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**THE ROTARIANS.**  
We in St. John need not lament the rather seamy trick the March weather played on us on the eve of the Rotary Conference. Our friends from other cities and towns who are with us today with songs on their lips bring their own atmosphere. They will do us good, and we were glad to leave the lath-string out. For what is Rotary? It is the gospel of service, and of good cheer in service. It is the golden rule in action in the lives of men—in business as well as in social relations. If any man be otherwise he is not a true Rotarian, and has as yet failed to see the task and the joy of it. Rotarian Warren G. Harding, president of the United States, has written—  
"Of all the splendid organizations serving society, none is more helpful than the Rotarians, with their high conceptions, their splendid spirit of helpfulness, and their practical devotion of service to their fellow-men."  
H. R. H. the Prince of Wales is an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Windsor, Ontario, and King Albert of Belgium of the Rotary Club of San Francisco. They leave their titles at the door, as does our friend Warren of Washington, late of Marion, Ohio. For in Rotary, rank and wealth merely spell greater opportunity, and the king as well as the commoner is required to put services above self. If Rotarians are not in the forefront in community service there is something wrong with the motive power. As to Rotary in business, hear Rotarian John J. Jones of New York, chairman of the International Committee on Business Methods.  
"Rotary is one of the influences that is bringing into the business world the right conception of the responsibilities and duties of the business man. Were all business men to live up to the Rotary creed of service, there could be no such depressions as we have just passed through, because the confidence of the buying public would be such as to keep them in the market for the purchase of all articles they need. The business man should make his customer his partner, because, after all, business is partnership of seller and buyer that must be carried on on a basis of mutual confidence and trust. Just as Rotarians base their business on a foundation of service, so should all business be organized."  
It is not for a lark, or the mere enjoyment of fellowship, or for business profit, that men representing so many branches of business in different towns are here for a two-days' conference. Ideals will be presented and matters of national community interest discussed, quite apart from the individual concerns of any member. But through it all will float the ribbon of song, the jest and the merry laugh; while the presence of the ladies will quicken the wits of the speakers and add to the brightness of the whole affair.  
Good fortune to you, merry gentlemen! May we all catch something of your cheerfulness, your brightness of outlook, your faith in humanity, and your desire to make ideals count for more than they do in the relations of man with man in the business and social world of today.

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SAINT PATRICK'S DAY, (1921.)

Fair Isle! The land of Goldsmith and Moore,  
The land of Lover, and the land of song;  
Thy harp's wild throbbing anthems that endure  
Are hushed in discontent and fancied wrong.  
Thy enemies abound within thy gates,  
And worst of these are they who pose as friends;  
Reviving ancient strife and long-dead hates,  
To serve a lust ignoble, selfish ends.  
Killarney's lakes, and sweet Avoca's vale,  
Like Shannon's banks, are fair beyond compare;  
But 'neath thy beauty stalks a spectre pale,  
And "God save Ireland" still must be our prayer.  
HOPE A. THOMSON.  
IN LIGHTER VEIN.

Some one told a good dog story and the inevitable better one followed: "I had a cat at home," related the quiet man in the corner, "which was fond of playing with the wife's ball of yarn. One day the cat swallowed it, and some months later, when kittens were born, they were all wearing jumpers."  
"Is this the hosiery department?" asked the voice over the phone.  
"Yes," replied the wearied saleswoman.  
"Have you any fish-colored stockings in stock?" asked the voice.  
"Yes," replied the saleswoman. "Do you want pink, yellow or black?"  
Glass was the possessor of a very red nose. An acquaintance chaffing him upon his ruddy hue, a quarrel ensued. An apology was offered and accepted, and a drink followed. Then a second and a third. Just as they were saying good night the offender wanted to make quite sure that he was pardoned.  
"Awfully sorry, old man, about that silver mark of mine. I didn't mean—"  
"Nough said. No more holidays needed. Can you say anything about my nose like now. You're a shareholder."  
"Well, sir," said an old gentleman, residing in the suburbs of Dublin, "what are you doing around here again?"  
"I was with my boot just as you left the front door last night would you understand that I don't like you, and won't have you coming here."  
"It didn't suit the young man, who was after the English, a look of mingled pain and admiration came over his face; but I thought I should like to ask you."  
"Ask what?"  
"If you wouldn't like to join our football club."

