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WHY NOT ST. JOHN?

It is not time for St. John's business men to take note of the fact that natural gas is available in this province for light, heat and power? Up to the present time, although Miramichi and Hillsboro have been supplied and the tests made by the Maritime Oil Fields, Ltd., have discovered more and more gas wells yielding a high pressure, the people of St. John appear to have been content to read the news concerning these developments and let it go at that.

Recognize that however wrong or foolish he may regard the views held by others he cannot change the conditions, nor has he a right to expect those who differ to abandon of their own volition the convictions of a lifetime.

A HINT FOR NEW BRUNSWICK

From a publication entitled "Wisconsin, an Experiment in Democracy" we quote the following interesting statement: "The depleted work of the farm-hand has become a lucrative vocation in Wisconsin, more lucrative apparently than the learned professions. When the University of Wisconsin closed in 1911, the agricultural department had orders for graduates, which it could not supply, paying salaries aggregating \$400,000. While the graduates in law, medicine, engineering, etc., were competing for such limited opportunities as were offered, all the 'Short Horns' had been engaged before they completed their course, at salaries ranging from \$900 to \$3,000 a year."

There is food for thought in this statement. We are a long way from such conditions in the province of New Brunswick. We have no agricultural department in our university, and the young man who desires to qualify himself for the vocation of agriculture must leave his own province to take the necessary course. When the time comes when young men can get a good agricultural education in New Brunswick, there will be a much more general desire on the part of farmers' sons to pursue such a course, instead of adopting one of the professions. Indeed agriculture properly conducted is a profession quite as dignified and more independent than those to which so many young men are attracted.

Take your umbrella along, of course. A new armory, a new postoffice, a new theatre and a million dollar hotel. That's going some, in St. John.

The erection of a large automobile factory is assured. Another important industry, capable of great expansion, is thus added to those in St. John and its immediate vicinity.

If the government has decided not to proceed at once with the new post office it might get some revenue out of the building from which the tenants were compelled to remove last spring. Why this delay?

No doubt the government which was defeated in 1908 is responsible for the collapse of the Southwest Miramichi bridge. No one would suspect the Flemming government of designs upon the comfort and convenience of the people using this bridge.

It is evident from the preparations that H. R. H. the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia are to receive a warm welcome in St. John, even if somebody has forgotten some of the titles of his royal highness, and thus marred the joy of the occasion for some ardent souls. We note on titles.

How many more victims of tuberculosis must die, and how many new cases must develop in this city, before the sanitarium and day camp are provided? If those in authority would tell us at what number they have fixed the limit, we might then be able to guess at the probable date of the establishment of those institutions.

There is need in St. John of an institution for old men similar to that provided for old ladies. There is always a considerable number of elderly gentlemen, some without relatives, who would be much more comfortable in such an institution than in an ordinary hotel or boarding house, and who would be able to pay their way. This is a matter which might well be given consideration, perhaps by an organization formed for the purpose.

The Standard says that the Times ignores Mr. Borden's unconditional offer to the British Government of an immediate contribution to the naval programme of the Mother Country, and fails to remember that not only was this offer gladly accepted, but that Mr. Borden's prompt action has been endorsed by every respectable newspaper in both countries.

The Standard knows perfectly well that Mr. Borden made no unconditional offer of an immediate or any other contribution to the navy. He talked, and talked again, and again, but not even Mr. Borden himself knows today what he will offer. He must consult Bourassa.

THE LURE OF THE WEST. Charlottetown Patriot:—The first harvest excursion to Western Canada from Prince Edward Island took place on Monday with the result that 637 persons, including a number of women, left this province, 183 left Charlottetown, and the station was thronged with people to witness their departure. It is feared that many who went on this excursion will take up their permanent abode in the west, and under such circumstances the scene at the station, has its sad aspect when the west-

THE TONE OF THE VOICE

It is not so much what you say, As the manner in which you say it. It is not so much the language you use, As the tone in which you convey it.

The words may be mild and fair, And the tone may pierce like a dart; The words may be soft as the summer air, And the tone may break the heart.

For words but once come from the mind, And grow by study and art; But the tone is leapt forth from the inner self, And reveals the state of the heart.

