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COMBINED MARITIME ACTION NEEDED.

The Council of the Saint John Board of Trade took vigorous action yesterday with respect to the question of diverted Canadian traffic, which has aroused so much feeling not only in the Maritime Provinces but in many of the larger Canadian centres, as is shown by sharp and outspoken editorials in the leading newspapers of the country. The Council adopted a resolution which will presently, no doubt, be placed in the hands of Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, Mr. Robert Forke, and all of the twenty-nine members of Parliament from the Maritime Provinces.

The resolution recites the purpose for which the Canadian railways were built at immense cost, and points out that faith has been broken with the Canadian public, and that the diversion of traffic to American ports is increasing, contrary to the interests of Canada and the Empire. The final paragraph of the resolution is:

"Be it therefore resolved, that the Federal Government be requested to at once instruct the Canadian National Railway officials to employ to the fullest extent the facilities which the country is being taxed to maintain, and to augment these facilities with whatever is necessary to retain the entire traffic of Canada within her own borders.

It is necessary to go to the Government and to Parliament because of the failure of the C. N. R. executive to apply the obvious and necessary remedy. Parliament represents the people who pay for the railways and whose interests have been betrayed. Parliament sets out the principles by which both the C. N. R. officials and the Railway Commission are guided.

There should now be combined Maritime Province action in following this matter up, action showing that the Maritimes are indignant that the case of inland navigation was not followed by the required measures to bring the grain traffic to Maritime ports; action proving that the Maritimes are not content to wait longer, as they have been waiting for twenty-five years, for the pledges of Parliament to be redeemed; for the statutory contracts of Parliament to be lived up to.

At the stage for united and effective Maritime action, showing the extent to which public opinion has been aroused, has been excellently set off by the marshalling of Maritime sentiment but by the demand voiced strikingly by great newspapers in Winnipeg, in Montreal, in Toronto, in Ottawa, in London and in other centres, which have seized upon the national character and the gravity of the issue, and which are calling for the application of remedies by the national courage, national good faith and national unity.

NOT SO MANY EXILES.

Fewer Canadians are going to the United States, and more are returning.

The annual report of the United States Secretary of Labor and Commissioner-General of Immigration, covering the year ended June 30, 1925, shows a sweeping reduction in the number of immigrants received by the United States from all countries as compared with the previous year. In 1924 the number of newcomers was 706,886, while for the year ending June 30 last the number was only 294,314.

The number of Canadians received by the United States during the twelve months ended June 30 last was 102,853, while for the year before it was 203,690. And yet Canada supplied more immigrants than any other country, partly owing to its proximity and partly because the immigration restrictions against other countries are more strict than those against Canada. Germany sent Uncle Sam 46,068 immigrants, and Mexico 32,364. England, Scotland and Wales contributed 27,172, and Ireland 26,623.

For the 1925 time particulars are available as to the occupations of the Canadians who left their own country for the United States. Workers on the land are given under two headings, "farmers and farm laborers," and "farmers." The total numbered 13,163, and the second 6,494, indicating that the exodus from the land is not so great as might have been supposed. Laborers numbered 8,669, clerks 4,026, carpenters and joiners 2,983; servants 2,834, people of the professional classes 4,304, mechanics and machinists slightly more than 1,000 each. There were 170 manufacturers, thirty-three bankers, 249 clergymen, twenty-three editors, fifty-five lawyers, 179 musicians, 849 teachers, 375 physicians, 414 engineers, 675 electricians and eight scientists.

What Halifax and Saint John have to say on this question (the diverted grain traffic) must be listened to by the rest of Canada, says the Toronto Star in an editorial entitled "The

Just Fun

A HYPOCRITE is a man who eats clover to make his friends believe he has had a drink.

ROBERT ROBIN: Well, George, how's business?

George Grindstone: Fine. It's a peculiar thing in my line of business when things are dull—that's when I'm the busiest.

HANK says, daily greeting, flapper to flapper, is "Well, dearie, what's the bad word today?"

"HELL, be a dead one if he follows me," quoth the hardboiled hawse driver.

WE are not so very old, but we can remember when all that a face needed before going out was washing.

SPEAKING of infant prodigies, at the age of three months the child Paderewski played on the linoleum.

