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#### GET DOWN TO BUSINESS.

Possibly the cost of a plebiscite on harbor commission would not be large, but why spend a dollar for such a purpose, or delay action at Ottawa while it is being done? St. John does not want harbor commission, and would reject the proposal now before it by a majority that would make the members of the city council wonder how they could ever have assumed there was any demand at all for it. The whole scheme was ill-conceived, and since it was first proposed the situation has been completely changed by the acquisition of more railways by the government of Canada. St. John is now a terminus of two lines of government railway reaching out through western Canada. The traffic of those railways calls for the equipment—by the government—of the terminal port of St. John. That spells nationalization.

We are not at the end of our resources as a port, as some hopeless citizens appear to believe, but at the beginning of a new era of great development. The government that is spending millions at Halifax without making the expenditure a burden on the traffic of that port must do the same for St. John; but it is not to be provided in the harbor commission act, which must be scrapped as a preliminary to a movement for nationalization. The government does not want to force the harbor commission on St. John, but failure on the part of the city council to deal with it affords an excuse for inaction at Ottawa. The council should record its vote against harbor commission, which the citizens have not asked for, and should then invite the Board of Trade and Commercial Club and all the people to join in pressing in the strongest manner upon the government and the country the national importance of having facilities provided for national business over national railways through this national port.

#### IN THE NAME OF LIBERTY.

The Citizens' Liberty League of Ontario, "organized to oppose all legislation, Dominion or provincial, which tends to curtail the liberties of the citizen," is once more in the limelight. In a speech in East Wellington this week, Hon. Mr. Raney, attorney-general in the Drury cabinet, who is a candidate in that constituency, read the following letter from the general secretary of the Liberty League, which had been sent to race track proprietors throughout Ontario, and possibly to distillers and brewers as well.

"In view of the coming election in which Mr. Raney, attorney-general, will seek to obtain a seat somewhere in Ontario, this League has taken into account his continuous and uncompromising attitude towards race tracks and his stand on prohibition, and we have decided that we must oppose him at the polls. This will entail an expenditure of about \$20,000, and we are asking our friends to help us financially. We will appreciate it if you can see your way to contribute."

Twenty thousand dollars would seem to be a fairly large sum to spend to the cause of "personal liberty." The rural constituency, Mr. Raney told his audience that he was not opposed to horse-racing, but to race-track gambling, and he rather neatly countered on the League as follows:

"Ought the attorney-general to strive for even-handed justice and equity before the law for citizens and strangers alike, and whether of high or low degree? My conception of the duties of an attorney-general is that he should strive to see that a gentleman in a silk hat common betting house on a jockey club race track should have no more immunity under the Criminal Code than a Chinaman presiding over a game of fan-tan in the backroom of his laundry. What do you think?"

It is hardly necessary to ask what the farmers and farmers' wives to whom Mr. Raney spoke would think. The Liberty League was very active in the referendum campaign in Ontario and its methods now stand revealed. They are not such as to commend themselves to ordinary people. The Toronto Globe says:

"Why is the Liberty League so concerned that it would spend \$20,000 to try to keep Mr. Raney out of the government? Wherein is the principle of personal liberty challenged by the prohibition of the betting business? No one proposes to punish any person for making a wager on a horse race, but the moral sentiment of the province is opposed to giving the sanction of law to a system of race-track betting in no way differing from the gaming house practices outlawed by the criminal code. The attack on the attorney-general by the Liberty League will do the League no good, and will discount its personal liberty appeal in the next prohibition campaign, but it will make many friends for the attorney-general by showing to what lengths his enemies are prepared to go."

Many things are done in the name of liberty that make the friends of real liberty scoff. This Ontario organization with a high sounding title is really an old acquaintance under a new name.

#### TORONTO PLAYGROUNDS.

Every visitor to Toronto is impressed by the provision made for playgrounds, but the city itself is far from satisfied. There was before the parks committee of the city council last week a proposal to spend \$200,000 on a property in Rosedale, to make of it a recreation and athletic field.

The parks committee decided to hear representatives of all sporting organizations before taking action. The mayor was not only in favor of spending \$200,000 at Rosedale, but \$200,000 more to provide stadiums for the east and west ends of the city. One member of the committee said:

"There is no doubt we need athletic fields in this city, and need them badly. We have twenty-four senior soccer clubs and fourteen junior soccer clubs, fifty baseball teams, as well as lacrosse clubs. They need a big field."

