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#### SATURDAY'S VOTE

The people of New Brunswick have to make a decision on Saturday next that will vitally affect the moral welfare of the community for the future. From conversation one hears, the issue does not yet appear to have been set forth with sufficient clearness to give all the people a full knowledge of what is involved.

It is entirely wrong, for example, to assume that the vote on Saturday is favorable to prohibition will at once stop the importation of liquor from Quebec. Another vote must be taken on that question, after the provincial legislature has asked the federal government for a referendum thereon, such as has already been arranged for in Ontario and several other provinces. Saturday's vote here is on the question of prohibition in the province, and if answered strongly in the affirmative would of course be followed by the referendum on importation.

It is also entirely wrong to assume that a vote favorable to prohibition would leave matters exactly as they are today, since such favorable vote would be followed by action for a more vigorous enforcement of a law which the people had just declared it was their will should be enforced, and by a demand for the referendum on importation. No doubt also the sale of liquor for medicinal purposes would be taken over by the government. That is to say, the advocates of prohibition are seeking by a series of three steps to make the province bone-dry. They hope the first step will be taken on Saturday. The men and women who vote for prohibition this day will understand that this is the first step, and that if it is successful the others will follow. The friends of prohibition are opposed to light wines and beers, because they contend it would produce in New Brunswick conditions similar to those in Montreal, where there is practically an open bar, and that under such a law a bone-dry province would be impossible.

In other words, the people are asked to say on Saturday whether they want more or less prohibition. Those who want less will vote for light wines and beers, and those who want more will vote against them. The issue cannot be more clearly stated.

It is perhaps inevitable that some bitterness and personalities should enter into a controversy on this question, but in the mind of the voter these should not obscure the moral principle at stake. People have a perfect right to state opinions and to vote accordingly. There should, however, be no doubt about the verdict. Every voter should go to the polls and vote either for or against, so that there can be no question as to which side has a clear majority.

As observed at the outset the vote on Saturday will have tremendous significance, and no citizen should shrink his or her responsibility.

**IN MANITOBA.**

If the Winnipeg correspondent of the Toronto Globe is well-informed the virtual defeat of the Norris government is a boomerang to the Conservatives. In a very bitter letter, which perhaps expresses only the raw feelings of the government party after the returns had come in, he says:—

"Predatory capitalist influences went out, organized, and defeated the Norris government, and will have the pleasure of being represented by thirteen or fourteen Socialist members for city constituencies. It was not done with money, or any of the usual corrupt methods; it was not done with any desire to achieve the result attained; but the Norris government had set up new ideals and led the way in progressive things, and the only way to revenge itself on them for reducing the rates of interest to farmers, and for doing business direct with the money lenders of the United States instead of paying exorbitant profits to Canadian financial interests, was to indulge in a campaign of vilification and, by using the old reactionary Conservative machine, to so sling mud that the government that a combination of forces would place them in a minority in the house."

But if the Conservatives succeeded in their attempt they were themselves wiped out. For example:—

"In the city of Winnipeg J. T. Haig, a lawyer who sat in the 1914-15 House on the Roblin side and voted against 'votes for women,' against the repeal of charters of clubs of that class, against all investigation of the amount of concrete actually placed in faulty caissons, against all investigation of the Capitol buildings frauds, and who shouted, 'Take your medicine,' when he thought the inquiries had been stifled, has been elected as the sole representative of the Conservative party. He also voted against any investigation of election frauds in Nelson or The Pas in the 1914 election, and against any investigation of the naturalization frauds."

placed enemy allies on the list who had not been in the country six months, but whose votes were needed by the Conservative party, and in fact was part and parcel of the most reactionary elements of the old Roblin machine, and is as well the representative and a member

of various trust companies and financial interests."

This correspondent takes a very gloomy view of the situation, and sadly observes that "unless there is an awakening of the decent men of the old line parties Canada will soon experience all the worst evils of the group system, and chaos."

This petulant mood will pass. The people have spoken, and they have a right to speak, and it will probably be found that the government will be able, as the farmers in Ontario have done, to gain enough support from members of other groups to carry on. Even if this should not be possible the people still have the right to decide through their representatives who shall form the government of the province.

