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LLOYD GEORGE.

The British Chancellor of the Exchequer has come into the limelight again by a bitter attack upon the House of Lords.

We can all afford to admire, and should admire, the pluck and the ability of this Welshman, who from very humble circumstances, has achieved the highest post in the gift of the Empire, next to that of Premier. Any man capable of doing that deserves popular acclaim, no matter which political side he espouses.

Lloyd George possesses a remarkable personality; he is a keen thinker and a hard hitter, but whereas a few months ago he seemed to be in direct line for the Liberal leadership it is safe to affirm that he is not now in the running, although he will always be a prominent figure.

He lived down his openly expressed approval of the Boer cause during the war, but the Marconi business cannot thus be easily laid. In the one case he was fearlessly, if mistakenly, outspoken, in the other he was disclosed as reaching after the "unearned increment" which he has all the time denounced in the case of his fellows.

In the ordinary course of events he would have become a Prime Minister, but that is now scarcely possible.

LEVEL CROSSINGS.

Almost every day, and throughout the year, level crossing fatalities are recorded in Canada. The toll from drownings is also large, but that is almost entirely confined to the summer months, whereas at all seasons, the railroad levy maintains its high average.

It is of course impossible in a country of this size, to exercise the same rigid care with regard to crossings and the use of tracks by pedestrians, to the same extent as in the Old Land, but there is altogether too much unwarranted laxness.

Take Brantford as an example. It is an outrage that trains should pass on the level street near the Grand Trunk depot, the old Great Western depot and in West Brantford beyond Lorne Bridge.

The Courier mistakes the members of the Dominion Railway Board very much if they would fail, upon proper application, to order an immediate remedy.

Colborne street and Market street two of the main thoroughfares, should not be crossed by railroad lines under any circumstances, and even gates do not begin to afford adequate protection.

JOHN BULL REFUSES.

For practically the first time Great Britain has declined to officially take part in a world exposition—that to be held in San Francisco in 1915 in commemoration of the opening of the Panama Canal.

Without any doubt this is intended as a dignified, if passive protest, with regard to the gross breach of faith which is proposed with reference to discriminatory tolls. John Bull in good part conceded certain interests with reference to the isthmus on the basis—Hay-Pauncefote treaty—of equal treatment for all nations, and now it is proposed to especially favor U. S. vessels. This course is not in accordance with the ideas of the best men, and the best newspapers across the border, for they have been unsparing in their denunciatory language with regard to what they rightly claim is a deep stain upon the national escutcheon.

Take the Suez Canal as a counter illustration. That is largely controlled by Great Britain because of a master stroke of the late Earl Beaconsfield, but the charges based on tonnage are the same to all, whether the stars and stripes fly at the mast-head, or the colors of any other nation.

FREE TRADE VERSUS PROTECTION.

Mr. William Mackenzie, a veteran newspaper man, is contributing some parliamentary reminiscences to a magazine, and in the latest installment, he deals with the subject of protection.

He points out that Hon. Mr. Mackenzie, Liberal Premier prior to 1878, was not a free trader, but believed in

a tariff for revenue with incidental protection, and also that Sir John Macdonald was in theory a free trader. It is a matter of record, and this paper has the Hansards of that date in proof thereof, that Hon. Mr. Paterson, then member for South Brant, urged his leader to advance the duties. Mr. Mackenzie did not see matters in that light, and Sir John Macdonald, who saw the need for protection for Canada as against her powerful neighbor the States, introduced the National Policy, and from 1878 until his death, he was continuously in office.

Cobden is generally spoken of as the father of Free Trade, but he wasn't. A member of the British House named Villiers, year after year, used to move for the abolition of the corn laws, which imposed duties on grains from foreign lands, and were introduced as far back as 1366 in the reign of King Edward the Third. In fact his effort in this regard was more or less of an annual joke, until Cobden and Bright took hold of the idea and made it a reality. Even at that, anybody at all familiar with Cobden's speeches and writings, is aware of the fact that he was always of the opinion that if Free Trade should be adopted by the Old Country, all other lands would have to follow suit. He was mistaken in that just as much as he was astray when he openly took the ground that Canada and other overseas dominions were a nuisance and an encumbrance to Great Britain.

