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MESSAGE TO YOUTH OF THE CONTINENT

Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson interviewed in New York.

Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson was interviewed recently on his way back to England, by the New York World. This is what the World got out of him:

Remember we are to meet a man of seventy-nine.

The door opens. Sitting erect, on a corner of a lounge, is an alert man of apparently not more than sixty.

"Why, Sir Charles, you'll pardon this very sudden compliment, but I congratulate you on your youth"—he smiles pleasure—"You know I've been reading all about you, and evidently every historian who has written of you has promissory notes to meet and imagined time was swift. But, of course, you're not seventy-nine?"

"He stood up, and in doing so expanded an excellent broad chest." "To be exact," said he, "I will be seventy-eight next February." And now Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Reader, one sentence from the writer to get Sir Charles started, that sentence being to wit:

"Sir Charles, the school children of the United States and Canada started back to school last week. They did so to begin successful careers. And all the United States and all Canada, the heads of families and every one who works stand in their occupations. They have had their vacations. I do not address you as Sir Charles Wilson, but as a successful and representative personality, who can, you so desire, give a message particularly to the younger people"—much interest expressed by him—"and first how do you keep yourself looking so young?"

"Variety of occupation," he replied. "An interesting life. My heart is in my business. I like my work. I don't worry. Pardon me, of course, sometimes, because of stress of circumstances, an accumulation of wrong conditions, I do worry. If I didn't I wouldn't be interested in my business, but speaking generally, I do the very best I can, and, satisfied with that, why should I worry?"

"Again, as you say, you have noticed that Lady Wilson has usually a party of intimates accompany me on what you are pleased to call my world business travels. Certainly. A man's wife is his best friend. Please express that briefly and therefore forcibly."

"Yes, the late Mr. Harriman's will of ninety-nine words was a beautiful sermon on domestic devotion. Its succinct expression of confidence in his wife will strengthen wavering families throughout the world. It is worth while spending a lifetime in acquiring great power to leave a will like that."

"I misinterpreted you a moment ago, but did not interrupt. I thought you said Americans were taking their holidays now. I was going to say that I saw Mr. Morgan yesterday. He's in town, working, studying, looking well, a number of Wall street men; all seem to be in town. All working down there; physically, a good looking crowd of men."

"Yes, I was comptroller-general of the National Debt of Great Britain from 1873 until I resigned in 1894, and did have charge of the investment of a fund of over a billion dollars, and, therefore, as you suggest, should be versed in debts not only of nations, but of individuals. Well, the strikingly original advice I can give to the individual is to keep out of debt. And please let me add that I regard that last remark as particularly brilliant."

"And yet"—he remarks, and then with a hearty laugh—"I should be authorized on debt, shouldn't I?"

"Should a man marry young? Not necessarily. Circumstances must rule. At least, not until he can support a family, surely. Otherwise he would be dividing allegiance. Please say that I am a very great believer in individual initiative."

"And realize that I, like every busy man, am not thinking of giving advice. If, as you say, the growing generation may listen to me as a man of active experience I, of course, recognize that they will be impressed by that experience, and not by my personality."

"In 1894 I earnestly approved of the suggestion to establish a chair of railway engineering and transportation in McGill university, Montreal, because railroading—and I am a railroad man—combines the practical and the romantic."

"He stood up. He made a sweeping comprehensive gesture that took in north, south, east and west."

"The practical because it means opportunity and comfort to millions. The romantic because there is romance in big achievements. You speak of the school boys."

"Let them be railroad men! That's the big business!"

"And the deep-voiced words resounded and he strode up and down the room."

"And go West. It is not so much the development of the West that interests me. It is the rapidity of that development."

"I have just returned from a trip to the Pacific Northwest. I sail for home to-morrow. That clipping from the world's great paper, the Chicago Tribune, August 6th—let me see it—says Sir Charles Wilson, accompanied by Lady Wilson, is setting at defiance the Oiler theory by undertaking at the age of seventy-nine—that should be seventy-eight—a journey half way around the globe and back. Sir Charles, who is probably the most influential railway man in Europe, is the one who has sufficient faith in the future of Canada, and especially of the Pacific and British Northwest, to advise his financial associates to put their money into the building of a transcontinental railway through a sparsely settled part of the Dominion. Having done so Sir Charles is defying age and the Oiler theory. He has come from London with a view of journeying to the far Northwest and returning over the 1,500-mile part of the Grand Trunk Pacific road, the construction of which he undertook at an age when most men retire from active service. He regards the Grand Trunk Pacific road as the crowning achievement of a long business career."

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He sat down again. Then quietly: "You know that about 65,000 Americans are emigrating each year to the Canadian Northwest. Let me say that they represent the sturdiest and best character of citizenship. And they are content absolutely under their new governmental allegiance. And let me emphasize that the keynote of these big men of the West is optimism—optimism that is creating wonders out in that big country and therefore I say, go to the Far West and be surprised."

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FUNERAL OF MRS. HAYES.

Body of Pioneer Resident of the West Laid in the Grave This Morning.

The funeral of the late Anne Hayes, whose death occurred on Thursday afternoon at the family residence, Rupert street, took place this morning at 8:45 o'clock from the residence to St. Andrew's cathedral, where requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Caine. The funeral was private, and by request there were no flowers.