Another member pointed out that schemes approved of last year for the acquisition of park and athletic fields called for an expenditure of \$800,000, which would give the city the following: Scarborough Beach Park and water lots, Greenwood and Gerrard athletic field, serving the eastern section; Rosedale field to serve the northern section; Willowdale serving the central west; Royce Park serving the northwest, a nineteen-acre athletic field serving the north; Exhibition Park serving the west; and Island Park, with 100 acres laid out for sporting purposes, serving the south section of the city.

The commissioner of parks pointed out that his unpublished plans would call for an aggregate expenditure of \$7,000,000, and that plans already before the committee would call for a million and a quarter of that amount.

Referring to the need of athletic centres rather than expensive stadiums, the chairman says:

"That need is real and genuine, and must be recognized if Toronto is to be equipped; and the need is specially urgent in these days when the bar-rooms are closed. The playing field for boys and young men who enjoy games as an exercise is one great force in the upbuilding of good citizenship. The athletic field for the boys and young men who play games as an exercise, and for the thousands of young men, women, and older men who watch games as a spectacle, is not a less potent force in upbuilding good citizenship."

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Washington has a sensation of the first class. President Wilson has asked for and received the resignation of Secretary Lansing. Mr. Lansing was secretary of foreign affairs, and the correspondence reveals a growing friction between him and the president for a year past. The president alleges that Mr. Lansing was disposed to assume presidential powers, and the occupant of the White House is not a man to tolerate anything of that sort.

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### Rippling Rhymes

By Wolt Mason

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#### IN KANSAS.

In Kansas, when Old Boone went out there was some wallowing round about "Our fathers," some folks would complain, "they fought for liberty in vain; the boon for which they shed their blood is on the blink, it's name is Mud." A little while they raised their fuss, and never missed a chance to cuss the tyranny that banished booze, and queerer the rights men hate to lose. But soon they found that they were loosed, men worried of their useless noise. And so they talks of other themes, they learned to like the babbling brooks, from which they need thought or talked of booze, of gaudy jags or princely stew. And those who worried days and nights because of our denatured rights, who will gnashed rebellious jaws, now yelled for still more drastic laws. Thus will it be the country, when time has healed the spirits sore of dead game sports who now complain because their only drink is rain.

#### CANADA—EAST AND WEST

Domestic Happenings of Other Days

#### THE COMING OF MONTCALM.

About the middle of February, 1755, Louis Joseph Montcalm, one of the bravest and most gallant gentlemen ever born in France, was preparing to sail for the New World to war on behalf of the tricolor. He was then a man of forty-three years of age who for years had been serving the king, although his nature inclined him much more to other pursuits where he could have lived quietly with his wife and ten children—most of whom were dead by the time the soldier fell at Quebec. He had served in various campaigns between 1741 and 1755 with distinction, so that no one was surprised when the French king sent him to America in 1755 to lead his forces in the campaign against the English.

For nearly two months he was busy preparing his fleet and armies but owing to the fortunes of the European conflict that raged at the same time between the two nations it was not so large as he desired. Nevertheless with a brave heart he sailed westward. It was not until April 3 that he had his men on board the transports and then he proved to be only two battalions. Every man was, however, a picked soldier and trustworthy in any emergency. It was a stormy voyage, with waves sweeping the decks of the little ships repeatedly. When they were free from the gales it was real and genuine, and must be recognized if Toronto is to be equipped; and the need is specially urgent in these days when the bar-rooms are closed. The playing field for boys and young men who enjoy games as an exercise is one great force in the upbuilding of good citizenship. The athletic field for the boys and young men who play games as an exercise, and for the thousands of young men, women, and older men who watch games as a spectacle, is not a less potent force in upbuilding good citizenship."

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#### GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

#### ACROBATIC ACT MAKES BIG HIT

Features New Programme at the Opera House—Other Numbers Also Greatly Enjoyed.

The week end programme at the Opera House includes a number of good offerings, and capacity houses greeted last evening's performance despite inclement weather conditions which prevailed. One of the leading vaudeville numbers was that of Emma Bras, two sensational Japanese acrobats, who give a wonderful performance. One of the members balances various pieces of gymnastic apparatus on his shoulder, while his partner gives a scientific and highly entertaining performance in the dancing. The other number on the bill, which was well received, was that of the Grand Opera Duo. The two singers introduced selections from famous operas, and were accorded prolonged applause.

Patsy Doyle, a comedian, amused the audience with numerous funny stories and jokes and made a popular hit, while Sweeney and Rooney gave a real clever demonstration of acrobatic stunts and dancing. Nellie Bart has a pleasing skill, which took well with all present. She received a good share of the plaudits. The episode of "The Midnight Man" was enjoyed.

