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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

A Cabadian Journalist Who Presents Some Startling Facts

Under the somewhat startling caption, "A Whisper of Death", a writer in the Montreal Star discusses financial conditions in this country. While it is not at all probable that his views will be concurred in by all the readers of THE ACADIAN, we incline to the opinion that there is a large element of truth in what he asserts. We give it a place in our columns with the belief that it will be found profitable reading.

There are three great groups of spenders of public money in Canada—the Dominion Government, the Provincial Governments, and the municipalities—and they all appear to have thrown prudence to the winds in the matter of expenditures and taxation. At the rate of progress maintained during the past decade they cannot go any further.

Taxation has already passed the limits of safety. We are on the broad road to very grave trouble. The Citizens' Research Institute of Canada, which has done exceedingly useful work during the past four or five years, cannot be accused of bias or ulterior motives. It is an independent body, formed solely for the purpose of analyzing in a scientific and impartial way the financial operations of government in Canada.

It has not a word to say about "The Whisper of Death"; but its investigations, as disclosed in official bulletins, give ample support to all that has been recently presented in these columns in relation to the reckless waste of public money.

In a bulletin just issued it deals comprehensively with the revenues and expenditures of the various provinces on a per capita basis, which is a sound method of analysis for comparative purposes. The figures are decidedly alarming.

Comparing outgo on the per capita basis in 1918 with outgo in 1921, the Institute gives the following results:

Province	1918	1921
British Columbia	\$23.07	\$38.64
Alberta	11.48	17.93
Saskatchewan	10.05	16.10
Manitoba	8.60	15.03
Ontario	5.73	8.99
Quebec	5.50	6.22
New Brunswick	6.66	9.23
Nova Scotia	5.26	8.68
Prince Edward Island	3.58	8.31

With the exception of Quebec and New Brunswick, the increases run all the way from 54.5 to 74.8 per cent during this three years period. Revenues did not increase by nearly the same ratio. For example, while income grew by 6.8 per cent in the case of Saskatchewan, outgo was swollen by 60.2 per cent.

Manitoba had receipts 29.9 per cent larger in 1918 than in 1921, but expenditures were 56.9 per cent greater on the same revenues; but spent more by 56.9 per cent.

In this situation the provinces had to borrow. They should not have put themselves in a position which made that necessary; but it was all a product of the reckless spirit which has come over the country during recent years.

The Citizens' Research Institute does not in this particular bulletin give the facts with regard to provincial debts, but they are available down to the early part of the current year from other sources. The total in 1919 was \$261,288,954. In March last it was \$597,184,154.

The increases, by provinces, are peculiarly startling. They were as follows:

Province	Per Cent. Increase
Alberta	230.1
British Columbia	116.1
Saskatchewan	67.9
Manitoba	95.7
Ontario	236.6
Quebec	40.0
New Brunswick	55.3
Nova Scotia	44.8
Prince Edward Island	16.4

No man in his sober senses, whose future is wrapped up in the growth of Canada, can view these figures without the gravest apprehensions, and alarm. Joined to the burden which the Dominion Government and its municipality have laid on his shoulders, they must cause him discouragement.

The sole hope of the country lies in his feeling that way. He was indifferent while the railway tragedy was taking place, while incompetency and mediocrity were wasting his money, and the money of his neighbors, and unless there is a popular awakening there will not be a change to the road of safety.

That road is the hard and rugged road of economy and sacrifice; for we cannot retrace our steps to the safe highway we left fifteen or twenty years ago without inconvenience and pinching.

The spendthrift always suffers in the long run. He follows a smooth and pleasant pathway while his money holds out, but he pays for it all in the ultimate reckoning. In this case, however, it is not those who spent the money who have to endure the bitterness of a long and trying road, but those whose money was being spent.

The people always pay. They trusted their representatives to be prudent and patriotic, and now they are brought face to face with a situation which is going to try their very souls. The cruel part of it is that this trial could have been avoided.

But let us not presume. There are men and newspapers who are trying to tell the people that all this "Whisper of Death" is a nightmare and the product of a disordered vision. At this moment it is a question whether or not these apologists for the wasters of public money will be believed.

It is not an agreeable task to tell the people of Canada that they are in great danger. It would, on the contrary, be pleasant to talk about our noble heritage and inviting destiny; but duty demands that the truth should be told at any cost.

