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## IMMIGRATION TO NEW BRUNSWICK.

The annual report of Immigration Superintendent Gilchrist, which is published elsewhere in this issue, tells an optimistic little story of the awakening of interest in the Province of New Brunswick as a field for immigration from the British Isles, and, at the same time, pays the best sort of tribute to the work being done by the immigration branch of the provincial Department of Agriculture.

When the Government led by Hon. J. D. Hazen took office it was found that little or no attention had been paid to the possibility of interesting intending British emigrants in the possibilities of New Brunswick. The whole trend of emigration to Canada was westward and New Brunswick was practically an unknown quantity to the people across the seas. The Dominion Government was chiefly concerned in settling the lands of the prairie provinces, and the transportation companies were naturally desirous of sending immigrants to the west because of the additional revenue to be derived. The railway companies were not prejudiced against New Brunswick. With them it was a simple matter of placing the immigrant where he would bring them the most business. Not only was the passenger rate to the western provinces a profitable one but there was the prospect that the new settler would have wheat and other grains to ship to the eastern seaboard and this, of course, meant additional profits.

With this the condition, it was apparent that if New Brunswick was to get her share of the tide of immigration something must be done to impress upon the intending settler the particular advantages of this province. And something was done. Starting on a small scale, the immigration department of the provincial Government set out to accomplish what had hitherto been neglected. The task was not an easy one, for the sentiment in Britain was all in favor of the west where attractions had been skillfully advertised for many years. There was, and is, no feeling of hostility toward the western provinces. For the newcomer who desires to raise wheat and live according to western standards, the west is the place but for mixed farming, congenial surroundings and comfort, the Province of New Brunswick has a line of goods that will bear comparison with any.

Results did not come in a month, or a year. The first year a small number of immigrants came out, and this number gradually increased. Last year, according to Mr. Gilchrist's report, 1,446 new settlers were located in this province. Judged from the standard of western immigration the number is small. Judged in comparison with what had been done previously, and in the light of what will come in the future, the showing is most encouraging. For New Brunswick is but commencing to attract attention in Britain and the coming year is expected to make a much better record than any we have yet had.

In connection with the campaign Mr. Gilchrist urges several matters to which attention might well be given. He advises the establishment of a home for boys and girls from which they could be distributed to farmers in the province requiring agricultural or domestic help. It has been the experience of other new countries, notably Australia, that boys constitute the only class of immigration worth assisting. Possibly that experience may not be repeated in New Brunswick but there is much to be said in support of the claim. Boys are more adaptable to circumstances and in a few years could be expected to become the most useful type of Canadian citizens.

In any case the Immigration to New Brunswick has now passed the experimental stage. Letters from the settlers already brought in show that the very large majority of them are well satisfied with their surroundings and prospects, and almost every week brings to light some agriculturalist who, having had experience elsewhere, is anxious to try his fortune in New Brunswick. The provincial Department of Immigration is now in a position to deal with such cases and already much valuable information has been supplied with the result that farm properties have been disposed of and quite a number of new settlers brought here through this means.

With the attractions of the province becoming more generally known and the trend of immigration turning to the east, there can be no doubt that the need already shown by the provincial immigration department will continue to bear most valuable fruit and in ever increasing quantity.

## PRIVILEGE AND RESPONSIBILITY

At the annual meeting of St. George's Society, last evening, one of the speakers made an eloquent plea for more attention to the flag under which we live. Another, equally as eloquent, took the ground that, while it was right and proper that respect and admiration for the flag should be taught and fostered, the really important subject for the twentieth century consideration of Canadians was not so much the worship of the flag as the necessity of keeping a watchful eye upon what is going on under the flag.

The fact that it should be necessary in this city of the Loyalists to urge the advisability of fostering respect and admiration for the flag that floats over us, or even to remind us that we are not paying sufficient attention to what is transpiring under the flag in the way of seeing that the boys and girls of Canada, to whom the duties of Canadian citizenship must soon be handed over, are being prepared with knowledge of their duties and responsibilities combine to throw light upon a state of affairs that is hardly creditable.

It has been proven that, in time of war, the people of Canada, of all races, creeds and opinions are prepared to fight and, if need be, to die for the flag that has been to the world an emblem of freedom and liberty, but in times of peace, when there is no cloud on the horizon, do we manifest pride in that flag as we should? There are great national events, annually commemorated by the English, Scottish and Irish societies, that have had a deep significance not only to the natives of the kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, but to the whole world. On such occasions is it not wise to display our country's flag and to recount to our children the stories of the deeds that won the Empire? We are not unpatriotic in Canada, we are merely careless. In this connection we can learn a lesson from our cousins across the border. Is there any visible sign in the way of a British flag on view in St. John today that would indicate that we are proud to live under British rule? Is there a city or a town in the United States where the Stars and Stripes cannot be seen almost every day in the year? It would almost appear as if the advice of the speaker at St. George's Society came at a time when needed.

