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THE "GREATER HALIFAX"

Halifax and Saint John, between which many years ago there was a somewhat narrow and bitter rivalry, now happily enjoy the best of relations, and have achieved a considerable measure of co-operation in forwarding their interests and that of the Maritimes. Both cities today are confident that the future holds for them years of greater expansion and contentment, and that they shall come into their own as port cities of immense value to the Dominion, as well as the expanding centres of two flourishing provinces.

The Commercial News, which is the official publication of the Halifax Board of Trade, contains an article on the "Greater Halifax" movement, which will be of interest here. The Halifax Board, it is announced in this publication, has dedicated its services to making Halifax the premier port of Canada. Preliminary work in connection with this effort has been started, and the board says that encouraging results are already in evidence. What is to be done? The News says that the Halifax Board has decided to make Halifax, like all the important ports of the world, propose to employ men of the highest efficiency to advertise its advantages and to solicit business. The News continues:

"Now is the time for the people of Halifax and the Province of Nova Scotia to go after this business. Thanks to our Press, to whom all credit is due, we have the attentive ear and sympathetic attention of the rest of Canada directed to our cause. They are willing and anxious to help. We must take advantage of the time—opportunity is knocking at our door. The Board of Trade is the logical body to do this work. Times have changed during the last few years and it is no longer possible for the board to successfully carry along its duties and responsibilities as in the past through the good offices and self-sacrificing effort of the voluntary services of its council. Professional help must be employed to carry on a successful campaign. The business undertaken by the board. A fund of at least \$50,000 must be raised to start with. It is quite impossible to get efficient men to leave good positions unless we can assure them of permanent employment. Since Halifax was, and so long as it is, shipping will be the main industry, and it is only now that an effort, substantially backed, is being made, the result of which will go a long way towards the re-establishment of industry in every phase, from which we will all benefit and expand beyond our wildest dreams. Be it professional—trade or labor."

"In addition to our transportation, West India, fisheries and port facilities committees we have committees on civic affairs, legislation and tourists, and we wish to see these committees actually kept busy looking after their particular interest. The people of Halifax should see that they make full use of these committees so as to get a bigger and better Halifax. At this age of the wireless cannot be carried on without the efficient staff and efficient methods, and these cannot be secured without adequate capital, and, as before said, they must have a fund of not less than \$50,000 to get the results that they are warranted in looking for."

The Board of Trade is soon to launch its campaign to secure the necessary money, and in giving the public notice it says "it is a Victory Loan—the general public will cash the coupons." On many occasions during the organization of the campaign, those who are promoting it have referred in rather flattering terms to Saint John's example in making an aggressive bid for port expansion and the general growth of the city. If Halifax received some inspiration from us, we shall in turn derive inspiration from Halifax and we will applaud every successful effort it makes to build the greater city, at the same time being mindful of the necessity to do much for ourselves in the same way."

It now appears that the Countess of Cathcart, who has been ordered deported from the shores of the United States on the ground of moral turpitude, has written a play. It is not inappropriately called "Ashes," and the lady, having reached a peak of notoriety, cables to her London producers that she hopes to be there for the opening night. So Uncle Sam, in chalking up a black mark against her, has inadvertently given "Ashes" no end of advertising, and it may well be imagined that when the Countess gets to the theatre on the opening night, with all her new laurels from upon her brow, the house will be full and running over. What could be fairer than that?

Abraham Lincoln grows in stature not only in the eyes of his fellow-countrymen but of the world as the years pass. The celebration of the 117th anniversary of his birth last week led to the publication of many estimates of him by famous men, in-

cluding that of the late Lord Curzon, who described the American as one of the greatest orators of the nineteenth century. Curzon placed the Gettysburg address above all public utterances of modern times. Lloyd George speaks of Lincoln as: "One who was in his own day an American, but who is today the priceless possession of all races." The London Free Press says the claim that Lincoln is the greatest figure in world history since Napoleon would be hard to defeat, and that "if any reader doubts this statement, let him consider to whom he would give the pre-eminence." The Gettysburg address did not at first make a great impression in the United States. Lincoln had many bitter enemies, and justice during the reconstruction period followed the reconstruction period. But as it was read by thoughtful people, the adverse verdict was quickly reversed. It has been said that Lincoln owes much of his fame to the fact that he was assassinated at the height of his career, and so became a martyr. There is something in that, perhaps, but the reviewers are recalling the fact that had he lived his reputation might have become even greater, for the nation greatly needed his priceless qualities of tolerance, conciliation and justice during the reconstruction period which followed the Civil War. Had Lincoln lived he might have prevented much of the lasting bitterness which followed his successor's carpet-bagging rule over the beaten South. The Republic has no figure approaching Lincoln in nobility of stature and in broad humanity."

