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THE BROTHER CASE.

From all sides comes condemnation of the pardoning of Brothier, after serving two years out of seven to which he was condemned. The charges against him were of the most heinous character of which a man could be found guilty.

It is said that whom the gods would destroy they first make mad. Such an act would indicate clearly that the government responsible for such a crime against society, is fated to destruction.

CANADA AND THE NAVY.

"We must become a real, integral governing part of the British Empire, if not we shall become something infinitely less." These were the words of Prof. Leacock in a lecture on Imperialism in Toronto at a meeting at which the lieutenant-governor of Ontario presided and the governor-general of Canada attended.

not in case of national peril or of war. Coming now to the question of the navy, it costs Great Britain \$160,000,000 a year; and notwithstanding our feeble pretence of protecting ourselves at our own expense that navy exists to-day as much for our protection as the Esquimaux and Halifax defences.

So that, therefore, as we have always done, we barked away the naval stations maintained by Great Britain for the mere boyish sentiment of going it alone—the giving up of a substantial benefit for an insubstantial, and at the same time, very costly one.

There are four alleged objections chiefly urged against Canada contributing to Imperial defence. First, Leacock dealt with these, saying that we are a poor people; the supposition of special immunity by virtue of the Monroe doctrine; the unlikelihood of war, and the fact that Canada is not represented in the parliament of Great Britain.

The programme of the sixth congress of the chambers of commerce of the Empire contains a number of important items for discussion, and it is sincerely to be hoped that something more than mere resolutions will result.

"It," said Dr. Leacock, "we realize in this country the need, we shall see that the time is come for an adequate Imperial representation as the best and nearest hope for a safe and stable future." In this connection he pointed out the permanent advantages of having one actual, real authority, that could tax us and defend us, and really govern us.

cel post rates; postal rate on Imperial publications; shipping bounties; registration of firms and surtax on rum.

The Canadian Manufacturers' Association will submit a resolution urging the advisability of arranging at an early date to mutual satisfaction and benefit reciprocal preferential trade relations among the various portions of the Empire.

The Montreal Board of Trade will move to reaffirm the resolution of the last congress respecting the duty of the self-governing colonies to participate in the cost of defending the Empire.

Both the Montreal Board of Trade and the Chambre de Commerce submit resolutions expressing a desire for the annexation of Newfoundland to the Canadian Confederation.

It is interesting to note that on the matter of the decimal system of weights, measures and currency, the Vancouver Board of Trade, the Chamber of Commerce of Montreal, the British Chamber of Commerce for the French Riviera and Principality of Monaco, the London Chamber of Commerce and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association all submit resolutions urging the adoption of such a system; and the latter association recommends the appointment of a royal commission to investigate, and if possible recommend, a uniform system for the Empire.

This, it must be borne in mind, does not mean the adoption of the metric system, to which the Canadian Manufacturers' Association is opposed, but the application of the decimal system to our present system of weights and measures, which is an entirely different matter.

FUTURE CAREER ASSOCIATION.

The people of Great Britain are beginning to realize that their educational system lacks definiteness and practicality. To be an educated Englishman, or to be an educated anybody else for that matter, does not mean that he is fitted to do anything in particular in life.

As we have stated, the people of the old country are beginning to realize the disadvantages of their system. One of the signs of the times in this respect is the organization of what is called "the Future Career Association," the offices of which are in London.

THE EDUCATION BILL.

In discussing the Education Bill now before the British House of Commons, the Colonist ventured some opinions which it is pleased to find strongly supported by the "London Times," which remarks that the government pleases nobody and settles nothing.

ment contribution to philology. To convey some idea of the labor of private individuals, the names of some of the chief contributors to quotations is given in the preface with the number of the references they have supplied.

The second volume contains only 10,000 quotations. The highest contributor, Miss Humphries, of Crickwood, has 18,700 to her credit; and a very large number have sent in from 2,000 to 10,000. The aim of the dictionary is to furnish "an adequate account of the meaning, origin and history of English words, now in general use or known to have been in use at any time during the last seven hundred years."

A GREAT DICTIONARY.

The Carnegie Library has been enriched by the acquisition of the first five volumes of the New English Dictionary which is being issued by the Clarendon Press at Oxford.

WESLEY AND HIS CENTURY.

John Wesley belonged to the eighteenth century; but his influence was greatest in the nineteenth. His biographer remarks that if John Wesley, long-chinned, prophetic man, who, on March 9, 1781, was carried to his grave by six poor men, leaving behind him nothing but a good library of books, a well-worn clergyman's gown, a much-abused reputation, and—the Methodist Church—could return to this world just now, when so much admiring ink is being poured upon his head, he would probably be the most astonished man on the planet.

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MARRIED CUPPAGE-POWELL—At St. John's church on the 9th inst., by the Rev. Percival Jenks, rector, Louis Robert Vernon, third son of George Cuppage, Esq., and Mrs. Cuppage, of Clare Hall, County Dublin, Ireland, to Noulie, second daughter of Dr. I. W. W. and Mrs. Powell, of Oakdene, Victoria.

BORN PALMER—At Victoria, on the 9th inst., the wife of Thomas Palmer, First street, of a son.

DIED HANNAN—At the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, on the 7th inst., William, second son of Annie and the late James Hannan, a native of Topeka, Kansas; aged 37 years.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE WANTED—A young Englishwoman, wishing to return to England, would like to assist in the care of children on the journey, in return for part payment of travelling expenses. Address "Enquirer" Station 8, Tacoma, Wash. 1350

From Friday's Daily Mammoth Strawberries—window on Government street there were displayed several pounds of the famous Ashley strawberries. The exhibitor is M. J. M. and the fruit was much appreciated. Game Bulletin—The prearranged information is prepared game bulletin, the last issue has been distributed. There is a demand for information in regard to the game. The new bulletin is now out, and it will be July 1st.

Lumber Trade Active.—City is reported in the lumber sections of the province, and Vancouver have never been as active at present, and it is believed that the province will have a good output for the province with a view to 14 million feet per year. With such a crop it is quite possible that the mill will be erected in the near future. G. T. P. Surveys.—Arrangements now completed for the despatch of G. T. P. parties from the steamer Camosun on Sunday. These will proceed to the Skeena and be assigned to sections selected route up the Skeena to implement the work of the party now working east of Prince Rupert. This will be a survey party in northern British Columbia, and will be made up of about 15 men that there are about 126 miles of the river.

Germany Inquisitive.—It is stated at Vancouver that the graphers connected with the secret service, have been taking graphs round the city for the last few days, with the object of obtaining an exact idea of the location of the city and its accessibility from just why so much attention is paid by Germany to Vancouver seem very clear says the "Enquirer" that it is probably because the German secret service is taking all possible steps to obtain accurate reports for use in any possible time of need.

The Timber Act.—It is reported that a number of logging camps on the northern coast, some of Mr. Murray's lands and works department notified the local timber inspectors of these infractions and being taken without delay. Murray takes with him a number of posters with which he will be operating with steam sawmills. Licenses, and they will be the matter is adjusted before persons found violating the law are fined or imprisoned. The exact date of the camps said to be operating under loggers' licenses are situated at Port Neville, and it is there that Murray's work will begin.

Governor's First Function James Dunsmuir will in all probability perform his first function in the lieutenant-governor of the province, opening the fine new building Young Women's Christian Association. The new building is now practically completed and the association hopes to be opened in the near future.

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