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EDUCATION

While the question of compulsory education is to be considered by the legislature of New Brunswick, and the premier of Quebec has formulated a progressive educational policy, it is interesting to note that the government of Ontario is about to make a radical change in the system in that province. A deputy minister of education has been appointed, and an educational superintendent, who will be an expert, will later be appointed. The idea is to divorce the system more than it has been from political control. Both Conservatives and Liberal papers commend the appointment of Mr. A. H. U. Colquhoun, of the Toronto News editorial staff to the office of deputy minister. The Mail and Empire prints an interesting forecast of the new policy. It says:

In connection with the superintendency the idea of a consultative or Advisory Committee will no doubt be worked out. It has been felt that the administrative work had been too far removed from the teachers. That is to say, the profession has not been able to exert such an influence upon the policy as to bring it into harmony with the ever-changing conditions. Theory has in the past superseded experience. It is the desire in the future to bring experience into association with the directing force. Thus, the working body will have an advisory position, and will be heard on all questions. Accompanying the creation of new educational affairs there will, it is believed, be legislation aiming at the improvement of the common schools. These institutions are the colleges of 95 per cent. of the people. In other words, all but a mere handful of our citizens get every bit of education they receive from the elementary schools. The general opinion with reference to these schools is that they are not what they ought to be.

The Mail and Empire says that an effort will be made to reduce the output of the Model School "teacher factories," where temporary teaching certificates are granted, and to increase the number of higher grade teachers. To do this there must, of course, be a higher grade of salaries, and on this point the Mail and Empire says:

It is probable that there will be a system of reciprocally increased grants to meet the salary augmentation. The township will give \$100 or perhaps \$150 more per annum than they do now, for teachers salaries, in which case the rural teacher will get a minimum of either \$300 or \$400. Then, it is possible that the provincial grant will be based not on the township, but on the attendance, but upon the attendance and the teacher's qualifications. It might be provided that the teacher, if holding qualifications superior to the minimum grade allowed for that particular type of school. In this way the local authorities will be induced to engage teachers with the highest qualifications, and to pay them fairly. If in the rural schools the qualifications and the salaries move upwards, the same conditions will be experienced in other schools throughout the province. If, again, the qualifications are of the higher type, the standard of education will be raised. The project is not in shape yet, but Dr. Pyne is working hard upon it. Its purpose, it will be seen, is to improve the public schools and to give the people the benefit of the best talent in the general direction of those institutions and in the teaching and training of the people.

INSURANCE MATTERS

A deputation from the Canada Life Insurance Officers' Association waited on Hon. J. J. Fay, Attorney-General of Ontario, this week and asked that legislation be introduced to prevent the practice of giving rebates. They claim that the Mail and Empire, that the rise in the expense of life insurance is largely due to the system of giving to the assured rebates on his premium to secure his policy. This return of a percentage of the first payment made on a risk, they say, comes not from the agent or the company, but from the public eventually. The delegates expressed the belief that the agent granting rebates, his company, and the policyholder, according to this special privilege should be penalized by law, as equality was the basis of life insurance.

The Toronto World denounces the insurance men, and asks why they do not invite an investigation of their affairs. The Toronto Globe contents itself with this remark:

"Insurance men want a law prohibiting the rebate evil. Better cut down the margins that allow for rebates."

LOCAL OPTION AND HOTELS

The Ottawa Citizen states that as a result of the success of local option in a large number of Ontario municipalities many hotel keepers announce that they will close their hotels. In one place where there is but one hotel, and its proprietor offers it for sale or lease, the local option calls upon the temperance people to form a company and take over the business. The Citizen observes that this seems a fair and logical solution of the difficulty, and says:—"If the cancelling of licenses means putting hotels out of business, as contended by those who sell liquor, then it is up to the temperance people to prove that such is not the case and that hotels can be conducted in a community having a popular majority in favor of prohibition. If they demonstrate that money can be made in conducting good, clean, well ordered hotels in temperance communities there will not be wanting private individuals to take the business off their hands."

If it has never been demonstrated in Ontario that temperance hotels can succeed, that province is behind the times. Temperance hotels are successfully conducted in English cities. There is at least one notable instance of such a hotel in Nova Scotia—and a large and well known house it is—while there are many smaller ones in smaller towns and villages. A

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Men's Pants at \$1.00, 1.50, 1.85, 2.00, 2.25, 2.50, 2.75, 3.00 to \$4.50. Boys' Short Pants at 45c., 50c., 65c., 75c. to \$1.50.

J. N. HARVEY, Men's and Boys' Clothier, 199 to 207 Union Street.

Men's Cushion Soles.

These boots are made of plump box-calf; leather-lined, heavy waterproof soles, and are fitted with the well-known "Worth Cushion Sole."

They are exactly suitable for this hard, cold weather, when few men like to wear rubbers or overshoes. The price is \$4.50, and means solid comfort.

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Boys' \$3.00 Tan Bals., 3, 4, and 5, \$1.60
Boys' 2.00 Tan Bals., 4 and 5, 1.05
Boys' 1.40 Blk. Bals., 1, 3 and 4, 95c.
Boys' 1.10 Blk. Oxfords, 1, 2 and 5, 62c.

