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THE STOCKING FUND

of small people in Saint John, however, it means Christmas. The little people are already counting the days and wondering what Santa Claus may do for them. Of course the vast majority great economic unit. The countries of Europe are of them have no fear that Santa Claus will pass making undoubted progress in that direction. them by. They live in good homes, and during Where, it will be asked, is Great Britain coming their lives up to this time they have never been overlooked at Christmas. With them it is merely a question of the extent to which their wishes Britain should not join with the other European may be fulfilled and their hearts gladdened. But powers in an economic alliance but that the British down in many homes where the furniture is where the shadow of extreme poverty is always within itself almost every known or required Santa Claus will come unless well-to-do people, and that anybody who cares to study Imperial extend their sympathy and aid. This they may do through the agency of the Stocking Fund of fact that the Empire commands not merely The Times-Star. They are asked to share with mineral resources but controls almost exclusively bread winner is dead. It may be that illness has project is vast and difficult, that temporary sacrithe light of happiness into the pleading eyes. All ing a response, Away out on the Pacific coast accepted truism that united we stand, divided the Vancouver Province is raising a Santa Claus | we fall. Fund, and the following paragraph from one of its appeals in behalf of that fund applies in Saint study the whole question, he advocates the study John as it does in Vancouver, and in all the land of big maps, following in this the late Marquis

ashamed to beg in this cause; and because it is and industrial magnate. As such it deserves and your privilege to give, you will not turn a deaf will doubtless receive serious and studious conroots in the folklore of our kith and kin since | Conference has raked the clinkers out of the furthe Druids and the Norsemen, is now twined in naces of Empire and allowed them to burn clearer, our observance of it with all that sublime record we must not forget that fresh coals of construcwhich testifies that the Kingdom of Heaven is tive suggestion and effort are needed to ensure like unto the heart of a little child. And beyond continuance of its energy. Such fuel men like the assurance of all the creeds, and high above Sir Alfred Mond supply with visions of economic the sanctions of the dogmas, is the assurance and Empire. the sanction of that voice which still speaks across the vain shows of twice a thousand years: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto the least of these . . .

MORE CHEERING NEWS

NEWS that the Western Packing Corporation, Ltd., will continue to operate its plant at ment of a permanent manager, received at the office of the Board of Trade, will be greeted with much satisfaction here. Not only will the continued operation of this, and other similar plants, of foul fighting. give added employment to the people of the vicinity, but they will act as a spur for the more intensive development of the province's agricultural wealth.

The Corporation also imparts the information that the Farmers' Marketing and Canning Company and the Associated Farmers, Ltd., have decided to amalgamate and form a new company, with the assistance of the Department of Agri culture. This also is a step forward. The easier the problem of marketing is made for the producer, the more will he be inclined to speed up production, and the resultant stimulus given to business will benefit all concerned.

In asking the Board of Trade to use its best efforts to find a more stable market for the farmers and a supply of goods for the canning factory, the Corporation is stepping into a situation where it will receive a hearty welcome from the Board of Trade. The latter body already has made a gesture towards getting the business and agricultural people of the province into closer relationship, and an exposition of the packing corporation's attitude should prove a strong incentive to both interests to make that co-operation effective as soon as possible.

THE ONTARIO ELECTIONS

ONTARIO goes to the polls today. The issue is only very remotely connected with party politics, the main plank of both Conservatives and Liberals being the question of liquor control or prohibition continued. The present Government contend that they cannot govern properly in the face of general lawlessness which they attribute to the alleged contempt of all law arising out of contempt for the prohibitory law. They contend that the consensus of public opinion in Ontario renders prohibition unenforceable. Their opponents deny the existence of lawlessness, claim social improvement under prohibition and declare that it can-and under them would-be enforced. That is the plain issue before the electorate of Ontario, and it has necessarily broken

Prohibition as a war measure was introduced into Ontario by a Conservative government, and has remained the law under Liberal, Farmer and, has remained the law under Liberal, Farmer and, recently again, Conservative regimes. So all have had experience thereof from both sides. British Columbia, the Prairie Provinces and Quebec have all adopted liquor control in one form or another. The three Maritime Provinces are still prohibition areas, and by this evening it should he known whether Ontario decides to remain prohibitionist or will follow the lead of those others which after a trial have abandoned the attempt to enforce a dry law.

A VISION OF ECONOMIC EMPIRE

THAT the uniting bond of the British Empire is commercial would appear to be the theme inferred rather than expressed, since no definite solution is offered to the Imperial problem, enunciated by the Rt. Hon. Sir Alfred Mond in his address to the Toronto Board of Trade last September. The entire text of the speech delivered on that occasion is published in pamphlet form and provides excellent reading throughout. At the outset Sir Alfred reviews conditions in railroad strike.

