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MERITED HONORS.

The announcement that His Majesty the King has honored Canada by conferring the order of knighthood upon Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden, and Hon. George E. Foster, will be received with the general comment that the distinction which has come to those great Canadians is a graceful acknowledgement of their broad statesmanship and high imperialism.

The Premier of Canada enjoys an influence in this country that is not bounded by the confines and limits of party. Men who differ from him politically will be ready to admit that he is a thorough Canadian of lofty ideals and broad statesmanship. An imperialist through and through, upright, honest, gentle, kindly and courteous to all, Sir Robert Laird Borden, K. C. M. G., will bring to his new and merited title all the attributes of honor and manliness usually associated with the distinction.

Mr. Borden has ever been democratic, with little desire for titles or fame It is known that at least once during his career he has refused the honor of knighthood. In connection with this latest honor it is interesting to note that the Canadian Premier will on Friday celebrate his 60th birthday and there is no doubt the evidences of respect and regard he will receive on that occasion from thousands of Canadians will be as dear to him as his new title.

In honoring Mr. Foster His Majesty has also been well advised. No man in the Dominion has longer held a place in the front rank of Canadian statesmanship than the present Minister of Trade and Commerce. He was a member of Sir John Macdonald's cabinet and regarded as one of the greatest of Canada's financial authorities. As Minister of Trade and Commerce he has contributed materially to the cementing of the Empire with the bonds of trade. His most recent achievement in connection with the preferential agreement between Canada and the West Indies has seen the fulfilment of a condition which for years was looked forward to by thousands both in this country and the Island Colonies. Sir George E. Foster is to be heartily congratulated today upon selection for an honor which, by his work, he has signally merited.

THE NORTHUMBERLAND DEAL.

It is very nice for some opposition newspapers to take the ground that the revelations made in the Dugal enquiry establish a new record of political wickedness for New Brunswick. It gives them opportunity for fervid editorials laudatory of such "useful citizens" as Mr. Carvell, Mr. Carter, Mr. Dugal and others, and an excuse to make a free delivery of their publications to many homes which would otherwise never see them.

Men who have reached mature years do not require to be told that the Liberal administrations of this province were, in their day, responsible for much corruption, but the younger generation of voters may not be familiar with what happened a quarter of a century ago, and therefore the following editorial on the Northumberland deal, viewed in connection with the present enquiry, should be of interest.

The article in question is taken from the Moncton Times, and tells the story of that nefarious transaction as follows:

"The investigation now being held as to the administration of the Crown Lands department of this province recalls the famous Northumberland 'deal' of 1890 The late Hon. A. G. Blair was Premier at that time, and the general election, the principle issue in which was an increase in the stumpage resulted in leaving the government without a working majority. Northumberland returned four opposition members, but a deal was effected whereby the stumpage was fixed to suit the big lumber interests, the Miramichi contingent went over and the life of the government was saved. What were the other considerations between the parties to the deal is not openly recorded. One of the dealers, however, was afterwards taken into the government and later was Premier. Another became the first commoner of the province. And we have the sworn statement of a lumberman in the present enquiry that contributions were made to campaign funds at every election down to the time Messrs. Hazen and Flemming came into power. We also know that the favored lumbermen escaped with the payment of less than half their stumpage, because the present government has doubled the collections without any evidence that a single stick more has been cut from the Crown Lands. Two years after the Northumberland 'deal' another general election was prematurely brought on; and though the 'deal' was made an issue, it failed to prejudice the people against the Blair administration, which was sustained with a large majority."

It will be remembered that Mr. Allan Ritchie, a witness in the present enquiry swore he had contributed for years to campaign funds, and had given to Liberals as well as Conservatives. He intimated that contribution to funds of the kind had become almost a habit with the lumbermen. Also Mr. Burchill, a witness upon whose testimony the Telegraph and Times laid much stress was a participant in the Northumberland deal when the interests of the province were ruthlessly sacrificed. But the newspapers which are making a free delivery of their productions do not tell the people about these things. They much prefer to spread the idea that a monopoly of all virtue is held by the party once headed in this province by one William Pugsley (W. P. $5,000), and numbering in its ranks such a "useful citizen" as Frank B. Carvell, chief of the "Dark Lantern Brigade."