Read the official figures and do your own thinking. The Citizens' Research Institute of Canada has no object in deceiving you. It is dealing with the matter precisely as a doctor would with a case of disease. It says:

HANTSPORT NEWS

The Hantsport Women's Institute convened at the home of Mrs. Asaph Newcombe on Friday afternoon for the purpose of holding their regular monthly business meeting when important business matters were brought before the meeting and discussed. Reports from the various committees were read and adopted. The question re a permanent caretaker for the cemetery, was discussed but no decision arrived at. The Secretary was authorized to tender a letter of thanks to Mrs. Oulton and assistants for the very generous donation of \$70, the proceeds of a concert given under the direction of Mrs. Oulton.

The theme for the literary part of the meeting was "Current Events," a number of interesting readings being given on the subject. A demonstration will be given by Miss Rosamond Archibald, of Wolfville, on the Better English Campaign, under the auspices of the "Women's Institute" in the Empire Theatre in the near future. Miss Archibald who is instructress of English at Acadia Seminary, has been granted three month leave of absence to carry on this work in the Maritime Province, and is meeting with great success.

Rev. Dr. H. G. and Mrs. Mellick left on Friday for Teverston, Digby Co., after spending a week at their home here.

A Congregational meeting was held in the Baptist Church after the Sunday evening service, for the purpose of calling a pastor. At the meeting a call was tendered to Rev. Mr. Beale, of Wolfville, as pastor for an indefinite period.

Mr. and Mrs. Papineau, of Springfield, Mass., who have been guests of Miss Maria Parker, left for their home on Saturday.

Mrs. (Capt.) Coburn, of Summerville, was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Masters.

A motor party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. W. Currie, and Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Dickie, enjoyed a motor trip through the beautiful Annapolis Valley on Thursday.

Miss Annie Hart, R. N. of Halifax, is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. Hart.

Miss Jessie Borden returned recently from an enjoyable visit with friends in Dartmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Fleetwood Mosher and son Clarence, returned to their home in Weston, Mass., after a pleasant visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Coldwell, Hants Border, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Coldwell, Waterville, Kings Co.

Mrs. C. H. Dunbar, who has been visiting relations in St. John, returned to Hantsport recently. While in St. John, she was in attendance at the exhibition.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Blair and Miss Vera Blair spent Monday and Tuesday of last week in the City, where they were in attendance at the flower show.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Allison returned recently from a visit with friends in Windsor and Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. Elroy McDonald and little child, of Halifax, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. Tefrey.

Miss Claire Cogswell, of Port Williams, spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. R. A. Beckwith.

Mr. Davison, of the "Wolfville Acadian" was in Hantsport on Tuesday of last week on business.

Radioism seems to be quite popular in Hantsport. Mayor Murray, Raymond Morris and E. Woolaver are among the number who have them installed.

Mrs. Gould, of Wolfville, was a recent guest of her sister Mrs. J. Allen.

Miss L. W. Fullerton, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., is spending a few days at the home of her parents—Mr. and Mrs. W. Fullerton.

Mr. Roy Healy, of Kentville, visited his friend, Franklin Charlwin at their Summer College last week.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy McLellan, who have been visiting Mrs. B. McLellan, left on Saturday by motor for Annapolis en route to their home in Roxbury, Mass.

Miss Stella Taylor, of Grand Pre, spent the week end at her home here.

Mrs. F. W. Porter, and little daughter Olive, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Parish, Lakeville.

Miss J. Fritz spent several days recently in Windsor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell McNeill, Windsor.

Mrs. Ralph Riley and Master Earl, who spent the vacation season in Sidney, returned home recently.

Messrs. C. E. Burgess, W. S. Whitman, Geo. Currie, C. J. Burgess and A. A. Kirkpatrick returned from a fishing trip last week and report a good catch.

Mrs. Wescott, of Ellershouse, formerly of Hantsport, was a recent visitor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cruikshank.

Miss Ayers, of Parrsboro, is visiting Mrs. W. Cohoon.

THE THREE COUNTIES FAIR

Special Prizes That Should Attract Attention

Aldershot Camp Grounds, Kentville, will be the scene Oct. 2nd, 3rd and 4th of the King's, Hants and Annapolis Counties' Exhibition. The outstanding feature of this fair will be the fruit show. What this exhibit will comprise can be seen in the Aldershot Speedway is one of the best tracks in the Province, and there are to be horse races for three days. There would appear to be considerable to substantiate the Kentville Driving Club's announcement that it will be "the biggest racing event of the season."

