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THE MARITIMES AND OTTAWA.

A loud Westerner, who came from Manitoba to report the Nova Scotia campaign for the Winnipeg Free Press, makes an observation concerning the political parties in the latter province which is of interest in all the Maritimes.

In reviewing Maritime conditions, political and industrial, many observers from the other provinces have made comments of the same tenor. They have been disposed to ask why it is that the Maritime Provinces have not combined, after the fashion of the Prairie West, to send to Ottawa a hard and fast Maritime delegation which would sometimes hold the balance of power, and in the average year anyway, would exercise a considerable influence because of its numerical strength.

The Western representative forms the impression that the business of getting better terms for Nova Scotia within Confederation has been impeded considerably by sharp and continuous partisan devotion. As an indication of this he writes:

"We managed to find one man who wasn't taking an active part in the election and who had no light of battle in his eye, and he said that one of the troubles in Nova Scotia is that any move to bring about a new economic condition became a political issue. The boys got hold of it, and used it as a political football. They kicked it all over the lot with such vigor, especially if an election were on in sight, that they themselves were through it was as flat as a cooking-school pancake that was made two months in the first place."

"We asked him if a new era might not be in sight—a little more battling for the country and less for the party. He said he hoped so."

"What might bring about a change in the older generation? We asked. 'Death has been known to do it, he said."

"Would anything else do it? 'It didn't think so."

"We asked about the younger generation, the young men and women of the province now reaching voting age. 'There was hope there, he said. He believed there was a new political outlook and would respond to moderate leadership. He believed a 'Young Turk' party, breaking from the two old parties and standing for Nova Scotia rights, even to the point of secession, would sweep the province."

As a matter of fact secession has not been a practical political issue in Nova Scotia. At the moment, too, any prospect of the obliteration of party lines, even temporarily, and the formation of an independent Nova Scotia party, has been dissipated by the great party victory of the Conservatives. It will be the natural inclination of the people who have placed Mr. Rhodes at the head of affairs by such sweeping majorities to give him at least a reasonable time to see what he can do to bring about a more hopeful and prosperous state of affairs. Should he fall, then, a Nova Scotia party might emerge. Whatever Mr. Rhodes may be able to accomplish, it is obvious that a great deal must depend upon the course of business in Canada generally, upon the pace of recovery not only in the Dominion, but in those other countries which demand for our products avenues so great an influence upon our trade.

The Free Press, commenting editorially upon Nova Scotia conditions, points out that while in the provincial campaign the Liberals were in open revolt against the tariff, that province has not represented at Ottawa by an almost solid Liberal delegation whose members have not protested against a present tariff in the House of Commons.

UNTIMELY STRIKES. A strike in the Alberta coal fields, where trouble has been brewing for some time past, comes on top of the unshaken and disastrous struggle in the Cape Breton mining area. These periods of dispute and idleness in Canada's coal fields are particularly to be regretted at a time when the country needs nothing so much as industrial activity, and also when predicted strikes in the United States make it more than ever necessary that Canada should be drawing to the greatest extent possible, upon its own reserves of fuel.

After considerable misunderstanding an arrangement had just been made whereby 25,000 tons of Alberta coal was to be shipped to the Ontario market, in order to determine the effect of transportation, and also Ontario a thorough trial of coal, with the hope that it would very largely displace American products. The Alberta strike may prevent this experiment, which would be of national importance. The latest reports indicate that a strike in the American anthracite region is likely to come at the end of August, when the present wage agreement expires. The miners propose to demand more pay, and the operators only that an increased scale a question but that there

"probable consequences." First, he believes that Japan will begin to make encroachments upon the American right to an open door in China. If the United States resists this, as it must, Japan will seize the Philippines, and force a disastrous war upon his country. The repeated statement by Japanese statesmen that they would not take the Philippines as a gift gives him no comfort.

Odds and Ends

"You never know what you'll find among the odds and ends."—From "Notes by a Wayfarer."

"Combed His Hair With a Pine Tree"

(Chicago Journal of Commerce.) No hero could more truly represent the essential spirit of his country than America is represented by Paul Bunyan, the gigantic hero of the lumberjacks. When facts have the glow of life they turn into legends. It was thus in old Greece, when the facts of the war with Troy grew greater and grander in the imagination of the minstrel, until finally blind Homer made the legends immortal in the Iliad and the Odyssey. Those legends are taught today in our schools, as well they may be. Our children learn of Achilles and Patroclus, of Hector and Agamemnon, of old Priam, of dazzling Helen. They learn, in other tales of fable, how brave was Jason, how eagerly he sought the Golden Fleece, how he learned the authentic American legends. It is time they learned the incomparable legend of Paul Bunyan.

James Stevens, who when a boy went to work in logging camps, has written a book entitled "Paul Bunyan." In it, all the legends of the mighty hero have been co-ordinated into a firm, well-knit story. For scores of years the lumberjacks have been telling one another about Paul Bunyan, but only now has he been put into a book. "There are no stories about Paul Bunyan as a child," writes Mr. Stevens. He is supposed to have sprung into life full-grown. There are various estimates of his size, and always they are given in the logger fashion of making a log in exaggeration. The favorite estimate is that ninety-seven axe-handles would scarcely span him from hip to hip. His beard was as long as it was wide, and as wide as it was long. He combed it and his curly black hair was matted and matted by chance he belted from rage or pain, acres of trees crashed to the ground, bunkhouses were flattened and common folk were stunned.

Nobody else in camp equalled Paul Bunyan in size except Babe, the blue dog. Between the eyes, Babe was forty-two axe-handles and a plug of tobacco. Other things in camp were on an equal scale. In the great cookhouse the kitchen was "like another Mammoth Cave," and in the dining hall "the tables were ranged like the ranks of an army corps drawn up for parade on a plain." Paul Bun-

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Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske of the United States navy is unable to sleep at night because of Japan. In an article in Harper's, deploring the agreement to limit naval armaments, to which his country, Great Britain and Japan are parties, he takes the ground that the treaty of restriction is a Japanese trap in which the Americans were caught. He now predicts certain

yan invented a machine for the mixing of the hot cake batter, so perfectly devised that paying contractors now employ small models of it for mixing cement. The range on which a battalion of cooks fried the hot cakes was greased by a ski champion from Norway who slipped to and fro with sides of ham strapped to his feet. And that the men in the far end of the cookhouse might be served before the hot cakes cooled, the flunkies speeded on roller skates. It required a crew of eleven teamsters with teams and scrapers to keep the yard back of the cookhouse cleared of coffee grounds and eggshells."

PRESBYTERY BOARD NAMED

Will Act Pending Organization of New Church Court Continuing Church Here Submits Protest—Presbytery Elects Officials.

Adjournment until the next regular quarterly session in September unless otherwise directed by the higher courts of the United Church of Canada was decided on at the close of the Saint John Presbytery sessions on Tuesday afternoon in St. Andrew's church.

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