Canada and in Great Britain and in the latter the superficial as portrayed in certain writings from which it might be thought that the youth of the day is wasting its time in frivolity, vice and childishness. He declares that the solid mass of young Britons are carrying on and will carry on their great traditions. This review, he acknowledges, is preliminary but deliberate and leads up to an exposition of his opinions as a great industrialist and statesman-preliminary and deliberate because, as he says, "unless we are sure of the future of the Dominion and of the Motherland there is no point in discussing the future of the

In view of the constitution-for lack of a better word-of the Empire, subsequently drafted by the Imperial Conference, it is of interest to note Sir Alfred's recognition that a rigid written covenant is out of the question, but where he sees diversispeaker pointed out the universal trend towards concentration of interests and of industry. The United States, as a country, is practically one

Sir Alfred Mond's opinion is plainly that Great happy who, but for their kindly interest, would exemplifying this by the mention of nickel, rubhave but a wretched day. It may be the chief ber and tin. Sir Alfred acknowledges that the brought the family to extreme poverty. There fices for ultimate gain are involved, but he emmas spirit do not at this season pause to ask too bargaining power that would accrue from a definite many questions. They see the uplifted face of Imperial economic alliance. He points out that a little child, and their hearts are moved to bring Great Britain and each of the Dominions individually are but small parts of the Empire comacross Canada the cry of the children is bring- pared with the whole and infers the generally

Finally, before appealing to his audience to of Salisbury. The address is evidently the sincere "Because it is our privilege to ask, we are not and heartfelt opinion of an eminent statesman For this feast of Christmas, which has its sideration. In our satisfaction that the Imperial

Perhaps of all sports boxing offers apportunities for unfair tactics of the kind which present to the referee the greatest difficulty of detection and suitable punishment. Extremes always tend to meet, and thus the manliest of sports may cover the most brutish practice. Fortunately this is not common, and it is all the more satisfactory Coldbrook and is now arranging for the employ- therefore to hear than in a ten-round fight the referee and the boxing commission not only refused a decision but inflicted a fine on the contenstants, both of whom were adjudged guilty

Other Views

THE WRONG EXCUSE. (Boston Post)

Philadelphia, in trying to explain why \$5,-000,000, intended for subway construction, will have to be used to pay debts of the poorly-attended exposition. The same excuse was brought for-ward in England to explain the failure of the Wembley exposition. Unfortunately for the taxpayers, the English were so sure that good weather would convert debts into assets that they opened Wembley for another year. The weather was propitious, but another failure was recorded. The Mayor of Philadelphia would have hit nearer the truth if he had said that this generation is not interested in expositions

OCEAN FREIGHT RATES.

(Victoria Times)

CANADA has a special interest in this particular subject. Even if the inquiry into this question by the Empire representatives should result only in some reduction in the ocean freight rates on Canadian cattle, it would be excellent news for our stockmen, whose sales of stores to Great Britain have been of vital concern to them since the increase in the American tariff almost closed the United States market to them. At the present time the rate charged is twenty dollars per head. . . If inter-Empire trade means as much as Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister says it does, the question should be worth consideration.

BACK TO THE HAGUE.

(Christian Science Monitor)

DEVELOPMENTS immediately following the delivery of President Coolidge's Armistice Day address in Kansas City indicate, as clearly and as definitely as it is possible to forecast administrative policies in advance, the determination of the Chief Executive to seek authority from Congress to proceed at once with the work of modifying international law. It is in this direction the President is said to be convinced, that the United States can perform the most effective and valuable service in the effort to establish and in-

UNFAIR EXCHANGE.

(Ottawa Journal) from the United States; each American bought only about \$4.50 worth of goods from Canada. And when the character of imports and exports are examined, the comparison is all the more striking. With the exception of paper, most of what we sell to Uncle Sam is raw mater al—pulp, nickel, copper, asbestos. What we buy, on the other hand, coal and a few other things excepted, are finished products; goods that supply and wages for Americans.

ASSISTED MIGRATION.

