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BRITISH NAVAL WORKS.

A matter which has for some time engaged the attention of the British Government is the proper provision in the way of docks for the great ships which are being added to the navy, time having rendered many of the existing docks inadequate. Amongst other works it has been decided to construct two floating docks which will take the largest battleships and materially add to the docking accommodation. These structures have been subjected to considerable criticism, but after a very searching inquiry the admiralty has become satisfied that they can be properly used in British waters. They are being increasingly used in other countries, there being larger ones in the United States and Germany than any the British navy requires. One advantage of floating docks is that they have a mobility which is not possessed by graving docks and can be placed where they are strategically necessary. Another, and perhaps the most important, advantage is the rapidity with which they can be constructed, it requiring but a year and a half to complete one. They are also much cheaper than graving docks. The life of a floating dock is limited, however, to forty years. One of these floating docks will be situated in the Medway, where are to be found the necessary conditions in regard to depth of water and the needed protection. The admiralty has thus far kept the location of the other floating dock secret, and is considering the possibility of building large graving docks at other places on the east coast.

The Rosyth naval works are to be completed by March, 1916, and to stimulate the contractor, a bonus of \$4,000 a week is offered for earlier completion. The late Government decided on this base in 1902 and purchased the land in 1903, but did not get to work on the remaining years in which it was in office. The present Government has not allowed the exploration work to relax, and is now pressing forward construction work. The dock and lock at Portsmouth are to be completed within four years, with a bonus to the contractor of \$2,000 a week for earlier completion.

The concentration of a large portion of the fleet in home waters has necessitated a good many changes in accommodation of various kinds. A new cordite store is being constructed at Portsmouth, and another big magazine is to be built near Rosyth. Land has been purchased at Greenock for a torpedo factory, and it is intended to transfer from Woolwich the manufacture of torpedoes. Amongst other works in contemplation is the erection at Sheffield of a building for the testing of materials for gun mountings and guns.

CANADA'S FORESTS.

The forestry branch of the department of the Interior has issued a bulletin prepared by A. H. D. Ross, M. A., of Toronto University, dealing with the forest products of the Dominion. From this it is seen that Canada's exports of manufactured and unmanufactured products increased from less than \$19,000,000 in 1903 to \$49,000,000 last year. Of these products Great Britain took \$9,354,244 worth, and the United States \$7,842,526 worth in 1908, while last year the mother country's share was \$11,483,094 worth, and that of the United States \$27,470,754 worth. The neighboring republic gets practically the whole of the manufactured wood products, such as pulp wood.

The need of more thorough gathering of information respecting the forestry resources of Canada is emphasized by Mr. Ross, who points out that it was with this end in view that the forestry branch was organized. Canada's vast forest areas are among her most important resources. The census of 1901 estimated the forest area at 799,000,000 acres, but Mr. Ross says that more recent estimates reduce it to between 500,000,000 and 600,000,000 acres. This includes areas of timber which is not at present merchantable. For land covered with merchantable timber presently available estimates have been made as low as 200,000,000, and even 100,000,000. None of these estimates, however, are to be considered very reliable, as they are based on deductions from a general knowledge of conditions or of special areas.

Even less is the knowledge as to the stand of timber suitable for sawing, but what is considered a conservative estimate places it at between 500,000,000,000 and 600,000,000,000 feet. There are in addition large pulpwood areas. The fact that Canada's forest area has suffered so severely from fire makes it necessary to compute at a low figure the average stand of timber.

UNATTAINABLE AGE-LIMIT.

[New York World.]
Someone has suggested that all women be allowed to vote when they reach the age of 40. Such a regulation would at once settle the suffragette question for all unmarried women. They never attain that age.

A YEAR OF INCREASES.