#### HAS A FAMILIAR RING.

The province of Ontario is now going through such an experience as New Brunswick had when the copy land scandals were exposed. The Drury government is making a thorough enquiry into the past administration of the timber lands of Ontario. In a speech at Stratford on Dominion Day Premier Drury said that his province had no greater income from its forests than had New Brunswick, which had only one-tenth of Ontario's forest resources. He said further:—

"What was wrong? The inquiry shows that the system was rotten to the core. Sixty per cent. of the returns as to cuts of timber were perjury. The returns were forged. When the amount pilfered is got back—and we will get it back—the people will be shocked."

Commenting on the premier's statement, the Toronto Globe says it is no doubt based on information already in the hands of the government and that Mr. Drury would not make so sweeping an accusation unless he felt sure of his ground. The Globe adds:—

"The people of Ontario have been scandalized by the timber revelations. They welcome the premier's pledge that every effort will be made to recover for the treasury the sums of which it has been defrauded for years. Nearly every sitting of the commission lengthens the trail of jobbery and deception. On the one hand there has been widespread falsifying of returns so as to cheat the government of timber dues. On the other hand there has been a distressing amount of official laxity. Between the two factors the treasury has suffered a loss which must have been enormous. Another disclosure is the shocking wastefulness of the province's forestry methods. A great heritage has been dissipated with a wanton lack of foresight. The province has been squandering its capital while at the same time it has been getting only a moiety of the revenue that should have accrued to it. The premier promises drastic reforms. A new forestry policy will be inaugurated, embracing a greater degree of protection and conservation, and honest, efficient administration."

New Brunswick has shown the way to Ontario in this matter. It has exposed the wrong-doings, revised its forestry methods, increased its revenue and ensured the conservation of its forest wealth. There is today an honest administration of the crown lands, of incalculable benefit to the province.

In regard to Ontario the Toronto Globe sees other possibilities growing out of the timber enquiry, for it says:—

"The timber inquiry has crossed the trails of other branches of the public service, and these should be followed up. Push the investigation to the limit and spare no person and no party. It has been getting only a moiety of the revenue that should have accrued to it. The premier promises drastic reforms. A new forestry policy will be inaugurated, embracing a greater degree of protection and conservation, and honest, efficient administration."

Montreal Herald:—"Paper manufacturers, in this province at least, should feel happy over the recent announcement by Sir Lomer Gouin that the Quebec government had no intention of raising the embargo on export of pulpwood, as had been demanded by American interests. Sir Lomer said that in the whole British Empire there were available 80,000,000 horsepower to be developed by water power. Of this there were 23,000,000 in Canada, of which Quebec province had 7,000,000, with 880,000 already developed by private enterprise. This had led to an immense development of the pulp and paper industry in the province, which now had 4,000,000 acres of pulpwood land under lease, while still retaining 75,000,000 acres."

The request made by the local branch of the Navy League to the British Admiralty that the port of St. John be included in the cruises of the ships of the naval fleet hereafter has evidently borne fruit, as St. John is to be honored this week by a call from H. M. S. Calcutta. Such a visit will be greatly appreciated.

A Jersey cow in Rutland county, Vt., not a registered animal, in May produced 33.9 pounds of butterfat, which, with butter at seventy cents, was worth about \$44.73. In other words, the butter from this cow in a year at that rate would be worth \$338.76.



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#### SUMMER DAYS.

A summer sun now hands us one, and paints our maps with freckles; we cry, "Gee Whizz!" For cooling this we blow our hard-earned shivers. Though summer's had, and from the grad we willingly would drive it, some simple rules not taught in schools may help us to survive it. The heat will stay that bonedead jay who's prone to be glutton, who fiercely eats all kinds of meats, including pork and mutton. The same galeots who live on fruits endure the summer grandly; the sun may fry the whole blamed day, and they'll regard it blandly. It cut out hams and feed on jams, which cool my fevered bulions; I sidestep cheese and from the trees I pluck the fragrant onions. Rich pies and cakes, and chops and steaks, I find shewing a curse on; I eat no more than I can store with comfort in my person. And so I live and smile and give sage council while I frolic, while those who eat large slabs of meat are doubled up with colic. I have achieved all heating food, I've sidestepped beer and skittles, and all my tunes are based on prunes and other wholesome vittles.