LOCAL NEWS

**LEVIN'S NEW STORE.**  
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**SAY IT WITH FLOWERS.**  
See our green daffodils and tulips for St. Patrick's Day. Wear a shamrock boutonniere for Ireland's Patron Saint. K. Pedersen, Ltd., wrong side Charlotte street. 3-17

**NEW KING STREET STORE.**  
Formerly the Chocolate Shop, No. 60 King street and now Levin's Shoe Store, opening in few days. Watch and Wait.

**SPECIAL SERVICES.**  
Rev. J. A. Jenner is conducting special evening services in Charlotte street United Baptist church, West St. John, every evening with good success. To-night Mr. Jenner will preach; Thursday night, Rev. C. E. Clark of Fairville will be the speaker. There will be special music at all these services, commencing at 7.45 sharp. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

**FIRST SHOW TODAY.**  
The first performance of Rose of Kil-dare, in aid of the orphans in St. Vincent's Auditorium today. Few seats for tonight can be obtained at theatre before the show. Matinee this afternoon.

**NEWS NOTES ABOUT PROMINENT BAPTISTS.**  
(Maritime Baptist.)  
Rev. W. J. Hurlow is apparently making himself felt in his new charge at New Glasgow. A local paper speaks of him as a man of unusual ability.  
Rev. Benjamin Betty has resigned the pastorate of the Gethsemane street church, Waterville, Maine, and will become one of the pastor-evangelists of the state conference.  
As yet predicted, the good people of the Millstream held have given a warm welcome to the pastor's bride. At a reception held in her honor, she and Pastor Young received a purse of gold containing more than \$100.  
Mrs. Young was a trained nurse, and her knowledge thus gained will prove of much value in her work as a pastor's wife.  
The church at Sydney has extended an urgent call to Rev. A. S. Lewis, now pastor of the church at Regina. His decision has not yet been announced.  
Quite recently we announced that Rev. A. C. Archibald had been compelled to give up for a time his ministry at the First Baptist church of Brookline, Mass., and seek the restoration of his shattered nerve force by a prolonged rest in an evangelistic campaign, to secure expert medical treatment in Boston. Word has reached us that he had to undergo a serious operation last Saturday.

**ANCIENT HISTORY OF RESERVOIRS.**  
Toronto, March 16.—The history, construction and uses of reservoirs were described in an interesting address delivered recently before the Civil Club of the University of Toronto by William Gore, a prominent consulting engineer. After pointing out that irrigation reservoirs had been constructed three and four thousand years ago in Babeluchistan, he said that similar work was undertaken in ancient Egypt, Persia, India and Ceylon, the materials used by these ancient prehistoric engineers being much the same as those used today, with the exception of iron and Portland cement. The old constructors would take advantage of the local materials, generally on a catchment area, and dam the low parts with stone, clay and compact earth. Owing to the difficulties of providing proper outlets and overflows, however, these works were almost abandoned to ultimate disintegration. There are only one or two instances of ancient reservoirs remaining in use today. The Spaniards, however, were more successful with their massive masonry dams.  
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We are devoting this week to a special presentation of **CREPE-DE-CHENE**, the largest and finest stock we have ever shown. All the most approved models of the season are included from the simplest to the most elaborate styles. A pleasing feature is the lowness of the prices asked. They are such as to defy the keenest competition. With Easter so close at hand, a visit of inspection will be well worth while.  
The following brief descriptions will give a slight idea of the variety being shown:  
**CREPE-DE-CHENE**  
Colors—Flesh, White and Maize. Styles—High button to neck, round and square necks, and fancy embroidered. Prices—\$3.98 and \$4.98.  
**SHANTUNG PONGEE**  
The popular hard-wearing natural colored Silk. Several most attractive styles to choose from:  
**SHIMMY STYLE** hand embroidered with bright colored Silks, laced neck and short sleeves. Special \$4.65.  
**Middy Style** short overblouse effect, corded neck, short sleeves. Special \$3.85.  
**Plain Tailored**, buttoned to neck and front finished with rows of pin-tucks. Special \$3.89.  
**GEORGETTE WAISTS**  
Colors—White, Flesh, Navy, Sand, Taupe, Maize, etc. Styles—New overblouse, hand embroidered and beaded; short or long sleeves, round necks and fancy collared styles. Prices as low as \$3.98 and up.  
**WHITE SILK WAISTS**  
White Wash Waists in Japanese and Habutae Silk, plain tailored and fancy styles, from \$2.45.  
SEE BIG WINDOW DISPLAY AND NOTE LOW PRICES ASKED.  
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**SAY WOMEN USHERS LACK JUDGMENT**  
Chicago, March 16.—Women ushers in theatres lack judgment in time of emergency and consequently are not conducive to public safety, according to a report of the Chicago Police Department. The report is based on a questionnaire sent out by a Chicago alderman. The latter fifteen per cent evaded the question with indirect answers.  
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When we sell a "Sterling" it is with the distinct understanding that if it is not satisfactory you can send it back. They're never sent back, however, and there are between 400 and 500 in daily use in St. John. For a limited time we are making the following special prices:  
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If you do not need your new Range till May 1st why not select it now and have it kept for you and delivered later.  
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DAY AND NIGHT WORK ON TARIFF

