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PROMPT ACTION NEEDED

THE time approaches when the Legislature will be in session, and if any bills are to be presented from the city of Saint John they should be given early or immediate consideration. The Brittain report makes many recommendations, and among them one for a change in the form of city government. If there is to be a change such as the report recommends, or one with some changes in detail, that is really the first thing that should be done. If it is believed we need a change in the form of city government, then that change should obviously be the first consideration. It is true the City Council has another very important matter to consider, and that is the nationalization of the port. It should be possible, however, to give consideration to both these matters; and, with the help of the citizens, arrive at a conclusion. Undoubtedly, it would be necessary for the members of the Council to work longer hours for a time, but in such an emergency they may be quite willing to make the sacrifice. Prompt and decisive action is needed, both in regard to nationalization of the port and the Brittain report and city government.

THE MONTREAL TRAGEDY

ALL Canada will mourn with Montreal the untimely death of so many of that city's children, crushed and suffocated in the dreadful theatre panic which occurred yesterday. Necessarily there will be searching inquiry into the cause of this fearful catastrophe, but let it be stated that from accounts yet to hand no suggestion of evasion

A POSSIBLE MARKET THE Maritime Provinces should reap son

bencht from the new treaty with Czecho-Slovakia. Some seventy-one Canadian commoditie They include: Flour, wheat, hosiery, wrapping paper, barley, oats, rye, buckwheat, malt, peas, fresh and dried apples, all kinds of fish, including anned fish, lard, butter, honey, cheese, canned ruits and vegetables, condensed milk, agricultural plements and agricultural tools, rubber footwear, bber tires, lead, zinc, engines and motors, adding chines, automobiles and various other items. This is one of the overseas markets of which the Maritime Provinces may avail themselves. They have the fish, and can produce the agricultural products. Our exporters are no doubt giving some attention to the prospects for opening up business relations. The question of transportation comes up, of course, and is perhaps under present conditions a serious one. Nevertheless we must keep on reminding ourselves that our commercial

future lies largely in overseas trade, and every new market available should be made the subject of careful enquiry.

A BETTER OUTLOOK

T is very satisfactory to learn on the authority of a large grain exporter that there is no likelihood of further congestion in connection with gain shipments from this port this season. The recent trouble appears to have been caused chiefly by the desire of many shippers to get through the elevators a certain grade of grain, while there was also grain of other grades awaiting shipment. Apparently the rush of that particular grain is over for the season, and it will be easier for the elevators to handle shipments as they come along. With the elevator space available here it should be possible, under normal conditions, to handle a very much larger quantity of grain during the

season than has ever been done in the past history of the port. The experience of Vancouver, when it had only one elevator, shows what can be done Of course, the port should be so equipped with clevators that it would be possible to handle quickly all grain offered. Nationalization of the port would be expected to meet that requirement by providing additional facilities.

News and Views From The British Capital

will receive the most favored nation treatment. | LONDON, December 30, 1926-Statistics prove consistently that a disproportionate number of London street accidents, now totalling an average of three fatalities a day, are due to private cars driven by amateurs. The 'bus and taxi drivers, who are churning through London's busiest streets day and night, rarely hurt a pedestrian. Surely the inference is plain enough? And most motorists of experience, if they are honest, will admit that since motoring became really "popular" the standard of driving has fallen enormously. It would be strange if it had not. I think some lady drivers are great offenders, but they are not the only ones who keep doing reckless things. Motoring is a splendid hobby. and a great industry. But the surest way to make it safe is to compel all drivers to pass adequate tests and to enforce the regulations with Draconic impartiality.

Jicks is Interested.

For a long time now Whitehall has been period-ically paraded during business hours by an en-thusiast, clad in the dark lounge suit and bowler of middle-class respectability, who trots along the curb with big sandwich boards. On the boards in home-made printing is a rather hectic indictment of the Home Secretary and Scotland Yard, whose high impeachment is demanded for some injurious act associated with the licensing of taxis. I think the word "defraud" is even implicated. Nobody the word "defraud" is even implicated. Nobody seems to pay much attention to the advertiser of this private vendetta, whose features are set in a sort of melancholy moodiness. But the other day, just before his enforced rest was announced, I saw Sir William Joynson-Hicks scanning the sandwich board impeachment as he passed from Palace Yard towards Downing Street. "Jicks," read the libel with complacent interest, and apparently the sand-wichman was blissfully unaware that the Home Secretary was present.

Sunlight in the Zoo.

