

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM HARKIN'S ACADEMY

A very interesting debate was held in the Assembly Hall of the Academy Friday, March 3rd. between the boys and girls of the advanced department. The affirmative side of the resolution, "Electricity is more useful than steam" was ably upheld by the girls led by Miss Reta Blackmore but Yorston Benn and his supporters proved to be more than a match for the girls winning on both argument and presentation by very slight margins.

The next resolution to be debated is: "Resolved that the murder of Caesar was justifiable."

Recent semi-official reports concerning the ex-ship "Victory" recall to our mind the distribution in October 1912 of the Nelson shields to Canadian public schools. They were distributed under the auspices of the British and Foreign Sailors Society by the late Dr. Alfred Hall, former chaplain of the British Navy. These shields were moulded from the copper plates of the flagship "Victory" and H. M. S. "Foudroyant," and mounted on oak. In the centre of the design which is very artistic, the "Victory" in full sail is to be seen. An inset of Admiral Nelson is prominently placed. The "Oak of England" and the "Maple Leaf of Canada" complete the design. Nelson's famous statement, "England expects every man to his duty" is inscribed near the base of the shield.

The shield which was presented to Harkins Academy is held each week in the department, having the highest attendance percentage during the previous week. In this way the shield stimulates an interest in perfect attendance.

A Boys Life from the Point of view of a Grade V. Scholar:

"Up you get on Monday morn Off to school with face forlorn.

When Tuesday comes tis "get your wood"

"Now off to school and be real good."

Wednesday's lessons are very hard But "off to school" or you'll be jaigred.

Thursday enters upon our list "Get off to school or your ear 'll twist."

Friday comes the last of all And "off to school, and stop that "bawl."

De Omnibus Rebus

William Roman, the famous checker player of Grade X, still successfully holds his title Checker Champion of Harkins Academy. 'Billie' is somewhat of a prodigy in this game, for although several recent attempts have been made to carry away the honors "Billie" omnes impetus sustinuit.

Rumor about the school-room has it that Richard Jones, at present a member of the High School has successfully passed the Bank exam's and expects to enter the Royal Bank shortly.

Miss MacLeod, formerly of the

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Academy teaching staff is still supplying for Miss Urquhart who is detained at home by the serious illness of her mother.

"The 'stately minuet' is coming into fashion, even the mice have taken it up and may be seen at practise in the Academy.

Extracts from a paper, 'Co-operation between Parent and Teacher' by Miss James, B. A. of Westmount High School.

Parents and teachers are not mutually sympathetic; both are hypersensitive to criticism. Teachers as a class are criticised by parents more than parents are by teachers. What ever teachers think they make it a rule to make no remarks which will show the pupil that they consider a parent unwise, wrong, or lacking in judgment; but teachers are often made the subject of family jokes and are unkindly criticised over and over again in the presence of the pupils. Teachers in fact are the most criticised people on the face of the globe

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NORRIS GOVERNMENT

The defeat of the Norris government of Manitoba makes a general election almost a certainty of the early future, and a general election in Manitoba means the almost certain supremacy of the farmer government. The defeated premier has held office since 1915, but the general elections in June, 1920, gave the Liberal government twenty-one seats in a House of fifty-five, with seven Conservatives, twelve farmers, four independents and 11 labor. The Norris government has held office only because of the support it received from the independent groups.

Presto Change

Premier King is coming to his senses, and there is a remarkable change in his political health. Three or four months ago he was in a terrible position, his mind so affected politically, that he indulged in various contradictions, ran the whole gamut of dire imagination and made the walk in ring with the story of Canadas ills—in fact Canada, he taught us, had gone to the eternal bow-wows, the maple leaf, had turned into a weeping willow; industrial and national destruction, was all we had for a decade or so, of Conservative and Union rule, ruin stark ruin, was staring us in the face; our case almost hopeless, and the only salvation for the country was to put Meighen out, and put him in. All this and much more was the gospel according to the insane revelations of the time. The game was well played, and the people thoroughly fooled, "led astray by the blandishments as a courtly wooer." This time, truth was in the discard, disappearing to a more convenient time.

