

Questions and Answers

—All About Canada—

READ UP
ON THE
COUNTRY
YOU
LIVE IN

WAR PENSIONERS

Q—How many war pensioners are there in Canada?

A—On March 31, 1923, there were 61,057 war pensioners in Canada of which 43,263 received disability pensions and 19,794 pensions as dependants. \$32,000,000 was paid in pensions last year.

CANADIAN AREAS SOWN TO WHEAT IN 1923

Q—What area was sown to crop in Canada in 1923?

A—The Dominion Census Bureau reports the wheat crop area for 1923 as 22,165,000 acres, a slight decrease over 1922.

REMOVAL OF CATTLE EMBARGO

Q—What is the contemplated effect of the removal of the cattle embargo in the United Kingdom against Canada?

A—The recent removal of the cattle embargo in Great Britain against Canada will it is thought lead to the export of 30,000 head during the summer.

CANADA'S WHEAT CROP

Q—How best could Canada's wheat crop of 1922 be visualized?

A—Canada's wheat crop of 1922 of nearly 400,000,000 bushels would require 257,250 freight cars loaded to capacity. Placed in a line they would make a train 1,946 miles long extending from Montreal to Swift Current. It would need 7,359 locomotives to haul these trains.

FORT EDWARD

Q—Where is Fort Edward?

A—Fort Edward is at Windsor, N. S. It was formerly the old French Fort Piziquid which came into the possession of the British soon after 1749. It is now being preserved by the Canadian National Parks Branch.

ALBERTA COAL

Q—To what extent is coal mining carried on in Alberta?

A—Nearly 6,000,000 tons of coal were mined in Alberta in 1922, an increase over 1921. 275 mines were in operation.

BENTONITE

Q—What is Bentonite? and where is it found in Canada?

A—Canada has the largest deposits of Bentonite in the world in Alberta. It is used in soap making, is a base for thermofuge, and is also a lubricant.

CANADA'S WEALTH

Q—What American tribute to Canada's wealth was recently given?

A—The Bankers Trust Company of New York. "If to other evidences of prosperity we add the fact that the people of Canada loaned their home government \$2,207,900,000 during the war, we cannot escape the conclusion that the wealth of the Canadian people has markedly increased since 1914. This increase in wealth would have come anyhow, but was undoubtedly stimulated by the unusual demand for Canadian products caused by the war. It is true that the two billions which the war cost Canada represents capital destroyed but the demands for her products from abroad for war and reconstruction has brought about a great development which must have largely made good this loss."

DULUTH

Q—Who was Duluth?

A—Daniel Greysolon Du Lhut (or Duluth) was a French explorer of the Upper Mississippi after whom the city of Duluth was named. A tablet marks his residence in Montreal at the corner of St. Paul Street and Place Jacques-Cartier, where he died in 1710.

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

Q—Where is the University of Alberta? and what is its enrolment?

A—The University of Alberta is situated in the city of Edmonton. During its last term 1283 students were registered; 336 in the first year, 265 second year, 208 third year, and 104 in fourth year with 68 graduates.

"GRIP"

Q—What does the word "Grip" stand for as frequently mentioned in the Canadian Press?

A—"Grip" was the name of a comic illustrated paper issued and edited for many years by J. W. Bengough, the well-known Canadian cartoonist. It ceased publication some years ago when daily papers started to use cartoons.

AVERAGE VALUE OF FARM LANDS

Q—What are the latest figures re average values of Canadian farm lands?

A—The average value of occupied farm lands in Canada, including buildings is \$44 per acre compared with \$40 in 1921. British Columbia comes first with \$120. Ontario \$64, Quebec \$58, P. E. I. \$45, Nova Scotia \$34, New Brunswick and Manitoba \$32, Saskatchewan \$28, Alberta, \$24.