That protection is essential to Canada with such an enterprising and resourceful people as those residing across the line, a very little consideration will thoroughly well establish. Laurier, prior to 1896, boasted that his goal was "Free Trade as they have it in England," but he shrewdly dropped that policy except with regard to binder twine. This industry has been practically killed in the Dominion, only one of nine strictly Canadian companies, having survived, namely the concern in West Brantford.

In short, protection constitutes the very life blood of Canadian development, and theorists may talk as they like, but this fact cannot be disproved.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

So John Bull refuses to take part in the Panama Canal panorama.

The word "Brant" means a wild goose, but the variety is extinct as far as this particular county is concerned.

Hon. Mr. McKay has won out in Athabasca. As for Rowell, the man who replaced him in the Ontario Grit leadership, he is not in any sense with regard to popular favor a basker.

Says the Detroit Free Press during the course of an article:

On the whole, there isn't anything seriously the matter with Canada. It is a land of magnificent assets that eventually will yield lasting prosperity for its inhabitants.

Grit papers have been sneering at Hon. George Foster with regard to what they alleged was his futile attempt to secure a satisfactory trade agreement with Australia. And now a cable from Sydney announces that such an arrangement is more than likely. As prophets our friends the enemy do not cut any very large-sized figure.

Paris News

PARIS, Aug. 1.—A nifty case of horse stealing took place on Tuesday afternoon, when Mr. Wm. Maus was attending the wedding of his son Roy in Paris, the hired man, John McDowell, who had been employed there for two weeks, made off with his employer's horse and top buggy. When the theft was noticed and the police notified it was found that McDowell was wanted in Cayuga for a similar offence. He had sold the Cayuga horse here and it was recovered. A warrant has been issued.

The funeral of the late Fred Rickert was held from the residence of his parents in Blenheim township yesterday afternoon, and was one of the largest ever witnessed in town. The parents have the sincerest sympathy of the entire community in the loss of their only child, and he just entering the prime of life.

Work is progressing at a good rate on the L. E. & N. railway, and the contractors promise to begin laying the steel next week. There is a hard stretch from St. James' cemetery in town to the western bridge, which will probably be the last to be completed.

Paris Brick Co. lit the fires under their first kiln this week, and are now filling the second. The two kilns hold 500,000 bricks, and with the up-to-date machinery the company possesses it should have a bright future before it.

Rev. Mr. Leigh of Delaware will preach in St. James' Church on Sunday, Rev. C. C. Purton having charge of the cathedral in London during August.

Grand River Lodge, I.O.O.F., will hold their annual decoration services on Sunday next.

FRANK JAMES, THE NOTORIOUS OUTLAW, NEAR DEATH.



FRANK JAMES



JESSE JAMES

The lives of Jesse and Frank James, those notorious outlaws, read like some five cent thriller. Jesse James was killed by members of his own band and Frank is now at the point of death.

Their father was Robert James, a Baptist preacher, who was persecuted by his Union neighbors during the civil war because his sympathies were with the South. In order to get revenge Jesse and Frank joined the guerrillas and they soon earned a name for reckless daring.

In 1866 Jesse was outlawed and with his brother attained a world wide notoriety by the crimes they committed, by their romantic adventures, and their almost invariable success. A reward of \$10,000 was offered for the capture of Jesse and, tempted by the bribe, two of his band killed him. A short time after Jesse's death Frank gave himself up. Now Frank is dying and the history of the "James boys" will soon be ended.

Local News

Market Clerk's Returns. Market Clerk Angus McCauley reports that the sum of \$182.41 was collected by him for market fees, etc, during the previous month.

Going Ahead. There are now some forty men engaged on Brantford's new public building and a number of bricklayers shortly start on their portion of the structure.

