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LONDON, WEDNESDAY, JULY 22.

THE FRUITS OF THE SESSION.

The session of the tenth parliament of Canada, which closed on Monday, began on Nov. 28. There is no valid reason why it should not have ended in April or May. As it was, several important measures, notably the insurance bill, had to be shelved, owing to the policy of the purposeless obstruction pursued by the Opposition, at enormous expense to the country.

The Opposition has failed in its campaign of slander, persistently waged since the opening of the session. No fixed impression has been made upon the public mind by the fulminations of Messrs. Foster, Bennett, Fowler, Taylor, Ames and the other scandal-hunters. A cloud of charges and insinuations vanished into the air. The Opposition expected a coup in the Hodgins case, but it proved a boomerang. No member of the Government was smirched by the Opposition's mud-throwing, and the cry of graft and corruption was not sustained by any evidence of maladministration for which a Minister could be fairly held responsible.

In spite of obstruction and time-killing, the session was not barren. The civil service reform bill alone would make it fruitful. This legislation marks the beginning of the end of the patronage system, and the dawn of a better day in Canadian politics. It is a courageous step, which no other administration, federal or provincial, has ventured to take. Among other important measures are the following:

The land bill, which throws open millions of acres in Alberta and Saskatchewan to settlement on easy terms.

The placing of telegraphs and telephones under the jurisdiction of the railway commission.

The restriction of Japanese immigration by agreement with the Tokio Government.

The arrangement for the prevention of Hindu emigration to Canada.

The act restraining the use of tobacco by minors under 18 years of age.

The initiation of the Hudson Bay railway project.

The prohibition of the manufacture and sale of opium in Canada except for medicinal purposes.

The amendment to the banking act, by which an emergency currency will be available to prevent a monetary stringency during the harvest season.

The French treaty, which, however, awaits the ratification of the French Senate.

The reduction of the postage on dropped letters in cities and towns.

The old age annuities bill.

The extension of the boundaries of Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba.

The pledge of financial support to the All-Red route.

The act respecting juvenile delinquents, which is intended to protect children from the influences of vicious environment.

THE LATEST AIRSHIPS.

Count Zeppelin, the German inventor, though 70 years of age, is as hopeful of the complete success of his airship as if he were a man of 30, and had not met with many discouragements and spent fortunes in a work to which he has devoted his life. It is eight years since he made his first ascent with his first dirigible balloon, and a short time ago, in an address before an assembly of German engineers, he declared that with proper preparations one of his airships would rise and land without difficulty.

Recently Count Zeppelin's newest airship sailed across half of Switzerland at a speed of 34 miles an hour, remained in the air for twelve consecutive hours, carried fifteen passengers and alighted in safety. It is not surprising that even greater feats are predicted for this aerial wonder, and that its next test, which has been delayed owing to an accident, over a still greater distance than that of its last voyage, is awaited with keen interest.

Already German strategists and politicians are mentally rearranging the map of Europe as they calculate the military uses to which such contrivances may be put. Evidently, however, the German war minister re-

fuses to take this invention at the value placed on it by these enthusiasts, for he has demanded that the inventor operate his craft in a storm before its acceptance by the Government. Zeppelin is himself optimistic as to what would happen were he caught out in a gale, for he asserts that the principle behind the movement of his airship can in no wise be affected by sudden atmospheric pressure or change of current. He claims that his rigid type of airship can go further in the same time than one of the semi-rigid kind and retains its shape even when it has lost some of its buoyancy, while the loss of one of its gas chambers is comparable to the flooding of a single compartment of an ocean liner. Moreover, the rigid airship retains its form quite independently of the action of its motors. If the inventor succeeds in making good all his claims in his next voyage, all doubt as to his entire success must vanish.

