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#### THE JUVENILE COURT.

Step by step we are moving forward in this city to a better knowledge of the needs and a more generous recognition of our duty to the child life of the community. There is a Children's Protection Act, and a Children's Aid Society, with a well equipped and admirably conducted Children's Home that has been a veritable God-send to many little ones; while the same society has been instrumental in placing a number of delinquent children in institutions where they will have an opportunity under favorable conditions to grow up and become useful members of the community. The playground movement in the interest of the young has received a great impetus this year, and the way opened to a splendid development along lines of physical well-being. We now have medical inspection in the schools, and the nursing system is being extended in the interests of the infants of the city. The adoption of the vocational training is probably only a question of months. The health department is showing a steadily growing solicitude for child-welfare, in regard to housing conditions, milk supply, and the general spread of contagion.

And now comes the juvenile court. Though it will not be instituted until next year, that is not long to wait, when we remember how long we have waited to get public sentiment aroused and a law passed, making provision for such courts in this province. The finance committee of the municipal council has given its sanction to the establishment of such a court next year, and in so doing has shown that it is deeply interested in child-welfare. Such a court when established will deal with all cases of boys and girls up to the age of sixteen years, except where a crime has been committed which calls for action in the criminal court. In a properly conducted juvenile court a boy or girl is not arrested, except in extreme cases, but the child and the parents are summoned to appear, and the judge has before him a detailed statement prepared by an alert probation officer, telling all about the boy or girl and the family and surroundings, so that he can deal intelligently with the case. In St. John none of these cases would go to the police court, but would be dealt with in the board-room of the Children's Home, and if it were necessary to detain a boy or girl there are comfortable quarters. There would be no police court atmosphere, nor any undesirable publicity, but an equanimity and such action by the judge and probation officer as the conditions warranted. If the delinquent were released on probation the probation officer would follow up the case. If the fault were in the home, he would labor to remove the cause of delinquency. If the parents were openly neglectful or brutal, the court would have power to fine or imprison them, if in its opinion severe measures were necessary in the interests of the child. If the case were hopeless, the child or children could be taken as is now done by the commissioners of the Children's Aid Society, committed to the society's care, and placed in foster homes. This court would also be of the greatest benefit in dealing with cases of truancy. Possibly this view of the case will not appeal to motorists, but it appears to be entirely reasonable. There has been a very large sale of automobiles in this province this year, and the demand continues. The road department is doing its best, and greatly improving the roads, but it costs much money and the provincial resources are limited. Those who do most to break down the roads should contribute liberally to their upkeep.

#### LACK OF HOME TRAINING

Some very striking remarks were made by Judge Choquet of the Montreal juvenile court last week in regard to the failure of many parents to do their duty toward their children. The Herald report says:— "That the appearance of ninety per cent of the young offenders who appear in the juvenile court can be traced to the lack of home training and home restraint is the opinion of Judge Choquet, who since the beginning of the week has had 160 cases in the juvenile court. In these cases the children have lacked home training. Especially in the case of girls, the judge thinks, the mothers are lax. It might be that the mothers themselves lacked home training and fitness for their responsibilities. Often they were lacking in firmness. Mothers and fathers were leaving it all to the educators and were failing to realize that there was a wide gap between what could be acquired at school and what should be learned at home. While parents were depending on the school for everything, the latter expected the family atmosphere to deal with what was outside the limited field of the school. Schools could not supply a family training. The gap between school and family training was getting wider every day, as the average mother had not kept pace with modern evolution."

One of the benefits conferred by a juvenile court, properly constituted, with probation officers, is that it enables the officials of the court to deal with parents as well as children and so tend to bring about better conditions in the home. There is great need of such a court in St. John.

