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### SIR HENRY'S TELEGRAM

Sir Henry Thornton has telegraphed to Maritime Members of Parliament representing Saint John and Halifax, and the Boards of Trade of these cities, inviting them to a conference at Canadian National Railway headquarters in Montreal on Saturday to talk over the export of grain from the Maritime Province ports. In the despatches announcing his action the hope is expressed that "a plan may be formulated for concerted action that will lead to an improvement in the situation."

That improvement is needed requires no demonstration, and if Sir Henry Thornton has any definite or practical proposal whereby the immense stream of export grain that is flowing through American channels can be recovered and directed through Canadian ports, not only the Maritime representatives but the country at large will welcome the news. Both the Members of Parliament and the Boards of Trade stand ready, no doubt, to do anything useful in this matter that lies within their power.

But there must be no compromise. And it must be pointed out that the Maritime M. P.'s and the Boards of Trade do not control the railway rates. That lever for influencing traffic—the most powerful in existence—rests in Sir Henry Thornton's hands, and as he has not seen fit to employ it to the end that Canadian traffic may be kept in home channels, it has been necessary to appeal to his superiors—the Government, Parliament and the Railway Board.

It seems rather unfortunate that the form of the announcement of the proposed conference to which Sir Henry has issued invitations should indicate that the C. N. R. President still regards as not only defensible but final the position he announced a couple of weeks ago, when he said that the grain and the owners of grain control the ports of shipment, that the Canadian National Railway has no influence except persuasion in the matter, and that not even Parliament can exercise effective control over routing.

If the conference on Saturday has for its chief purpose giving Sir Henry an opportunity to reaffirm his theory of the impossibility of feeding Canadian ports instead of American ports, then it would be hopeless from the outset.

For members of Parliament from the Maritimes, or from any other part of the country, cannot subscribe to any such doctrine. Indeed, should Sir Henry persist in his attitude, the only result would be to stiffen their determination to have Parliament correct a situation in which we have already lost from one-half to three-fifths of our grain traffic and stand in a position to sacrifice the rest of it.

### THE CANADA-FIRST DOCTRINE

In a letter to the Montreal Star, Mr. John M. Lyons, of Montreal, recalls that the late Hon. William Pugsley went on record on several occasions, declaring that it was contrary to the statute under which the Grand Trunk Pacific was built, to carry Canadian export freight to Portland, or to other American ports. Hon. Dr. Pugsley said that the Canadian National Railway, or the Government, had no right to ignore the stipulation that Canadian freight should go through Canadian channels.

Mr. Lyons maintains that it is clearly inconsistent with government ownership and control of railways that Canadian freight should go in increasing volume to foreign harbors, with the result that "the greater the increase in the traffic, the greater the increase in wealth for American transportation systems and ports." He says further:

"As to competition in rates, why worry until we obtain results to show that every dollar put into circulation, due to Canadian grain shipments as well as all export and import traffic, is circulating in the interest of Canadian transportation lines and Canadian ports. It may not mean a hundred cents on the dollar at all times, but it assuredly means that it pays indirectly. The Canadian Pacific Railway at Saint John during winter meets other ports in competitive rates; therefore the Canadian National Railway can do likewise, especially with the advantage of being a shorter line and with a splendid roadbed, the latest to date in bridges, curves, grades, etc., and in the matter of despatch and load hauls measuring one hundred per cent; whereas its competitors measure but seventy-five per cent. The Canadian Pacific Railway would not be doing winter business at the Port of Saint John if it did not pay."

Of course, it is not only Saint John and Halifax that are concerned in this question. It affects all the Canadian ports. Indeed it affects all Canadians. They all contributed to the vast expenditure made in order that we might carry our own traffic rapidly and economically and prevent it from being diverted to American railways and harbors.

Now we are told that we cannot afford to compete successfully with the Americans that we cannot meet

their rates; that we must forfeit the traffic to them in increasing quantities. But the basic truth is that we cannot afford not to compete—that we cannot afford to allow the present situation to continue."

The action of the Common Council in deciding to pay to the widow of Policeman McCavour, \$100 a month until such time as she may re-marry or until her youngest child reaches the age of fifteen is commendable, and it is well that prompt action was taken, inasmuch as the policeman lost his life in the course of discharging his duty. Similar action was taken some years ago in the case of Policeman O'Leary, who was fatally shot while engaged in a search for stolen goods.