[Regina Leader.]
Nineteen hundred and nine bids fair for Canada to be a year of increases right along the line. It matters not into what particular department of activity one examines, as the months go by with almost monotonous regularity the figures show substantial increases over the corresponding periods of last year. Building, railway trade figures, all show the same tendency. The trade returns for the Dominion for June are no exception to the rule, the month showing an increase over June of last year of no less than \$5,628,898. For the first quarter of the present year the increase totals the large sum of \$20,686,824. As stated in the Ottawa dispatch published elsewhere so rapid has been the recovery from the depression of last year, that the trade returns are now but little below the high water mark figures of 1907. Imports or exports, all tell the same story of abounding prosperity.

DOESN'T APPLY TO CANADA.

[Ottawa Free Press.]
The proposed administration of child-reform to men over 50 years of age which was wrongfully attributed to Dr. William Osler, has now a companion, for Lord Curzon tells us that every man over 50 years is a Cassandra talking of the brave days of old and of the bad times in which we live. That may or may not be true in England; we do not believe that it is; but it is certainly not applicable to Canada. Most of our optimists are on the short side of 50.

HER PROMISE TRUE.

[Family Herald.]
The death of Lady Laurie of Maxwellton House, Dumfries, recalls one of the best known Scotch songs. Maxwellton House is well known as the birthplace of Annie Laurie. She was the daughter of the first baronet, was born in 1822. The words of the song were composed by a youth named Douglas, of Finland, and the music more than a century afterwards by Lady John Spottiswood. The "promise true" proved a delusion, for the lady threw Douglas over, and married in his place Alexander Ferguson, of Glasgow. The portraits of both herself and her husband are in the keeping of the baronet who still holds possession where "Maxwellton braes are bonnie."

A NECESSARY CORRECTION.

[Winnipeg Free Press.]
According to James J. Hill "you can no more increase the price of an article with a tariff than you can lift yourself upstairs with your foot-strap." Mr. Hill evidently means "value" instead of "price." The tariff can be made to affect prices by affecting the supply of certain commodities, but prices can go up and down without changing their value or relation to each other. With this amendment Mr. Hill's statement is correct.

TRAVEL AND LEARN.

[Montreal Herald.]
To the majority of Eastern Canadians the west is almost as much of an unknown land as is the province of Quebec. Mr. Murphy started out with the idea that as secretary of state he ought to know a little more about the country which makes ever increasing claims upon the attention of his department. The reasoning applies just as well to men in every branch of business. If the railways would get together and organize some seeing Canada excursions at an attractive figure there ought to be a lot of business to be done at it.

THE GAS QUESTION TROUBLING CHATHAM

Refreshments Places Must Close
Early Sunday Evenings—
Two Factory Accidents.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Chatham, July 27.—Poll-tax time is almost due again, and the young men of Chatham are busy figuring out whether it costs more to hand out the dollar or to take a wife.
The council passed a bylaw last night prohibiting places of refreshment from remaining open after 7:30 on Sunday evenings.
Purification of the city gas would not seem to be feasible, so reduced prices on gas and electricity may possibly be the way out of the difficulty, if last night's council meeting is any guide.

An amusing case was heard in the police court this morning, when Mrs. Hiram Cole was fined \$1 and costs for using abusive language to Mrs. M. A. Tefft. After paying her fine Mrs. Cole filed a charge against Mrs. Tefft, and daughter, for the same offence. Miss Tefft preferred to pay \$1 and costs, rather than take the trouble to defend the case.

Fred Lee, of Taylor avenue, has the misfortune to have his thumb cut off by a saw. This morning witnessed another accident in the mill, when Archie Hendrick had one of his hands lacerated in the box factory.
Gaspare Favata, accused of buying tomatoes on the market before 10 o'clock, contrary to the market bylaw, was dismissed by Judge Houston this morning. Favata, who is a fruit merchant, intended the tomatoes for domestic use.

Last night at a meeting of the license commission the licenses of the Aberdeen Hotel, Park House and Idlewild Hotel were continued for the whole year. These licenses were only extended three months at the last meeting.