As an indication of what value attaches to the importance of the fruit exhibit, a review of the special prize list shows: Furness, Withy Company, Ltd., Halifax, offering \$150.00 for the best 25 boxes actually divided between King, Wagner, Ribston, Blenheim, Russet; and J. and H. Goodwin Company, London, offering a similar prize for the same combination.

The Dominion Atlantic Railway offers a \$100 prize for the best five boxes each of King, Wagner, RedGravenstein and Golden Russet, and Mr. George E. Graham is offering \$50.00 for the best five boxes each of Red Gravenstein and McIntosh Red. The International Mercantile Marine offer \$100.00 for the best six boxes, four boxes each of King, McIntosh Red, Ribston, Spy.

The Red Cross line offer a ticket from Halifax to New York and return, with stateroom, berth and meals on trip (valued at \$65.00) for the best nine boxes, 3 each, of Gravensteins, Ribstons, King, etc. There are special prizes offered in educational and homekeeping exhibits, grain and vegetables; and in poultry, life stock and swine. Altogether there \$2,000 offered in special prizes.

The exhibition is open to the Province. The formal opening will be attended by Premier Armstrong, Lieut. Governor Grant and E. W. Robinson, M. P.

THE MINAS BASIN SERVICE

The Kingsport—Parrsboro service of the Dominion Atlantic Railway, SS "Prince Albert" in commission, with its increased accommodation for carrying automobiles and its arrangements for serving light lunch and teas, has grown in popular favor this present season.

As the "Prince Albert" steams along Minas Basin and skirts around majestic Blomidon, one's admiration of nature's handiwork reaches the point of sublime ecstasy. The dikes and undulating topography of the country, the fleeting glimpses of Cape Split and myriads of enchanting scenes as the steamer glides along, form a panorama of beauty rarely surpassed anywhere. Parrsboro shores and town, as you reach them, complete a rare treat of a sail over unique Minas Basin.

The reduction in the rate on autos carried on the SS "Prince Albert" between Kingsport and Parrsboro, effective August 10th, will be appreciated by automobile owners. For details of rates and reservations, apply D. A. R. ticket agent at Kingsport or Parrsboro. 47-4i

BOYS AND GIRLS: A BICYCLE PARADE

An event of the I. O. D. E. Bazaar and Fair, Thursday, Sept. 27. A three dollar prize will be given to the most attractive bicycle in the parade. Here's your chance to pocket three big iron men. Be a prize winner. 46-4

Don't miss the Dancing Both Nights at the Fair. Good music.

HELP STRICKEN JAPAN

Lieut.-Governor Grant Asks For Aid From Nova Scotia

The following telegram received from the Honour the Lieutenant Governor is published for the information of all those interested:

THE MAYOR OF WOLFVILLE, N. S. At the request of the Canadian Red Cross Society I have issued an appeal to the people of Nova Scotia for contributions towards the relief of the sufferers of the stricken districts of Japan. This appeal will be published in the Newspapers of the Province. The Banks are being asked to receive and forward Subscriptions and I trust you will stimulate local generosity by whatever organized efforts may be necessary. The clergymen are being requested to devote one of the services of Sunday, September twenty-ninth, to the furtherance of this most deserving cause. H. A. Flemming, Bank of Nova Scotia, Halifax, will act as Honorary Treasurer of the Fund.

MacCallum Grant, Lieut.-Governor.

BOY SCOUT

The Boy Scouts and Wolf Cubs resumed their regular meetings last week and will continue as usual, the former on Friday evening at 7 o'clock and the latter on Saturday evening at 6.45.

All Scouts and Cubs are requested to attend meetings in uniform as it is desirable that all the boys should have uniforms and be ready to make a good showing if called upon for any special parade.

This evening No 1 Baptist patrol will give No 2 Baptist patrol the opening game of the league in indoor cricket, starting at 7 o'clock. Patrols No. 4 and 5 in boxing while Patrol No. 3 will receive instruction in First Aid.

Last Saturday Mr. Clarence Hemmeon, Prof. Sutherland, Mr. Patriquin and the postmaster, helped by several Scouts, visited the camp at Sunken Lake and made considerable improvements so that it will now be possible for a small party of boys to remain overnight in the shanty at any time of the year.

FORMER WOLFVILLE BOY VISITS TOWN

A former Wolfville boy, Mr. John Brown, youngest son of the late John L. Brown, at one time a leading business man of this place, has been visiting here this week. When a boy of eighteen he left Wolfville and now, on his first visit since he was accompanied by his son who is the same age, Mr. Brown, who is a civil engineer, practicing in New York, returned to THE ACADIAN as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Burrell and little son, of Kentville, are spending a week with Mrs. Vera Duncanson.