How many of us know what is going on under the flag here in our own city of St. John? How many boys and girls are there without a proper knowledge of the things they must do if they are to uphold the standards of Canadian citizenship? Recently a clergyman from a neighboring province urged the necessity of a home for delinquent girls. Is there not something at fault with our social system that such an institution should be necessary? The boys seen nightly on the streets, many of them, apparently, without care or supervision, do we realize that in a few years they will be the voters to whom will be entrusted the responsibility of upholding the Canadian nation, and are we contributing to help prepare them for that responsibility? Is there not great need for all of us to pay more attention, not only to the duty of fostering love and respect for the flag, but also to see that the highest ideals of British and Canadian citizenship are maintained, not only in our own time but in the years to come? It is a great privilege to be a Canadian and a British subject. It also carries a great responsibility. All of us will admit the privilege; how many of us realize the responsibility?

## CURRENT COMMENT

It All Depends.

(From the New York Times.) In all the heated and protracted argument concerning the tango and other lately devised dances, it is to be noted that condemnation comes chiefly from persons whose habits of thought and standards of conduct impel them to denounce dancing as a pastime whenever opportunity offers, and that, in the same judgment of unprejudiced observers, the new dances are objectionable or not according to the way they are danced. The tango can be a graceful and beautiful dance, it can be, and is, made ugly and vulgar by dancers who lack a sense of decency. Precisely the same things could be said, and were said, in former years of the polka and the waltz.

An Early Suffragist.

(From the London Chronicle.) In England in 1737 Chief Justice Lee delivered a judgment of considerable interest to women. There were two candidates that year for the post of sexton of St. Botolph's Bishopgate—John Olive and Sarah Bly. Although the latter obtained the majority of the parishioners' votes, her rival was appointed, and she sought redress in the courts. The Chief Justice ruled that a woman might serve as parish sexton and added: "Women have held much higher offices and indeed, almost all the offices of the kingdom, as Queen, Marshal, Great Chamberlain, Constable, Champion of England, Commissioner of Sewers, keeper of a prison and returning officer for members of Parliament."

## Diary of Events

### HISTORIC DAYS IN CANADA

Canada's first feminine college professor, Miss Carrie M. Derick, was born at Claremontville, P. Q., fifty-two years ago today. At McGill University Miss Derick won premiere honors in natural science, and graduated with the degree of B. A. in 1890. She took a post-graduate course at Harvard. After leaving Harvard she went to London to the Royal College of Science, and spent a year in Germany. Returning to Canada she became assistant professor in botany, and in 1912 she was appointed to a full professorship, the first woman so honored in the educational history of Canada.

The fifth Marquis of Lansdowne, who was Governor-General of Canada from 1883 to 1888, was born sixty-nine years ago today.

January 14 is the birthday of John Lorne Campbell, famous as Baptist clergyman in Canada, at Dominionville, Ont., 1849. On this date in 1887 a convention was concluded between the English and French governments, confirming certain French privileges of fishing in British American waters in exchange for others.

### FIRST THINGS

#### PAPAL DELEGATE.

The first papal delegate to America was Monsignor Francis Satolli, who was appointed to that post twenty-one years ago today. Monsignor Satolli was in 1896 elevated the sacred college of cardinals, and was succeeded in the office of delegate by Sebastian Martineau. In 1902 the Rev. Dionese Falconio, who had been apostolic delegate to Canada, was appointed to the position. He was made a cardinal in 1911, and the Rt. Rev. Giovanni Bonzano was orated apostolic delegate to the United States.

### THE PASSING DAY

CENTENARY OF SWEDISH TREATY One hundred years ago today the representatives of England, Sweden and Denmark concluded at Kiel a treaty by which Denmark was forced to cede Norway to Sweden, and by which Sweden, in return, gave up Pomerania to Denmark.