The Sunday school of the Victoria Avenue Methodist Church will have their annual outing on Thursday next.

The time will be spent at the beach. A snappy game of ball was played on the park tonight between the Idlewilds and Merlins. The game resulted in a win for the former by 19 to 12. The Chatham cricketers are due to play the return match with Windsor at Windsor on Thursday next.

PIRATES BEAT REDS BY SCORE OF 5 TO 1

Oakes Made a Second Home Run in History of Forbes' Field and Prevented Shut-Out.

Pittsburg, July 27.—Willis pitched a strong game for the Pittsburg team and won with comparative ease. The only run scored off him was by Oakes, who made the second home run on Forbes field. Both teams were off in the fielding. Bowan pitched a good game. The score:

Cincinnati.	A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
Descher, I. f.	3 0 1 0 1 0 1
Miller, c. f.	3 0 1 3 0 0 0
Egan, 2b.	3 0 0 0 0 2 0
Oakes, r. f.	4 1 1 2 1 0 0
Hoblitzel, lb.	3 0 1 11 0 0 0
Downey, s. s.	4 0 0 2 2 1 0
McLean, c.	4 0 0 3 2 0 0
Huggins, 3b.	3 0 0 2 2 0 0
Rosen, p.	2 0 0 0 0 3 0
Totals	29 1 3 24 13 4
Pittsburg.	A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
Clarke, l. f.	3 2 0 1 0 0 0
Storke, 2b.	4 1 1 1 3 0 0
Leach, c. f.	4 0 1 2 0 0 0
Wagner, s. s.	4 1 1 3 2 1 0
J. Miller, 2b.	3 2 2 4 0 0 0
Abstein, lb.	4 0 2 12 1 1 0
Wilson, r. f.	4 0 1 3 0 0 0
Gibson, c.	3 0 0 1 2 1 1
Willis, p.	3 0 0 0 2 1 0
Totals	32 5 9 27 13 4

Two-base hits, Abstein, Wagner; home run, Oakes; stolen bases, Descher; sacrifice hit, J. Miller; double play, J. Miller to Abstein; base on balls, off Willis 4, off Rowan 1; struck out, by Willis 1; passed ball, McLean; time, 1:30; umpire, Rigley; attendance, 5,700.

HARD HITTING HELPS THEM

(Continued From Page Seven.)

Jordan, lb.	2	0	0	10	1	0
Alperman, 2b.	3	0	1	5	6	1
Hummel, c. f.	4	0	0	0	0	0
McMillan, s. s.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Bergen, c.	1	0	1	7	2	0
Rucker, p.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	7	25	13	2

*One out when winning run was scored.

Philadelphia . . . 2 0 0 0 0 0 1—3
Brooklyn . . . 5 0 1 0 0 0 1—10
New York . . . 2 0 0 4 0 0 0—6
Boston . . . 1 0 0 0 0 1 0—2
Summary.—Hits, off Ferguson, 2 in 3 innings, off More 4 in 2, off Brown 2 in 4; sacrifice hit, Beland; stolen bases, Murray 2; double play, Sweeney, Shean and Stem; on bases, New York 6, Boston 10; first base on balls, off Ferguson 1, off More 2, off Matthewson 1; first base on errors, New York 1, Boston 2; hit by pitcher, by Ferguson 1, by More, Meyers; struck out, by Matthewson 9, by pitch, More; time, 1:51; umpire, Johnston and Emslie.

ONE APIECE AT BOSTON

Boston and New York Divide the Honors in Double-Header.

