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NOTE AND COMMENT

Is it Ireland that's free now, or England?—Wall St. Journal.

A Convention Call has been issued by the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance for a gathering, to be held in Toronto on March 8th, 9th and 10th.

The new Pope is the 260th of his line. Only one other reigning dynasty reaches back farther than the Roman Papacy, that one being the ruling dynasty of Japan.

Complaint was made at the retail merchant tailors' convention that Canadians were reluctant to learn tailoring. The same lament is heard in the building line. Why should Canadian youths turn up their noses at the best skilled trades?

A man dashed down the corridor of a sleeping car calling out: "Has anyone any whiskey? A lady has fainted in the next car." A flask was handed to him. He took a liberal drink, returned the flask and then said calmly: "It always upsets me to see a lady faint."

Judge Whitten of Washington says "Young men of today know more about racehorses than the Ten Commandments, while the twelve Apostles are running a losing race with actors and actresses in popularity with the young generation."

A bill to prevent the sale of candy to children under thirteen without the written consent of their parents is before the Massachusetts Legislature. Dr. William Parker Cooke, of the Harvard dental school, its sponsor, says it ruins the teeth.

Dominion elections petitions are conspicuous by their absence. This does not necessarily mean, however, that elections are conducted any more honestly now-a-days than in the past. Nevertheless it is good to know that the public is to be spared much of the revelations in court which usually follow in the wake of an election.

Two ladies have been elected to the Pembroke Board of Education. It is in the nature of things that women should take a greater interest in schools than the average run of men, while for looking after some phases of school work, keeping in touch with the problems of teachers and the general welfare of the children, they are peculiarly fitted.

The way in which farm auction sales are advertised now is a sign of the times. The poster is losing in the race with the columns of the newspaper with a rural circulation. Every week many of these notices can be seen in the weekly and daily papers, and the fact that the custom is increasing must be proof that it is bringing results.

Cod liver oil as a cure for rickets—the bone disease that has caused deformities of children for ages—has been announced by two experts of John Hopkins Hospital staff, Baltimore, as a result of exhaustive studies. "We feel justified in saying very definitely that cod liver oil brings about a change in the bones which if the diet is not too faulty, amounts to a complete cure," their report declares.

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No country can live unto itself, not even Ireland. Irish agriculture would be ruined in a month if Great Britain denied her market to Irish products. The Irish Free Staters know this. Presumably de Valera and his followers also know it, but it is their peculiarity that they will not recognize facts. They will not delude the Irish farmers, who will put the extremists in their place when an election comes.

Orillia Packet:—This year Easter Sunday falls on April 16th. The latest date possible is April 25th. A late Easter is welcomed by milliners, dressmakers, and many other trades, because the more springlike the weather the better business is certain to be. A late Easter may be welcomed to the industrious common men also, because there is generally little expectation of cheap eggs till after this festival.

The London Free Press draws attention to an inquiry made by an anonymous correspondent of a St. Louis paper as to "what security the United States has for the billions of dollars lent Great Britain," and finds this answer given by the Houston Post: "The security of as sublime a courage, as invincible a spirit, as unwavering a faith, and as knightly an example of self-sacrifice as the annals of the human race discloses."

The announcement that matriculation examination papers for entrance into the universities in Ontario will be stiffer this year has raised a storm of protests from all parts of the province. The Minister of Education points out that it is for colleges to say what the "exams" shall be and he is referring all the protests to the university authorities. However, there are only two courses open if the demand for university education continues, either more university accommodation or stiffer matriculation examinations, for the universities of the province now are all crowded.

Prof. Julian Huxley's theories of sex predetermination are nothing new to Scottish farmers' wives, who claim an infallible method of learning which eggs will produce cockerels and which hens. Their method is this: Take a threaded needle and string an ordinary cork—corks are plentiful in Scotland—about half way between the needle and a knot in the other end of the thread. Holding the egg in the left hand, suspend the needle and cork, holding by the knot in the right hand, over but not touching the egg. If the needle moves pendulum-wise, to and fro, the egg will hatch a cockerel; if it oscillates with a circular movement the egg will hatch a hen; if the needle doesn't move, the egg is infertile.

Toronto brewers have asked the government for protection against the home made beverage. Many men employed by beer manufacturers have been laid off recently because of home brew competition. Under Ontario law, beer with an alcoholic content of 2 1/2 per cent. is regarded as "temperance beer" and licenses for the manufacture of this beverage are issued to breweries. A household also may obtain a permit to make thirty gallons of beer for each member of his family. The breweries complain that their product cannot compete with home made beer of unlimited content.

The people who pay the taxes are usually interested in where their money goes. This paper has been asked repeatedly what the Premier and members of the House of Commons receive in salaries and indemnities. The salary of the Prime Minister of Canada is \$15,000, and the Premier of Ontario gets \$9,000. Members of the House of Commons receive \$4,000 per session, provided the session extends beyond 50 days, and that the members attend at least three-quarters of the days on which the House sits. The sessional indemnity in Ontario is \$1,400, if the session extends beyond 30 days. If not, the members indemnity is \$20 a day for each day's attendance.

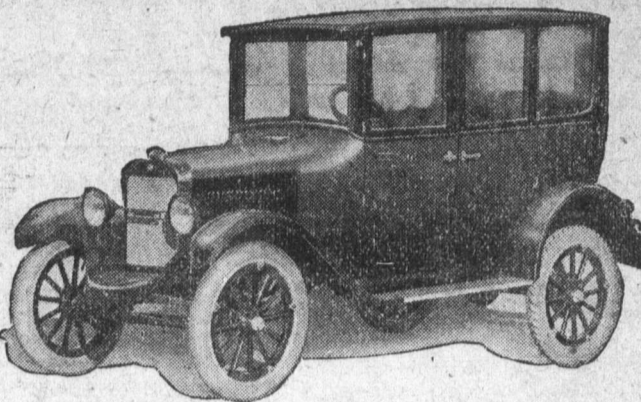
The beautifying of farm homes through an increased interest in horticulture was advocated by Mr. J. Lockie Wilson at the meeting of the Ontario Horticultural Society held in Toronto, as a means of keeping young people from migrating to the city and leaving their farm homes. "Do treeless, shrubless, flowerless home surrounding tend to make con-

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tended and happy the boys and girls who are now said to be leaving the farm homes of Ontario?" Mr. Wilson asked. "In numberless farm homes in our Province the things that count are not neglected and on these farms the boys and girls remained contented and happy and the lurid glare of the city streets with their dust and noise have no appeal for them."

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