THE POETICAL WORKS OF WILFRED CAMPBELL

"The most important work we have published in years," is the word from Hodder & Stoughton in a note accompanying my review copy. This estimate is doubtless a just one. Canada's attitude has been tentative towards her poets, and though many volumes of verse are constantly coming from the press the general mind is rather inert concerning them. But here is Wilfred Campbell, a man who lived confidently in the belief that God had made him a poet and who wrote in the inspiration of that belief. There is scarcely a doubt that his was the strongest voice yet heard in Canadian poetry. Will his name and fame endure? Certainly the recent publication of his collected poems is an event of good omen. It would be surely a joy to loyal Canadians if they could know they had a poet whose works they might safely place beside the standard English masters. Perhaps Wilfred Campbell is that one. The critics and reviewers cannot elect him to that place; the power of his verse alone can put him there. The weird force in "The Mother" has already taken strong hold upon readers on both sides of the Atlantic, such hold, indeed, that centuries will scarcely permit that poem to fall into oblivion. But there is much in the volume that perhaps has equal power. The range of Campbell's thought is not wide, but that is not what one cares about in poetry. No one has ever yet clearly defined what it is that makes one poem great, while another, equally clear in its purpose, true in its emotion, beautiful in its direction and sound in its technique, remains a pretty piece of verse and no more. The power that makes the world distinguish genius from talent is an occult one, but its decisions are absolute. I believe it will soon set its irrevocable seal upon the work of Wilfred Campbell. The new volume is attractive in its appearance, and contains a portrait of the author. Its price is \$3.50.

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FASHION SHOW AT KENTVILLE

KENTVILLE, June 23—The Fashion Show on Friday, under the auspices of the Olympic Chapter of the I. O. O. F., was an innovation for the Town of Kentville, and proved a decided success. The Old Nicklet Hall looked very attractive with the decorations of lattice work and spruce, while the stage with its settings formed a fitting background for the models to exhibit the various gowns from "The Little Shop". Specialties "The Parade of the Wooden Soldiers", was well acted, while the duet "Mrs. Gallagher and Mrs. Shean", sung by Misses Amy Prescott and Mona Parsons told of the wares of "The Little Shop" at Wolfville, and proved a decided "hit". The gowns for sport, afternoon and evening wear, all charming, were on sale after the show. Afternoon tea was served by the members of the I. O. O. F., and the music by the Middleton Orchestra was especially good.

The evening was given over to dancing, with specialties under the direction of "The Little Shop". A bridal shower, with girls of Kentville and Wolfville showering the "bride-to-be" with gifts, displayed many articles made at "The Little Shop". Then, the wedding party, with bride and groom, flower girls, bridesmaids and guests showed correct and beautiful wedding apparel. The afternoon specialties were repeated, also a song by Mrs. Eugene Eaton, and a duet "In Kentville", by Miss Hemmison and Mrs. Owen Porter.

The music by the Middleton Orchestra was enjoyed by the crowd of dancers, and the whole affair was a great success.

netting a substantial sum for the I. O. O. F.

The chaperones for the evening were Mrs. J. D. Clark, Regent; Mrs. J. P. McGrath, and Mrs. T. A. Lydiard.

CANADA

Canada our Canada, thy name is music rare,
All thy children singing it from sea to sea;

Fearsome are thy mountain tops, thy valleys kind and fair.
All thy children laughing 'neath thy sky so free.

Canada, our Canada, be thoughtful of tomorrow,

'Mid the joyful singing hear the cry of pain!

Shall the world-old tragedy be writ once more in sorrow?

Shall the name of freedom be empty once again?

K. LESLIE.

NOTHING WRONG

Professor's Wife—"Why, my dear, you have your shoes on the wrong feet!"
Professor—"But, Janet, they are the only feet I have."

"Oh, Wife, these look like the biscuits my mother baked twenty years ago."
Mrs. Bellows (greatly delighted)—"I'm so glad."

Mr. Bellows (biting one)—"And, by George, I believe they are the same biscuits."

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