Mr. Bernard Redden, accompanied by his mother and children and Mr. Everett Keatie, motored to Middleton on Sunday last. Mrs. Bernard Redden returned home with them.

Miss Edith of New York, is visiting interesting address to the Women's Institute on Tuesday afternoon of this week.

Mrs. A. H. Westcott spent last week at Grand Pre, with her daughter, Mrs. Vernon Gould.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Redden, of New York, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Redden.

CANARD

Miss Irene McFadden is visiting friends in Halifax, and will return to her home at Canard this week.

Mr. William B. Eaton, Upper Canard, has been attending the Exhibition at St. John.

Mr. John McFadden, who has been under-going an operation in Halifax, is improving.

The young people of Canard are getting up a "play" to be given the first of October.

Miss Murie Eaton, who has been teaching in Kingstons, spent last week end at her home in Canard.

Miss Margaret Burbridge has taken a school at Port Clyde, Shelburne County. Miss Wood, teacher of Lower Canard school, spent the week end at her home in Woodville.

Mrs. J. E. McGowan, of Lower Canard, has been visiting relatives in Halifax.

Miss Florence Eaton, who has been in Berwick for the past two weeks, has returned home.

MARRIED AT GRAND PRE.

A wedding of unusual interest was solemnized in the Old Church at Grand Pre, on Wednesday afternoon, when Frances M., daughter of Mrs. Harry Rand, of Harold Layton, Hall, manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, at Mount Stewart, P. E. I.

The church was beautifully decorated by the bride's girl friends with autumn leaves, golden rod and daisies. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Miller, of Wolfville.

The bride, who was charming in a travelling suit of cocoa brown Russian crepe with hat to correspond, and a necklace of pink bridal roses, carried a bouquet of pink bridal roses and was given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Reginald Rand of Halifax.

The wedding march was rendered by Mrs. Allan Clarke of Canning. The ushers were Mrs. Gwendolyn Ross, of Truro, and Miss Louise Bowser of Grand Pre. At the conclusion of the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hall left on their wedding trip. On their return they will reside at Mount Stewart, P. E. I.

AVONPORT.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury Holmes and two children, of Haverhill, Mass., who have been spending the past week at Mr. Holmes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holmes, Sr., left on Tuesday of last week for their home.

Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Fuller, of Yarmouth are guests of their son, Mr. A. S. Fuller. Miss Winifred Trefry, R. N., of the staff of Correy Hill Hospital, Mass., arrived home on Friday night, called on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. L. M. Trefry.

Mr. Edward McDonald, of Falmouth, who has been quite ill at the home of Mrs. David Fuller, is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Burpee Shaw returned to their home in Falmouth on Thursday of last week, after spending a week with their daughter, Mrs. L. F. Fuller.

Miss Cora M. Walsh, of the Kentville Pub. Co., Kentville, is spending a week with her mother, Mrs. H. N. Walsh.

Miss Adelaide Borden left on Wednesday for Pembroke, Yarmouth Co., where she has been engaged to teach school.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holmes and four daughters and Mr. Carl Holmes, who have been spending the past three weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Holmes, left by auto for their homes in New London, Conn., on Tuesday of this week.

Miss Minnie Brooks, who is enjoying two weeks vacation from her duties at Avonport Station, left by auto, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Susan Hughes, for the home of her mother, Mrs. Geo. Deckman, at the Station is supplied by Mr. Geo. Deckman.

LITTLE GIRL KILLED BY AUTO-MOBILE

The death of six year old Mary Buchanan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Buchanan, of Hortonville, occurred on Monday morning. Much sympathy is felt for the parents in this sad accident. On Friday little Mary was on her way home from school at noon when she ran in front of an automobile driven by J. E. Barteaux, Inspector of Turo. In turning she fell and it is supposed the forward axle of the car struck her, fracturing the skull. Mr. Barteaux was driving slowly sounding his horn in warning and immediately stopped and took her to her home, where the best medical aid was procured. It was thought at first that she might recover, but it was soon seen that her injury was of a fatal character.

Hantsport High School baseball team was defeated 12 to 5 by the Wolfville team at Hantsport on Saturday afternoon. The home boys, who have only been playing since the beginning of the school term, made a creditable showing against the visitors considering their lack of practice. 46-4i

GOLFER'S MEET

Ken-Wo Club Holds Interesting Competition

The Golf Competition at the Ken-Wo Country Club Course lasting over a period of three weeks, has concluded with the following results:

The Sir Robert L. Borden Cup—Winner for the second time in succession (1922-1923)—Arthur Parker, Wolfville. Runner Up—Capt. C. Holland, Kentville.