#### FEATURE SHOW MONDAY NIGHT

#### Big Athletic Entertainment at Opera House Featuring Burns and Irvine.

An athletic entertainment of real merit will be staged in the Opera House Monday evening and should prove to be a banner attraction for local fans. Frankie Burns and Joe Irvine will give a demonstration of modern methods of training for a boxing match, sprinting, etc., while several young wrestling stars will perform. In addition there will be a real classy minstrel entertainment by some of the best local talent. The programme should be highly entertaining and play an active role in the night. The show will start immediately after the conclusion of the first performance of the regular vaudeville performance.

#### Nigel Barrie With Marguerite Clark in "Widow By Proxy"

Paramount-Artcraft Picture at the Imperial Monday.

Nigel Barrie, the popular young leading man, who recently completed a period of active service as aerial instructor with the Canadian army, returns to the screen with Marguerite Clark in her new Paramount-Artcraft picture, "Widow By Proxy," which will come to the Imperial Theatre on Monday. Mr. Barrie will be recalled by screen fans as Miss Clark's chief male support in the delightful "Baby" series, in which he made an excellent impression.

An interesting fact in this connection, said Mr. Barrie recently, "is that, just before enlisting, I was selected to play an aviator in the next 'Baby' picture. Instead, I became a real-life aviator."

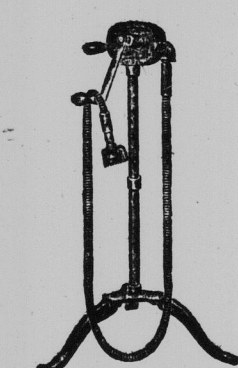
"Widow By Proxy," Mr. Barrie is a young naval officer who falls in love with Gloria, the lively bachelor's wife, who is played by Marguerite Clark. The picture, which was adapted from the Broadway stage success by the same name, is ideally suited to the inimitable light comedy talents of the little star. Mr. Barrie heads a strong supporting company.

#### Danger! Look With No Longing Eyes at "Other Men's Wives"

Unique All Next Week.

That it is a dangerous thing to look with longing eyes at other men's wives, is still moral brought out in the Paramount latest picture, "Other Men's Wives," which will be seen at the Unique Theatre all next week. The story concerns a young girl in desperate circumstances who is used by a designing man as a bait to lure to his lair the domestic felicity of another man's wife. The young girl, played by Dorothy Dalton, is used for this purpose in the dramatic development it turns out her character is too strong and she exposes the intrigue. The crisis comes when her own life and wins for her the respect of a honorable man that later develops into a true love. Added to this great pleasing drama the world's favorite comedian, Charlie Chaplin, will be seen in one of his comedies that made him famous, "The Floorwalker." Try and see this

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#### O BOY

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The booking of "O Boy" represents something rather novel for North End and is being presented at extreme costs. Two shows each evening at 7 and 8.45. Admissions same as usual.

#### GOOD ADVICE.

Those wishing to procure seats for the 1920 Reves, should apply at the Imperial lobby as quickly as possible, as Thursday's exchange sale has already assumed big houses for both nights. The larger number of the ground floor seats are sold for both nights and the \$1 and fifty cent seats are also selling fast. As there are no rush seats it looks as if those expecting to secure admittance to the last nights may meet an S.R.O. sign. From now until the house is sold out all applications for seats should be made at the Imperial lobby from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. On Monday, only, the Rothery suburban train will carry one seat for those attending the performance.

#### THE BOY SCOUTS



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St. Luke's troop met on Monday evening at 7 o'clock. Second class work was taken up by a large number of scouts. The Wolf Cubs are also progressing.

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favorably. The business of the troop received their tenderfoot pins and one scout, Harry Skinner, his second class badge. Four stars were also presented to those who had so faithfully carried out their work for the year. Three boys have passed on their fifty day service work for their badges.

#### Coburg Street Troop.

On Wednesday evening the Coburg street Boy Scout troop held its regular meeting at 7.30. Under direction of its training officers, Scoutmasters W. Dunlop and E. Duggan, a programme of games, scout work and drill was carried out. The troop will hold its regular meeting commencing next week, on Tuesday evening instead of Wednesday at 7.15 p.m. In connection with the troop there has been started a wolf cub pack in which some of the second class boys will be taking much interest. Mr. Dunlop is the head of the troop, is acting as cub master.

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