The late Mrs. Hayes leaves three daughters to mourn her loss, Mrs. Kate Simpson-Hayes, well known under the nom de plume of "Mary Markwell," and Miss Winnifred, both residents here, and Mrs. Livingston, of Vancouver. Deceased was the relict of the late Father Hayes of Dalhousie, New Brunswick.

ALBERTA FARMERS

ARE HOLDING GRAIN

Expect Prices Will Advance and

Are Not Anxious to

Sell.

Calgary, Oct. 2.—From all sections of Southern Alberta come reports that farmers are holding their grain in private granaries or are shipping it to Fort William to be held in store.

There is no rush to market the crop, with the result that the railroads are able to handle the same with the greatest ease. The added grain storage which has been erected by the elevator companies assists both the farmers and the transportation interests. The crop just harvested has made a marked increase in the desire of incoming settlers to secure land.

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BITUMINOUS COAL LOCATED

FOUND IN NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Large Area on Peace River Secured by Eastern Capitalists.

Edmonton, Alta., Oct. 2.—Ten thousand acres of beautiful bituminous coal, which will cost to the extent of \$6 per cent, have been located on the Peace river, just across the border of British Columbia, by a syndicate which includes several prominent capitalists of Eastern Canada, and which is represented in Edmonton by R. Brundine.

This is the latest sensational discovery in the far-famed Peace river country. Small seams of coal have been found at intervals along the Peace river, well up towards the mountains, but nothing of the extent and the quality to the huge coal area which has been filed by this syndicate of capitalists.

The coal area was surveyed by O. A. Davis, a mining engineer, whom Mr. Brundine took north with him, and the syndicate has been secured by the syndicate of capitalists. The coal area was surveyed by O. A. Davis, a mining engineer, whom Mr. Brundine took north with him, and the syndicate has been secured by the syndicate of capitalists.

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MUST PAY DAMAGES.

Toronto, Oct. 2.—In the assizes yesterday the jury in the case of Mrs. Susan Nash Wright, suing the Toronto Railway Company for \$7,000 in consequence of an accident which happened on June 28th last at King and York streets, in which she was hurt, brought in a verdict awarding her \$2,500 damages and her husband, Matthew G. Wright, \$100.

CHILD STRANDED.

Galt, Ont., Oct. 2.—The three-year-old son of David Hastings, superintendent of the Goldie & McCulloch Manufacturing Company, while playing in the kitchen, was strangled to death in the folds of a roller towel.

MURDERS WIFE AND ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Man Turns Revolver on Himself After Shooting Woman.

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 2.—John H. Manrow, a former railroad employee, yesterday shot and killed his wife as she was fleeing from him with the three-year-old son of her daughter in her arms, and then sent a bullet through his brain, inflicting a mortal wound.

The Manrow had been separated two months, and the woman was living with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Walsh. The husband called Thursday and begged a farewell interview, saying he was going to Arizona. Mrs. Manrow was afraid to see him, and when he was refused admission he went away uttering threats.

Yesterday he returned to the house and knocked at the front door. When he found the door was locked he kicked it in. The woman fled, and Mrs. Walsh succeeded in climbing over a fence and into a blacksmith shop. Mrs. Manrow, with the child in her arms, was attempting to open the gate to escape to a neighbor's when her husband fired at close range.

The bullet pierced the woman's brain and she fell dead. The man, evidently insane with rage and drink, turned the revolver upon himself and fell beside his wife.

Manrow was taken to a hospital in a dying condition.

R. L. BORDEN'S RETURN.

Ottawa, Oct. 4.—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Borden returned yesterday to the capital in excellent health and spirits. Mr. Borden has no engagements, and anticipates only his regular work until the opening of the session.

RISKS HER LIFE TO SAVE HUSBAND

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 2.—Hurling herself between her husband and Jack Blett, a stevedore who was attacking him with a knife, Mrs. Marguerite Guerrero, of Grant avenue, probably saved her husband's life by receiving the stab intended for Guerrero in her own body. The blade penetrated through her arm, severing the tendons. Before the blood gushing from the dangerous wound could be checked, the woman nearly died.

Guerrero, a seaman, recently returned from Alaska. Blett attempted to collect a bill owing by Guerrero. The men became angry, blows were struck and Blett drew his knife. The police are now looking for Blett.

CENSORSHIP OF DRAMA.

London, Oct. 2.—It is understood that the joint committee of the House of Lords and the Commons which was appointed in July to inquire into the censorship of the drama, will report in favor of retaining the present censorship of plays and extending the supervision of the censor to music hall sketches.

SPOKANE FIGHTS FOR LOWER RATES

Commission Hears Complaints Regarding Railway Freight Charges.

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 2.—Spokane continued the presentation of its case here yesterday before the interstate commerce commission in an effort to show that the cities of eastern Washington are being discriminated against in favor of the coast terminals by the alleged arbitrary freight rates of railroads.

Attorney Stephens, Spokane's counsel, took up several schedules in an effort to show discrimination against Spokane. The first under consideration was that of bar iron which Stephens represented cost Spokane merchants \$1.27 per cwt. for shipment while coast merchants paid only 80 cents a hundred.

He maintained that the handicap was somewhat dissipated by the local merchants who found it cheaper to order their iron delivered to a coast