IT doesn't need a large compliment to swell a small head.

MAYBE expecting the unexpected might keep it from happening.

RASTUS PHILOSOPHY: De sunflower ain't de daisy, and de melon ain't de rose? Why is dey all so crazy to be sunnin else dat grows? Jess stick to de place you're plantin, and do de best you know; Be de sunflower or de daisy, de melon or de rose.

Don't be what yo' ain't, jess yo' be what you is. If you ain't what yo' are, den yo' is not what yo' is. If you're jess a little tadpole, don't cry to be de frog. If yo' do talk, don't yo' try to wag de daws.

Pass de plate if yo' exhort and preach; If yo're juss a little pebble, don't yo' try to be de boulder. When a man is what he isn't, den he isn't what he is. An' as sure as I'm a-talking, he's a'gwine to get hit.

SHOULDN'T an old boy wear half mourning when he discovers that the sweetie he married is dead from the cars up?

THINGS might be much more than they are. We never hear anybody singing "It's a long way to Tipperary" now.

BUTCHER: You want some brains, madam?

Housewife: Yes, please. My husband hasn't had any for a long time.

SOME FOLKS have a hard time thinking about the hard time they were having if they were having a hard time.

IN the good old days, ivory was plentifully used to make statues. Now, it is used mainly in the making of statuettes.

IN this day and time a woman is considered dressed up in proportion to the clothes she leaves off.

LAWYER—Where were you the night of the sixteenth?

Defendant—With a couple of friends.

Lawyer—Thieves, probably.

D.—Yes, sir. Both were lawyers.

"THAT'S my grandfather," said the spy old man as he pointed to the monkey.

AN OPTIMIST is a woman who marries a man.

"MAUD went to an astrologer to find out when was the best time to get married."

"What did he tell her?"

"He took one look at her and told her to grab the first chance."

AS USUAL.

Hill: What time is it?

Dale: Five-thirty.

Hill: By George, I've got to rush out and meet my wife at four o'clock!—Answers.

SOME SHAVE.

BARBER: Ah—you shave yourself, I see.

Customer: No, sir! I was thrown through the windshield of an auto yesterday.—Answers.

the way they shoot to the facts, however much their elders may disapprove, is illustrated in a letter published this week by the New York Times. A boy and a girl, aged 9 and 12 years, were taken by their father on an evening trip by train to Philadelphia, Washington and Mount Vernon, seeing a large and great full of the impressive monuments of Franklin and Washington.

On returning home, their father said to them, the letter continues: "Now, children, you have been everywhere and seen everything—a great football game, Ben Franklin, George Washington and other historic sights. Tell me, of all the things you saw or felt, what did you like the most?"

Immediately, without the slightest hesitation, in chorus, they both exclaimed: "Eating on the train."

Down in Texas.

"Hang it, boy," exclaimed the tenderfoot from the East as the bellboy for a Texas hotel came bounding in on him without knocking. Haven't you got any manners about you?"

"Didn't you ring there times?"

"Of course I rang."

"It may have been three, as I was in a hurry for ice water, but that doesn't excuse you for bursting in the door."

"Beg pardon," replied the boy, as he backed out, "but you ought to read the bell card. It's one ring in the porter, two for the bellboy and three for a gun, and when a guest rings for a gun in this hotel the orders are to get it to him before the other fellow can bog his pardon."

Good Old Names.

(Minneapolis Journal.)

The Oregon Historical Society, trying to substitute the old Indian names of places for the present-day Smith's Crossing and South Pass, ran head-on into such nomenclature as "Shikellaghtik," "Illusishikik," "Chalagelgit," "Nayakchachik," "Shageth," "Taphadidit" and "Waginkik," but backed away without a puncture.

What They Liked.

(Christian Science Monitor.)

What thoroughgoing though unconscious cynics children are apt to be in

At It Again



Lady Helper (as the curate squeals sharply). "Hark at him! Up to his nonsense again!"

The Best of Advice

BY CLARK KINNAIRD

THE WELL-SPRING OF HAPPINESS.

IT SHOULD be apparent that what a man is contributes much more to his happiness than what he HAS, or how he is regarded by others.

What a man is, and so what he has in his own person, is always and everywhere, and colors all his experiences.