(Winnipeg Free Press) A SSISTED migration runs into money if any sort of volume of people is to be handled. is illustrated by the fact that one autor Canada owes enough money now without any plunge into large projects of this nature. But if private capital wants to try its hand there might be something to be said for it. Certainly if the right kind of management were assured, co-opera-tion on this side from all ranks of officialdom, and from the Canadian public might-be counted

CANADIAN business is improving but it has

News and Views From The British Capital

LONDON, November 18, 1926-A spirit of unrest and even of discontent begins to animate a section of Mr. Baldwin's followers. To some extent this symptom has manifested itself over the coal negotiations, but its focus appears to be the question of trade union reform. One wing of the Conservative party favours prompt and drastic action, but another inclines to support a more conciliatory laissez faire. Both views have their firm advocates within the Cabinet itself. One group wants to clip the wings of trade union despotism and intimidation while opportunity offers, and irks over the failure to act while the general strike's moral was vivid in popular memory The other prefers not to give a possible handle to Labor platforms by seeming to attack the demo-cratic citadels of the proletariat, and argues that with due encouragement and stimulus the trade unions will reform themselves from within.

Mr. Baldwin's Position. The lobby talk among Conservatives is that the Prime Minister strongly inclines toward the less drastic and more strategic course. This view is probably well founded, and is moreover supported by Mr. Baldwin's past speeches on this topic. On one notable occasion in the House of the party agents than some of his critics perhaps, emphasised the duty that reposed on trade unionism of cleansing its own Augean stables. It is true he accompanied the hint by something like a threat of outside action if the movement failed to realise this duty, but the speech sufficiently dis-closed Mr. Baldwin's mind as to the better plan. This policy evokes strong and even bitter criticism amongst die-hard members of Mr. Baldwin's party, who are less cognisant than the Premier of the technical difficulties discovered by the Cabinet Committee charged with considering topic, and has caused some talk of the need for

Herbert Smith. In the present plight of the Miners' Federation, once the most powerful Trade Union combine in the country, some sympathy cannot be withheld from Mr. Herbert Smith. For years he has been

The Dramatic Moment. The Dramatic Moment.

The question arrises whether, had he been in his pristine vigour, Mr. Herbert Smith might have resisted the fatal fascination of Mr. Cook's hypnotic enthusiasm because there are some who will always believe that on the ill-starred night of the conference with the Prime Minister at Downing street, before the general strike was launched, the issue trembled in the balance of launched, the issue trembled in the balance of Mr. Herbert Smith's mind. Mr. Baldwin pressed, twice the same crucial question. If the Government guaranteed the full Coal Report, would the miners accept any inevitable reduction in wages? That was the psychological moment of the wretched story. "Old Erb," as the miners call him with familiar endearment, obviously wavered. He seemed on the point of an answer that would have re-written the whole history of the past calamitous six months. Then his disastrous junior colleague's complex prevailed, and he threw away the chance of a lifetime. Extreme politics had eclipsed sound economics.

SOME nations have been ruined by poverty, but the list of nations ruined by success. Alas for the peoples who have not failed, who have climbed high and high and higher yet before the applauding and the apprehensive eyes of the seme contain. The possession of excessive prosperity habitually begets pride and arrogance. Who can watch America to day and not see that we are being tempted to swagger through the world? We not only excluded the Jap-

eclipsed sound economics. Coal Strike Side Efforts. It is curious in how many unsuspected ways the prolonged coal stoppage has affected the general life. Smithfield Market has felt the effects in a very direct manner. For some weeks there has been an excess of meat supplies over demands averaging between 700 and 1,000 fons. This is attributable to the scarcity of fuel, and the in-ability of many housewives to cook the usual joints. But London and the big towns, where attributable to the scarcity of fuel, and the inability of many housewives to cook the usual joints. But London and the big towns, where gas cookers are more general, have not been hit so hard in this respect as smaller localities where old-fashioned methods still obtain. Incidentally the excess of wholesale supplies has failed in any degree to modify the average of retail prices, a point that the Food Commission may not overlook. What the butchers have lost on sales, however, the greengrocers and general grocers have ever, the greengrocers and general grocers have gained on their side, because there has been a marked increase in the demand for fruit, vege-

Colonization By Canadians

(Quebec Chronicle Telegraph) THE Canadian Trades and Labor Congress urges that the same opportunities for colonization should be available to Canadians as are now being offered to immigrants from Great Britain. It believes that colonization should not depend upon immigration, and that if Canada's need of land settlers and land workers is so real that she is prepared to make easier the way for prospective settlers from overseas, then the way should be made easier also for prospective land settlers from amongst the people already living

The Trades and Labor Congress believes that the Dominion Government should establish farms in Canada where Canadian people might be trained in farm work. Such farms, it points out, have been conducted successfully in England for the training of prospective emigrants, and similar institutions on this side would be a great aid to the unemployed and others desirous of doing so to fit themselves for the life and work on the

