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## THE GRANITE TOWN GREETINGS

### Mrs. Asquith has Pointed the Price.

London, Feb. 4.—Mrs. Asquith's notable epigram uttered when giving testimony in the West slander case has made her almost as famous as her husband, the Prime Minister, who in his reply to a question in the House of Commons uttered the not yet forgotten "Wait and see."

"Extravagance," she said, "is usually a passport to society."

Now a writer in *The Tatler* takes up the matter, and tells what the life of the modern society woman means and how costly is her life if she means to keep "in the swim."

"The demands of the smart set," says the writer, "need a purse of Croesus, the powers of a quick change artist and the juggling abilities of a Chancellor of the Exchequer."

"For a society woman's life is vivid and various; there are forty-eight hours to her day, and she goes to Paris to fit a new frock and to New York for a new face treatment. The London season is costly campaign, and to carry on, say, from the middle of May to Goodwood a woman in the swim must have at least six sumptuous evening gowns, with a couple of little frocks to act as accessories and of course the usual lot of Ascot and garden party gowns, with a correct get-up for bridge, days on the river, short journeys and motoring. And all this without mention of the court gown and train which every year or two demanded her by her position."

"Then, with August, come yachting trips and Cowes, followed by Aix, Hamburg or Marienbad. September brings Scotland, with other fashionable race meetings later on. Next runs over to Paris, while November has the country home parties and shoots. Then London again, with its Christmas, followed by visits to the Riviera or Egypt."

"As for the price paid for pet dogs, really a veil must be drawn over these proceedings. Three or five hundred pounds is often given, and some weird specimens are priced at £1,000."

### VALUES AND WAGES IN CANADA LAST YEAR

Statement Issued by Census Office.

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—The Census Monthly for January says that values and wages in Canada made a good record for 1910. The total value of live stock on the farms is \$594,908,000, which is \$34,979,000 more than in 1909. The price per head of horses \$132.50, as against \$130.72 in 1909 of milch cows \$42.60 against \$36 of other cattle \$39.90 against \$38.61, and of sheep \$6 against \$5.69. Swine alone show a drop in average price, being \$11.30 per head against \$11.80. The total value of horses is \$193,297,000 for last year, against \$278,789,000 for 1909; of milch cows \$121,613,000 against \$103,701,000; of other cattle \$131,781,000, against \$126,326,000, and of sheep \$15,819,000 against \$15,735,000. The value of swine, however, fell from \$34,368,000 in 1909 to \$31,157,000 in 1910.

The highest average prices of horses was in Saskatchewan; of milch cows, other horned cattle and sheep in Ontario, and of swine in Quebec. Horses, three-year-old and over, reached the highest price in British Columbia, where the average was \$225. Swine per 100 pounds live weight ranged from \$6.50 in Manitoba to \$7.62 in Quebec. The price of unwashed wool was 18 cents in 1910 and 17 cents in 1909, and of washed wool 24 cents for each year.

The average value of occupied farm-lands in the Dominion was \$38.45 per acre, or 15 cents less than for the previous year. It was highest in British Columbia, where the cost of clearing is heavy and land is largely occupied for fruit growing, the average being \$74 per acre, or 56 cents per acre more than in the previous year. Ontario comes next, with \$48 per acre, which is \$2.22 less than in 1909.

Farm help for the summer season shows an average of \$35.15 per month for males, and \$20.79 for females counting board, as compared with \$36.60 and \$19.08 in the previous year. Males have an average of \$347.10 and females \$209.09 per year counting board, as against \$336.29 and \$206.08 respectively for

1909. The highest prices per month in summer are paid in Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia, where they are \$40 and over for males and \$25 and over for females, counting board.

The average rate of board per month ranges from \$8 for males and \$6 for females, in Prince Edward Island, to \$20 and \$17 respectively per month in British Columbia.

The rates of wages and board are quoted for the farm where males are employed on the land and females in the houses. The averages are computed from a number of returns by farmers to the census office.

### PLEASANT RIDGE

The lumbermen who had been hampered in their business for want of snow are hauling in earnest now. A large quantity of pulp wood is being hauled to Rolling Dam Station and to the Magaguadavic River for the St. George pulp & Paper Co., and hauled to M. E. Murphy and Nodding & Sons mills.

W. S. Thompson of Rolling Dam, passed through this place last week on his way to Piskahagan.

Dollie Stewart was the guest of Mrs. James Murphy on Sunday.

Everett Lord who has been very ill is some better at time of writing.

J. B. Mark of this place made a business trip to Piskahagan recently.

Henry Hooper shot a large hawk last week which measured three feet, eight and a half inches.

Mr. Christie of Harvey passed through this place last week to his lumber camp at Piskahagan with a load of oats.

A. W. and James Stewart who are employed with E. McShane at the Kilron spent Sunday at their homes here.

### Queer Claims Made by British Noblemen

London, Feb. 4.—The Court of Claims is held to be a very serious ceremonial. All present have to attend in royal court or levee dress, but though the formalities had to be gone through with all the dignity pertaining to such a function, it was difficult for even the most sober judges to preserve a serious demeanor, so quaint were some of the claims put forward by men of the nobility. These claimants bore the oldest names in the peerage and baronetage, and asked for positions to which they considered themselves entitled at the coronation.