In every kind of enjoyment, for instance, the pleasure depends principally upon the man himself.

Schopenhauer observed, "is the only immediate and director factor in his happiness and welfare." In a word—PERSONALITY.

THE constitution of our consciousness is the ever present and lasting element in all we do or suffer.

Our individuality is persistently at work, more or less, at every moment of our life.

This is why Aristotle says, IT IS NOT WEALTH BUT CHARACTER THAT LASTS.

THE reason why persons of limited intellect are apt to be bored is that

their intellect is nothing more than the means by which the motive power of the will is put into force; and whenever there is nothing particular to set the will in motion, it rests, and their intellect takes a holiday, because, equally with the will, it requires something external to bring it into play.

The result is a stagnation of whatever mental power a man has—in a word, boredom.

To counteract this miserable feeling, men run to trivialities which please for the moment they are taken up.

This explains the sudden popularity, and subsequent decline of such fads as Cuckooism, mah jong, outja-boards, cross-word puzzles.

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Poems That Live

HOW OFT AS I HER BEAUTY DO BEHOLD

So oft as I her beauty do behold,
And therewith do her cruelty compare,
I marvel of what substance she is made,
The which her made at once so cruel fair.
Not earth, for her love doth burn like fire;
Not air, for she is not so light or rare;
Not fire, for she doth freeze with faint desire.
There needs another element inquire
Whereof she mote be made—that is, the sky;
For to the heaven her haughty looks aspire,
And eke her mind is pure immortal high.
Then, still to heaven ye liars, be the best,
Be like in mercy as in all the rest.

—Edmund Spenser.

Other Views

ACCENT ON THE NOVEL.

(Arkansas Gazette.)

"Pretty Girl Aids in Novel Swindle"—headline. They've been doing it ever since the publishers started putting their pictures on book covers.

A REAL JOB.

(Ohio State Journal.)

Hercules made a pretty good job of cleaning the Augean stables, but we wonder how he would have been on washing the car.

UNCLE SAM'S SENSE OF DECENCY.

(Hamilton Herald.)

Mr. Harvey's dismal forebodings about what he thinks the decadence of British prosperity will not be without good effect if they help to convince the American people of the injustice that was done Britain when the United States Government insisted upon full repayment by her of the debt which she incurred in order to finance the

war efforts of her European allies. The terms of repayment imposed on her are fourteen times as severe as those required of Italy, because it was assumed that Britain is fourteen times as able to pay as Italy is—an arbitrary assumption, and probably one which is absurdly wrong.

IN TRUST FOR THE PEOPLE.

(Calgary Herald.)

Money in the government treasury belongs to the people. The government is not the owner, but the trustee. It has the same relation to the people that a trust company has to a client. A government has no more right to spend the money entrusted to its care unwisely than a trust company has to be careless with money left with it in trust. If trust companies were as extravagant and as unwise as governments are they would go out of business and the directors would go to jail.

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Who's Who

IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

HE WAS going home, and it was growing dark. His road from the station was a lonely one, and he was getting along as fast as he could when he suddenly suspected that a man behind him was following him purposely. The faster he went the faster the man followed, until they came to a cemetery.

"Now," he said to himself, "I'll find the cemetery." The man followed him. He circled a grave and his pursuer jogged after him. He ducked around a family vault. At last he turned and faced the fellow.

"What do you want? What are you following me for?"

"Well, sir, it's like this: I'm going up to Mr. Brown's house with a parcel, and the station agent told me if I followed you I should find the place, as you live next door. Do you always go home like this?"

THE ship doctor of an English liner notified the death watch steward, an Irishman, that a man had died in stateroom 45. The usual instructions to bury the body were given. Some hours later the doctor pecked into the room and found that the body was still there. He called the Irishman's attention to the matter and the latter replied:

"I thought you said room 46. I went up to Mr. Brown's house with a parcel, and the station agent told me if I followed you I should find the place, as you live next door. Do you always go home like this?"

POINTER FOR CANADA.

(St. Thomas Times-Journal.)

Canadian potatoes jumped the U. S. tariff wall, but an embargo stopped them. Canadians can get a few ideas from Uncle Sam on how to keep out products that come into competition with home-grown products.

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