

BIG SCHEME ON FOOT

A Wealthy Syndicate of Chicago, Montreal and London Capitalists Proposes to Construct a

SHIP RAILWAY AT IMMENSE COST.

Planning to Connect the Northwest with the Atlantic and Joining the Trade Interests of

THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

Franchise Obtained From the Dominion Government for a Canal.

CHICAGO, November 8.—Early in the coming session of Congress representatives of a syndicate, composed of Chicago, Montreal and London capitalists, will present for consideration a gigantic scheme.

From present appearances the plan will place Chicago and the Northwest in direct connection with the Atlantic seaboard.

The scheme is to build a ship railway, which is designed to connect the lakes with the St. Lawrence river and the Atlantic Ocean.

The matter is to be presented to the Canadian Parliament and a subsidy for its construction and maintenance asked of the Dominion Government.

The inauguration and completion of the scheme involves the expenditure of \$17,000,000, according to the estimates furnished by representatives of the syndicate. The combine has its headquarters at Toronto and Montreal.

PROMISES OF BRITISH SUPPORT.

A United States official stationed at Toronto is understood to have just returned from London, and a report comes from that city that while in London he acted for the syndicate and secured assurances from English capitalists of their cordial, moral and financial support.

The ship railway project is the first great step toward uniting the commercial interests of the United States and Canada.

The originators of the plan are Canadian business men and capitalists, who have always advocated a union of the commercial interests of the two countries.

Erasmus Wiman is represented as being one of the leading movers in the scheme and is being listed for a pretty big slice of the stock.

SHORT CUT TO THE ATLANTIC.

Three routes have been considered, either one of which would reduce by at least 400 miles the distance between Chicago and the Atlantic Ocean and Liverpool.

The construction of the ship railway, it has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the syndicate, would make the time between Chicago and Liverpool for a fast steamer only two days longer than from New York to Liverpool.

So quietly have the plans been matured that the first intimation of the project reaches Chicago from Toronto with the statement that a franchise for the operation of the syndicate on Canadian ground was secured from the Dominion Parliament in such shape as to escape notice.

It is also stated that the through routes under consideration have already been surveyed, and one of them favored by a majority of the promoters of the enterprise.

MOST FAVORED ROUTE.

As near as can be learned, the most favored route is to connect the Georgian Bay with Lake Ontario by means of the railway, which is to be about 63 miles long.

The direct course is through Lakes Michigan, Superior and Huron, through the Lake Ontario, and thence to the St. Lawrence.

The franchise obtained from the Dominion Parliament provides for a canal to be constructed and maintained a ship railway instead. The canal, it is estimated, would cost over \$30,000,000, while the ship railway does not call for the expenditure of more than \$12,000,000.

The Dominion has a liking for canal projects. It has just concluded to build another waterway at Ottawa, Province of Quebec, on the north side of the St. Lawrence, at a cost of \$2,000,000, in order to get around the Cedar Rapids. There is, now, on the south side of the river, a canal for the purpose, the Beauharnois. It is found that the increasing grain trade from the West to the seaboard justifies a more capacious canal, and the old one can be utilized for water power.

CANAL AT STE. MARIE.

The Dominion Government is now building a new canal at Sault Ste. Marie, the future importance of which is as clear to it as to our Government.

Near by, a short canal, 50 feet wide by 12 feet deep, but intended for water power only, drawing its supply from Lake Superior, has been undertaken by private enterprise.

Analogous to this latter scheme and to one of the same sort on the Michigan side, but incomparably more important, is the proposed canal for utilizing the water power of Niagara.

LINCOLN MAY RESIGN.

Reports That the Minister to England Will Serve No Longer.

CHICAGO, November 8.—It is reported here that Robert T. Lincoln, Minister to the Court of St. James, will be in Chicago next week.

It is said that before he leaves for the West he will go to Washington and there tender his resignation as Minister to the Court of St. James. The position held by Mr. Lincoln is an expensive one, and the necessary expenditures are in excess of the salary received. Mr. Lincoln has been obliged to return the social attentions extended to him, and this has been a heavy drain upon his finances. Although a member of a thriving firm, Mr. Lincoln is not a wealthy man, and could not stand such inroads upon his income.

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Tramps Taken for Cracksmen and a Safe Supposed to be Stolen.

CINCINNATI, November 8.—A comedy of errors occasioned some chagrin and a great deal of merriment yesterday morning. James Young, a laborer, is employed by the Winifrede Coal Company, at the foot of Wood street. He went to work before 6 o'clock yesterday morning, and in the yard back of the elevator he made a discovery. Two men were standing beside a bonfire, whose flames cracked about two iron safes that stood amid the burning timbers. Upon Young's approach the men fled, one immediately telephoned to Lieutenant Berg, who hastened to the scene. He extinguished the flames, and, calling Patrol 1, had the safes removed to the Third street station house.

