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THE REASONABLE PROPOSAL.

Some of Hon. Mr. Blair's newspaper critics have sought to create the impression that he stands opposed to any further railroad construction under any circumstances, and have otherwise distorted his speech. The former Minister of Railways believes in building as rapidly as the necessities of a country demand, but he would first be sure that the new construction is planned according to sound business principles and in the best interests of the country which is to pledge its credit to meet the bills. He appealed to the calm reason of the people. His speech was constructive as well as destructive. To quote one passage:

"Now, Sir, my proposition is this: We ought to have come before parliament as a government, and we ought to have said to parliament and to the country: We are favorably impressed with the importance of the early construction of another transcontinental railway; but, as business men, as prudent and cautious men, we think that the proper course for us to take is to get an appropriation from parliament in order that this whole country which is proposed the railway shall traverse in so far as it has not been officially explored, and in so far as we have not been made familiar with its conditions, shall be ascertained and made known to the people of Canada, laid before parliament at a later day; and then if these reports are favorable it is our fixed purpose to ask parliament to justify us and authorize us to go along with railway construction in that territory. My idea would be that we should go as far as we could reasonably and as the necessities would justify, and when we got through that we should then call a halt until the necessity arose for further extension through the western country. We would have our officials on the alert and they would see when the growing needs and prospects of the country would justify a further extension, and when that time came, then if nobody else entertained it, and even if they did, my idea would be that we should continue our road along; go right along through; go along just as required to do it in the true interest of the country. Then this discussion, which I have said was so necessary, would have taken place. The public press would take the project up; the public platform might perhaps be used to some extent, parliament would discuss the matter in all its bearings, and you would get the ideas of the people as to whether government ownership and government operation, or company ownership and company operation would be the most desirable, and the arguments would be brought pro and con and you would have the people of Canada put in possession of all the facts of the scheme which was to be adopted before they were irrevocably committed to its adoption."

What practical man is prepared to say the foregoing proposal is not reasonable? The delay advised is in no sense formidable. It can impart no interest of importance. It is in the interests of Canada and of the

Liberal party. It may not be welcome to the railroad promoters, but, in theory at least, the plan is to build for the people, not the promoters.—Telegraph.

THE THRILL OF EMPIRE.

Mr. A. R. Colquhoun has an article in the North American Review on Mr. Chamberlain's new fiscal policy from which we take the following extract as making a new suggestion to account for the Colonial Secretary's pronouncement:

"The Colonial Secretary has always stood to his fellow Britons, admirers or detractors, as the type of audacious, successful and not too scrupulous cleverness. He has, moreover, acquired a reputation for backbone which has commended him to men in the Colonial service, who had suffered from the waddling of previous chiefs, and in the same way to the unconventional and daring Colonials in all quarters, who have no sympathy with kid-glove diplomatism. There is good reason to believe that Mr. Chamberlain counted on this reputation when he took the bit between his teeth and made the announcements which have plunged the whole country into confusion; but this motive for acting as he has done seems to me to be simpler than is usually supposed. He has been so long credited with Machiavellian designs that even some of his quondam supporters, who condemn his action as a tactical mistake, are casting around for some deep-laid scheme in connection with it.

"My own belief is, that Mr. Chamberlain has fallen under a spell which all of us who know Great Britain at first hand must feel, sooner or later. For some time, his connection with Colonial affairs had been modifying his views on many matters; but a visit, even a brief one, to the 'illimitable veldt' came as a vivifying flash to his brain. The change of focus in his views of which he spoke in one of his speeches, is a thing many of us have felt. Downing Street ceased to be the centre of the universe and became a mere dot on the horizon of Empire. Those of us who have breathed this wider atmosphere can appreciate the difference it made to a man ripe with experience of Colonial affairs, able to read into the whole the spirit of a single part. We see, therefore, no longer the taciturn, adroit, successful party leader, but the statesman with a great idea, ready to stake all on a single throw; for there can be no doubt that on this issue will depend Mr. Chamberlain's future career.

"There is, of course, a half-expressed thought in the minds of many of the opponents of the new proposal, even if—a very big 'if'—we lose the self-governing Colonies, what will it matter? We shall still be an Empire, with India, the Crown Colonies, our world-wide trade and our unrivalled navy. It is difficult for me to enter into the spirit of this contention, perhaps because I have lived so much on the fringes of our Empire, and have always felt myself integrally a part of the whole, that I cannot imagine Britain as a more successful Spain, a richer Holland. And I look to our overseas dominions as the nurseries of our race, as the heritage of our children, who will, I think, be immeasurably the losers, if the fact which drives them from this overcrowded Island forbids them to live in white man's countries under the British flag.

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THE RAILWAY PROJECT.