### Odds and Ends

"You never know what you'll find among the odds and ends."—From "Notes by a Wayfarer."

### A Week in Epigram

I do not think anything in England is satisfactory.—Stanley Baldwin.

It is possible to love the undignified, but not to be married successfully to one.—Joseph Hergesheimer.

Peace is impossible until every race is able to defend itself. The duty, therefore, of humanitarians is not so much to exhort the weak to become strong.—Bertrand Russell.

I am not going to be guilty of optimism. I know how much every Briton would disapprove of anything like that.—Winston Churchill.

Newspaper reporting does not supply the novelist with material for good literature, but it is excellent for gaining facts for ordinary inexpensive fiction.—Elmer Davis.

What can you expect of a people who are afraid of a bottle of Old Burgundy? They can only be scared by synecdoche.—Joaquin Nin.

Melancholy seems to be an almost essential element of enduring greatness.—Arthur Leslie Keith.

One cannot avoid looking at ugly architecture unless one becomes deluged by it. In a great many cities one is almost tempted to the suicide.—J. C. Squire.

### In 1800.

The following clipping from the Boston Chronicle of 1800 is illuminating. In a skit headed "Prices Current," it quotes:

Morals—Falling rapidly.

Modesty—Female, quite out of fashion.

National Honor—None at market.

Pistols—Much in demand.

Public Taxes—In great abundance.

Fortify—A plentiful harvest expected.

Religion—No price.

Public Virtue—A contraband article; if discovered would ruin its possessor.

### Resolved.

(Winnipeg Tribune)

The making of New Year's resolutions is a most excellent practice. So, for the world at large, why not a resolution that there shall be:

A little easing-off in the speed of living; a little more time at home; a little more homely hospitality; a little more time with books that have stood the test of time; a little more time given to family life; a little more quiet and friendly discussion of things that count; a little more cultivation of real friendship; a little more interest (personal) in the affairs of son and daughter; a little more time in the open air; a little more communion with oneself. A cooling-off process would improve this somewhat feverish age.

### Cynical Remarks.

Two gentlemen of color were discussing the plight of a lodge brother who had been in the workhouse for stealing watermelons.

"Was he guilty?" queried Mose.

"He most certainly was guilty as indicated," answered the more educated Rastus, "for I seen Mistah Cap'n Saunders ketch him wid dat melon right submerged undah his arm."

"Gwan," returned Mose, "Sho' nuff! And what did Mistah Cap'n say to him?"

"The rema'ks addressed by the Cap'n," answered Rastus, "was puly cursory, puly cursory."

### British Advertisers.

(Manitoba Free Press)

A U. S. Journal has been pointing out that Great Britain advertisers. It has been the best little advertiser in the advertising game ever since the days of William Shakespeare:

"This royal throne of kings, this scepter'd isle, This earth of plenty, this seat of Mars, This other Eden, demi-paradise; This fortress built by Nature for herself, Against infection and the hand of war; This happy breed of men, this little world, This precious stone set in the silver sea, Which serves it in the office of a wall, Or as a most defensive moat, Against the envy of less happy lands, This ENGLAND!"

If that is not good national advertising as the best publicity from the most up-to-date Board of Trade and committee of boosters there is no virtue in home. Yes, Great Britain

### Just Fun

CLADYS says she knows a man who leaves his neck dirty so that his last shirt looks clean.

OWING to the miners' strike, it is announced, the public will have to use substitutes for the substitutes for coal it's been getting.

WHEN ADAM gave Eve that first kiss she probably told him he was an awful amateur.

### EPICURUM

LIFE is the lemon which we suck between the halves of eternity.

IT IS getting so now that it isn't even necessary for girls to get in the sunlight.

CLERK: I've made a great discovery, sir.

GROVER: Well, what is it?

CLERK: I've found out that the heavy end of a match is the light end.

UNUSUALLY hill boards might be all right if they did some unsightly background, but few of them do that.

### R.U.A.J.

A-B-C-D-Goldfish?  
L-M-N-O-Goldfish!  
O-S-A-R-Goldfish.  
O-I-C-D-Goldfish.

"WELL, I'm a sun-of-a-gun," said the small boy as his father was graduated with distinction.