Meanwhile Germany is not the only country in which the matter of aerial navigation is claiming attention. Some time ago it was learned that the British war office had been quietly experimenting with dirigible balloons, and is believed to possess in the Nulli Secundus an airship equal to any yet invented. If the next conflict in which Britain becomes engaged should involve a test of aerial invention, it may turn out that after all the talk of Zeppelin's wonderful machine she is mistress of the air as well as of the sea.

WEIGA OF TAMAGAMI.

Our gifted fellow-citizen, Mr. Cy Warman, has turned his pen to good account since he has made his home in Canada. His chief field has been the Canadian West, and he has done much to spread the story of its growth and greatness throughout the United States. He has now found literary treasures in the Highlands of Ontario. "Weiga of Temagami," his latest volume, is a collection of Indian folk-lore tales and poems, redolent of the life of the Indians in the lovely region where "the moose and reindeer roam, where the summer is short, and the twilights long, and Lake Temagami lies limpid beneath the northern sky."

There is a simple beauty in Mr. Warman's treatment, a musical utterance in perfect harmony with the theme. No one but a lover of nature, with the heart of a poet, could have created this atmosphere. This description of how the Indian god, Gitche Manitou, made Temagami, is a sample of the charm of the work:

"Gitche Manitou made the forests and streams and the fishes, whose fins he glided with the gold of the sun. He dipped the wild rose into the liquid glory that floods the west when the day is dying. He brought the blue from the hazy sky, swept the silver from the shimmering lakes, mixed it with a million sunbeams, and scattered it broadcast over all the earth, and there is your silver, your cobalt and gold, for which the white man will burn and battle and fight and die."

The stories of Indian lore are interspersed with quaint bits of verse, as:

Gitche Manitou, the Mighty,
Mitche Manitou, the bad;
In the breast of every Redman,
In the dust of every dead man,
There's a tiny heap of Gitche,
And a mighty mound of Mitche—
There's the good and there's the bad.

It is seldom that a handsomer volume is issued from a Canadian printing house. The colored page borders, full page photographic illustrations, and pen and ink decorations are a credit to the publishers, McLeod & Allen, of Toronto.

The Seventh Regiment has been praised by Lord Roberts, and what higher praise could it have?

"Bob" is the idol of the populace in old London. When he comes to new London, make him think he is at home.

The lawn bowling tournament, the Old Boys' reunion and the visit of Lord Roberts will prevent a midsummer calm in the city.

The United States has lost a great citizen, as well as a great ecclesiastic, in Bishop Potter. He had the air and dignity of an old-world prelate, but was intensely modern in spirit.

The second provincial election in Saskatchewan will be held on Aug. 14. The first was held in December, 1905. A midwinter election in the West is a test of endurance and there is a valid argument for bringing it on just before the harvest operations.

GROUCHY.

[Cleveland Leader.]
"Would you like me to trim a little off the ends of that hair, sir?" asked the barber.
"Now," snapped the grouchy customer, "leave the ends alone and take some out of the middle."

BERNARD SHAW AND THE SUFFRAGISTS.

[London Correspondence New York Sun.]
Bernard Shaw was expected to take part in the woman suffragists' procession. But though his wife was in it he remained a looker on. Found at Hyde Park corner, he was asked why he was not walking with the suffragists.
"Because," he replied, "this is a woman's procession. I'm not a woman; therefore I'm not in it. If I had my wife there'd not be a single man in it, or a married one."
"I told my wife that I'd go on one con-

dition—that I should sit in a bath chair and that she should push it all the way. She didn't accept the offer."
"The procession was a fine sight. There has never been a procession in which the average of good looks was so high. But the horses of the mounted police would take the prize for real beauty, for the humans would be a long way behind; for, see, the horses are well looked after. They're valuable, and if one dies some one loses money. Human beings don't seem to be so valuable."
Three features in the procession arrested Shaw's eye. First, his wife, whom he greeted with uplifted hat; the second was a man carrying a baby; the third was a woman carrying a toy dog. The juxtaposition struck the philosopher.
"Look there," said he, "only one baby in the procession, and that carried by a man; only one dog in the procession, and that carried by a woman. What would Father Vaughan say if he were here to see it?"