The debate on the transcontinental railway project of the government clearly develops that the House of Commons is in favor of the scheme. Even the opposition speakers do not dispute the need for another railway so much as they criticize details. If the government plan had been to have a road built only from the western terminus of the Grand Trunk to the prairie wheat fields, the opposition would have been busily engaged demonstrating that all grain which would be brought out of the West would go to Portland. The scheme devised by the administration to bring the grain and other products to Maritime Province ports in winter finds no sympathy with the opposition, but their criticisms are largely an effort to demonstrate that the government should do something definite in regard to route. Appeals are made to sectionalism, and the attempt is made to show that if some other route than a short direct route was chosen it would be "much better. In the meantime public opinion is steadily growing throughout Canada in favor of the undertaking. It is to be expected that in a great measure of the kind there will be opposition to some details, but these do not affect the general principle. There are many persons since the ex-Minister of Railways promulgated the view at Vancouver that one other transcontinental railway will be necessary and that middle aged men might live to see three or four such lines, who have become full believers in that doctrine. That such a vast undertaking cannot be carried out without some difficulty and with some difference of opinion as to methods goes for the saying of it.—Globe.

WASTE OF WATER.

At the present time altogether too much water is being used in the town of Newcastle. Now this is hardly correct, it is being misused. With not one hundred connections, and the most of them for only one tap, the pump at the power house has to pump about 60,000 gallons of water every twenty-four hours, or over 600 gallons of water per connection per day. Why this wilful waste? It seems that our citizens do not realize that it costs dollars and cents to pump this water and the more they waste the more it will cost to run and maintain the service.

If this much water is used now what will be the consumption when the cold sets in. In looking at some of the connections made this summer we notice some that have no protection from the frost, the pipe coming out of the ground under buildings

which have no basements. How are these to be prevented from freezing unless they are allowed to run. An inspector should be appointed at once, one who understands plumbing, etc., and who does not want too high wages, whose duty it shall be to inspect all such places, and see that the bye-laws regulating the use of water are adhered to.

If a few examples were made of offenders it would serve as a wholesome lesson to others.

Where the Ladies Propose. Between the mountains of India and Persia is a powerful tribe, among whom an extraordinary custom prevails. Women's rights have apparently received full recognition, for the ladies of the tribe can choose their own husbands. All a single woman has to do when she wishes to change her state is to send a servant to pick a handkerchief to the hat of the man on whom her fancy lights, and he is obliged to marry her, unless he can show that he is too poor to purchase her at the price her father requires.

Not a Student of Form. Teacher—Willie, if one horse can run a mile in two minutes and another horse can do it in three minutes how far apart will they be at the end of eight miles? Willie—Madam, I was brought up strictly. Above all things, my parents have warned me to avoid horse racing. Consequently I cannot answer your question.

Those Educated Sandwiches. College idiot (in the lunch room)—There's one good thing I can say about these sandwiches. Kibol Friend—What's that? College idiot—That they're college bread.

One of the most important things in the education of a boy is that he should learn to keep his lips together.—Boston Globe.

Live with the wolves, and you will learn to howl.—Spanish Proverb.

An Exception. "Do you believe," asked young Dunderbush, who is only five feet tall, "that brevity is the soul of wit?" "Not in your case," replied Miss Bif-fington in a tone redolent with acrimony.

Sympathy. Missionary—Our situation was so remote that for a whole year my wife never saw a white face but my own. Sympathetic Young Woman—Oh, poor thing!

A GRAND Bazaar & Fancy Fair

Will be held by the congregation of St. Michael's Pro-Cathedral, Chatham in the

Johnson House and Grounds, From Tuesday, Aug. 11th, till

Monday, Aug. 24th. To aid in providing funds for the New Cathedral, to be erected in order to meet the pressing need for larger Church Accommodation. It will also be a memorial of the late venerated Bishop Rogers, who for more than forty years ruled the Diocese so well.

The Bazaar will be open each day from 5 o'clock until 10 o'clock, except the first and last days, when it will be open from 2 o'clock.

Useful and fancy articles will be on sale at the different tables during the Bazaar. Refreshments, suitable to the season, will be on hand. Amusements and games of all kinds, tea each evening from 5 o'clock. The band of St. Michael's C. T. A. Society will attend each evening. Admission 10 cents. There will be entrances to the grounds from St. John and Canard streets.

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SCHOOL RE-OPENING

Our stock of books and school supplies is now in. It comprises the necessities for school, authorized by the board of education for the school year. We have also a full line of stationery in the latest styles and tints. Crepe paper, Paper Napkins etc. etc.

GEO. STABLES. The People's Grocer.

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From the Raw Wool to the Finished Garment!

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GRAND PICNIC, SOIREE AND ELECTRICAL DISPLAY.

Wednesday, Aug. 19th.

The Ladies of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Newcastle, intend holding their annual Picnic and Soiree in Church Grounds on the 19th instant.

Meals will be served in first class order. A Band and Orchestra will be in attendance all day and evening. Music for dancing will be furnished and a Grand Soiree will be held at night. The grounds will be ornamented and lighted by electricity. Games and amusements will be furnished all day and evening. In fact a day of wholesome pleasure and recreation will be insured to all who patronize the grounds. The S. S. Miranichi will carry passengers to and from Newcastle and also return passengers for Nelson, Douglastown and Chatham after the Soiree.

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We have a new supply of Tar Soap and Carbolic Soap, Extra large cakes

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One car of Redpath's Standard Granulated Sugar in barrels and bags. Also car of coarse Feeding Flour in barrels and bags. Five Reser, Jersey Lily, City Queen and Tilson's Run-dried Oat Meal, Always in stock. Sold low to the Trade P. HENNESSY.

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