Boston, July 27.—Boston and New York each won a game today, the home team taking the first 7 to 4, and the second going to the visitors 6 to 2. Hard hitting and New York's errors decided the opening game. Matthewson was in the second contest and added another victory to his long string. Ferguson was out of the game while at bat in the third inning for disputing with Umpire Johnston. The score of the first game:

New York.	A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
Tenney, lb.	4 1 1 9 0 1 0
Doyle, 2b.	5 1 2 0 3 0 0
McCormick, r. f.	4 0 1 2 0 3 0
Murray, l. f.	2 2 1 0 0 0 0
O'Hara, c. f.	4 0 1 1 1 0 0
Devlin, 3b.	4 1 2 2 1 0 0
Bridwell, s. s.	4 1 5 1 2 0 0
Schiel, c.	4 0 1 0 1 0 0
Crandall, p.	1 0 1 0 1 0 0
Wiltsie, p.	3 0 1 0 1 0 0
Totals	37 4 13 24 15 5

Boston, A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
Thomas, l. f. . . 4 1 2 1 0 0 0
Becker, r. f. . . 5 0 1 2 0 0 0
Coffey, s. s. . . 5 0 1 2 0 0 0
Beaumont, c. f. . . 4 2 2 6 0 0 0
Shean, 2b. . . 4 1 3 6 2 0 0
Stem, lb. . . 3 0 1 2 2 0 0
Sweeney, 3b. . . 2 2 1 1 0 0 0
Graham, c. . . 3 0 1 4 1 1 0
Tuckey, p. . . 1 0 1 1 1 0 0
Dahlen, l. f. . . 1 0 1 0 0 0 0
Richie, p. . . 2 0 1 0 0 0 0
Totals . . . 34 7 14 27 10 2

*Batted for Tuckey in third.

New York . . . 2 0 0 0 0 0—7
Boston . . . 1 1 1 1 0 0 0—7
Two-base hits, Thomas, Bridwell, Sweeney, Shean, Devlin; three-base hit, Shean, Thomas; hits, off Crandall 7 in 2-1-3 innings, off Wiltsie 7 in 5-2-3, off Tuckey 7 in 3, off Richie 6 in 6; sacrifice hits, McCormick, Becker; sacrifice fly, Stem; stolen bases, Shean; double plays, Bridwell and Tenney, Bridwell and Devlin; left on bases, New York 8, Boston 7; first base on balls, off Wiltsie 2; first base on errors, New York 1, Boston 1; hit by pitcher, by Tuckey, Tenney; struck out, by Richie 2, by Wiltsie 2; wild pitch, Wiltsie; time, 1:48; umpires, Emslie and Johnston.

Second Game.

New York.	A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
Tenney, lb.	5 1 1 10 0 0 0
Doyle, 2b.	5 1 2 2 3 0 0
McCormick, r. f.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Seymour, c. f.	3 1 0 0 0 0 0
Murray, l. f.	4 1 2 2 0 0 1
O'Hara, c. f.	4 1 0 1 0 2 0
Devlin, 3b.	3 1 0 1 2 0 0
Bridwell, s. s.	2 0 1 0 2 0 0
Meyers, c.	3 0 1 9 0 0 1
Matheson, p.	4 0 1 1 3 0 0
Totals	38 8 8 27 10 4
Boston.	A. B. R. H. P. O. A. E.
Thomas, l. f.	5 0 0 0 0 0 0
Becker, r. f.	5 0 1 3 0 0 0
Coffey, s. s.	5 0 1 2 2 0 0
Beck, c. f.	4 0 1 5 0 0 0
Shean, 2b.	4 1 2 3 5 0 0
Stem, lb.	4 0 0 12 1 0 0
Sweeney, 3b.	4 1 1 0 2 0 0

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influences of the moment combine to produce the good impression consistently produced by the museums. It is just in industrial art, which is the domain of the decoration of the home, that the grossest offences against the canons of good taste are perpetrated, and so Prof. Pazarek, as director of the Wurtemberg Industrial Museum, was the right man to arrange the first Museum of Bad Taste the world has ever seen.

For ten years he has waged his war against the spread of bad taste, and while director of the Northern Bohemian Museum at Prague, he tried in vain to get permission to make the experiment of showing people the reverse of the medal by opening a collection of horrible examples. But trade influences were too strong; his supporters did not venture to risk the innovation.