THE PERSON with a strong wish-bone usually has weak work muscles.

### ALPHABETICAL LOVE

SHE: Will you have some tea?  
HE: Lover: I'd rather have what comes after tea.  
SHE: What comes after tea?  
LOVER: U.

THE best thing to keep roosters from crowing at 3 a.m. is a good recipe for chicken soup.

IF AN untruth is only a day old it is called a lie; if it is a year old it is called a falsehood; but if it is a century old it is called a legend.

AS DEATH from disease is lessened the auto takes up the slack.

NEXT to hen's teeth the scarcest things are coal dealers who are hoping for mild weather.

EVEN if women do have more sense than men, a man never has to wonder if his knees are showing.

A LADY who had shopped for two hours without buying anything, finally said pompously:

"Well, I must go now. I see my important limousine is at the curb."

"Just a minute, madam," said the clerk, "and I'll unroll a stretch of carpet across the sidewalk."

AND as a special feature of the program, Mr. de Kay will sing "I Call My Lady Radiolite Because She Shines in the Dark."

### MARRIAGE

Two volumes bound in one complete—Arthur Leslie Keith.

With thrilling story old but sweet  
No title needs the cover fair,  
Two golden hearts are blended there.

MANY a man keeps his nose to the her's up at the neighbors.

MAN looking for Smith in phone book. "Gosh, look 'Poochontas hadn't taken the fatal step we could carry a telephone directory in our vest-pocket."

MODERNISM: One youth learning to make an article; nine learning to sell it.

IT MAY be proven that a woman can swim the English channel but it never will be a favorite method of crossing the channel for the feminine sex.

"I JUST can't contain myself," said the unfortunate on his first ocean voyage.

CANDIDATES favorite verse runs and not be weary."

### Dinner Stories

IN his daily half hour confidential talk with his boy, an ambitious father tried to give some good advice.

"Be observing, my son," said the father on one occasion. "Cultivate the habit of seeing, and you will be a successful man. Study things and remember them. Don't go through the world blindly. Learn to use your eyes. Boys who are observing know a great deal more than those who are not."

Willie listened in silence.

Several days later when the entire family, consisting of his mother, aunt and uncle, were present, his father said:

"Well, Willie, have you kept using your eyes as I advised you to do?"

Willie nodded, and after a moment's hesitation said:

"I've seen a few things right around the house. Uncle Jim's got a bottle of hair dye but under his trunk, Aunt Jessie's got an extra set of teeth in her dresser, Ma's got some curls in her hat and Pa's got a deck of cards and a box of chips behind the books in the secretary."

A GENTLEMAN who had been in Chicago only three days, but who had been paying attention to a prominent Chicago belle, wanted to propose, but was afraid he would be thought too hasty. He delicately broached the subject as follows: "If I were to speak to you of marriage, after having only made your acquaintance three days ago, what would you say of it?"

"Well I should say, never put off till tomorrow that which should have been done the day before yesterday."

"HAVE you a Charles Dickens in your home?" asked the polite book agent.

"No," she snapped.

"Or a Robert Louis Stevenson?"

"No!"

"Or a Gene Field?"

"No, we don't have any of those, we don't run a boarding house here, either. I've been looking for them fellows, you might try the house across the street."

## Embarrassing Moments



Little Girl (to visitor): "Are you very old?" Visitor: "No, dear."

Little Girl: "Have you traveled a great deal?" "No, dear."

Little Girl: "Then when did you get so crumpled?"

—From The Humorist.

## The Best of Advice

BY CLARK KINNARD

### BUILDING-PLANS.

IT is only when we have completed a period in our life, or approach the end of it altogether, that we recognize the true connection between our activities—what it is we have achieved, or failed to do.

It is only then that we see the precise chain of cause and effect, and the exact value of our acts, that we see the influence of motive, and under a law of necessity. At every moment we do just what appears to us to be right and proper, or to our best advantage.

It is only when we stop and look back over the course of life and the results of our acts, that we see the why and wherefore of it all.

THIS leads to the conclusion that when a great man is accomplishing some master work, he is not conscious of it as such; he is thinking only of satisfying present aims, of fulfilling the intentions he happens to have at the time.

