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SHEEP RAISING.

There has been issued from the stock branch of the Department of Agriculture a bulletin entitled, "Sheep Husbandry in Canada," prepared by Mr. J. B. Spencer, B. S. A. The subject is discussed from many standpoints and information is given of value to the sheep raiser in every province. After describing the ideal mutton sheep, the writer gives a brief sketch of eleven of the popular breeds and tells in a practical manner the commercial qualifications of each. The production of mutton as a specialized industry is dealt with by reviewing British methods, and, in connection with this, there are descriptions of the different systems of treatment for the Canadian sheep, but until the mutton is ready for the cook, each province is considered separately and in his desire to make the bulletin of value to every sheep raiser, Mr. Spencer covers all of the common diseases of sheep and goes exhaustively into such subjects as handling, dipping, feeding, housing, protecting from enemies, destroying harmful weeds, etc.

With regard to New Brunswick, which is said to possess all those conditions found in other provinces, favorable to the sheep raising industry, Mr. Spencer says that because of the increase in the values of both wool and mutton some of the farmers in this province are increasing their flocks. He notes that mutton produced here, being of unusual excellence, is attracting attention in the most profitable markets. The result is that buyers from Boston and New York come here each autumn and contract for lambs for the spring trade. Western Canada has also entered the field for New Brunswick lambs. Providing the quality of the product is kept up and improved, there is little danger of a decrease in the value of the Maritime lamb, even though the supply is greatly increased. The production in New Brunswick is insufficient to meet the demands from outside and there is every prospect of a steadily growing market. While Mr. Spencer does not advocate giving sheep raising a preference over specialized dairying, he believes that in some sections of the province the former industry might be made considerably more profitable than it is at present.

A CHARLOTTETOWN VIEW.

The Charlottetown Guardian (Independent Prohibition), discusses the temperance situation in New Brunswick.

"A strong temperance delegation waited upon Premier Hazen in St. John on Thursday last and backed by a petition with over ten thousand signatures asked that the government should adopt the policy of provincial prohibition. The case was very ably presented but the reply of the premier was quite disappointing and indicated that so far as the present government is concerned the prayer of the petitioners will not be complied with.

"His objections were of the stock variety and many of them weak. Only the federal parliament had the power to prohibit the manufacture, sale and importation of liquors: New Brunswick once had a prohibitory law and repealed it; so had the Northwest Territories and Manitoba; New Brunswick counties now generally have the Scott Act which affords local prohibition — and so on. But it was over fifty years since New Brunswick tried a prohibitory law. The influx of a vast foreign born population into Manitoba and the Northwest made conditions there entirely different from New Brunswick conditions, and local prohibition in Prince Edward Island has proved the most powerful instrument for the repression of the liquor traffic yet tried in Canada.

"Premier Hazen, of course, promised his earnest consideration to the petition of the temperance people. His reply as a whole indicates that so far his earnest consideration has been given to framing plausible reasons for continuing present conditions in which the strong liquor interest in St. John is entrenched behind the license law. He has by his reply given the Opposition in New Brunswick the opportunity of a lifetime to take up prohibition and rally to their standard the religious, moral, humane order-loving majority of the community.

"The situation in New Brunswick affords the best possible opportunity for leaders with a little political courage to take up prohibition as a rallying cry, carry it to a triumphant issue and confer an inestimable boon upon the community. Flanked by the prohibition State of Maine on the one side and Prince Edward Island on the other, and with the strong temperance sentiment in Nova Scotia to the south and east, New Brunswick is not only ripe for prohibition,

but is admirably situated to make it effective. The political strength of the liquor interest has been always greatly overrated. Once resolutely and persistently attacked its weakness will be speedily demonstrated."

The problems of civic government appear to be the same everywhere. The National Municipal League of Virginia, the most powerful organization for governmental betterment in the United States, has a membership of 1500 and an affiliated membership of 115,000. An advisory committee of this league is composed of some sixty men, representing cities of every section of the country. To this committee was recently assigned the task of determining what was the question of the day of the most vital importance, so as to have it discussed at the next meeting of the league. After searching inquiry, the committee unanimously decided that the subject for debate should be "How to make the average citizen realize his civic responsibility, and how to make this realization a working force."