DOCTOR'S CONSCIENCE SUPREME.

[Le Journal Medical, Brussels.]
The doctor should make his conscience a judge from whose sentences there is no appeal.

TREADMILL OF PLEASURE.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]
No life is happy or complete without some kind of work. A continual round of pleasure usually turns out to be a treadmill.

THE INFLUENCE OF SENTIMENT.

[Dublin Leader.]
The Irishman living out of Ireland has a better opinion of Irish-made goods than the one living in Ireland. Why this should be so, who can say?

JUDGES ARE BUT MEN.

[Boston Globe.]
Good judges are those who never forget that they are men. Bad judges are those in whom the sense of kinship with all humanity is strongest.

A FEMINE IDEA.

[McLandburgh Wilson.]
The wished-for rest and sunshine For nerves so overworked,
Pursuing this idea
A gray resort she sought.
She got a little bedroom,
Devoid of sun or ray.
The size was nine by seven,
The cost ten plunks a day.

By way of calming silence,
Of toll and trouble none,
She wore eleven costumes
From dawn to set of sun.
And then for calming silence
The band with crashing peals
Gave forth two concerts daily,
And also played at meals.

TOO YOUNG AT SIXTY.

[Town and Country, New York.]
Britain has always been looked upon as the one place where a man never reached years of discretion and logical comprehension before he had passed his sixtieth year.

CALCULATING LOTHIAROS.

[The Weekly Dispatch.]
The man who writes love letters of the "poppy-word" description is obviously not a designing villain. The really designing man never puts anything into black and white which could be construed as a promise of marriage.

IN PRAISE OF THE SCOT.

[Black and White.]
The typical Scot is a national asset. He may not possess quite so many heavenly virtues as he would have us believe, but while he exists a party of these islands need fear nothing for our commercial supremacy.

JUSTICE MORE POTENT THAN SWORD.

[Broad Arrow.]
The great dependency of India is held together more by the immaculate justice of the British magistrate than by the bayonets and guns of our soldiers. For the bonds are not of steel, but of flesh and blood.

WAGE-CUTTING LEGISLATION.

[North Queensland Herald, Townsville.]
Employment is scarcer now than ever it was in Queensland's history, and the wage rate shows a continual tendency to drop. That may not be the effect, but it has certainly followed, "labor in politics."

SPEECHES REFERRED TO BOMBS.

[Canadian Courier, Toronto.]
Britain is comparatively free from anarchist outrages; and yet London is almost the only capital in Europe where the anarchist can say and do anything that pleases him, so long as he keeps within the bounds of the law.

LONDON THROUGH OTHER EYES.

[Brussels L'Eventail.]
Saturday night in London! The life of the giant city broadens out in rumblings, costermongers' cries, the hars of hissing oil-lamps in the wind, improvised shops of tomatoes, rhubarb, meat, fowls and china. It is a tempest of cries and colors before the Sabbath rest.

THE REAL QUESTION.

[Nashville American.]
"Where does he get his money?"
"I don't know where he gets his, and I don't care. What I care about is in knowing is just how he gets mine."

THE PROBLEM SOLVED.

[Chicago News.]
Newed—My wife has a habit of taking money from my pockets when I'm asleep.
Oldwed—Mine used to do that, too, but she doesn't any more.
Newed—How do you prevent it?
Oldwed—I spend every cent I have before I go home.

OLD ACQUAINTANCE.

[Ailly Sloop.]
"Hello, Rummell, I hear your watch has been stolen?"
"Yes, but the thief has already been arrested. Only fancy, the stupid fellow took it to the pawnshop! There it was at once recognized as mine, and the thief was locked up."

AT THE BALL GAME.

[Evening Sun.]
This combination sweet
Would truly be elysian:
To have a grandstand seat,
Combined with knot-hole vision.

SPOILING THE TRIP.

