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### NOTE AND COMMENT

The Ontario government, in answer to a question, said that 8,297 orders in council had been passed since the Farmer party came into power.

The Washington Conference will save Great Britain £10,000,000 this year in the naval budget. Progress is now being measured by the reduction a nation makes in its military and naval expenditure.

Margot Asquith complains of our "dreadful" sleeping cars. Margot should travel really first class, in a compartment car, with its conveniences. She would then realize what luxurious travelling is like.

Mr. Wellington Hay of North Perth was elected Liberal Leader for Ontario at the Liberal convention held at Toronto last week. He has been in the Legislature since 1914, was chief Liberal whip and acting Leader after the resignation of Hardesty Dewar last year.

French Free-State officials are considering a new currency. While reckoning by pounds, shillings and pence will undoubtedly continue for some time, it is expected that the decimal system will eventually be adopted, and that "dollars and cents, or their Gaelic equivalents" will ultimately take the place of the sterling money.

Quelph Herald:—Some people wonder at the waste of time noticeable in debate in the Ontario Legislature. Can it be that the \$20 per day in addition to the \$1,400 seasonal indemnity, for every day if the session exists over 30 days, has something to do with the prolongation of the ordinary life of the Legislature?

Kingsston Standard:—Some people are still wondering if this is the time to buy, or should they wait for further drops in prices. So far as can be judged, it is the time to buy, and thus encourage trade. Money is required in circulation more than ever now, and we might point out that not only would buying aid in doing so, but so would the payment of old accounts, and the prompt payment of new ones.

Liberal women in the convention at Toronto last week went after what according to them, is a terrible inconsistency in the law respecting the franchise to women. According to Mrs. Ferguson and Mrs. Dewar, women have a right to be elected school trustees in rural sections, but they haven't the right to vote for school trustees—not even themselves—if they are running. The convention agreed that such a thing was unjust.

Detroit officials propose to ask for legislation that will make the deliberate destruction of food a crime. This follows investigation of conditions there among bakeries. Thousands of loaves of good, wholesome bread are withdrawn from the market daily and destroyed by burning or are sold to feed hogs and chickens. These loaves are counted by the bakers as an almost total loss. This loss is made up by charging more for the bread that is sold. That is one reason given by the bakers for the high price of bread in Detroit.

### HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE

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Man is naturally a home-loving animal, in fact most animals are home-loving. And when a man asks a woman to share his life, it is usually taken as a gentle hint that he wants her to make him a home and take a sort of general oversight of himself. He likes to know that she does things for him just for the reason that she loves him and is interested in him and his well-being. He loves his home more if there is some impress of her personality upon it. He likes best the meal she prepares for him. Of course, he says very little—perhaps nothing—of all this, being a man.

The girls are in trouble again. This time it is because they are wearing rolled stockings. One Collegiate principal has refused to admit any student thus adorned. Poor girls. We kick if they wear thin silk stockings, and we kick if they try to keep warm by wearing golf stockings over them. We kick if they wear their skirts too short and we kick if they wear them too long. We kick if they wear low shoes, in winter, and we kick if they wear overshoes, because they don't buckle them. Suppose some of us muffled up, rheumatic, asthmatic and sciatic old grouchers try leaving them alone for awhile.—Renfrew Mercury.

J. J. Hunter of the Kincardine Reporter has been listening to Margot Asquith. Standing it as long as he could, J. J. picks up the office axe and writes as follows: "If Herbert Asquith, ex-premier of Great Britain, had properly halter-broken Margot when they were first married she would not now be making the British people appear ridiculous in the eyes of the Americans. She's neither clever nor entertaining. The money that she is pulling down for what she calls a lecture is being taken under false pretences. Her talk is mere piffle and gossip. She should be ashamed to repeat some of the stuff she hands out. Margot—a muzzle for you!"

The Ontario Government formally started into the savings bank business on Wednesday, when branches were opened in Toronto, Aylmer, St. Mary's and Woodstock. Subsequently branches will be opened in other points. These will be designated "Province of Ontario Savings Branch," the word "bank" not being used. These branches will receive money not to loan it, the loans being made from Queen's Park. The government pays 4 per cent interest, and the money can be withdrawn the same as in any other savings bank. The object is to raise money which can be loaned to farmers at 6 per cent, the margin being expected to be sufficient to cover the overhead expenses. In case more is received than there is demand for, the balance will be invested in government loans.

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### PROHIBITORY LAWS OF EARLY VIRGINIA

They were hard riding, hard drinking, hospitable and gallant gentlemen the lords of the manor in Colonial days. Small "tippling houses," probably mere drinking bars, for the refreshment of travelers, became so numerous that Virginia passed her first prohibition laws limiting each county to one at the court house and one at a public landing or ferry. But this ancestor of the Volstead Act was not popular and was quickly swept aside, says Paul Willstach, in "Potomac Landings." The inns and coffee houses were so attractive with their convivial taprooms that they became an embarrassment to the colonial government, for the clerks in the provincial offices spent far more time tippling at their bars than in recording deeds in the government offices.

The Maryland laws against profiteering in liquors are interesting. Among the charges fixed by the Legislature were: Brandy, malaga and cherry, 10 shillings per gallon; canary, 12 shillings; French, Rhonish, Dutch and English wines, 6 shillings; Mum, 3 shillings; plain cider, 25, and boiled cider, 30 pounds of tobacco a quart. Lodging in bed with sheets was also fixed at 12 pence and diet 1 shilling a meal.

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### OUR POPULATION LESS THAN NINE MILLION

New Census Adds Ten Members to Commons. Ontario Loses One Member, the Western Provinces All Gain in Number of Representatives.

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—Revised figures of census returns issued last night bring the total population of the Dominion to 8,769,489, as compared with 7,206,643 in 1911, an increase of 1,562,846. The revisions modify the announced totals for Nova Scotia New Brunswick, Prince Edward and Ontario. The revised figures for Ontario, rather curiously, restore previously unofficial computations, the total announced being 2,929,054. The total for Ontario at the last census in 1911 was 2,523,274.

The total by provinces and territories, as compared with the 1911 census, now stands:

Province	1921	1911
Nova Scotia	523,835	492,338
New Brunswick	387,839	351,889
Prince Ed. Island	88,615	93,725
Quebec	2,349,067	2,003,232
Ontario	2,929,054	2,523,274
Manitoba	618,008	455,614
Saskatchewan	761,390	492,432
Alberta	581,055	374,663
British Columbia	523,353	392,480
Yukon	4,162	8,512
Northwest Ter.	6,684	18,481
Canadian Navy	485	

Totals . . . . . 8,769,489/7,206,643

Adds Ten to Commons  
The next house of commons, following redistribution, will, according to the census figures as shown, consist of 245 members. Representation in the next house, following a redistribution bill, will compare with the present house as follows:

	Next House	Present House
Quebec	65	65
Nova Scotia	15	16
New Brunswick	11	11
Prince Ed. Island	4	4
Ontario	81	82
Manitoba	17	15
Saskatchewan	21	16
Alberta	16	12
British Columbia	14	13
Yukon	1	1
Total	245	235

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