#### CANADA—EAST AND WEST

Dominion Happenings of Other Days

##### THE "HUNTER."

On July 3, 1912 in the Detroit river was fought and won a great victory by the British ship of war "Hunter." It was only a slight battle, but the consequence was that General Hull at Detroit was placed in such a position that ultimately he had to surrender to the British. A few days earlier the "Queen Charlotte" had made a brilliant capture too. General Hull was already in difficulties and was endeavoring to open communications to the south. In doing so he sent Colonel Miller with 700 men and some guns on an expedition. Fourteen miles south of Detroit the Americans came upon Major Muir of the British army with a detachment sent out to intercept a convoy that was known to be coming to the Americans. The British force consisted of about 120 regulars and 325 Indians with the aloof-of-war "Hunter" as a guard ship. The battle was fought there without definite results although it served to shatter the spirit of the Americans. But a few days later the Hunter and the Queen Charlotte completed the victory by capturing the convoy they had been seeking. In the battle the Hunter and the Queen Charlotte of the United States on their way to Detroit all heavily laden with rice and British goods were in such dire straits. On board the vessels were found fifty-six wounded and two British prisoners. A shore party of 250 men escorted the battalions but the capture was completed by the two little craft of the British.

The loss of the ships made Hull see that unless some step was taken to prevent such a disaster from happening he was doomed at Detroit while it raised the spirits of the British and lowered those of the Americans. The declaration of hostilities. Lieutenant Rolette, who commanded the fleet of two ships, the hero of the hour in Upper Canada.

##### BACK TO NATURE.

"God Made the Country, and Man Made the Town."

Some people love the city's noise, The client who overruns his stride; Be mine that purest, best of joys The pleasures of a country life.

Give me the sunshine and the flowers, The waving corn, the tall haystack; The faraway I could watch for hours, While roosters crow and ducks quack! quack!

To romp with children 'mongst the hay, To read and rest upon the grass; To pass the rustic time of day, With farmer boys, or country lass.

'Tis pure delight, above, below, And pleasure I can never lack, While roosters are cackling in a row, While roosters crow and ducks quack! quack!

I love the land where maple grows, I love its rugged, rock-bound shore; The maple, thistle, shamrock, rose, Are emblems worthy fighting for.

If fate should drive me far away, Some day my vagrant craft would tack For some sweet spot by Fundy's Bay, Where roosters crow and ducks quack! quack!

Farwell to lofty, mystic themes (The land where doubts and dogmas dwell), Fair Island City, fare thee well.

For "Back to Nature" is the cry; I'll trudge ahead and never look back, The way to true contentment lies in this, Where roosters crow and ducks quack! quack!

##### HOPE A. THOMSON.

##### IN LIGHTER VEIN.

The Pinch. "Don't you suppose," said a member of the police force, "that a bobby knows a rogue when he sees him?" "No doubt," was the reply, "but the trouble is that he does not seize a rogue when he knows him!"—London Telegraph.

Reversible. A bright office boy scored one on his employer the other day. The youngster had blundered over something, and the boss was giving him a lecture. "If I made mistakes like you I'd never be where I am," he concluded.

"Yes, sir," replied the lad promptly, "but if we were all like you wouldn't be where you are, either?"—Boston Transcript.

Truth is Worse. When told to lie about you, don't get angry—suppose they had known the truth about you and told that!—Boston Post.

No Difficulty There. "My daughter," said Mrs. Gotro dubiously, "is by no means poor, you know." "Oh, that's all right," responded the suitor cheerfully, "I'm poor enough for two."—Boston Transcript.

"I see by the paper scientists are trying to establish communications with Mars," said Goshall. "I hope they never succeed," returned Hemlock.

"Why not?" "You just oughta see my long distance telephone bill this month."

#### SERVICE IN LIBEL

ACTION ACCEPTED

H. A. Powell, K. C., Acts for Defendants in Matter Arising Out of Prohibition Campaign.

Writs were issued out of the supreme court yesterday in an action of damages for libel against members of the local executive of the New Brunswick Temperance Alliance. Daniel Mullin, K. C., is acting for the plaintiff, and H. A. Powell, K. C., on behalf of the defendants, accepted service of the writs for the ten named. The case is expected to be heard at the September circuit.