[Woman's Home Companion.]
A certain Kentucky justice of the peace was called upon to marry a runaway couple who drove up to his house. When the final words were said the bridegroom fumbled in his pockets and finally fished out a silver dollar.
"Jedge," said he, "this here's all the cash I've got in the world. If you wants it you kin have it; but I don't mind tellin' you that I set it aside for the honeymoon expenses."

BRIDE STARTS A FATAL FIRE

A Spark Caused by Her Shoe Sets Fireworks Plant in a Blaze.

New York, July 21.—A spark from a nail in the heel of her shoe, it is thought by the police, was the cause of an explosion of fireworks in the Fortillo powder plant, foot of Williams avenue, Jersey City, which resulted in the death of Josephine Fabo, 20 years old, of No. 127 Williams avenue, who was in the plant with her husband's dinner.

In the meadow section of Jersey City are many powder plants, where fireworks are manufactured for big New York concerns.

Michael Fabo, employed in the Fortillo plant, is an expert fireworks maker. His wife, Josephine, had, since their marriage, six months ago, been in the habit of carrying her husband's dinner.

About twenty men were busy at the plant at noon-time when Fabo announced that it was nearly time for his wife to arrive with his dinner.

"Here she comes now," said a fellow-workman, as he opened the door. The bride came into the little inclosure, not much larger than a good-sized woodshed, with the familiar dinner basket in her hand.

As she spied Fabo she started across the powder covered wood flooring to get her reward—a kiss. She was not half-way across the room, however, when one of the men cried out a warning. He had seen a spark fly from a nail in the young wife's shoe. Hardly had he spoken when a blinding flash of light.

The rest of the workmen fled, but Fabo ran with all speed to the side of his wife, who stood in a shower of sputtering and exploding fireworks, but continued to clutch the dinner basket.

With the fireworks shooting all about them, the husband struggled to the door and out into the open with the limp and badly burned form of his bride in his arms. An ambulance hurried the woman to St. Francis Hospital, where, after feebly calling for her husband, she died before he could reach her side.

GOMPERS FAVORS BRYAN'S ELECTION

But He Does Not Undertake to Deliver Labor Vote to Democratic Candidate.

Washington, D. C., July 22.—In advance of publication in the Federationist, the newsmen of the Federationist, President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, liberated tonight the press sheets of a Democratic editorial that will appear in the August issue of the paper. There are three double columns of it, much of the type being used in quoting the written demands that Mr. Gompers and his associates made upon the Republican and Democratic conventions for insertion in their party platforms.

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JACK AND BEANSTALK IN TWENTIETH CENTURY

Men Trying to Sell Beans Arrested on Charge of Stealing Them.

Batavia, N. Y., July 21.—L. C. Case, manager of Ferrin Brothers Company, a produce firm, bought some beans of two men. The strangers claimed to be Frank S. Brown, of Albion and his brother-in-law, Leslie Galtley. They demanded cash in payment for the beans.

As Mr. Case did not have the money on hand a check was made out to the order of Brown.

Soon after the men left, Mr. Case resolved upon from this sheriff to watch for two men with beans to sell as they were wanted, so starting for Main street, he ran across the fellows on Exchange Place.

"Hello, boys, got that check cashed yet?" asked Mr. Case.

"No," they replied, somewhat confused.

"Well, I know a fellow who will cash it for you if the banks are not open. Come along with me."

On reaching Main street, Mr. Case saw Sheriff Williams and said, "Here are a couple of fellows who want a check cashed."

The men were taken into custody by the sheriff on a charge of stealing the beans from D. S. Hartwell, of East Barre, Orleans County, and it was a telephone message from Hartwell that started Sheriff Williams to "the defense."

Deputy Sheriff A. T. Lord of Albion, came to Batavia to get the prisoners, but as he did not have the required papers the men are being held in Batavia.

There is a considerable shortage in the spruce gum crop in Maine this year, and first-class gum is now worth \$1 75 a pound.