A short time afterward one of the Winifrede coal firm, who thought that the safes had been stolen, called upon Lieutenant Berg. When he saw the safes at the station house he wanted to know why in the deuce they had been removed. Explanations followed. The safes had been taken on trial from a manufacturer, and were to be tested for their fire-proof qualities. A fire was built about them in the evening, and old papers were placed within them to see how well they would withstand the heat. Young had discovered two young cracksmen by the side of the fire, taking them for burglars. The tramps mistook Young for an officer and fled. Berg thought he was on the track of a crime, and the coal company thought the safes had been stolen.

MALICIOUS IMPRISONMENT.

A Woman Says She Was Wrongly Shut Up in an Asylum.

PHILADELPHIA, November 8.—Dr. William L. Taylor and Andrew Graydon had a suit entered against them in Common Pleas Court yesterday by Sarah Smith, who seeks to recover \$5,000. It is alleged that the doctors falsely and maliciously certified in writing upon separate examinations of each that the woman was insane and should be sent to a hospital for treatment. On July 21, 1884, they appeared before Magistrate Brown and certified to the correctness of the certificate and their signatures. The woman claims that application was made in the Quarter Sessions Court for her commitment to the Hospital for the Insane at Norristown, which application was granted by the Court, and she was committed on August 2, 1884. After being confined until June 8, 1885, she was discharged. As she claims she was in sound mind and the certificates as to her insanity were falsely made out she wants to hold the doctors responsible for her confinement in the insane hospital.

Mennonite Immigrants.

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1 sack XX Amber flour (warranted). 1.40
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1 sack best family flour. 1.50
1 bbl. fancy winter wheat flour. 6.75
1 sack fancy winter wheat flour. 1.65
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THE STRANGE CASE OF AN OHIO PENITENTIARY PRISONER.

A Woman Sends Him to Prison for Fifteen Years by False Testimony and Afterward Confesses—A Pittsburg Attorney Interested in the Case.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

COLUMBUS, O., November 8.—A peculiar case has developed at the penitentiary, which will probably result in the release of William O'Neil, received from Lorain county December 14, 1888, to serve 15 years for assault. The man protested his innocence, and so persistent was he in this that Chaplain Sutton and others were led to the conclusion that O'Neil was playing for sympathy. The prosecuting witness was Mrs. Julia Underwood, wife of a minister. At the time of the alleged offense the woman's husband was on a stamping tour of the State in the interest of the Prohibition party.

She went on the stand, swore to the assault, secured the conviction of O'Neil and he was sentenced to 15 years. At the trial the man admitted some parts of the woman's story, denied the charge of assault, but his testimony was disregarded.

On Wednesday a letter was received at the penitentiary for the prisoner. It was written from New York and proved to be from J. T. Underwood, the woman's husband. The letter stated that his wife, from whom he had separated, confessed that her testimony was false and that O'Neil told the truth on the stand. The fact so preyed on the mind of the minister that he secured the services of I. H. B. Patterson, a Pittsburg lawyer, to investigate and see what could be done to secure O'Neil's release. The latter, at the request of Mr. Patterson, has prepared a full statement of the case, covering the facts as testified to by him, and steps are to be at once taken to secure his release.

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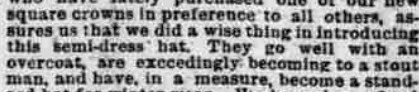


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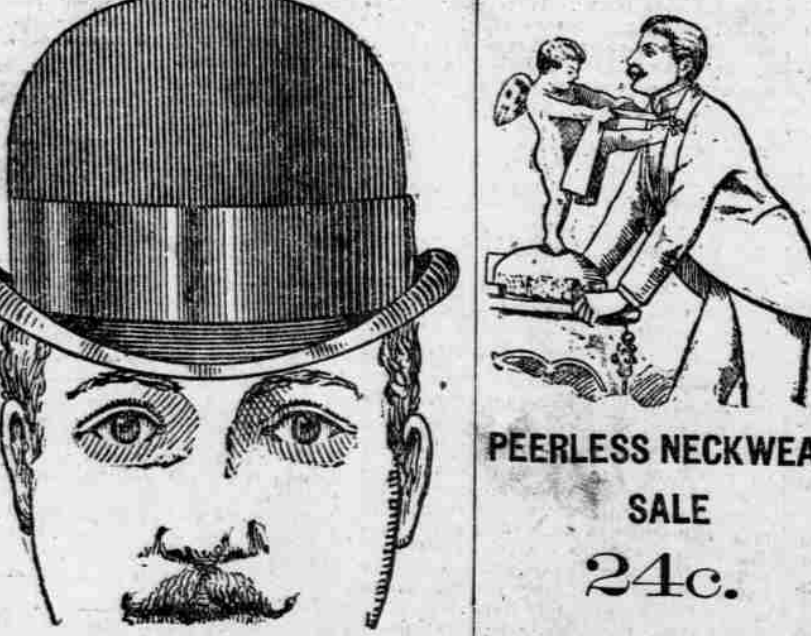


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