#### THE CANADIAN SPIRIT.

Canadian Finance, in a recent issue, remarked that a "characteristic trait of the Anglo-Saxon is the pronounced objection which he invariably exhibits when an attempt is made to compel him to submit to any authority which adopts a threatening attitude towards him," and also that "he is averse to violent changes and prefers the steady progress which safe and sane methods ensure." This is perfectly true. We have just had an illustration of it in Winnipeg, the city in which Canadian Finance is published. Tolerant as the Anglo-Saxon may be, there is a limit to his tolerance, whether autocracy manifests itself in one guise or another. Hence Canadian Finance was justified in saying further: "Canadians have in recent years established beyond dispute that in Canada the principles for which the Anglo-Saxon people have fought for centuries are still worth fighting for. Constitutional government such as Canada has provides a lawful remedy for every emergency which may arise. The Canadian nation is, indeed, a free nation, united in spirit, though not in opinion; self-controlled, self-governed; rich in opportunities, resources and manhood; determined to promote the fuller life and welfare of the people. Healthy agitations for the betterment of social conditions are welcome, but in the face of any attempt by any faction—however powerful it may be—in our midst to usurp unwarranted authority, we must unite in the common cause and, every citizen, be he a capitalist, merchant, employer or employee, should declare, 'First of all, I am a Canadian.'"

#### MOTORISTS AND ROADS.

Pointing out that the increased interest in roads and the clamor for better roads is due to the increased ownership of motor cars, the Maritime Merchant contends that motorists should pay more toward the upkeep of the roads. We quote: "It is no use at this late date to advocate that a better condition of the public highways might be preserved by prohibiting or even restricting motor car travel; for the motor car is here to stay; it is bound to stay. But is it not a fair question to ask whether the motorist should pay more toward the upkeep of the roads than he is paying at the present time. Surely, if eight or ten thousand dollars of the taxpayer's money is expended on a stretch of road, and then a few days afterward, during a rain storm, some 40 or 50 motor cars travel over this road at an average speed of 20 miles an hour, tearing away the binding as they pass along, it is too much to expect that once again the same people (the taxpayers) should come across with more money for repairs. We believe the general public are willing to pay their share of the necessary expenses, for everybody wants good roads; but the motorist must be prepared to pay his, and it will need to be a very much larger proportion than he has been paying up to the present time."

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London Engineer: "New, strange, absurd, and impracticable is it all, because there is no real reason why the problems of aerial navigation should not be as thoroughly mastered within the next fifty years as those of ocean navigation now are. The elements of a practicable airship all exist in the resources of modern invention; the only thing required is to put them together and produce the perfected structure. It is mere reverie, perhaps, to imagine that man will ever become a winged animal, but there is no insuperable scientific difficulty in the way of practically navigating the atmosphere, nor need it be supposed that fatal accident or disaster would be more frequent than it is in surface travel. Man is only tied to earth by his own terror, not by any invincible obstacles to rising above it."

In a recent address in Paris, M. Joseph Reinach said that "apart from some miserable victims of alcohol, he had never met a woman either of the working or the bourgeois class, peasant or intellectual, who was not the enemy of alcohol, which was the destroyer of health, of the family, and of prospects."

LABOR TROUBLE MAY BLOCK THE PLAN FOR LONDON ILLUMINATION.

London, July 12.—The elaborate plans for the illumination of London on "Peace Night," July 19, may have to be abandoned. The electrical trades union, owing to the employers refusing to grant an increase of wages, have ordered the cessation of work on the projected illuminations.

### LIBERAL CONVENTIONS

All those men and women who desire to co-operate with the Liberal Party of Canada, are invited to attend Conventions in the Federal Constituencies in New Brunswick, for the purpose of electing delegates and alternates to attend the NATIONAL LIBERAL CONVENTION at OTTAWA, August 5, 6 and 7, the purpose of which is:

- (1) To Draft a Liberal Platform.
- (2) To Prepare for Organization.
- (3) To Select a Liberal Leader to succeed Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The places and dates of above Conventions are: Kent county, Public Hall, Rexton, N. B., July 14; Charlotte county at St. Stephen, N. B., Wednesday, July 16, 2.30 p. m.; Royal (Kings and Queens), Thursday afternoon, July 17, 2 o'clock (Daylight Time), Court House, Hampton.