There is great news from the Zoo. There is to be artificial sunlight for the tropical beasts and particularly for the crocodiles. These latter resi-dents are to have a luxurious palm beach all to themselves. They will swim in electrically-heated water and then lay themselves out to dry on electrically-heated rocks. They will live in artificial sunlight, on an electrically-heated beach. In short, it would seem that the Zoo will be the best place it would seem that the Zoo will be the best place in London to visit, in December, 1927, for surely, with all this electric heat, there should be some artificial sunlight left over for befogged humans. Perhaps the day will come when the Zoo is Lon-don's Lido, where we shall all congregate to find

BY CHAS. HANSON TOWNE. Sir Walter Scott's Gathering Song Donald the Black, Pibroch of Donuil Dhu, Pibroch of Donuil,

Roems I Love

Wake thy wild voice anew, Summon Clan Conuil. Come away, come away, Hark to the summons! Come in your war-array, Gentles and commons. Come from the deep glen, and From mountain so rocky;

The war-pipe and pennon Are at Inverlocky. Come every hill-plaid, and True heart that wears one, Come every steel blade, and Strong hand that bears one. Leave untended the herd,

The flock without shelter; Leave the corpse uninterr'd, The bride at the altar; Leave the deer, leave the steer. Leave nets and barges: Come with your fighting gear, Broadswords and targes.

Come as the winds come, when Forests are rended. Come as the waves come, when Navies are stranded:

Faster come, faster come, Faster and faster, Chief, vassal, page and groom, Tenant and master.

Fast they come, fast they come; See how they gather Wide waves the eagle plume Blended with heather.

Cast your plaids, draw your blades, Forward each man set! Pibroch of Donuil Dhu, Knell for the onset! Timely Views On World Topics

By Elihu Root, Ex-Secretary of State and winner of Woodrow Wilson award for 1926.

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Every section of every department of this Store has reduced prices to the low-est possible limit. There are values unequalled and qualities that defy every comparison.

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lequacy of means of exit in emergency has been brought to light. That the exits | forgiving. Mr. W. R. Hearst, who will not go proved inadequate under the circumstances is down in American history as a mawkish Angloappallingly evident, but it would appear that this phile, now advocates a League of English-speaking was due solely to the panic against which it is virtually impossible to legislate.

children to patronize entertainments unless such appear disposed to allow that Mr. Hearst means be advertised as providing a purely juvenile programme. The exception indicates that the measure is one designed to protect the mind rather than the body. Nonetheless it is significant that according to report no less than seventy-five of the children who died in the crush on the stairway of the Laurier Palace Theatre were there without the represented by the League." The others see in permission of their parents or guardians.

It is a dreadful affair. Enquiry will doubtless be searching and if means can-as indeed they its effect on Latin and Slav Europe. must-be evolved to minimize the risk of recurrence of similar accidents, now is undoubtedly the time to see that they are instituted and enforced.

A SPORTING COMMUNITY CLUB

SAINT JOHN has numerous fine institutions, and amongst the most illustrious is the Saint John Fusiliers. Numerous citizens who have risen to eminence have served in this unit, which bears the name of the Loyalist City along with a record of which any battalion may be proud. But nothing worth while is maintained without effort, and the efforts of the Saint John Fusiliers are worthy of the support of the community. The Fusiliers ask for no money from the community. All they ask is its sympathetic support.

It would be a gross exaggeration to claim that a militia unit in times of peace is a militaristic machine. The furthest it would be permissible to urge in this regard is that its members are men of goodwill ready to answer the call of duty in the event of national emergency. But, on the other hand, the Fusiliers are a community club, inviting membership from all groups, wherein all meet on common ground, with attractions-particularly of sport-covering fields to suit all tastes. How this has been effected is by the adoption of the "voluntary training" system. In brief it is this: Pay is available for nine days training annually for a limited number from each militia unit, according to the proportion of the militia estimates allotted to the Militay District, and thence apportioned to units. All ranks of the Fusiliers have agreed to draw no pay individually, but to fund it regimentally for the promotion of hockey, bowling, baseball, football, basketball and rifle shooting. A member of the Fusiliers will be backed in these and possibly other athletic fields. Already the exploits of the Fusiliers' hockey team are the talk of the town, and no less eminent will be the battalion's part in other sports.

Surely this should attract all the youngsters with sporting proclivities to join the Fusiliers, who help themselves, help sport and help the community spirit of Saint John. Little is asked of them in return-attendance at nine drills during the year. But the privileges these young men gain are great out of all proportion. They become members of the most extensive and aliembracing community club in Saint John; they are enrolled in a distinguished regiment; they may join in the sports; they may support the various teams of their own battalion, as spectators identified with the players; and they may enjoy the music of their own regiment's band.

