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TOO MANY CANADIAN WOMEN ARE GOING TO ENGLAND

They are Finding Many Discouragements and Disappointments in the Old Land—Officials Are Giving the Matter Attention, But are Hampered by the Delicacy of the Situation.

LONDON, September 17—And the Canadian women continue to come. During a brief visit to the offices of the Canadian Commissioner five well-known Canadian women, dressed in a manner that is conspicuous at this time on the streets of London, wandered into the reading room with that careless air of the tourist. From a few seconds' conversation among themselves it was divulged that they were in England merely on a war sightseeing trip, as if the middle of the great drive, when the whole world is holding its breath, and the thinking part of it praying for the success of the grimly struggling warriors in France, was but the height of the tourist season! And the register in the Canadian offices is as full of names of women as of men.

Lately the English press has been paying attention to the issue at stake. Unfortunately, some few of them have come into the matter with that extravagance characteristic of lemon-colored journalism. They have exceeded the facts, and Canada is the sufferer—but perhaps they have seen that mere facts have failed to work a change.

Stories of Stranded Canadians. Stories have been rife of stranded Canadian women. The Sunday edition of a well-known paper contains this: "The most homesick woman in London today is a little Canadian who arrived in England a week ago with a small child, a small amount of baggage, and a very small sum of money. Her husband is a private in the Canadian contingent, and she came over here because he had been away a year and she thought it 'high time' she followed him. She had a vague idea that he could come over from France and spend week-ends with her, or that she could run over there and cheer him up in camp. But the women at the Red Cross Headquarters explained to her that her husband might not get any leave for many months to come, and that he might be wounded and sent back to Canada, where she had no money to follow him. When she grasped these and a few other vital facts she had not faced before, she simply sat down and she and the baby wept in chorus. She expressed herself freely on her own foolishness in coming, and on the general dreariness and desolation of England, and then she was advised to apply to the Soldiers and Sailors' Fund for help until her separation allowance should arrive from Canada. Her case is typical. Hundreds of women from all over Canada have brought their children and their household goods to settle down here and be nearer their husbands. Disappointment and disillusion follow, and then the pangs of homesickness and frantic efforts to get back. "At the offices of the High Commissioner of Canada, dozens of men, women and children are often to be

but the proportion is very, very small. Also, it may be straining a point to criticize the presence of a wife whose husband is on permanent duty right in England; and it is not of those I speak.

It is a fact that one is able almost without fail to pick out the United States and the Canadian women amidst the crowds on the street, and always there is cast after them a look very different from that which respectfully follows the Canadian soldier. That air of inconsequential excitement, of aimless search for sight-seeing, of conspicuous up-to-dateness in dress, is decidedly bad form today in London streets. The English woman, even with more money in her purse than many of these Canadian women will ever see, crushes any ambitions toward dress she may feel as one mourns for the dead. I have been to the big Canadian centre of Folkestone, and have experienced many months of it in London, and the instinct of the Canadian woman to look her best to the limit of her resources is inextinguishable.

And yet most of the Canadians in England whether rightly or wrongly, have found entertainment in criticizing England's delay in recognizing the seriousness of the war. Only within the last few days the Royal Commission on Sugar Supply has distributed in handbills an appeal to the people: "All sugar is imported," it says, "Whenever you eat sugar or goods containing sugar you are using the steamers and the credits that the nation needs to end and to win the war. Economy in the use of steamers helps to keep down the price of food. Won't you exercise the self-restraint which is the key of victory?"

Gaiety Too Pronounced. But there is another side to the question, already hinted at in my earlier letters; but now assuming such a proportion that more than mere hints, even against every instinct of patriotism and personal friendship, seems not only wise, but necessary. Of late I have been hearing from many sources stories of the gaiety of life in many Canadian women with nothing to do but find entertainment. In this connection I may quote this mild detail of English atmosphere, which Canadian women must face: I have never been in a London tea-room where women were not smoking, and I have seen them indulging themselves on the street, and in the better class homes it is the same. The other day a woman who would be indignant at the Canadian opinion of her action divided in my presence a cigarette between her two boys of seven and nine. There is still, I believe, the prevailing opinion in Canada that we do not wish our women generally to be seen with cigarettes between their lips.