THERE BEFORE TELLS MAGISTRATE

Would Not Take Advantage of the Court and Magistrate Commends Honesty.

Frank Black sprung a surprise on Magistrate Love at the police court this morning. Black was arrested last night for being drunk, and this morning Magistrate Love was about to let him go as a first-timer.

"I don't want to take advantage of you," said Black. "I have been here before."

"I don't remember you," said the court. "It must have been a long time ago. Anyway, you are the first man in my experience who was ever honest enough to tell me about it, and you can go. Honesty is the best policy."

His First Appearance.

Arthur Twitichin said he had lived in London for forty years and this was his first appearance in court. He was allowed to go.

Michael Costello was fined \$10 or ten days for being drunk. Magistrate Love thought Costello had been drinking so hard lately that he ought to be put on the Indian list. Mr. Costello said he did not want to be on the list.

Magistrate Davis, an Indian later, was fined \$10 for being drunk. Magistrate Love threatened to send Davis down for three months for not telling where he got the liquor. Davis pledged his word that he had been given a few drinks by a man whom he did not know.

Allan McRae, for being drunk, was fined \$5 or ten days, and took the days.

SAYS HE'S GLAD HE'S ARRESTED

A Member of a Notable Family Wants Money—Threatened to Kill Mother.

New York, July 21.—John A. Van Rensselaer, eldest son of Mrs. John King Van Rensselaer, of Newport and Philadelphia, who has become somewhat well known through his literary productions concerning eligible daughters of various wars and New York's old families, was arrested yesterday afternoon and locked up in police headquarters, charged with sending his mother a letter in which he threatened to do her bodily harm unless she gave him \$5,000.

Van Rensselaer, who was arrested in front of an apartment house at No. 116 Waverly Place, where he occupies a rear apartment with his wife, Kathryn Buxton, whom he married within the last year, told the detectives he wrote the letter in question and they say he repeated his threat to harm her. He said he did not mind being arrested and hoped the case would receive notice in the newspapers.

Van Rensselaer's letter was brought to the attention of the police by his mother who said that her son recently married an actress, had spent \$60,000 and was demanding more money.

The letter is as follows:

"I have just seen Lawrence Lee, and I am given to understand that you will pay \$20 per month for my board if I will go 300 miles from New York, and that I must have your written consent to leave the place that you may select."

"Did it ever occur to you that I have an absolute remainder interest in Aunt Frances's estate securities, and that by blowing your head off, that my wife would have an income sufficient to support her?"

"I will take that course, if necessary, and upon my head will rest the consequences. (Thaw is still alive, may be I will kill her workers.)"

"In any case, my wife, God bless her, will benefit by your demise, even if I don't."

"I have seen many disagreements and much suffering in my life, and I don't say that most of it is due to you. A selfish peacock, whose name in these times amounts to nothing, and who is almost, if not entirely, forgotten, in circles once tread."

"I am now in no humor to be trifled with, and I wish to go on record that I will take action on sight, unless something is done at once. You gave Harold \$5,000 and a trip to Europe. What have I had for my honesty?"

(Signed), "J. A. RENSSELAER."
"I want you to raise on that fancy name of yours \$5,000 for me. If you are such a great lady, make good; if not, keep out of my sight. I can raise cash enough yet, to go to you wherever you are, and I have a good name."

Van Rensselaer is a son of John King Van Rensselaer, and grandson of Brigadier General Henry Bell Van Rensselaer, aide-de-camp to Major General Winfield Scott. The Van Rensselaers are descendants from Col. Jermaine Van Rensselaer, who was a member of the colonial assembly in this state, and its speaker in 1664.

SOTHERN WON'T DEFEND

New York, July 22.—It was learned that E. H. Sothern, the actor, had been served with papers in a suit for divorce brought by his wife, Virginia Harned, his former co-star, alleging incompatibility of temper. The service was at the Hotel Netherlands three days ago, where Mr. Sothern had been living before he sailed for Europe.