Two London cabbies were glaring at each other. "Aw, wot's the matter with you?" demanded one. "Nothin' the matter with me, you bloomin' idiot." "You gave me a nasty look," persisted the first. "Me? Why, you certainly 'ave' a nasty look, but I didn't give it to you, so 'elp me!"

SHOCKS STILL ALARM PEOPLE OF MESSINA

Refugees Not Allowed to Return to Excavate the Ruins of Their Homes.

MESSINA, Jan. 30.—Earth shocks continue being frequently accompanied by underground explosions. This strengthens the belief in the existence of a submarine volcano. General Mazza has issued an official statement in which he says: "It is absolutely impossible to grant permission to the refugees to return to their homes for the purpose of excavating their homes, as it would be impossible to lodge them. As it is now the ruins which have been built and are still being built are not sufficient to shelter those who have remained here. Indeed five hundred refugees on board a steamer in the harbor have not been allowed to land for the same reason. The construction of buildings to house 60,000 persons will be carried out as rapidly as possible, just as soon as several technical problems have been solved. Professor Raffaele Villari, the noted poet and Garibaldian soldier, who was taken from the ruins by Russian sailors, dangerously wounded, shortly after the earthquake, died today aboard the cruiser Admiral Makarov. He was born at Messina in 1831. The continuation of the shocks keeps the people in a state of alarm for there is still much danger from the broken walls of the buildings.

DEATH ANNOUNCED OF COUNTESS DE LESSEPS

PARIS, Jan. 31.—Word has reached here of the death of Countess De Lesseps, the widow of Count Ferdinand De Lesseps, the promoter of the ship canal of Suez, Corinth and Panama. The countess died at the Chateau de la Chesnaie, which is about three miles from Paris, of pneumonia. She was 68 years old. The countess was the second wife of Count De Lesseps, who was left a widower at the age of 68. A few years later he was married to the beautiful young French woman of creole descent, the result of their union being eleven children. Since the death of the count, the countess had lived in retirement.

THE PANAMA-COLOMBIA TREATY RATIFIED

PANAMA, Jan. 30.—President-elect Part visited President Obaldia at the palace today, the party including the American and British ministers and the officials of the Panama Government. The Panama-Colombia treaty was ratified by the National body today, and was signed by President Obaldia.

OLD MAN'S LONELY VIGIL.

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., Jan. 31.—After a two days' vigil over the body of his aged brother in his lonely hut on the side of Florida Mountain, Nathan Whitcomb, himself crippled and nearly as old as his dead brother, crawled on his hands and knees to the home of a friend in the Monroe Bridge, a distance of two miles, and made known the fact of his brother's death. His painful journey was made over rough country roads piled high with snow.

The storm which made a venture outside the house impossible for the old man precluded any chance of obtaining fuel and in order to keep warm and cook his meals it was necessary to strip the interior of his hut of its furnishings. He watched by his brother's side for nearly sixty hours without sleep.

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MAGNIFICENT BANQUET FOR CANADIAN CURLERS

Was Given by the Royal Caledonian Club.

Lord Strathcona Presided and Made an Eloquent Speech—Governor Fraser Claims the Esplanade.

The Scotman, of January 21st, a copy of which has been received from Macaulay, contained a very complete account of a banquet given to the Canadian curlers from which the following extracts are taken.

A banquet of welcome was given last evening in the Music Hall, Edinburgh, to the Canadian curling team now in this country. Covers were laid for 500, the company including representatives from many of the curling clubs of Scotland associated with the Royal Caledonian. The hall was prettily and appropriately decorated for the occasion. There was a double-decker platform for the chief personages, and the two tables were profusely decorated with silver trophies, including the handsome cup presented by Lord Strathcona to commemorate his presidency of the club and the visit of the Canadian curlers, and flowers. Festoons of tartan, of different clans, were carried round the walls, on which were displayed trophies of flags and curling brooms. On the front of the organ was a moose head and a garland of orange leaves, deer heads supported, and underneath them was the Celtic motto, "Ceal nile faile." The gallery was decorated with a representation of a rocky scene, and behind it, closing in the view, was a bright river landscape framed by pine trees. The platform company, played in by two pipers, were received by the company, upstanding with loud cheers.