In many of the cases the precedent established on the occasion of the crowning of King Edward was followed. One of the most curious was the claim made by the Earl of Erroll to walk in the Abbey procession, and to have a silver baton of twelve ounces weight, tipped with gold at each end, and having the royal arms at one end and his own at the other. The claim was granted at the last coronation, but the baton was not provided, and now the Earl petitioned for his baton. But he did not get it.

The claim of the Duke of Newcastle to provide a glove for His Majesty's right hand was allowed without discussion. The dates back to the time when the Kings of England were supposed to be able to cure diseases with a touch of the fingers of the right hand, and the glove provided by the Duke of Newcastle of the time was to protect the King from infection.

The Duke of Roxburgh claimed and received the privilege of carrying the staff of St. Edward in the procession, and Mr. Guillemore O'Grady, Dublin Herald of Arms, and Capt. R. A. L. Keith, Cork Herald, claimed equal rights with the Scotch heralds to be present at the coronation, a right which has not been granted them since the coronation of George IV. This time they were made happy by the right being restored to them.

### Sydney Booze Turned into Water

Halifax, Feb. 7.—An expensive trick has been practised in connection with the liquor suit of Sydney vs. Union Jack Club of that city, which will cost some one \$1,000. Recently the inspector seized \$1,000 worth of liquor from this club, who later secured the return of the liquor on replevin process, the legal question being raised as to whether proceedings could be taken against a so-

called club, under the name of the Nova Scotia temperance act.

After two trials the case went against the club and it was up to them to return the "goods." When the city got "goods" back it was found that the entire lot consisted of nothing stronger than water, every bottle had been emptied and refilled with the city's own brand.

The city is secured as it holds a receipt and a bond from the sheriff is also held. —St. John Tel.

### Into Sacred Precincts of the Tower of Babel

London, Jan. 30.—Prof. Koldewey, who for eleven years has been engaged in excavating the site of ancient Babylon for the German Orient Society, has published an interesting account of last year's work. The work was divided between the private houses of the city, the fortifications the citadel "Ksar," with palace and connected buildings, and finally the sacred precincts of the Tower of Babel. Results of importance were attained in all four quarters.

The part of the outer fortifications which was laid bare showed the massive character of this work, each side of which was six kilometers long. Almost the whole southern side of the inner town wall has been excavated. Originally this wall was directly connected with the fortifications of the citadel. The southern part of the citadel has nearly all been uncovered. This part is oldest, and here, overbuilt by Nebuchadnezzar's latest palace extensions, lie the remains of the Euphrates quay walls of Sargon and Nabopolassar.

After the completion of Nebuchadnezzar's palace extensions this part of the citadel served as the private residence of the king, the offices of the court, the private dwellings of the palace officials, and the government offices being farther to the west.

"Here," says Prof. Koldewey, "is the hall where Nebuchadnezzar was crowned and the scene of Belshazzar's feast. It was here also that Alexander gave his generals the last commands for the conquest of the world."

The fourth object of investigation, the "Sachin" lies between the citadel and the hill Amran. The precinct of the Tower of Babel is a square with sides of about 400 meters divided into several compartments. On all four sides are large entrances mostly with courts on the outside. Probably in these courts collected the spectators or participants in processions. Into the walls were built towers vertically fluted at short intervals. Remains of 400 of these towers have already been excavated, but the total number was probably a thousand.

"Here," says Prof. Koldewey, "there is no trace of grace, but only might and power, great numbers and great masses. This style of architecture will probably also be found in the Tower of Babel, the excavation of which, says the Professor, "we now aspire to and expect."

To these particular ruins refers a not fully deciphered Babylonian inscription, giving the measurements of various edifices. It is hoped that when the excavations are complete a comparison of the inscription with the ruins will completely elucidate the Babylonian standard of measurement.

**The Joy of Boyhood.**  
Beside the flame that flickers  
And lights the hearth-stove,  
A little urchin snickers,  
And reads a story book.  
The sage it would not tickle,  
But to the hungry boy  
The sweetest loaves he picks  
Give only honest joy.

The creatures that inhabit  
His pages are alive.  
The chipmunk and the rabbit  
Who for the honors strive.  
The wise and wary beaver,  
The slow and drowsing snail.  
In him have found believer  
As each unfolds a tail.

The gallant on a charger  
Who bravely rides away  
Unto his eyes looks larger  
Than mount of modern day.  
The case of maid romantic  
Who wanders through the halls  
In pity drives him frantic  
Until her lover calls.

Who would not trade his acres,  
His treasures and his lore  
If he could but find takers  
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### Maine Man Kills Black Fox

(Leviston Journal)  
George L. Worthley of Norridgewock shot a black fox Tuesday, which is estimated to be worth from \$250 to \$300. Mr. Worthley thought he was on the trail of a red fox.

He had set his Kentucky fox hound on a scent and in a few minutes after the dog had made a circuit of several miles the fox ran up close to where Mr. Worthley was on the watch. It took but one shot to kill the animal. This is the sixth black fox that has been killed or captured in Norridgewock this season. Three of them have been captured and are still alive.

### Would Tax all Church Property in Ontario

Toronto, Feb. 7.—Charles R. McKeown M. P. P. for Dufferin, will introduce in the legislature a bill providing that all church property in Ontario should pay taxes. At present all such property given over to religious uses is exempt from taxation. The church property in Toronto exempt from taxation totals \$4,657,957.

Mr. McKeown instanced the case of Montreal where an enormous portion of the property of the city was non-taxable since it was owned by the Roman Catholic church.—St. John Tel.

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