The "more convenient time" has dawned upon us hence a happy change it would not do to put a catalogue of political lies into the mouth of the King, and the Kings Representative, the Governor General, so the speech from the Throne, composed by King and Company, was a brighter specimen of the Actual state of affairs, than the doleful, and false cries of the same King and company, in their pre-election campaign. "Facts are stubborn things" and will not be downed. During the whole electoral campaign, and for some time before, even during the whole time that the calamity howlers, were vending their tales of woe; Canada was feeling the pulse of renewing life, recovering from whatever shock she had received, in common with others, from the disastrous storm of the recent world war. When the historian of the future writes the story of Canada during the Premierships of Borden and Meighen, he will discover, notwithstanding our heavy burdens, our commercial and industrial trials, and our heart struggles; a time in which "the land we love" became more than ever, a glorious nation, among

the Nations, which make up, the grand old Empire, o'er whose realm the Sun never sets. The clouds are drifting by, the silver linings has been showing, soon the Golden Sun, will shine in fullest splendour—and even the Kings speech, had to acknowledge it.

The same man—now Premier—who adopted the role of "calamity howler" before the election; in which his company gave the chorus; has placed quite a different story in the speech from the throne; and we are pleased to see that he has by doing so, given us some hope, that he is recovering from the political mania which attacked him a few months ago, and may be able with the assistance of outside help, to give some good service to the country. His change of opinion is given in the following words, taken from the Throne Speech "Our Dominion has not escaped the world wide economic disturbance and industrial depression, but has suffered less from it, than other countries. Keen observers of the business barometer feel that the worst is about over, and that at an early date we may look for a substantial revival of industry"

Such sentiments are a fairly good indication of the conversion of a calamity howler, for we must give full credit to King and company as the Authors; the composition does not come from either Royal King or Governor. From down-in-the-mouth pessimist, up to stout hearted optimist, is quite a jump, and we congratulate the Premier and his Ministers; upon their more truthful announcement of Canadian Affairs, more especially as their getting into power, had nothing to do with it. Their old "blue ruin cries" still remain, alongside of which, we now deposit; the better story of the Throne speech. They are fairly and flatly contradictory. Perhaps, we should not expect otherwise, for the experience of the electoral campaign; gave the people such a dose of Liberal contradiction, both self-contradiction, and contradiction of each other, such as Canada never had before, and let us hope, will never have again.

During The Week

Crises in British politics in these days are like ocean waves following one another in quick succession, with the tenth wave a little bigger than the nine that went before it. The present chief disturbance is connected with conditions in India, which appear to be going from bad to worse. The immediate sensation was caused by the publication of a despatch addressed by the Government of India to Right Honorable Edwin Montague, Secretary of State for India, urging the necessity for a revision of the Sevres treaty in view of the intensity of the Mohammedan feeling there. The Indian Government lays special emphasis, subject to the safeguarding of the neutrality of the Dardanelles on the following three points:

- (1) Evacuation of Constantinople
(2) Suzerainty of the Sultan over the Holy places.
(3) Restoration of Ottoman Thrace, including Adrianople and Smyrna.

The fulfillment of these three points, it is declared, is of the greatest importance to India.

Mr. Montague, without placing the report before the Premier or Cabinet gave it out for publication which has called for general condemnation and his resignation was called for and accepted.