COMPARISONS.

For the benefit of those who, during the hearing of the Dugal charges, may have been influenced by the Telegraph and Times almost to the point of believing that honesty in public life went out of business in New Brunswick when the last Liberal government was hurled from power in Fredericton, it may be pointed out that there has been nothing in the present enquiry to show that the Province of New Brunswick lost one dollar through the operations of Mr. Berry. On the other hand, the revenues from crown land account have been greater during the regime of Premier Flemming than at any other time in the history of the province.

There have been alleged humorous remarks from some of the newspapers, now playing the game of Mr. Carvell, to the effect that sanitariums might be utilized by members of the Government as places of refuge until Mr. Carvell's charges are all brought to light. It may be remembered that when the present Government undertook an investigation into the affairs of the crown land department, one of the Government officials, and for years a trusted one, went into the basement of the Provincial Building and there took his own life. From subsequent correspondence it was shown that he became a defaulter largely as the result of the loose and bungling manner in which the affairs of the department were transacted.

"W. P., $5,000," and other entries in the books of the Central Railway Company are fairly illustrative of the manner in which the affairs of the province were handled under the former "competent" and "honest" administrations. Also it may be recalled that when Mr. Hazen was translated from the provincial field to the larger arena at Ottawa, it was not necessary for him to enclose his cheque in an antedated letter to square up some transactions that might not look well if subjected to the fierce light of publicity. And the gentleman who found this course necessary was not a member of the Conservative party either. Possibly the Telegraph and Times could supply his name.

CANADIAN CONDITIONS

The London Financial News in a review of conditions throughout Canada fully bears out the statement recently made by Hon. W. T. White that Canada has really gone through the recent world-wide financial depression better than many other countries and that at heart its conditions are sound.

Hon. W. T. White, with his hand on the whole financial operations of the Dominion, is probably in better position than any man in Canada to speak with authority on the outlook. The predictions he made during the budget debate were that from now on conditions would steadily improve and he believed that with a good crop this year there would be an early ending to the cloud under which industry had passed.

It is to be recognized that the depression through which this country has passed was world-wide. It was due, as The Financial News points out, to conditions that were beyond the control of this country, notably in the case of the great Balkan war, with its wiping out of capital.

The effects of the stringency, which is pronounced by men who know as having been the most severe in a great many years, are still being felt in most countries. They are being felt severely even yet in the United States, particularly in the larger cities.

Here in Canada, says the London Free Press, we are rapidly emerging from the cloud and with beneficial results in this respect, that our financial operations, particularly in the matter of real estate, are likely to be placed on a more sensible basis than they have occupied in the past.

The Globe suggests that Mr. John E. Moore should be called to the witness stand in connection with the enquiry into the charges now being heard by the Royal Commission. Until he is so called it cannot be definitely established that he knew the use to which his certified cheque was being put when he endorsed it and handed it to Mr. Berry. And if he should be called and it turns out he did know, it might well be asked of him why, in view of the fact that he is a director of those great organs of purity, the Telegraph and Times, he did not at once use his telephone to notify the single-minded and consistent editors of those journals of the awful wrong being perpetuated upon the good people of this province.