The more I see of other countries and their habits the more I admire what we have adopted in Canada; and the best of them centre about our women. May they never change! But I am as sure they will as that we will win this war. If Canadian women come to England in the numbers of recent records and throw themselves into the only life open to them. Even a Canadian woman with nothing to do but amuse herself, with her husband absent or too busy to join her in amusements, with a certain spurious social standard dangling before her eyes, is going to take back home that which will do no one good. If England does not count in these days of stress, let them remember Canada and its reputation.

"Won't you exercise the self-control which is the key to victory?"

A Protest Against Latest Act of the Now Famous Game Board

Where is Mr. Downey He Has Not Interested Himself in This Matter—How is a Man to Know When he is Inside the Reserve Boundary or Not—New Edict is a Most Stupid One.

(To the Editor)

Dear Editor,—Soon again the call to hunting grounds—with us not the wanton desire to kill—but in most cases, one of necessity (to procure meat for our home families.) Prices have soared so high with our food-stuffs that we take advantage of, and chance a trip out country, perhaps to bring home a caribou, which mean a lot in those days of high cost of living. But where are we going. The Game Board has been pleased to extend the Reserve so far that we can do nothing but wonder. Are we to be so dealt with? Have we in this district merited the displeasure of our masters, or have our Hon. Member so far forgotten his constituents as to allow such an act of injustice. This thing not only affects the whole of this District, but St. Barbe also, as our neighbours come this way at times for caribou. It won't be an easy problem for the every day man to place himself on the right side of the fence in this case. What do we know about bearings from True Meridian, when even a Warden may be astray in quoting correct lines, and law to us befogged deer hunters. Of course Wardens could put in lot of useful time on — line. Sometimes they have been known to let the real substance go, while chasing a myth.

Mr. Editor it is to be hoped that through the intervention of our Hon. Member, the Government in Council may see fit to change the reading of that edict back to the old act.

Yours very truly, S. WHEELER. Curling, Sept. 16, 1916.

Investigating Fish Life in the Bay of Fundy

The power cruiser Pringle, of the Biological station at St. Andrew's, in command of Captain Elmer Rigby, arrived at Yarmouth on last Sunday with distinguished party on board: Professor Prince, dominion commissioner of fisheries; Dr. A. G. Huntsman, curator of the biological station, St. Andrews; Bruce Wilson of Toronto University, and Arthur Calder, of St. Andrews. Their special purpose is to investigate the distribution of shrimp and other small marine life, and they are also trying to ascertain what fish spawn, if any, reaches maturity in the waters there. For the purpose of carrying on these investigations, they are carrying all kinds of nets and trawls, from those made of the finest of silk, which are intended to stop even the minutest of living organisms in the waters, to the coarse and heavy appliances used by commercial fishermen. They have the other trawls, young fish trawls, plankton nets (plankton being the same by which all the numerous varieties of small fish like is known) besides self-closing nets, measuring and sounding instruments. They have been engaged in searching the depths of the Bay of Fundy, not far off the Yarmouth coast, in 111 fathoms of water, and their specimen bottles are full of many interesting specimens of small life.

While weeding out the disappointing generals, the Kaiser shouldn't overlook the Clown Prince.



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PUBLIC NOTICE. Town of St. John's.

Public Notice is hereby given to the Electors residing within the Municipal Limits of the town of St. John's aforesaid, that, in obedience to His Majesty's Writ to me directed and bearing date of 13th day of September, directing that on Tuesday, twenty-sixth day of September next a Poll of the electors in the aforesaid town shall be taken according to law on the following question:

"Are you in favour of adopting the Ward System for the election of Councillors in the Municipal elections for the town of St. John's."

I hereby give notice that such Poll will be opened on Tuesday the twenty-sixth day of September, 1916, from the hour of Eight in the morning till Eight of the clock in the evening in each of the polling stations within the aforesaid town of St. John's.

And further that at the Newmarket Building at the corner of Springdale and Water Streets, I shall open the ballot boxes, count the votes and declare the total number of votes given for the affirmative and the negative, respectively; of which all persons are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my hand at St. John's this 18th day of September in the year 1916.