Virginia Harned is now said to be living in Reno, Nev., where she has been for some time that she might bring a suit for divorce under the laws of that state, where incompatibility of temper is a cause for divorce.

The suit will have a speedy trial, and it is said that there will be no defense. Mr. Sothern is at present in France. He opened his season in Pittsburgh on Oct. 26, but may not return to this country until then.

The papers allege that the parties to the suit have not been living together for six months and are so constituted in temperament that it is impracticable for them to live together again.

LADY SWIMMER HELPS SAVE TEN

Many Gallant Acts Mark a Day's Bathing at Midland Beach.

New York, July 22.—In the presence of several thousand pleasure-seekers, William Doyle, the veteran lifesaver at Midland Beach, Staten Island; assisted by Miss F. Hurst, an expert woman swimmer, who is training for a long distance match, rescued nine women and one man from drowning at Midland Beach yesterday.

The rescues followed one after another in rapid succession, and as the lifesavers brought their charges ashore on each occasion, they were heartily applauded.

Dr. Bossan, who is living at the Beach, attended all of the victims, after which they returned to their homes.

Five of the rescued women had gone beyond their depth and were being rapidly carried out into the bay when saved. The others had been seized with cramps.

Those saved gave their names, as follows: Mrs. William Jones, of Newark, N. J.; Miss Louise Brand, of Jersey City; Miss Anna Jacobs, of Newark; Miss Jennie Werner, of Jersey City; Roberta Wayne, of Manhattan; Mrs. George Smith, of Newark; Mrs. Harry Redmond, of Jersey City; Miss Lulu Gordon, of Newark; Miss Nellie Smith, of Jersey City, and Patrick Johnson, of Manhattan.

Lifesaver Doyle is a member of the United States Life Saving Corps, and since the first of May he has 35 rescues to his credit.

CANADIAN

The Doukhobors in jail at Regina refuse to eat. The boat have a small dock built a considerable distance into the bay. It is a favorite playing place for the children of the family and neighborhood. Mrs. Reay worried much over this, but Chummy always declared that if baby fell in, "I'd get braver out."

Opportunity came yesterday, and Chummy didn't hesitate. The boy can swim, and when the baby went to the bottom, quick as a flash, he was at the end of the dock and had the little one to the surface. After much effort he got him ashore. The babe was unconscious, but was revived, and is none the worse for the experience.

The eleven London gas companies supply among them 46,403,552,000 cubic feet of gas to 1,101,896 consumers. Wheat matures in Canada in from 90 to 100 days.

On Wednesday 675 miles of the G. T. P. from Winnipeg to the Battle River will be completed.

G. Grimshaw, of Kingston, drove his horse on a live wire and he and the animal were stunned.

Mr. Samuel Hunter, one of Ingersoll's oldest and most esteemed residents, died on Tuesday.

A man asleep in a fourth-story window in Montreal fell to the ground and escaped serious injury.

The prairie provinces are facing a lumber famine owing to the number of cars used for the crops.

Bert Green, injured in a quarry explosion, near Dundas, two weeks ago, of greenite, his own invention, is dead.

Mayor Stewart, of Hamilton, is now ready to sign the street lighting contract with the Cataraugus Power Company.

Benson Dickson and R. Eyles, young bank clerks of Brockville, under arrest, charged with stealing sums of money from an express company, were committed for trial Tuesday.

Mr. Thos. Riddle, of St. Thomas, fell from a roof Tuesday, a distance of 30 feet. He was badly shaken up, but his injuries are not considered serious.

Little Effie Plantz, the daughter of Mr. Martin Plantz, of Berlin, ate some plums that had fallen into a potato patch and had a narrow escape from death by paris green.

The steamer Chas. A. Street, of Mount Clemens, with three barges in tow, caught fire in Lake Huron and was destroyed. The crew of thirteen men were landed safely by the crew of the barge.

MASKED ROBBERS

GET BOX OF GOLD