So keen is the interest taken in sport by the girls of Saint John that it is a pity it is impossible to enlist them also in the Fusiliers. That being out of the question, it remains for them to join by proxy. Saint John girls can aid the Fusiliers to fill their ranks by nominating a knight errant, and by taking a particular interest in the sport of the corps. The movement initiated by the present members of the Saint John Fusiliers is a community movement. Let us all get behind

Hon. J. K. Flemming flatly contradicts the assertion of Senator Gould that he either sought or received money for himself during the negotiations for the contract for the Valley Railway. He admits there was a contribution to the party funds. The late Premier Clarke cannot speak for himself, but it may be said for him that when the most serious charges were being made against the Government of which he was a member not one

The pr place in the sun Nations. Instead of viewing this remarkable

change of front with suspicion, most of the Lon-Quebec has a law which forbids unescorted don newspapers that comment on the phenomenor well, although he is making a big mistake. The Daily Telegraph approaches nearest to approval in saying: "If the American proposal is attractive to thinking men and women in Britain and the Dominions, it is as adding to, certainly not as replacing, the system of peace preservation as it a wish to return to the old doctrine of balance of power, and a suggestion most mischievous in

Other Views CANADA'S MISSION.

(London Observer)

THE ten millions of Canadians, if they will, can wield under the old flag more influence than any equal number of people elsewhere. Above all, Canada among the self-governing nations of the Empire, has a position and a mission like no other. For three thousand miles her open frontier marches peacefully with that of the American republic. If she can rise to the highest view of her desting she will work deliberately, steadily, to harmonize her intimate neighborhood to the United States with her membership of the British Empire, and to draw the two systems into a working fellowship which would lead the world.

THE WHEAT POOL. (Three Rivers Nouvelliste)

THE west is the country of experiments. It is

the sworn enemy of tradition and is always ready to gamble on its economic future. One of the great problems of the west is the marketing of grain and its sale without the intervention of middlemen. To solve this problem in the most satisfactory manner possible, the west has had recourse to co-operative selling and this has led the way for the Canadian wheat pool. At the the way for the Canadian wheat pool. At the start, there was some skepticism regarding prob-able results. After three years' experience, how-ever, it is admitted that results are promising, and have justified the expectation of the promo-ters.

TWO SIMILAR CASES. (Toronto Star)

SOME years ago a Scotch reporter visited Ireland in order to write an account of July 12 as celebrated in Belfast. There was the usual procession, in the middle of which was a tremendous Irishman, divested of coat and waistcoat banging the big drum for all he was worth.

The reporter made merry at his expense and thought it rather ridiculous that he should take off his coat and waistcoat to beat the big drun. off his coat and waistcoat to beat the big drun. His witticism aroused the wrath of an Irish-man in the company who promptly retorted: "I can't see that it is any more ridiculous for an Irishman to take off his coat and waistcoat to beat the hig drum than it is for a Scotsman to take off his trousers in order to play the bagpipes!'

THE BETTER WAY.

(Boston Post) IS the English coal strike, with its long drawn out suffering, with its losses to owners, workers and the public, with its sympathetic general strike, the straw that has broken the camel's back? Has

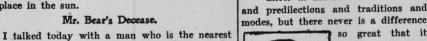
it, in other words, taught the lesson already learn-ed in many American industries, that co-operation and mutual understanding are saner, financially, nically and humanly?

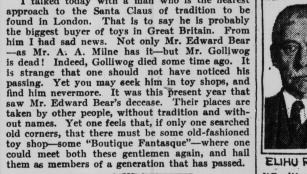
economically and humanly? At any rate, a conference between British government officials and trade union officials has proved so satisfactory that it may lead to a per-manent organization. Whether these men with a vision can triumph over the die-hards who would create' serfdom and the communists who want revolution is a question. Yet in them there is the promise of better things.

A MIGHTY FLEET.

(Quebec Chronicle Telegraph)

THE mightiest mercantile fleet in the world today is owned by the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, whose purchase of the White Star ships adds nearly half-a-million tons of shipping to its list. When Queen Victoria granted a royal charter to the Royal Mail early in her reign the company had under its flag fourteen paddle-wheel steamers which also carried sails. Today the Royal Mail controls more than five hundred ships. The tonnage of its fleet before the White Star purchase was in excess of 1,200,000 tons, and is





Pan-Americanism

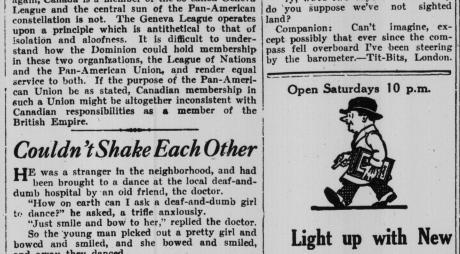
(Montreal Gazette) SOME time ago, an American writer in the Irish