F. J. DOYLE, Returning Officer.

PUBLIC NOTICE. Town of St. John's.

Public Notice is hereby given to the electors residing within the Municipal limits of the town of St. John's aforesaid, that the Polling Stations hereinafter set forth will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday the twenty-sixth day of September, 1916, as follows:—

DIVISION 1.

Boundary.—All that part of the town east of the King's wharf; thence following the centre of the King's Beach, King's Road, Rennie's Mill Rd. to the northern limit of the town.

No. 1 Booth—At the house of Mrs. French, No. 7, York Street, for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters A, B, C, D.

No. 2 Booth—At the house of Mrs. Ready, No. 9, York St., for Electors only whose surnames begin

with the letters E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L.

No. 3 Booth—At the house of Mrs. Porter, No. 3, Gower St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters M, Mc, N, O, P, Q.

No. 4 Booth—At the house of Mrs. Hayes, No. 10, Bond St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z.

DIVISION 2.

Boundary.—From the western boundary of No. 1 Division to the centre of Baird's Cove, up Market House Hill, Cathedral Hill, Garrison Hill and Long Pond Road, to the northern limit of the town.

No. 1 Booth—At the house of Miss Sullivan, No. 19, Prospect St., for electors only whose surnames begin with the letters A, B, C, D.

No. 2 Booth—At the house of John Burke, No. 62, Prescott Street for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L.

No. 3 Booth—At the house of Mrs. Kelly, No. 50, Victoria St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters M, Mc, N, O, P, Q.

No. 4 Booth—At the house of James Miron, No. 126 Bond St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z.

DIVISION 3.

Boundary.—From the western boundary of No. 2 Division to the centre of Goodridge's western wharf up to the centre of William's Lane and Lime St., to LeMarchant Road, eastwardly to Cookstown Road and Freshwater Road to the northern limit of the town.

No. 1 Booth—At the house of Miss Murphy, No. 20 Livingstone St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters A, B, C.

No. 2 Booth—At the house of Miss Carroll, No. 22 Livingstone St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters D, E, F, G, H.

No. 3 Booth—At the house of Mrs. Wilson, No. 27 Livingstone St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters I, J, K, L, M, Mc.

No. 4 Booth—At the house of John Earl, No. 18, Allan's Square, for Electors only, whose surnames begin with the letters N, O, P, Q, R, S.

No. 5 Booth—At the house of Mrs. O'Toole, cor. of James' and New Gower Sts., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z.

DIVISION 4.

Boundary.—From the western boundary of No. 3 Division to the eastern boundary of Newman's waterside premises; thence up the centre of Springdale Street to LeMarchant Rd.; thence eastwardly along LeMarchant Road to Pennywell Road, and thence to the northern limit of the town.

No. 1 Booth—At the house of Chas. Truscott, No. 9, New Gower St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters A, B, C.

No. 2 Booth—At the house of Mrs. Finn, No. 32 Adelaide St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters D, E, F, G, H.

No. 3 Booth—At the house of Mrs. Finn, No. 32 Adelaide St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters I, J, K, L, M, Mc.

No. 4 Booth—At the house of Mrs. McGrath, No. 37 New Gower St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters N, O, P, Q, R.

No. 5 Booth—At the house of P. Flynn, No. 111 New Gower St., for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z.

DIVISION 5.

Boundary.—All that part of the town situate west of the western boundary of No. 4 Division and north of the Waterford Bridge Road.

No. 1 Booth—At the house of Mrs. Crowley, 40 Hutchings Street, for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters A, B, C, D.

No. 2 Booth—At the house of Mrs. Hart, No. 138 Water St. West, for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters L, M, Mc, N, O, P, Q.

No. 4 Booth—At the house of Edward Kavanagh, No. 222, Water St. West, for Electors only whose surnames begin with the letters R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z.

DIVISION 6.

Boundary.—All that part of the town situate on the Southside of St. John's Harbour, extending from Fort Amherst to Syme's Bridge.

Booth.—At the house of Michael Stafford for Electors of the Southside Division.

F. J. DOYLE, Returning Officer. sept 20, 22, 21

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