William H. Knox, former member of the 104th Battalion and the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, the publication of whose photographs gave rise to the claim for damages, is the plaintiff. He has retained Daniel Mullin, K. C., as counsel. The defendants named in the writ as the executive of the local branch of the Temperance Alliance are: J. Willard Smith, Louis W. Simms, Geo. E. Barbour, Theodore H. Retzbrooks, Robert Reid, R. T. Hayes, F. W. Daniel, F. G. Spencer, M. E. Agar and W. A. Leach.

H. A. Powell, K. C., has been retained by F. G. Spencer and also has been asked to accept service of writs on behalf of the others named. Counsel for the plaintiff yesterday said that he had been retained in the interests of Mr. Knox and that a writ had been issued on account of alleged libel contained in the Daily Telegraph, the St. John Standard, the St. John Globe and the Evening Times-Star of June 30 last.

The source of the claim for damages is given as a photograph of four children, three of whom are said by the plaintiff to be his, and the accompanying appeal to the electorate to vote against light wines and beers.

Commenting on the reference to the children and their parents, Mr. Mullin said his client was overheard talking for his country when his children were put in an institution and that while there the children were paid for. The father is not a drinking man and says his wife is a temperance woman. The father is a farmer and his counsel that he was never in trouble of any kind while in the army and there was not a blot on his record. Mr. Mullin said Mr. Knox is a splendid type of young man.

#### WINNIPEG FACES

COAL SHORTAGE BOTH KILLED IN

A PISTOL DUEL

Council Advises Citizens to

Get Early Supply — The

Situation in Quebec.

Winnipeg, July 7.—(Canadian Press).—Coal dealers declared yesterday that serious coal shortage is expected in Winnipeg this winter. The United States supply they say must be depended upon, and western Canada soft coal will be scarce.

One city council warned citizens to lay in supplies early, the aldermen declaring "hard coal will only be available in Quebec and must be depended upon at extraordinary prices."

Quebec, July 7.—Although local dealers have not so far reported the coal situation in such a pessimistic light as reports from Montreal indicate, fuel is known to be none too plentiful and the prices high.

Considerable interest has been aroused here during the last few days from the discovery that while consumers in Quebec city are paying \$17 for 2,000 pounds, people in Chicoutimi and other surrounding points are securing it direct from the mines in the states at from \$12.50 to \$15.00 per 2,240 pounds, plus freight and American exchange, making an approximate total of \$18, which does not include bagging or cartage.

#### HAVE BROUGHT OUT

48,000 IMMIGRANTS

C. P. R. Record Since April 1

— Brides at Montreal on the

Metagama.

Montreal, July 7.—Completing a voyage of ten days from Liverpool, the C. P. R. S. liner Metagama docked last night at eight o'clock. The passenger list totalled 1,765, including 555 cabin and 1,210 third class. There was a death at sea, a third class passenger, John Bowen. A brighter side of the ship's voyage was the fact that it had an unusually large number of prospective brides, many of whom were

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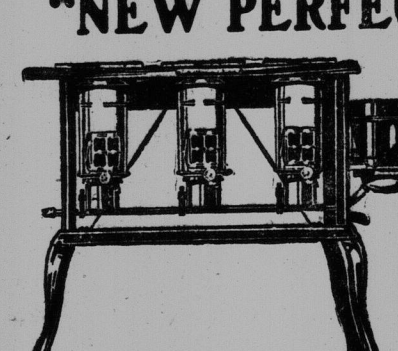
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### Dying Horse Trader Found Still Snapping Empty Revolver at Dead Body.

Spartanburg, S. C., July 7.—In a pistol duel here last night, Wm. P. Cooper, a blacksmith, and Oscar Godfrey, a horse trader, killed each other. Each man emptied the six chambers of his weapon, and when the police arrived Cooper was dead and Godfrey, though dying, was still snapping his empty gun at the body of the dead man.

There were no eye-witnesses to the shooting, which occurred in a lively stable in the heart of the city. The cause of the trouble is unknown.

### REMOVE BRITISH CONTROL OF SHIPPING.

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