The Right Hon. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, president of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, Lord High Commissioner of Canada, presided. The menu card carried on the face of it portraits of Lord Strathcona, Lord Dufferin, Mr. Davidson Smith, C. A. secretary of the Royal Caledonian, and a winter curling club scene with a curler about to send up a stone. The bill of fare was garnished with rink phrases appropriate to the various viands enumerated. Each guest was presented with a printed copy of a poem of welcome to the Canadians by the Rev. A. Gordon Mitchell, D. D. After dinner the secretary intimated a number of letters of apologies, including that of the Earl of Elgin, who was to have proposed the toast of the Dominion of Canada. Mr. A. J. Baifour, M. P., whose name was loudly cheered, telegraphed—"Greatly regret inability to join in welcoming Canadian team today. Please convey my cordial greetings."

THE LOYAL TOASTS.

The Chairman, in giving the toast of the King, remarked that those who were here to see the evening which had been so long awaited, were not less loyal than any devoted and not less loyal than any devoted in the United Kingdom. (Cheers.) The toast of the Queen and the members of the Royal Family was also honored. Sir M. Mitchell Thomson, Bart., proposed "The Imperial Force." Incidentally he remarked that Canada was specially interested in the maintenance of the supremacy of the British Navy. Referring to Mr. Haldane's scheme, he said they all wished it success. He was one of those who believed that the world was good, not only in the interests of the Army but of the nation, for every able bodied young man to be compelled to serve for one or two years with the colors. (Cheers.) They should not forget that in a time of great stress and trouble Lord Strathcona, at his own hand, raised a regiment who fought shoulder to shoulder with the men who came from his native land. Sir Robert Cranston, K. C. V. O., replied.

The chairman who was loudly cheered, then gave the toast of "Our Guests." He said: My lords and gentlemen, in proposing the toast of the evening, which is that of our guests, or rather our brethren and fellow-members from the Dominion of Canada I know that I shall be interpreting your feelings in offering them a most cordial welcome to the old country. The home of curling and the national home of many of them or their ancestors. (Cheers.) My lords and gentlemen this is a unique occasion. I believe that this is the first time in the history of curling and in the history of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club, that Scottish curlers have had an opportunity of meeting in Scotland and trying conclusion with Canadian exponents of the great game. Scotland is of so much else that is excellent, and Scotland's sons have taken with them to the Dominion of Canada their love of the game, and those qualities of mind and body that lead to success in curling and in other departments of human effort. I can assure the home members of our club that they will find their Canadian competitors no novices at the game. That is not to be wondered at when we consider the conditions under which the game is practiced in Canada.

What are the conditions most favorable to the development of curling? You must first have strong, healthy men, lithe of limb and clear of eye, and you will agree with me that our guests, heshell, they are by the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, answer that description. Then you must have a fine sheet of ice clear and crisp, which you get in perfection in Canada. You must have keenness and zest and good fellowship, which are characteristic of curlers all the world over. What wonder then that curling should have taken a firm hold in Canada. I dare say you will find the British curlers all the time they were ready to round majestically into the harbor, the entire population seemed to be mused on the waterfront.

ratio weather conditions in Scotland, how the game of curling ever came to be practiced here. If it be the case, as it seems to me, that the climate of Scotland has changed very greatly in the last fifty years, they may well wonder how Scottish curlers preserve in a pursuit attained by so many difficulties. The explanation is simple. It may be said that a Scotsman does not really enjoy anything unless it is difficult.

SCOTCHMEN IN CANADA.

