Legaie of Port Simpson Wanted Five Hours in Which to Get to Heaven.

H. W. Brodie, general passenger agent of the C. P. R. at Vancouver, has recently enjoyed a pleasure and business trip to Skagway and the Yukon. At Port Simpson he was impressed by the sight of a lonely monument of stone that marked the graves of five chiefs of the Tsimpsian Indians. Closer inspection revealed the following inscription, quaint and informal, yet ending with a tag that has done lows:

January 7, 1891. Aged 45 years. methods.

"Paul Legaie said the day he died to this people: 'I would like to die in a lonely place so no one would see me, and I hope my people will not find me for five hours, so I think I can get to heaven by that time, and if they find my body after that they can do as they will.'

"His body was found eight hours after. God gave him more than he hoped for."

### KNIGHTING OF SIR MAX

Ottawa Journal Takes Issue With Powers Responsible for

duty for Christian burial grounds Ottawa, July 8.-The Ottawa for centuries. The inscription fol- Journal, Independent, takes issue editorially with the powers re-"In memory of 1st Legaie, the sponsible for the knighting of Sir Head Chief. Died long ago, Max Aitken. The Journal conbefore the white people came. cludes that either the Asquith Also three other Head Chiefs government or the Laurier govnamed Legaie. Also Paul Le- ernemnt was responsible for this gaie, the Head Chief of the recognition of a Conservative who Tsimpsian Nation, who died a has done nothing but get rich Christian at Port Simpson, B. C. | quick by not particularly creditable

# SHERLOCK HOLMES

The Greatest Fiction Character of the Century Come to Life Again

# A Great Chance

# Daily News Readers

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle will write two new adventures of the famous detective for the Daily News.

The Daily News has joined a syndicate of leading newspapers of United States and Canada to induce Sir Arthur Conan Doyle the author of the famous Sherlock Holmes stories—the greatest detective stories ever written-to give to the world two more of his entrancing tales of the great detective's skill.

All arrangements are now completed, the stories are delivered, and at an early date to be mutually agreed upon, the stories will be printed. They are called:

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We have read these stories in the proof, and they are up to the high standard of skill that the earlier stories set. We can say no more.

The Daily News has secured the sole right of publication for the whole of Northern B. C. These stories can only be obtained in the DAILY NEWS.

They will appear in both the daily and weekly edition. They will start in a few days time.

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# The Daily News

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## FOR CANADA

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### NO BABIES

Suppose there were no children, No babies in the land. No toddling, pattering footsteps, No little clinging hand.

No sweet eyes looking upwards Like flower petals unfurled, No prattling, lisping voices, No laughter in the world.

No hopes built on the cradles Wherein baby forms lie curled, Methinks 'twould be a desolate And God-forsaken world.

### THEY WERE ALL PILS

### Amusing Scene in a Fashionable New York Church

One of the fashionable East Side | Dated April 21, churches recently witnessed a funny happened that the music divided tain pause after the syllable. effect was most amusing. The Pil-" and stopped. The tenor acknowledged that he was a "Piling in with a like declaration, "I the gravity of the singers, and they roared. No amount of prac- Skeena Land District - District of Casiat tice could get them past the fatal Prince pause without an outburst, and de the piece had to be given up .- Musical World.

### Won Suits

The following gentlemen won suits in Sloan & Company's Suit Clubs on Saturday:

No. 9-J. M. Minnis.

No. 10-R. B. Reed.

No. 11-E. D. Mader. No. 12-G. C. Day.

No. 13-W. D. Vance.

No. 14-R. G. Walker.

No. 15-R. M. McIntosh.

Other clubs are now forming.

### CONTRAST IN THE LEADERS

Saturday Review Says Borden Speaks as a Party Man, Lau- to rier Like a Statesman.

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, July 8.—The Saturday Pub. May 13. Review, referring to the Dominions withdrawal from the commercial treaties, says Laurier has min- graph Creek imized the importance of what described he asked, but it is a very serious mile step, almost unnoticed in com- thence parison to its importance.

While Laurier is doing what he Dated Feb. 11, 1911 can here for his party and policy, Pub. April R. L. Borden is working on the other side. He is frankly out on Stewart, B.C. a political campaign. But his described speech at Winnipeg on Monday bank was not in the least more partisan the forks than Laurier's at the Constitutional containing 640 acres Club last Saturday.

Mr. Borden spoke as a party Dated March 24, 1911. Frank Sidney W. Pub. May 17. man-Laurier is posing as a states-

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LAND PURCHASE NOTICE

The Humble One Cent Piece Will Bear King George's Effigy chains south, then

Dated April 17, 1911.

ALEXANDER McINTOSH Ottawa, July 8.-King George's effigy will appear on a Canadian Skeena Land District - District of Cassiar coin this week. The honor of of Stewart, B. C., occupation journalist intend first appearance goes to the humble described lands: cent, which is the only coin for bank of the which the dies have yet been the forks of the h received by the Mint. The de- containing 640 acres more mand for currency is increasing Dated Mare 25, 1911. Frank Sidney Wright, Age and the Government must meet on making King Edward coins with King George on the throne.

Skeena Land District—District of Cassiar Rupert B. C., occupation laborer, intend to apply lands: The die-makers are therefore being Commencing at a post planted at urged to produde in steel as soon rivers, then as possible the designs of the silver chains.

Dated April 18, 1911 tokens. The designs for the new Pub. May 13. gold coins have not yet been

Suppose there were no babies Drifting downward from the skies No toiling and no tending, No maternal lullabies.

Katherine A. Clarke

incident at a choir rehearsal. They Skeens Land Districtwere preparing for the following Paul, Minnesota, Sunday morning a beautiful se- following lection, the first words of which corner of Lot were "I am a Pilgrim." It so south the word "Pilgrim," and made a Pub. April 15. soprano sang in a high key. "I am apply for per and when the bass came thunder- thence west 10 am a Pil-" it was too much for Pub. April 16.

Dated March 8, 1911.

Dated April 20, 1911.

Dated April 21, 1911. MURDOCK McRAS
Pub. May 12.

Pub. May 13.