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FURNITURE

Our largest sale of up-to-date Brand New Furniture commences the First of February and will be continued throughout the month. Whether you contemplate buying now or not, our Large Discount should certainly tempt you. Call and be convinced that you have never seen Furniture as low as we propose to make it throughout our grand February sale. Remember, only Brand New Furniture offered at this sale. Goods can be stored Free of Charge until required.

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The New Store. 25 Germain Street.

Timely Tip

Have you changed your ad. in the street cars lately?

If not, The Telegraph designs and prints them

The Inglenook Philosopher of Kennebecasis Bay.

Pollard jumped into the Inglenook and gingerly seated himself in my easy chair. Said he: "I have been spending a day in the city."

"I observe," said I, holding a candle in front of his face and scrutinizing his discolored left optic.

"I thought," continued Pollard, "I would satisfy myself as to the liability of the city taxpayers to be called upon to face a demand for damages to the amount of \$2,608,740 from persons who during the last five years have been wrongfully arrested and imprisoned for patronizing too enthusiastically the city's liquor saloons."

"And have you done so?" said I.

"Exactly," said Pollard, and then he told me how he stated the case against the city and the city's case against the city. He said that the city's case was a "case of the city against the city," and that the city's case was a "case of the city against the city."

"When were you last arrested for drunkenness?" said Ketchum. "Fifty dollars, please."

"How many times have you been arrested for drunkenness?" said Ketchum. "We'll make a fortune for you out of this thing. Fifty dollars."

I explained that I had never been arrested on any charge whatever.

"Oh, you come to me on behalf of some lady or gentleman friend. Shall out that fifty dollars," said Ketchum.

I told them I had no lady or gentleman friend who had a grievance against the city.

"Oh, a humanitarian, who wants to right the wrongs of the oppressed," sneered Ketchum. "Let us see that fifty dollars P. D. Q."

Then I explained that I was only a seeker for information.

"Bones 'im," said Ketchum.

"I was about to answer, 'Deo gratias,' to show him that I was a scholar as well as myself, I found myself in a recumbent position at the bottom of the long flight of stairs leading to Ketchum & Hadden's office."

Pollard loaded and lit his pipe, after unusually changing his position.

"Said I, 'Pollard, the man who looks for trouble always finds it. Moreover, the expected never happens; it is the unexpected that fattens us out and makes us look like thirty cents. He who expects with the devil should not be long soon. You've been looking for trouble and you've found it; the unexpected has come down upon you like a cyclone, you've slipped with the devil at short range and got kicked down stairs, listen to the words of wisdom and treasure them in your heart.'"

White Head, Kings county, Feb. 8.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN

The London correspondent of the Toronto Mail and Empire has this to say of Mr. Chamberlain:

"Mr. Chamberlain is not by any means retiring into the background. His amiable and his good temper are proof against even Gibson Bowles' coarse and unimpressive gibes. Gibson Bowles now seems to spend his time in inventing new gibes and taunts to throw at the man who has been so long in the back every party with which he has been associated. It must be allowed that he was a somewhat irritating irritant of those who know him best. 'Look at me,' he said the other day, with an encouraging smile, 'and consider the many crimes of which I have been accused.' The vigorous way in which he is conducting his campaign is a complete answer to the insinuations of a year or two ago that he was getting past things. One adventurous onward even went so far as to hint that his brain was softening, and that he was suffering from paralysis. But as one looks at his hale and upright form and sees him looking so young and eager, his hair but slightly tinged with grey, his forehead white and smooth, it is almost passing belief that he is approaching three-score and ten. And when in his preparation his form seems to swell, and his voice, growing stronger and deeper, and with the note of passionate conviction, no wonder that people are hard to say that 'he'll be prime minister yet.'"

GAVE \$25,000 TO HOSPITAL

The late George Goodenham, who for a long time took an active interest in the Toronto General Hospital, serving on the Board of Trustees for many years, expressed a wish before his death to donate \$25,000 towards the fund for the erection of the new hospital. The trustees of the estate yesterday notified the chairman of the hospital Trustees Board of this wish, and of a subscription accordingly.

Original fund	\$1,088,700
Estate George Goodenham	25,000
Mrs. George Goodenham	1,000
Committee's fund	\$1,114,700
Nichol & Co.	500
Forbes Roofing Co.	100
A. H. Campbell, Jr.	100
Mayor's fund	\$1,115,700
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	\$1,117,701

LITTLE GLIMPSES OF MARRIED LIFE.

The following advertisement recently appeared in a Louisville (Ky.) paper: "Lost—One dollar reward will be paid for the return of my Maltese kitten, white cross on throat, blue ribbon about neck; answers to name of Puffy—Mrs. X. Y. Brown."

It immediately appeared the following: "Reward—I will pay \$3 for the hide of said cat—X. Y. Brown."—Topoka State Journal.

COMBS.

30 dozen Combs, Travelers' Samples, we are selling at one-third less than regular price.

Horn Dressing Combs, 3c., 4c., 5c., 6c., 7c., 8c., each
Rubber Dressing Combs, 3c., 4c., 5c., 6c., 7c., 8c., each
White Dressing Combs, 3c., 4c., 5c., 6c., 7c., 8c., each
Barber Combs, 7c., 8c., 9c., 10c., each
Pocket Combs, 2c., 3c., 4c., 5c., 6c., 7c., each
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All our parlor suites are made on our own premises, and are made to last.

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Examine our new patterns and permit us to explain why our suits give such faithful service and look stylish to the last thread.

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