Mr. J. P. Robertson, secretary of the Province of Manitoba Association, replied. He left he said, Glen Lyon sixty years ago, and that night he was proud to find himself in the grand, historic city of Edinburgh. (Cheers.) He had listened with pleasure to the way the noble Lord had proposed the toast of the curlers of Canada. When the invitation was extended to them to visit Scotland it was a stroke of inspiration of the Royal Club to elect as their president for the year the Grand Old Man of Canada.

Lord Inverclyde proposed the toast of "The City of Edinburgh." Lord Provost Gibson in reply, said he appreciated being present on that historic occasion. Their Canadian friends were to be at the City Chambers tomorrow, but as owing to a sad circumstance he would be unable to be present, he took this opportunity of extending to them a cordial welcome to their ancient city. (Cheers.)

A NOVA SCOTIA CLAIM TO THE CASTLE ESPLANADE.

The Hon. Duncan Cameron Fraser, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, and captain of the Canadian curling team, replied in a long and eloquent speech. He felt proud he said, to be in Edinburgh, the streets of which had been walked by Bonnie Prince Charlie (cheers)—Robert Burns (cheers)—and Walter Scott (cheers)—a city which had given the world some of its best literature. Now that he was here he was to claim something from the Lord Provost of Edinburgh. He was the first governor of Nova Scotia who had ever had the honor to visit Scotland, and he wanted to recall a little ancient history. When the Scottish Barons were appointed for Nova Scotia the king of the day, in order that these Barons might be installed effectively gave over the castle Esplanade as Governor of Nova Scotia and take possession of it (Laughter and cheers.) As the representative of Nova Scotia he now claimed in due form the Esplanade from the Lord Provost. (Laughter.) In the course of the evening Mr. Robert Burnett, the distinguished baronet singer, rendered a number of patriotic and other songs, which were well received and the function which began at 5 p. m., and terminated at 10.30, was ended by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

SECOND CHILD IN PASTOR'S FAMILY DIES OF FEVER

CHATHAM, N. B., Feb. 1.—The death occurred this morning at St. Luke's Methodist, parsonage of Mary Dawson, aged ten, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Dawson. The young child had been ill with scarlet fever for a few days. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Dawson. This is the second child they have lost since the epidemic broke out, and the parsonage at that time has been quarantined five times.

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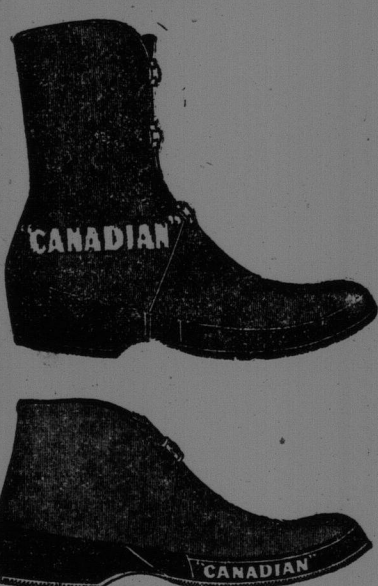
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UNITED STATES FLEET ARRIVED AT GIBRALTER

GIBRALTAR, Jan. 31.—The first division of the United States Atlantic fleet composed of the Connecticut, Vermont, Kansas, and Minnesota, under the command of Rear Admiral Sperry, arrived this morning from Villafraha. Although the arrival of the squadron lacked the noisy accompaniment of thundering guns, the formal exchange of salutes being postponed until tomorrow in deference of the day, the British warships were no less hearty and cordial. From the moment the glistening white hulls of the American ships were seen specks upon the blue water to the Mediterranean, every point of vantage on the rock of Gibraltar was occupied and by the time they were ready to round majestically into the harbor, the entire population seemed to be mused on the waterfront.