The George E. Graham Cup, won in 1923 by Miss Gertude Murphy, Greenwood. Runner Up—Miss Gwendolyn Hales, Wolfville.

Ladies Consolation Prize, donated by Herbert Oyerl Esq.—Won by Miss Ford, Wolfville.

Runner Up—Mrs. J. Elliott Smith, Wolfville.

Gentlemen's Consolation Prize, donated by A. D. Holyoke, Esq., Fredericton, N. B.—Won by James Brydon, Kentville.

Runner Up—A. G. Guest, Wolfville.

The competition has proved most interesting and enjoyable and has created a deep interest in this popular recreation. Further competitions, such as driving, approaching will be held in the immediate future.

Qualifying rounds of eighteen holes for the "Herbert Oyerl Trophy" will be played Saturday afternoon, September 22nd, Semi-finals Wednesday, September 26th, and finals Saturday, September 29th. Handicaps, are posted in the Club House and all those who do not qualify on Saturday are considered non-participants. Saturday Afternoon Teas will be continued until notified.

LORDLY—HATTIE

New Glasgow, Sept. 19.—A wedding of interest to friends throughout the province took place in the First Presbyterian Church here at nine o'clock this morning, when Annie Christina, daughter of Mr. Mrs. Hugh Hattie, New Glasgow, was united in marriage to Edward Franklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Lordly, of Halifax. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion in yellow and white by the friends of the bride. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. H. Ramsay, D. D., in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. The bride was unattended and entered the church on the arm of her father to the strains of the wedding march played by Robert Humphreys. The bride looked very charming in a travelling suit of navy blue tricot, worn with ermine fur and black panne velvet hat, trimmed with ermine, and carried a bouquet of bridal roses and sweetpeas. During the service the choir, of which the bride was a former member, rendered beautifully "The Voice that Breathed Our Eden" and during the signing of the register, Miss Anna Floch, hart sang "O Promise Me". Following congratulations and best wishes the happy couple left by automobile for the Annapolis Valley, where they will spend their honeymoon. The groom's gift to the bride was a pearl ring. Mr. and Mrs. Lordly were the recipients of many gifts, including cut glass, linen, silver, chques, etc. The groom is a prominent Halifax business man, secretary of Pitney's Ltd. The bride is a very popular New Glasgow girl, well known in social and church circles, but for the past few years has been a resident of Halifax, where they will make their home.

The many friends whom Mr. Lordly made while a resident of Wolfville are joined THE ACADIAN, in wishing for him and his bride much happiness and prosperity.

TEN DOLLAR CASH PRIZE OFFERED

For the best decorated car in an automobile procession which starts at two o'clock at the High School grounds on Thursday, Sept. 27, the first day of the Grand Annual Bazaar and Fair of the I. O. D. E. Entries from every town in the Valley solicited. Get busy and make your car the gayest and most attractive of them all. 46-4i

Town Topics

Tid-bits on the Tip of Everybodys Tongue

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A Tourist Tip:

An American Visitor, who has been coming to Canada for holidays the past eleven summers, says he squares himself when he goes home by always bringing a five pound package of Moir's Chocolates.

Another buys four of these five pound packages before going home and says he wouldn't be allowed back without them.

Canadians like Moir's Chocolates, Americans, when they get the chance, are crazy about them.

A little girl was seen in the Halifax Public Gardens lately, feeding the ducks. She had cake and Moir's Dan-Dee Bread. Whether by accident or choice she was throwing the cake to the ducks and keeping Moir's Bread for herself.

NOW SHOWING

CAPITOL THEATRE KENTVILLE

JACKIE COOGAN in "TROUBLE" and 'Around the World in 18 Days'

GIGANTIC SPECIAL, MONDAY & TUESDAY

MARION DAVIES in "WHEN KNIGHTHOOD WAS IN FLOWER"

TEEMING with action, radiant with beauty, redolent with the warm flavor of romance—here's the most talked about picture ever made. The enchanting story of a madcap princess and her daring lover, filmed at a cost of \$1,500,000 and with a cast of 3,000.

NOTE Owing to the length of this massive production there will be but one show nightly at 8.15. This picture cost us several times as much as our usual special, hence we are obliged to increase our admission to 35c. and 55c. on this occasion.