By the action taken the Indian Government is charged with undertaking to dictate British policy in the Near East. This action is liable to embarrass Britain in her negotiations both with France and

Turkey seeking a working basis of understanding. To concede these claims would be to return to ante-bellum conditions returning to the unspeakable Turk all that has properly been taken from him. The fated beast has always profited by the dissensions of other peoples. To think of making these concessions would be to inflame Greece, Roumania, Serbia and other bordering States. The whole of South-eastern Europe would be aroused. This message comes on the eve of the important Near East Conference in Paris of March 22, between Britain, France and Italy, when the Treaty of Sevres will be discussed, and causes indignation and embarrassment. The Imperial Government which has allowed great latitude to fanatical leaders in India is waking up to the necessity of taking stern measures to suppress sedition and as a beginning Gandhi, who has been invested by the natives with supernatural qualities, has been arrested. It is quite possible that Lord Reading, the Vice-Roy may be recalled. The outlook is far from peaceful.

RECEPTION

Mrs. A. B. Cripp, wife of the Secretary of State held her first reception in Ottawa last week. Mrs. Herbert Horsey received with her. The tea table was presided over by Miss Carmichael of New Glasgow assisted by Miss Coutu and Miss Katherine Lynch of Fredericton.

WHEN LINCOLN FIRST ENTERED PUBLIC LIFE

Ninety years ago, almost to a day a young Illinoisan, aged twenty-three announced his candidacy for a seat in the Legislature of this State as a representative from Sangamon Co. in his published address to the voters of the district he wrote:

"Every man is said to have his peculiar ambition. Whether it be true or not, I can not say, for one that I have no other so great as that of being truly esteemed of my fellow men by rendering myself worthy of their esteem. How far I shall succeed in gratifying this ambition is yet to be developed. I am young and unknown to many of you. I was born and have ever remained in the most humble walks of life. I have no wealthy or popular relatives or friends to recommend me. My case is thrown exclusively upon the independent voters of the country and if elected they will have conferred a favor upon me for which I shall be unremitting in my labors to compensate."

The young man was a grocery clerk and his name was Abraham Lincoln. He had lived in the County less than a year. His campaign:

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Advertisement for MINARD'S "KING OF PAIN" LINIMENT, with a logo and text describing its use for various pains.

Extract from a letter of a Canadian soldier in France. To Mrs. E. D. BAMBRICK: The Rectory, Yarmouth, N.S. Dear Mother: I am keeping well, have good food and well protected from the weather, but have some difficulty keeping uninvited guests from visiting me. Have you any patriotic druggists that would give something for a gift overseas—if so do you know something that is good for everything? I do—Old MINARD'S Liniment. Your affectionate son, Rob. Manufactured by the Minard's Liniment Co. Ltd. Yarmouth, N.S.

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ing for office was interrupted by three months' service as a soldier in the Black Hawk War. On election day he was defeated (although he received the support of one-third of the voters in the district. Two years later he ran again and was elected.

That young man in politics had the right idea. Office holding was to him primarily an opportunity to give service to the public. And he gave it

Sixteen years after his first adventure in politics this same Illinoisan's political campaign was coming on. He wrote from Washington to his young law partner William H. Herndon:

"Now as to the young man. You must not wait to be brought forward by the older men. For instance, do you suppose that I should ever have got into notice if I had waited to be hunted up and pushed forward by older men? You young men get together and form a 'Rough and Ready Club,' and have regular meetings and speeches. Let everyone play the part he can play best—some speak, some sing and all 'holler."

That is good advice today. The young man in politics is the hope of the country. His is the fresh voice, his are the new ideas, his are the generous impulses. He should appeal as did young Lincoln, to the independent voters. Rousing Lincoln had nothing to offer save faithful and intelligent service. His life was before him and its success was to depend upon the quality of the service to be performed by him. The public spirited young men of today are in the same position.

They should unite on a platform of service. The nation is their heritage. They should rescue it from old abuses, old policies of narrow self-interest end in selfishness and spoils.

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

Hon. T. A. Crerar, the Progressive leader, who has at his back practically a solid Canadian West, told Parliament on Tuesday, "I am a believer in public ownership of utilities," and then declared for business administration of those utilities. That is the essential of all business success. Where there has been business management there has been success under both public and private ownership of utilities.

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