Funeral To-day. The funeral of the late Mrs. J. L. Richmond, is taking place this afternoon from her late residence, 123 Albion St. to the G. T. R. station, the interment taking place at Campbellford.

Sergeants Picnic. A meeting of the Sergeants of the 25th. Brant Dragoons was held in the Armouries last night when final arrangements were made for their picnic which is to be held at Gaywood tomorrow afternoon. The regimental band will be in attendance.

Births, Deaths and Marriages. During the month of July, 1913, there was a fall off in births and marriages and an increase in deaths, compared with the same month last year, as the following comparison will show:

Table with 2 columns: 1913 and 1912. Rows: Births (74 vs 76), Deaths (41 vs 29), Marriages (22 vs 23).

Relatives in the East. WINNIPEG, Aug. 1.—H. F. Whelan, who succumbed to the effects of a brutal assault alleged to have been committed by J. Z. Walters at Veregin, has two sisters in the east: Mrs. Alfred Bruce of Toronto, and Mrs. Edwin Wicker, Peterboro.

Calgary's Finance. CALGARY, Aug. 1.—Calgary does not need to pay 6% per cent. for money obtained by treasury notes, so it was decided at a special meeting of the finance committee of the city council. A proposal wired from Chicago by Mayor H. A. Sinnott, asking if the city would accept an offer made to him for the purchase of \$500,000 worth of treasury bills at that rate, was turned down. It was stated that the city was not pushed for money at present, and there did not appear to be any need of the city paying a higher rate than is being paid in London; as it would injure Calgary's credit.

BERRY PICKERS GRAVE MENACE

Indians Said to be Victims of White Plague—Health Officer Likely to Investigate

(Hamilton Spectator) On the advice of Dr. Roberts, medical health officer, Dr. McClenahan, district officer for the provincial board of health, will probe charges that Indians suffering from tuberculosis, are picking berries in the district surrounding Hamilton.

The charges, if true, are very serious. Complaints are being made that dozens of Indians are afflicted with the white plague. Notwithstanding their condition, it is said that many are daily engaged picking raspberries, red currants and other farm products.

It is said that some of the Indians are in an advanced stage of the disease. It is admitted that the danger to the public from that source is great, as the germs could spread to the berries from the pickers, and prove a menace to whoever purchased them.

Dr. Roberts has not received any complaints. "It is not in my jurisdiction," says the health officer, "as berry picking does not take place in Hamilton," he said this morning, "but I can easily understand the possibilities of such a thing, and the danger to the public from that source. The danger is all the more pronounced because Indians, as a rule, are subject to tuberculosis."

If Dr. McClenahan acts on the complaints—and he should—he will likely order many Indians away from the berry patches. At this time of the year most of the Indians come from the reservation not far from Oshweken.

Fair Trial. "Success will come to anyone who perseveres." "I don't know about that. I've been married for ten years now, and my husband hasn't liked anything I've for dinner yet."—Louisville Courier Journal.

Choosing the lace. To wade through pamphlets without end Is now his occupation. While searching for the place to spend, His two weeks of vacation.—Judge.

A Wise Man

is he who prepares for war in time of peace. The same applies to the man who is getting his heating system ready for the winter, or making ready to install a hot-water system. Are you in this class, Mister? If you are dissatisfied with the heating of your home, phone 301, and we will call and guarantee to satisfy you. If you are dissatisfied with your plumbing, call us in. If you are contemplating some new plumbing or changes, have us do it. We will guarantee to satisfy you.

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Advertisement for Ogilvie, Lochhead & Co. featuring 'LOOK!' and 'SATURDAY Will Be An Eventful Day Here'. Includes details about a special sale of china bowls for 15c a set and other china specials like salad bowls, fruit nappies, and jugs.

Advertisement for W. L. HUGHES featuring 'Bargains for SATURDAY' and 'Waists Half Price'. Lists various clothing items like blouses, skirts, and dresses with sale prices.

Advertisement for 'Did You' featuring 'THIS It Will Pay' and 'SHEP JEWELLERS'. Promotes jewelry and watches, including a 'SILVERWARE' section.