Older citizens remember when the tea supply of these provinces came in chests from China by way of London. Tea was bought and sold by the chest, and there were no small packages or blended teas. With the blending of China tea with that of India and Ceylon, and the packing of tea in pound packages, came the opportunity of which some far-sighted merchants availed themselves to build up large enterprises. In more recent years Japan has become an important source of tea supply. Last year that country exported over twenty million pounds of tea, and of this nearly fifteen million pounds came to America. Nearly ten million pounds went overland to Chicago, according to the Victoria Colonist, which says also that Canada last year imported by trans-Pacific steamers 2,517,923 pounds of tea, or more than half a million pounds in excess of the imports of 1924.

Odds and Ends

A Catch Somewhere

The following version of the pie story may not be familiar to all: A taxi driver went into a restaurant, and asked for a pie. When the pie was brought he said that he had changed his mind and would have a cup of coffee instead. He finished his coffee and was moving out, when the waiter said: "You haven't paid for your coffee." "I gave you the pie for it," was the reply. "But you didn't pay for the pie, said the waiter. "I know," said the man, "I didn't keep it," and he walked out while the waiter was trying to see where the catch was.

Not Dangerous For Father.

(Boston Transcript.) Nellie Revell, a lady noted for her optimism under dire circumstances, relates an amusing story of a young husband who was anxiously awaiting news of the birth of his first child. He was allowed to conduct a hospital corridor when the doctor came out and told him to control himself or else take a walk around the block. "But I tell you I'm scared to death," protested the young man. "You needn't be," replied the doctor. "I've brought more than 2,000 babies into the world and I haven't lost a father yet."

Clerk.

(Thomas Kennedy.) All day he bends above tall books Making neat lines with a sharp pen. Sometimes he stops his work, and looks. A trifle dazed, at other men As old and gray and bent as he, Hunched over, figuring endlessly. He takes off gold-rimmed spectacles, Carefully polishes away. Puts them back on absently pulls The ends of a mustache, quite gray; Takes pen, and with a little frown, Resumes his writing figures down. It would be pleasant to be old—I sometimes think while watching him— And sit upon a stool, and hold A pen, and look with eyes quite dim On figures written close and fine, Column on column, line on line. With little fear and little hope, Too old for any keen desire, No more to doubt and fear and grope Or in blind agony aspire To hopeless height; only to know Dull figures in a stupid row. To know that some time, by and by, The final entry will be done, The ink will stop, the pen be dry, The ultimate trial balance won! And then, with clamorous, blessed shock, The last great gong ring five o'clock.

Just Fun

SMART DOG
CUSTOMER: Why does that dog sit there and watch me all the time?
Waiter: I suppose you have the plate he always sits from.

TIME TO CLOSE
"How's business going?"
"Like clockwork."
"Why, I heard you had failed."
"So I have. They've just wound up the business."

BESIDES the comfort, convenience and becomingness of bobbed hair, there are several other arguments for the style. No husband or lover should disapprove of the fashion after reading old Goethe's warning: Beware of her fair hair for she exceeds a young man's locks. And when she winds them 'round a young man's neck, she will not ever set him free again. And in self defense, women will bob their hair if they read "Porphyria's Lover" by Browning: The moment she was mine, mine fair, Perfectly pure and good; I found things that, and all her hair in one long, yellow string I wound Three times her little throat around, And strangled her.

THESE short skirts certainly show how high silk stockings are.

IT'S fair enough: Dirt made man; man makes drama; drama is dirt.

A bird in hand, said grandma, counts for more than two on wings.

A hair on his bald spot is worth two in the soup, dad says.

HALF the fun of loafing is knowing you should be working.

BEING POLITE
"Father, what is politeness?"
"Politeness, my son, is the art of concealing from other people what you think of them."

FEETWORK
"We're going to learn fretwork at school, mother."

"Then I shall send you to another school, or you'll be growing up like your father. He works on Monday, and frets about it the rest of the week."

THIS fellow who is pulling on the ear has no time to rest the boat.

She Made It Herself.
A bride who hadn't the slightest knowledge of cooking determined to make a noble effort to please her husband.

Her mother-in-law told her that he was extremely fond of Welsh rabbit, so she set about perfecting herself in the preparation of this dish and spent several hours in the kitchen.

Her failures were many and varied, and finally she exhausted the supply of cheese in the neighborhood and gave up in despair.

A few mornings later her husband, while leaving the block of furnished flats in which they were staying, was stopped by the caretaker.

"Look here, young man," said the latter, "just one thing. If you want to, but I'll not touch it. You'd better kape Dickens."

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"It is all very simple," he said. "You know that water generally flows down hill, but in this case, instead of flowin' down hill, done suddenly flow up hill, leavin' the bottom of the sea all dry—yes, bredder'n' dry, so that all the children ob Israel juss' passed ober without eben wettin' their feet. Then—"

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"You jest set down, sah," answered the pastor, with a patronizing wave of the hand. "You don't know what you are talkin' about. This all happened three thousand years 'fore the law of gravitation done been discovered."

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Suddenly the burr of conversation ceased, and in the silence that followed she said:

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The Rich Widow



"Oh! Mr. Rudolph Ramsayton, wouldn't it be romantic if you DID elope with me?"
From the Daily Express, London.