England magnanimously restored to Denmark all the conquests made in the East and West Indies—all territory, save the small islands of the West Indies, which were retained by British troops, excepting Heligoland. The treaty was not wholly satisfactory to either the Danes, the Norwegians nor the Swedes. Pomerania was too distant to form a suitable appendage to the Danish territory, and was exchanged for a sum of money and a small district adjoining Holstein. Pomerania thus came into the possession of Prussia, as one of the fruits of the peace pact. The Norwegians, while glad to be freed from the Danish yoke, were at first inclined to resist the annexation of their country by Sweden. On the 17th of May following they declared their independence, but their means of resistance were small, and the Swedes, while dispatching troops to Norway, offered liberal terms. Charles Frederick, Duke of Holstein, was elected king of Norway, but he abdicated in October, 1814, and in the following month Charles XIII. of Sweden was proclaimed king of the national diet assembled at Christiania.

By the terms of the union between Norway and Sweden, the latter accepted the constitution promulgated by the national diet at the time of the declaration of independence. This document made Norway "a free, independent, indivisible kingdom," united with Sweden under the same king. This dynastic tie was cut in 1905, when Norway elected a king of its own.

Norwegians are pleased with the celebration of the centenary of independence and the promulgation of the constitution at Eidsvoll.

### THE HUMAN PROCESSION

A NOTED CARTOONIST.

Richard Felton Outcault, who Buster Browned himself into fame and fortune, was born at Lancaster, O., fifty-one years ago today. In the early years of his career he was a colored comic business, and his creations have always ranked among the most popular. He is often described as the highest paid of all newspaper artists, and his income is said, by those who pretend to know, to be not less than \$50,000 a year.

It was nearly a score of years ago that R. F. began his artistic career. "Hogan's Alley," which was a feature of the New York World, was his first bid for fame.

### FAMOUS FRENCH AUTHOR.

Pierre Loti, the famous French author, will pass his sixty-fourth milestone today. The eminent man of letters is a staunch defender of the Turks, and his criticism of the Balkan allies recently resulted in a challenge to a duel, issued by a Bulgarian army officer, Georges Breitlmayer, a French writer, volunteered to act in Loti's place, because of the age of the latter, and the Bulgarian champion was worsted in the fray. Loti's real name is Louis Marie Julien Vian, and he was formerly an officer in the French navy.

### No Excuse for Pessimism.

(Hamilton Herald.) When so many a British student of economic conditions and so conservative an authority on financial matters as Sir George Paish, can regard Canada's prospects so favorably, there is no excuse for pessimism on the part of Canadians.

### Lets Him Out.

Chapple—Jesse told me she would not marry the handsomest man that ever lived.

### Exigency.

"What are you rummaging over there?" "Some old cook books and the like." "What are you hunting for?" "When trying to find some recipe for making sennogs out of grape juice."

### The Very Thing.

"Could you contribute some cast-off clothing for the food sufferers of St. John?" "Food sufferers? I have an old bathing suit that I don't need."

## IN LIGHTER VEIN

### AND HE DID.

THE DOCTOR SAID A GOODSEA VOYAGE WOULD BRACE ME UP. I GUESS I'LL TAKE ONE.



Where Good Nature Ceases. We try to keep good-natured when a taxicab upsets us; if cheated by our fellow men their cheating seldom frets us; the wind may whisk our hat away and blow it down an alley. Still we endeavor to be gay. And make some pleasant ally; With glad anticipation, But shoestrings in our spinnach fills Us with exasperation.

Overheard in Smoker. Exe—Clear, old man? Wye—Thanks (puff, puff). Capital weed this. Aren't you going to smoke, too? Exe (examining the remaining one)—No, I think not. Wye—What's the matter? Did you give me the wrong one? Misinformed.

Visitor (at the National Gallery)—"Why, then, the very same pictures I saw here the day before yesterday!" Attendant (dryly)—"Quite likely." Visitor—Then the landlady where I'm staying is wrong. He told me that the pictures were changed daily in all the leading picture houses!"

Those Sweet Girls. "So you are engaged to Tom?" "Yes." "My dear, I congratulate you. Tom is the nicest fance I ever had."

Apocryphal. Lives of great men all remind us, When we're underneath the mold, We will have to leave behind us Stories we have never told.

The Right Fellow. "Excuse me; can I speak to your typewriter a moment?" "You cannot; she is engaged." "That's all right; I'm the fellow she's engaged to."

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Its Meaning. "Papa," said little Lester Livermore, he of the prying mind, "what does 'nominal' mean?" "In name only; not real," my son. For instance, the average 'The Hon.' is nominally honorable."

In Washington. Eastern applicant—They talk about public office being a public trust—Western officeholder—And then they hang the "No Trust" sign all over this town.

Better Way. "If I had a gun I'd tell that big mutt what I think of him. I'm a little man, but a revolver is an equalizer."

"Tell him the telephone. That's just as good an equalizer."

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