CANADIAN WINS THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Blaskey Camp, July 27.—Sergeant A. M. Blackburn, of Winnipeg, wins the service rifle championship, with championship, challenge cup, and gold jewel. This was announced officially today. Yesterday through an error of the statistical office, the name of Private Galbraith, of the Fifth Sussex Regiment, was posted as winner, with Sergeant Blackburn as second.

THREE SHEEP SHOT AND CARCASSES STOLEN

Daring Crimes Near Grimsby Lead to the Arrest of Thomas Hopkins.

Grimsby, July 28.—Saturday afternoon some one drove up to the farm of Mr. Thomas Tremblay and shot two of his sheep with a Winchester rifle, and was proceeding to dress them when Tremblay's son, happening to hear the shots, came along, and the fellow drove off.

Constables Hood and Swayze were soon on the trail and after driving a little over six miles came to Herbert Theall's farm, where they found that the man had not and carried away a valuable Dorset lamb. The constables went on to Grassie's and there arrested Tom Hopkins, 21 years of age, as he was driving out of his own yard. He was on his way to Stony Creek to sell the carcass of a lamb. Being brought back here, he was committed to the police by Police Magistrate William Kidd.

OFF WITH THE CASH.

Tipton, Ind., July 27.—The First National Bank of Tipton is closed today, and its assistant cashier, Noah R. Marker, is gone, taking with him between \$50,000 and \$60,000, all the cash that was in the bank's vaults at the close of business on Saturday.

Marker, after sweeping together all the money, set the time lock on the safe so that it could not be opened until 9 o'clock today. He left a note on the desk of his brother, Wm. Marker, cashier of the bank, saying that he had gone forever, and that he had taken "enough money to pay expenses." Marker was connected with the bank nineteen years. He was an unsuccessful Republican candidate for mayor of the city four years ago. He is an active church member. He is 35 years old and has a wife and two small children.

STOLE A BICYCLE.

Toronto, July 27.—Alfred Bentley, an Englishman, was sent to jail for four months by the police magistrate this morning for stealing a bicycle from his employer, a farmer named Carberry. Bentley was hired for \$2 a month and his board, and Carberry said it was more than he was worth. Bentley said his job was so poorly paid he borrowed the wheel in order to get to Toronto for another job.

HARRIMAN'S PLANS.

Gastin, Austria, July 28.—E. H. Harriman will finish the cure in August. His two daughters have arrived here.

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SAYS BRIBED CHIEF TO LET HIM ESCAPE

Cobalt, July 27.—Archibald McCall, formerly chief of police of Haliburton, was arrested at Englehart yesterday afternoon on a charge of allowing a prisoner under his charge to escape in July, 1908. On that day Dominio Dromessal, an Italian, was taken into custody charged with a serious criminal offense against a Haliburton boy. During the night he escaped from the lockup and was not recaptured until a short time ago when he declared that he had been given his freedom by Chief McCall upon payment of \$45.

TO PAY DUTY ON YACHTS

Toronto Collector of Customs Springs Surprise on Millionaires.

Toronto, July 27.—Collector of Customs Bertram has sprung an unpleasant sensation in yachting circles by his decision to collect duty from sundry well-to-do sports who have bought costly yachts abroad and brought them into Canada without paying duty. The list includes J. P. Northey's "Barbara," formerly "Sitarah; Aemilius Jarvis' "Zarah"; George H. Gooderham's "Clorita" and "Orloie," formerly the American yacht "Azara," and J. C. Ewen's "Tekla." The yachts are collectively worth about \$150,000. It has been the habit of local millionaire yachtsmen to go to New York and buy second-hand yachts, and strange to say, never laid any duty heretofore. Yachtsmen will fight the case. They are not technically owners of yachts. In order to avoid duty, they have simply leased the yachts for ninety-nine years to use between the months of May and October. Bertram is gathering evidence and will submit the case to the department at Ottawa.