Other dates will be announced when decided upon. Railways will arrange one and three-fifths fare for return tickets to Ottawa. All Railway Offices are being advised to that effect.

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### APPROVE DECISION TO TAKE OVER THE SALE OF LIQUOR

Grand Division S. of T. Laments Action of Senate on Prohibition Matter.

Newcastle, July 11.—When the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance, assembled on Thursday morning the first report submitted was that of the grand scriber, who reported that the sale of liquor had been taken over by the Senate of the Sons of Temperance. The sum of \$15,000 was voted to balance accounts with the national division. The report was received at the afternoon session. The report said the Sons of Temperance rejoiced at the decision to take over the sale of liquor for industrial and medicinal purposes, and that they regretted the refusal of the Senate to concur in prohibition legislation and the house of commons would continue to fight for national prohibition even though an amendment of the British North American Act should be passed. The grand scriber said that the division was a very successful one. He brought several recommendations to the attention of the delegates, and urged their earnest co-operation in the excellent work of the order. The grand scriber reported showed the order at a very low ebb in 1918 owing to the war, the epidemic of influenza and the fact that the enforcement of prohibition made many slacken their efforts. The returns at hand for the preceding six months showed a total increase in membership of eighty. The total membership of the division is now 1,106. The financial receipts for the year were \$1,057.18 and the total expenditure \$1,000.56.

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The grand worthy patriarch gave a report of the year's work and said that although there had been many setbacks to the work of the division some progress had been made. The year had brought many things to pass and in spite of the difficulties encountered, it had been a very successful one. He brought several recommendations to the attention of the delegates, and urged their earnest co-operation in the excellent work of the order. The grand scriber reported showed the order at a very low ebb in 1918 owing to the war, the epidemic of influenza and the fact that the enforcement of prohibition made many slacken their efforts. The returns at hand for the preceding six months showed a total increase in membership of eighty. The total membership of the division is now 1,106. The financial receipts for the year were \$1,057.18 and the total expenditure \$1,000.56.

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#### RECENT DEATHS

Mrs. E. Mable Leavitt.

The death of Mrs. E. Mable Leavitt (nee Dimes) occurred suddenly on July 11 at her home at Back Bay (N. B.). She was an estimable woman and will be missed in the community. She leaves her husband and three small sons, one an infant of only a few days old, also her father, mother, three sisters, Mrs. W. R. Greenway, of St. John's, (Sask.), Miss Clara, of Mattapan (Mass.), and Miss Annie, at home, and three brothers.

James Wright.

Frederickton, N. B., July 11.—James Wright, a well-known resident of Kew-Beach, died at his home today, aged seventy-nine years. Three daughters and three sons survive. They are Mrs. Woodford McMillan, Mrs. C. A. Busley and Mrs. George Colter of Kew-Beach, Washburn, Edward and James of Boston (Mass.).

John McDougall.

Hampton Village, July 11.—The funeral service of the late John McDougall was held on Tuesday morning and the body taken to Upland for burial. Mr. McDougall was ninety-four years of age, and died at the home of his son, J. McDougall. Previous to coming here he lived at the Salt Springs. Mrs. Patrick Boyle, of Upland, and Mrs. E. W. Griffin of Boston are daughters of Mr. McDougall.

Mrs. W. C. Martin.

Moncton, July 11.—The death of Minnie Cole, wife of W. Clayton Martin,

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A telegram from Charles Robinson, from MacAdam Junction, last night stated that the men for this district who arrived on the Express of Britain, left last night on the Maritime Express at 10.10, and that the men for St. John will probably arrive here about 12.30 today.

Maxim D. Cormier.

Moncton, July 11.—Maxim D. Cormier, a former resident of Fredericton, died in the city hospital this afternoon of influenza and pneumonia. He was fifty-two years of age and besides his wife is survived by three daughters and three sons. One son is a returned soldier.

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