Poems That Live

A FAREWELL.
My fairest child, I have no song to give you;
No lark could pipe to skies so dull and gray;
Yet, ere we part, one lesson I can leave you
For every day.
Be good, sweet maid, and let who will be clever;
Do noble deeds, no dream them all day long;
And so make life, and that vast forever
One grand, sweet song.
—Charles Kingsley.

The Best of Advice

—BY CLARK KINNAIRD—

BAWLING THE EMPTY V CRY OF LIBERTY!"

IN HIS unique Monthly, Ed Howe, a great hero, a true benefactor of the people.

"Yet in every house a signboard might be erected reading: 'No liberty in this house!'"

"At the entrance to every town, a signboard containing these words might be erected: 'No liberty in this town!'"

"In New York harbor a huge signboard might truthfully read: 'No liberty in this country!'"

"Why have we judges, jells, police officers?"

"To punish those who think they are free to do as they please."

"We are not free; it was never intended we should be."

"Then we are free, and only then."

Intelligent, observant men know this is true.

Yet whatever person goes about bawling "Liberty!" is looked upon as a fool.

Dinner Stories

PASTED on the window of the book publisher's store was the sign: "Porter wanted," and in the window itself, in four dollars, "If he wants to, but I'll not touch it. You'd better kape Dickens."

The able-looking Irishman read first the sign and then the placard.

He blurted out: "Dickens can wur-uk all the week for four dollars. If he wants to, but I'll not touch it. You'd better kape Dickens."

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Twenty Years Ago Today

From Times' Files.

JOHN E. WILSON, mentioned as a mayoralty candidate, announced that he would not run.

JEREMIAH DRAKE, signal man at the Customs House for a quarter of a century, died very suddenly.

A NUMBER of local physicians went to Fredericton to recommend to the Government that a sanatorium be established here.

F. B. CARVELL, M. P., of Woodstock, was in town on private business.

Timely Views On World Topics

By SIR ROBERT BORDEN.

WE SEEK to outlaw war. Under the present international organization can it be outlawed by force, that is, by war? Or by domestic legislation?

May we not hope that this supreme purpose can gradually but surely be accomplished by training the world in habit and practice of constant association and co-operation for peaceful determination of international disputes.

Not the letter, but the spirit of the covenant or of the Locarno pact must be our hope. Covenants, treaties, pacts will be as nothing unless the spirit of the nations is consecrated to the ideal of peace, to the "hate of hate, the scorn of scorn."

The fullest service of the League to humanity is in the personal contact and associations, the removal of misunderstanding, distrust and suspicion, the comprehension of other viewpoints, the habit and practice of peaceful determination, which are yearly brought about at Geneva, and which have already exercised an immense influence upon the nations.

If that influence can grow and abide there may be created in the world's affairs, wherein we must recognize every nation as the neighbor of every other, so paramount a sense of public right and international faith, so deep an abhorrence of the waste, the destruction, the savagery and the horror of war that will be virtually outlawed.

Then may we hope that the spirit which maintains peace, order and good government in each civilized nation will have its perfect work in its relations with each other.

After all what most men are thinking of when they say Freedom, is privileges for themselves alone.

"LICENSE they mean when they served. Liberty!" John Milton observed.

have the surest way of ending the evil. If all those who denounce the evil verbally (and resolutions of protest can be counted by the dozen) would make their acts accord with their words, the question would be quickly settled.

LET IT BE
(Calgary Alberta.)

The provincial government gave the hotel keepers little encouragement for changes requested in the liquor act. There seems to be a disposition among the people to give the liquor act a thorough try out, and the government is wise in not making any changes that are of much importance, either way, for a few years at least.

OTHER VIEWS
(Calgary Herald.)

After all, why worry about the physical agility and mental alertness of the growing generation? This will be developed dodging the automobiles going to and coming from school.

ANYWHERE BUT HOME
(Vancouver Province.)

Seemingly there is in Great Britain, as in Canada, a widespread demand for economy in public administration, but there, as here, everyone wishes, without prying to begin on the things in which the other fellow is interested. There is a rooted objection to having economy begin at home.

JAUNDICED JOURNALISM
(Montreal Le Devoir.)

The vigorous attack which was made by Judge Monck, recently on yellow journalism is still being feverishly commented upon. But do readers realize that they have a remedy in their own hands? If they were to stop reading such newspapers, the "yellow" game would not pay, and there the readers begin at home.

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It Isn't Sporting.

(Fall River News.) There is a tenseness and a lack of good feeling with regard to the championship tennis match between Helen Wills, the American girl, and Suzanne Lenglen, which is unpleasant, to say the least. It is as though two champions of two contending armies were about to step forth in a neutral space between the armed hosts, and battle for their cause.

The people of this country, very unfortunately for the country, look upon Miss Wills and Miss Lenglen not as two wholesome, attractive young women engaged in an attractive and healthy form of athletic game, but as two grim, sturdy do-or-die battlers "for the supremacy of the tennis world," as the sports writers phrase it. Which is, to our way of thinking, just as wrong as it could be. When a game of tennis between two young women comes to be a grim battle, something is seriously wrong with our conception of athletics.

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