**So Says Finance Minister in Parliament—Sharp Discussion on Motion for Supply.**  
Ottawa, March 16.—(Canadian Press) —Yesterday in the House of Commons the government announced that statements on the Canadian National Railway and the Canadian Mercantile Marine will be submitted in a few days.  
On the question of a general tariff revision this session, the minister of finance said that work was proceeding day and night.  
Sharp discussion arose over a motion to go into supply. The leader of the opposition argued that the full report of the Tariff Commission should be made up. Nothing had been done, declared the premier in reply, by the government to delay presentation of the full report. It was merely a matter of physical labor. The House was in supply for the first time this session, and financial estimates were discussed. Items passed were: Salaries, (agricultural department) \$641,939; experimental farms, \$1,245,689.  
Today will be private members' day.  
**BERRY TRIAL CONTINUED.**  
Preliminary hearing of Ezekiel Berry of Forest Hill, Albert county, was continued yesterday before Magistrate Prosser was called by the crown and told of going to the Berry house with her husband on a morning of Dec. 12 and seeing the body of Mrs. Berry. She described the position and appearance of the body, and said there were marks under her right jaw and blood was oozing from them. Froth was coming from the mouth. She and the dead woman had been quite friendly, and Mrs. Berry had told her that her husband was so cross she did not know how she was going to live with him and that she accused her of things of which she was not guilty. She said he never beat her but that he was jealous and cranky. Mrs. Prosser said Berry seemed to be kind to his children. Others giving evidence yesterday were Constable Winford Steeves and Wylie Wood. The hearing was adjourned to Friday morning.

**EMONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE**  
Montreal, March 16.—The local stock exchange was particularly strong during the early trading today, and many substantial overnight advances were recorded.  
Amthal was very active, closing last night at 42 1/2, it sold at 44 today. Benallan was steady at 88 1/4. Brompton was strong advancing 1 1/8 points to 89 1/4. Laurentides was stronger, rising two to 86. National Breweries was fractionally above yesterday's close at 40 1/2.  
Huron proved the exception this morning by sagging a point to 122.  
Smeth River, however, was prominent among the ascending issues, strengthening from 71-78, its closing level, to 78-12.  
Other leaders were quiet.

**EARTHQUAKE SEVERE.**  
Buenos Aires, March 16.—A severe earthquake occurred on Monday night at the village of Chillico, a mining place. The extent of the damage has not been reported thus far.

**MUCH WRECKED MARINER DEAD**  
Quincy, Mass., March 16.—Captain Daniel Higgins, one of the old school of Cape Cod sailing skippers who had been shipwrecked several times and always found a way to shore in safety, is dead of old age. He was in his eighty-ninth year.

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