There is everything to be said for this idea and nothing can be properly urged against it. Surely the best possible settlers in Canada's vacant spaces are to be found among our own native-born youths. But the rapid development of our cities and industrial life is gradually tending to divorce our people from the land. There are young Canadians today, who are almost as much the product of the city as the youths of old London. Some of them are finding it difficult to obtain steady em-ployment, and might be willing, as the Old Country youth is willing, to go back to the soil upon which their pioneer forebears lived in past years. Canada is pre-eminently an agricultural country, and yet the farm does not exert that attractry, and yet the farm does not exert that attraction for Canadian youth that it should. In Europe they are preaching the doctrine of "back to the land." A similar movement would not be amiss in this country. The problem of peopling Canada is just as much a problem of colonization as of immigration, and the finest colonization material is to be found right among our own people if it can be attracted to the farm. This people if it can be attracted to the farm. This was a school in the mill district and people if it can be attracted to the larm. This is the policy that is being pursued by the Province of Quebec and it is the policy which, as a matter of justice to Canadian citizens, if nothing more, ought by all means to be pursued by the Dominion

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A THIEF PAYS FOR HIS CRIMES



By ARTHUR N. PACK

ONLY a wandering and thieving prairie wolf this, caught at last in a trap. He perchance has been levying on the barnyard flock of Plymouth Rocks, or the herd of Southdowns. Now he has come to shoulders of some fair lady, or with southdowns. Now he has come to shoulders of some fair lady, or with southdowns. Now he has come to shoulders of some fair lady, or with southdowns.

in reality a sauve qui peut. But Mr. Smith cannot avoid responsibility for a futility of real leadership that, after rejecting what was available without any strike at all, now at the end of six months' agony finds itself accepting so much less.

Timely Views On World Topics

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and the apprehen-sive eyes of the whole world, until they fell over the precipice of their own prosperity. can be figured the American people hold in their

After Dinner Stories

tells this one: We should marry early, but not to A pretty girl of 18 sald to her prematurely aged father—he looked twice his "Dad, what's your birthstone?
I don't know, the man answered with a weary sigh. The grindstone, I

de las' conference has done sent me down to Tarboro, N. C., 'case he says



Trapped Coyote

from Mr. Herbert Smith. For years he has been the trusted idol of the miners, and the sturdy veteran has long served them well. He is now getting on in age, and feels the stress and strain of the present prolonged struggle heavily. For the first time during all the trouble he sided against his younger colleague, Mr. A. J. Cook, at the last delegate meeting in London. He did the stress and poisoned his squirrels. against his younger colleague, Mr. A. J. Cook, at the last delegate meeting in London. He did it with reluctant fortitude. And his action was undoubtedly for what, however camouflaged, was doubtedly for what, however camouflaged has a contract the contract that he was doubtedly for what has a contract the contract that he was doubted has a contract that he was doubted has a contract that he was doubted has a contract that

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BY THE REV. DR. HARRY EMERSON FOSDICK

anese, but our Senate needlessly insulted them in a way they never will forget. We scorn to condescend to join the League of Nations. Before Court we insist on one reservation conferring such special privilege as would give us the power of veto against all the nations of the world, so that there MARRY EMERSON FOSDICK is not one chance in a million of self-

if the debts are to be handled as at present planned, a large part of all the people of Europe for sixty years to come will be paying all their surplus earnings into our pockets. No nation in history ever faced such a situation. No nation in history ever faced such a temptation. Do we know how to abound?

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to the word "plate." There he stumbled.

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GOVERNOR SMITH of New York Poems I Love BY CHAS, HANSON TOWNE, "Intimations of Immortality," by William Wordsworth. motal poems he added a lustre to English literature that will not fade.

s. CHARLIE had for several years served faithfully as the caretaker of the "South Building," one of the dormitories of a large university. One day he came into the president's office and presented his resignation.

The president expressed some recent. Its glory is untarnished; its perfection must be obvious to the most casual and presented his resignation.

The president expressed some regret, saying that he hated to lose him.

"Yaas, sir," replied Charlie, "but you see it's dis way, Mr. President. You

Star,

Our birth is but a sleep and a for getting;

The Soul that rises with us, our life Star, getting; The Soul that rises with us, our life's see it's dis way, Mr. President. You know I'se a preacher, and de bishop at Hath elsewhere had its setting,



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Must travel, still is Nature's priest,

He sees it in his joy;

YES," sighed the steam, as it
escaped from the orifice. "I've

And by the vision splendid is on his At length the Man perceives it die away, And fade into the light of common

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