Whether we know it or not, Whether you mean it or care, Gentleness, kindness, love and hate, A right to expect those who differ to abandon of their own volition the convictions of a lifetime.

Then would you quarrels avoid, And in peace and love rejoice? Keep anger not only out of your words, But keep it out of your voice.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

COULDN'T SAY. "There is a rumor afloat that old Goldron is dead," said the reporter. "I was just down to the house," "Well, his wife said that her husband would neither confirm nor deny the rumor. Is it so?"—Yonkers Statesman.

HAD RATHER EXPECTED IT. "When?" she asked when you heard that Mrs. Middleton had secured a divorce? "No, I can't say that I was. You see, her husband and I were already engaged."—Chicago Record-Herald.

THE REASON WHY. "I swear to you I cannot live without my wife." "Yes, but so?" "Well, not exactly that. You see, she has the money."

HER JOB. "Sam, you have a good job now?" "Oh, yes, sir." "What are you doing, Sam?" "Why, I'm getting my wife washin' hair."—Yonkers Statesman.

UNFORSEEN. "Before we were married," John, you said you'd go through fire and water for me." "Yes, dear; but I never said anything about bankruptcy."

TACTFUL. Mildred—Why do you marry the Count? He only wants you for your money. Isabel—But he has such a delightful way of putting it. He says he is only marrying my money for me.

DIFFERENT. He (boastfully)—Oh, I've broken several records. She—Oh, have you? On the track, I suppose? He—No, on our phonograph.

QUITE ANOTHER THING. An enterprising tool dealer, who landed in the following to the city editor of an esteemed contemporary the other day: "A large crowd assembled before Mr. Schlow's fancy good store this morning, and watched him while he was engaged in the interesting occupation of drawing four large handsome French windows that make his display so attractive. The display was much enjoyed."

But the commentators were in a hurry and neglected to put any "in" in the "windows."

GAMBLERS STICK TO THEIR STORIES BEFORE GRAND JURY

New York, Aug. 15.—At the request of District Attorney Whitman the grand jury today returned indictments against the defendants in the murder of Herman Rosenthal in order to hear the testimony of Sam Scheppe now on his trial here for the murder of Rosenthal, who was in the custody of Assistant District Attorney Ruben. While the county prosecutor believes that the evidence against the defendants is sufficient for the purpose of indictment he advised the jury today that it would be best to hear the testimony of Scheppe in order to further strengthen the evidence.

Reports were also current that Webber who with Rose and Vallon were witnesses before the jury today, had given testimony which conflicted with his previous story but it was learned that Webber steadfastly stood by all that he had said regarding Lieutenant Becker and the other defendants in the murder.

Impatient over what he regards as the "peculiarly unprecedented" failure of any city authority to offer a reward for the capture of "Opp the Blood" and "Lefty" Louis, who tomorrow will have been at large one month since Rosenthal was slain, District Attorney Whitman declared tonight that he himself would offer a reward of \$5,000 for the capture of the two men dead or alive.

Detective Wm. J. Burns saw the district attorney today, but has thus far, it was learned, turned up no evidence which might aid him. He told the prosecutor, however, that he was on a trail which he predicted would lead to a high city official in connection with police corruption. He also said that he expected to "get" three men known as "The disorderly house triumvirate," one a lawyer, one a police inspector and the other a hotel keeper. The detective also gave assurance to the district attorney, it was learned, that he would find "Opp the Blood."

Nat Goodwin Fatally Hurt

Los Angeles, Ca., Aug. 15.—Nat C. Goodwin, was seriously and probably fatally injured about noon today at Rocky Point, twelve miles south of Huonema, by first being thrown from a skiff on the rocks by the breakers and then being struck by the boat itself as it was dashed ashore.

Goodwin and a woman of his company engaged a launch to make a trip up the coast. The woman had a note which she said was for an Indian. She espied an Indian's hut, and demanded that the captain take her note ashore. He refused because of the stormy tide and rough breakers, but Goodwin, taking off his coat and vest grabbed the note and jumped into a rowboat. As the boat reached the breakers' line it was overturned. Goodwin was thrown up on shore and stunned. With the next roll of breakers the boat was thrown upon Goodwin.

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