Viewing a life as a connected whole, character and capacities show themselves in their true light; we can see how in particular instances, some happy inspiration as it were, led that person to choose the only path out of a thousand which might have brought him to ruin. In any authentic autobiography of a notable person you will find this strikingly emphasized.

"If there is any merit or importance attached to a man's career, if he lays himself out carefully for some special work, it is all the more necessary and advisable for him to turn his attention now and then to his plan," we are told.

If he maps out important work for himself on great lines, frequent changes of his entire plan of his life will stimulate, rouse and urge him to action and keep him from false paths.

## Poems That Live

Lines from "THE BUILDING OF THE SHIP."

### I.

Thou, too, sail on, O ship of state!  
Sail on, O Union, strong and great!  
Humanity with all its fears,  
With all the hopes of future years,  
Is hanging breathless on thy fate!

We know what Master laid thy keel,  
What workmen wrought thy ribs of steel,  
Who made each mast, and sail, and rope,  
What anvils rang, what hammers beat,  
In what a forge and what a heat  
Were shaped the anchors of thy hope!

### II.

'Tis but the flapping of the sail,  
And not a rent made by the gale!  
In spite of rock and tempest's roar,  
In spite of false lights on the shore,  
Sail on, nor fear to breast the sea,  
Our hearts, our hopes, are all with thee,  
Our faith triumphant o'er our fears,  
Are all with thee—are all with thee!

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

## Other Views

### HEWERS OF WOOD AND DRAWERS OF WATER

(Sault Daily Star)

Our national resources should be taken out of politics. There should be a national development branch under a man like the late Adam Beck, who would give the public a square deal in spite of the fixers that cling to the things of every party. A Minister of Undeveloped Resources should be the head of our Governments. That man Taschereau, in Quebec, seems to have the right idea. Do we really deserve our magnificent country? Are we fit to develop the limitless resources that we treat with neglect? Must it end by the stranger moving in and giving us pick and shovel jobs on our own estate?

A SONG OF THE DISILLUSIONED

As little girl, so pink and white  
You tantalize and you excite;  
Your rosy lips are wondrous sweet  
And your eyes sparkle when we meet.

I love the lights so bright and fair  
That dance and twinkle in your hair,  
Ah, you are fair, but I deplore  
That you bought your curls at a beauty store.

Hon. Arthur Meighen in an address in Toronto: "I do not suppose there is anything perfect in the world, but it seems to me that there are things which stand more urgently in need of reform than our Canadian institutions. So I cannot view with enthusiasm the activities of those people who would uproot our institutions. It may be perfectly true that we have more institutions than are required by our population; it may be equally true that there is a multiplicity of government, but our duty is not to see that Canada grows into the institutions which have been provided for its people."

Sir A. Steel-Maitland, English publicist: "Mr. Clynes says that the only party that counts is the Labor party. If that is so, I wish its arithmetic were better."

Abraham Tulin, director of a reconstruction fund that aims to establish the Jews in agriculture and industry. In an interview in Toronto: "All his life the Jew has been a trader. He has been the middleman of Central Europe. Changes have come into the economic life of Europe since the war which make it impossible for him to function successfully as a trader. It is a purpose to give him a trade and teach him to become a skilled agriculturist. We desire to show him that he might successfully apply his abilities to the land. He must be given a trade or made a farmer if he is to live."

David Lloyd George in a recent address: "Monopoly has all the vices of Socialism with none of its countervailing advantages."

## Twenty Years Ago Today

From Times' Files.

THE SAINT JOHN RAILWAY CO. announced that they were prepared to furnish cheaper light to the city when the contract was renewed.

THE TARIFF COMMISSIONERS and Hon. W. Emerson arrived in the city from St. Stephen for the meeting held on Jan. 8.

THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER MEN held a highly successful dinner at Newcombe's.

## Who's Who

IN THE DAYS NEWS.

### KING OF SIAM

THE new King of Siam, former Chown Prince Praja Dhipok, who comes to the throne because of the sudden death of his brother, Rama VI, was a visitor in New York a year ago. Like his deceased brother the new King was educated in England at Oxford and spent years in travel.

When Rama VI became King in 1909, he was still a bachelor and had no intention of marrying. Hereafter the throne was considered hereditary but past Kings had considerable choice in naming their successors, now the cabinet decided to put an end to the practice by decreeing that until Rama had a son of his own the succession should be through the queen mother's son, so for the past 15 years, it has been determined that Praja Dhipok should be the heir apparent. A child was born to Rama on the day of his death but the infant was a girl.