Some time ago, an American writer in the Irish Statesman described the Pan-American Union as "that older League of Nations having its head-quarters in a million-dollar building at Washing-ton." It has a membership of twenty-one nations with a population exceeding 200,000,000, and has been at work for thirty-five years. The Govern-ing Board is composed chiefly of the ambassadors and ministers of South American governments resi-dent in Washington. Every five years there is a meetings to determine matters of policy, which meetings are attended by eminent jurist, but there is also a permanent staff, and the United States pays half the cost. In the article quoted, the pur-poses of the Union are set forth in the following terms: "First, to maintain the isolation of the Western Hemisphere from foreign encroachment, is ples of government." It claims to represent with its present membership a higher civilization, a vester wealth and greater portial if net active

its present membership a higher civilization, a vaster wealth and greater potential, if not actual, naval and military power than the Geneva League. It shows a large number of powerful republics Fevolving around the United States as the great control up in a michter constitution cil and Assembly and a large part of the business which foreign officers and ambassadors used to do in the old amoassadors used to do in the ough the methods are now done through the machinery of the League. We have stood out of the League and we are central sun in a mighty constellation. going on in the old ways, by the old

methods, and the utmost friendly con-sideration is needed to reconcile the It is conceivable that Canada is not yet ready, despite the pending departure of Mr. Massey for Washington, to revolve around the United States conduct of international affairs in the new way by our sister nations across the Atlantic, and the old way by ourin even so mighty, wealthy and powerful a con-stellation. For one thing, the relationship might not be consistent with the newly-established principle of national equality, unless someone is pre-pared to argue that equal status within the Empire is reconcilable with international inferiority. Then, again, Canada is a member of the so-called Geneva League and the central sun of the Pan-American AND IT WAS LEAKY, TOO AMATEUR SAILOR: I say, Har-

ry, we're two days overdue. Why suppose we've not sighted do 'you



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and away they danced. They danced not only one dance that evening, but three, and he was on the point of asking her Mazda Lamps and for another when a strange man approached his partner and said, soulfully:

brighten up for the New "I say, darling, when are we going to have an-other dance? It's almost an hour since I had one with you."

"I know, dear," answered the girl, "but I don't Year. know how to get away from this deaf-and-dumb

"Electrically at Your Service"

Aeronautics

(Detroit News) NO longer does any one doubt that the next great advance in transportation is to be made by perfecting commercial aviation. If so much can be accomplished in the short space of 23 years, surely the business foresight, skill and enterprise of our time can provide the remaining details. For in comparison with the marvelous accomplishments of the inventors, the surveying and lighting of routes and providing adequately equipped la fields appear a mere detail.

Peace In Industry

(London New Statesman)

ably settled if approached in the right spirit. And there never can be a difference so trifling that it \$5<u>.00</u> Up to may not be made the occasion of war if it is ap-proached in the proached in wrong spirit. We are con ELIHU ROOT. fronted by some difficulties in this regard to this coun-try. We have long been a member of the community of nations and adjust-ing with our sister nations the rights and obligations and duties of members of that community arising from

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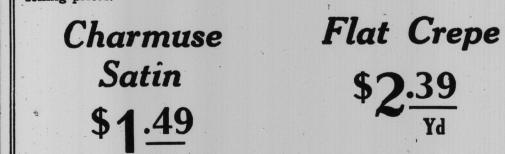
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these great reductions. **Feature Bargain** Tuesday

TOWELS Good large size, but not the bath size-45c pair

The policy of this Store is not to carry over stock from season to season, which accounts for Feature Bargain Feature Bargain Tuesday Tuesday COLORED RUFFLE BLEACHED TABLE WHITE TURKISH DAMASK CURTAIN MATERIALS Voiles, Marquisette, white You will know the value ground with colored frill when you see the smooth lustrous texture and the -extra good qualities; colors, canary, mauve, assortment of patternsblue, and all white 25c 75c yard

DON'T WAIT TO PREPARE THE DINNER ON TUESDAY, but come down at 9 o'clock and get your share of these Silk values. These qualities are high grade and the newest shades. Note the former selling prices.



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Before the sale this same quality Crepe was special at \$3.19. On Tuesday you Italian Blue, Cloud, Cinderella, Sleeptake your choice from a wide range of ing Beauty, Pink, Coral, Navy Blue, Mon-ace, Alladdin. Regular \$2.75 quality. color at \$2.39 yard.

Right in the Height of Fashion is This

Windbreaker Flannel

56 inches wide, has a soft broadcloth finish, can be used for knick-ers or smart frocks. The regular price was \$2.95. On Tuesday



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Couldn't Shake Each Other HE was a stranger in the neighborhood, and had been brought to a dance at the local deaf-anddumb hospital by an old friend, the doctor. "How on earth can I ask a deaf-and-dumb girl "Just smile and bow to her," replied the doctor

So the young man picked out a pretty girl and bowed and smiled, and she bowed and smiled,