Diary of Events

HISTORIC DAYS IN CANADA

Cy Warman, the poet, song-writer, and railroad man who was one of Canada's adopted sons, was born at Greenup, Ill., fifty-nine years ago today. For many years prior to his recent death "the Poet of the Rockies" was a citizen of London, Ont., where he owned a beautiful home, and was connected with a Canadian railway. Mr. Warman's father was a soldier in the Mexicn war, and the poet was born on a homestead which had been given to his sire as a reward of valor. Cy Warman received a common school education, and in his youth and early manhood was a Jack of many trades. He was a farmer and wheat buyer in his native State for a few years prior to 1880, when he went to Colorado and became a locomotive fireman, and afterwards an engineer, on the Denver & Rio Grande road. After eight years he turned journalist, and edited the Crede, Col., Chronicle and the Western Railway at Denver. He received the title of "the Poet of the Rockies" from the publication of some of his verse in the New York Sun in 1892. The following year he rode in a locomotive from New York to Chicago and wrote his first railway story, "A Thousand Miles in a Night." After several years of travel in Europe and the Orient he built a fine residence in London, Ont. Mr. Warman's second wife, who was Myrtle Marie Jones, inspired the poet to compose the famous song, "Sweet Marie." Miss Jones was a student in the Academy of the Sacred Heart in London, Ont., when she met Mr. Warman.

THE HUMAN PROCESS CN

JULIAN HAWTHORNE.

Proud and erect, for all the weight of years and shame, Julian Hawthorne, distinguished author and scion of one of America's foremost literary families, entered the grim portals of the United States federal prison a little more than a year ago. For six months he was a dweller in that "living hell" where "men are numbers," and on October 15th last he was released. Still proud and erect, but vowing vengeance on the system which he declared was "breaking men," the author emerged into the light of day, determined to devote the remainder of his life to the cause of prison reform. Not since Oscar Wilde found in the solitude of a cell the inspiration to compose "The Ballad of Reading Goal," has a man of such literary attainments as Hawthorne had the opportunity, from bitter personal experience, to put into words the true inwardness of prison life.

Julian Hawthorne was born in Boston 68 years ago today, the son of Nathanial Hawthorne, immortal author of "The Scarlet Letter" and "The House of Seven Gables." In his young manhood he was employed as a hydrographic engineer in the New York dock department, but for more than forty years he has devoted himself exclusively to journalism and authorship. In 1912 he was accused of complicity in a Canadian mine promotion swindle, and was convicted. He has been steadfast in asserting his innocence, and declares that "my imprisonment was not a disgrace on me and upon my name, but upon the people who imprisoned me."

In the Atlanta prison the author was employed in the printing office and as editor of Good Words, the prison paper.

THE PASSING DAY

ARGENTINE CENTENARY.

Argentine and Uruguay will celebrate today the centenary of the memorial land and naval battle of June 22, 1814, in which the Spanish troops were defeated and forced to abandon the fort of Montevideo, their last stronghold in La Plata Provinces. Seven years before Montevideo, now the magnificent capital city of the republic of Uruguay, had been stormed by a British force under Sir Samuel Auchmuty, and the resistance was so desperate that a third of the English troops were killed. A few months later the British were forced to evacuate both Montevideo and Buenos Ayres. Encouraged by their success against the invaders the people of both cities repudiated the authority of Spain in 1810, and under the leadership of such brave patriots as General San Martin, Admiral Guillermo Brown, Don Manuel Belgrano and General Jose Artigas, drove the Spaniards from the country. In the battle of a century ago the Spanish troops were so decisively defeated both by land and water that they were forced to flee the country and the army of liberty, under San Martin, crossed the Andes and helped to free Chile, Bolivia and Peru.

FIRST THINGS

SUMMER.

This is the first day of that season which is hailed by some as "the good old Summer time," although many people, and especially those given to embonpoint, describe it with an adjective the reverse of "good." The Summer solstice, which marks the beginning of Summer, is astronomically speaking the time when old Sol seems to enter the tropic of Cancer. This is true, of course, only in the northern hemisphere, as in the southern half of the world the sun's entrance into Cancer marks the beginning of Winter. From now on, in this part of the world, the days will begin to grow shorter. The longest day in New York lasts about fifteen hours. Montreal has a sixteen-hour day. At Tornea, in Finland, the sun will shine today for about twenty-two hours. Of the great cities of the world, St. Petersburg has the longest day, nineteen hours, while Stockholm's day is now about eighteen and three-quarters hours in duration. At Bardo, Norway, the sun has been shining uninterruptedly for a month, and will continue to be on the job a month longer. At Reikjavik, the capital of Iceland, the day is twenty hours long, and in the northern part of Iceland the sun will continue above the horizon for a week.

Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.

Me and pop was in the trane kuming hoam frum Ant Soos house yestiday, and we was passing sum farms with things growing awn them, and pop sed, Considiring the fackt that if it wasent for the farmirs we woodent have eny buttir to spred awn our bred, not to speek of eny bred to spred our buttih awn, it seems to me that the leest we can do is to be pullite enuff to reckernize the various foodstuffs wenevvir we pass them in the unplucked or growing state, how are you awn vejitables, Benny, can you distinguish them apart in thare erthy hoams.

Yes sir, I sed, I no the diffrent things.

Ill try you, sed pop, wats that we are jest passing.

Reddishes, I sed.

No, thats ternips, sed pop, wats that we are passing now.

Ternips, I sed.

No, sed pop.

Puttaytiz, I sed.

Way awf, sed pop, thats lettiss, yure about as mutch of a farmir as John D. Rockinfellir is a lawng haired Zooloo.

No sir, I no the diffrent things, I sed, do you wunt to no wat that green stuff is rite ovir thare.

Wat, sed pop.

Ternips, I sed.

Orfill and orfiller, sed pop, thats cabbidges, now Ill give you jest wun moar chanse and if you fale this time youll haff to be a meer consoomer awl yure life, wats that we are passing now.

Ternips, I sed.

Rong, puttaytiz, sed pop.

Eny parrit cod say that, sed pop. Im throo with you, yure a fine speseramen of a farmir, you are.

And we kepp awn riding, me looking out of the windo, and aftir a wile I sed, Lok pop, look, I bet I no wat that is.

Ware, sed pop, and I sed, Rite ovir thare, and pop sed, Wat, and I sed, A barb wire fents.

O, that, sed pop.

Yes, sir, I sed, do you no how I no.

How, sed pop.

Bekause I toar my pants awn sum of it wunts, I sed.

Wich I did.

FRENCHMAN WINS ENGLISH MARATHON.

London, June 20.—The annual marathon race from Windsor Castle to the Chelsea Football grounds, for a trophy valued at $2,500, run under the auspices of the Polytechnic Harriers, was won today by Djebell, a Frenchman. His time was 2 hours, 46 minutes, 50 4-5 seconds. Westbury, of Sweden, was second and Crunmer, another Swede was third. Forty-three competitors started from the grounds of Windsor Castle, where they were sent away by King George. Queen Mary and other members of the royal family were present.

FOUND UNCONSCIOUS IN STATEROOM, DIED WITHIN SHORT TIME

Yarmouth, N. S., June 21—K. W. Barteaux, aged forty-five of Hudson, Mass., a passenger from Boston, died, on the arrival of the steamer Prince Arthur yesterday. When the ship arrived he did not leave his stateroom. The door was forced, and the man was found unconscious. Medical aid was called and he was rushed to a hospital, but soon passed away. He was bound to Meadowvale, Annapolis county, to take his aged father to Hudson to reside with him.

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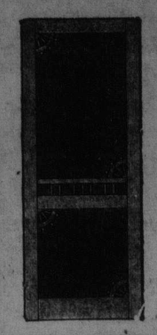
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Rev. William Lawson, ... church, gave an eloq... dealing chiefly with the ... Independent Order of F... took for the foundation ... the passage from the b... which says "Visit the ... fatherless and keep ... spotted from the world...
The speaker then d... early history of the or... ginated in the forest... when a band of worthy ... organization for giving ... poor and for this purp... money and other arti... rich. In the present ti... taking money from the ... abandoned and the tru... nevolence had taken its...
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