The new King has six brothers who are in the line of succession.

## Family Menu

MENU, HINT.  
Breakfast.  
Baked Apples with Cream.  
Corn Cake. Coffee.  
Dinner.  
Baked Rabbit. Brown Potatoes.  
Creamed Onions. Cabbage Salad.  
Pumpkin Pie. Coffee.

Supper.  
Corn Fritters and Bacon.  
Upside Down (Skillet) Cake.  
Apple Sauce. Tea.

### TODAY'S RECIPES.

Corn Cake—Take three-fourths cup corn meal, one and one-fourth cups flour, one-quarter cup sugar, one-half teaspoon salt, one cup milk, four teaspoons baking powder, one egg, one tablespoon butter. Mix dry ingredients. Mix milk, egg and melted butter. Mix both together, bake 20 minutes in hot oven. Serve with maple syrup.

Baked Rabbit—Brown Potatoes.—Dressed Rabbit—Well in flour, sprinkle with salt and pepper, put in roaster whole. Wash two or three small apples, leave whole and stuff in cavity. (This gives a nice flavor to the meat.) Make slits through the legs and draw a small slice of bacon through each; add one cup hot water, bake about 20 minutes and then add peeled potatoes. Just before potatoes are done, remove the cover so that they can brown nicely while baking.

Cabbage Salad—Take two cups shredded cabbage, one-half cup chopped onion, add seasoning. Mix together with boiled salad dressing.

Upside Down (Skillet) Cake—Take four cups sugar, one cup sugar, three tablespoons hot water, one cup flour, one teaspoon baking powder, one-half teaspoon vanilla, four egg whites. Beat yolks; add sugar, hot water and flour (sifted with baking powder); add vanilla, and fold in beaten egg whites. Into a skillet put three tablespoons butter and one cup brown sugar. Stir over an until syrupy, then add one and one-half cups drained pineapple, berries or any fruit you prefer. Pour the batter over this mixture; bake in moderate oven about one-half hour. Turn out upside down upon a plate.

### CORNMEAL MUSH.

One cup cornmeal, six cups boiling water, two teaspoons salt. Have water boiling in upper part of double boiler, salt and sift cornmeal in gradually, stirring constantly to prevent lumping. Let cook for a couple of hours. If you are planning to fry it, add a cup of flour to bind it together. When cooked pour in a ground bread in or mold cover with a damp cloth or paraffine paper to prevent crust forming, and set aside to cool. Slice and fry in hot fat.

Cillick. "Did he tell you how a camel smells?"

"Of course not," returned Mrs. Gillick as she went upstairs in high disdain. "We are not that stupid. Everyone understands that it smells with its nose."

"Well, it is like this. If I want to know anything about Travel in the East—considering that I can't go there—I would like to know it. There is no use in telling me about a hejira of a Jchad unless I know how they are worn. Why did he not bring a photograph of them?"

"And one thing more," added Mr. Gillick.

"What is the hejira?" inquired Mr. Gillick.

"I hardly think you would understand, John. Of course I know, but it is a little difficult to explain."

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## A Blue Sky Average

(Argonaut.)

Charles W. Sutro, of Sutro & Co., San Francisco financial house, tells a story about President Mortimer Fleishacker of the Anglo-California Trust Co. It seems that Mr. Fleishacker

asked a Pullman porter the amount of his average tip. The negro replied that the average amount was one dollar. Mr. Fleishacker handed him a dollar. The porter caressed the silver coin affectionately and said: "Yassuh, boss, but you is de fust pulman what has come up to the average."

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Dated this fifth day of January, A. D., 1926.

E. MURRAY OLIVE, Chairman.

TIMOTHY T. LANTALUM, JAMES COLLINS, Board of Assessors.

FURTHER NOTICE is hereby given that Sub-Sec. (8) of Sec. (7) of the "Saint John City Assessment Act 8 George V. Chapter 73, was amended by Act of Legislature on April 9th, 1924, giving exemption on income as follows:—

Eight Hundred Dollars in every case where the total income from all sources of a married man with family of two or more children does not exceed Twelve Hundred Dollars.

Four Hundred Dollars in every case where the total income from all