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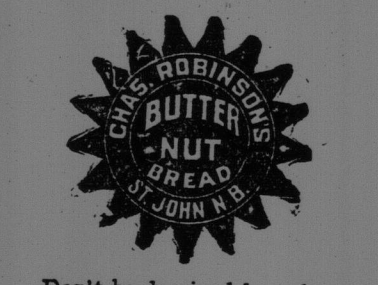
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BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 20.—Mrs. Woolley, wife of Al Woolley, a hotel keeper, of Rochester, whose name was given yesterday as Alice Duffey, and who was burned in a fire in a rooming house in this city, died early today. Another Rochester woman, Josephine Walker, was burned and her spine was injured in jumping from a window.

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BIRTHS

ROBINSON.—At Cora's Mills, N. S., to Mr. and Mrs. Mariner Robinson, a daughter, Dec. 28, 1908.

DEATHS

WHELPLEY.—In this city, Jan. 30, Helen Maud, daughter of David and Evelyn WHELPLEY, aged 1 year and 3 months. (Boston papers please copy.)
MILES.—At Silver Bow, Montana, on Sunday, Jan. 24, Agnes, wife of Thos. O. Miles, and eldest daughter of the late John P. Godard.

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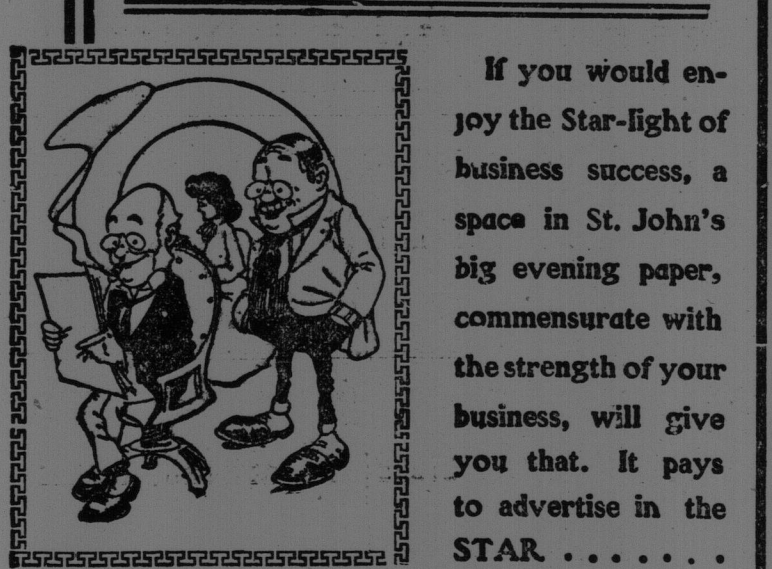
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TRY STAR-LIGHT

LINCOLN'S HEAD WILL ADORN HALF DOLLAR

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—President Roosevelt has consented to a representation of the head of Lincoln being placed on one of the popular coins. He conferred today with Director Leach of the mint about the matter, and the details are now under advisement. It is probable that the half dollar piece will be selected.

ARM EVERY AUSTRALIAN TO DEFEND COMMONWEALTH

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Jan. 29.—"Where are my rifle and ammunition? Who is my officer? Where is my place when need arises?" These questions, asked by Mr. Carl Zoeller at a meeting of Germans at Brisbane on the Kaiser's birthday, have drawn a statement of the policy of the new Commonwealth labor government. The Minister of Defense, Senator Pearce, eulogizing the loyalty of the German colonists, declares that the government is considering whether there should not be a rifle and ammunition placed in the hands of every adult Australian. Considerable expenditure is necessary to equip even the existing forces of fifty thousand men, including volunteers and rifle clubs. Compulsory universal military training will be embodied in a defense bill.

MANY FACE FAMINE AT DOMINION NO. 6

Great distress prevails at Dominion No. 6, Cape Breton, among the unemployed. Many are destitute and are in danger of perishing from cold and hunger. The situation has become so alarming that a public meeting has been called to consider the best measures that can be taken in the way of public relief for the sufferers.

COULDN'T HIT HIM.

Visitors—To whom do you attribute your long life, despite the illness you've had? Bronchitis—Bad marksmanship principally.

THE BATTLE LINE.

Antwerp—Arrived January 29th, S. S. "Albion," Lockhart, from Savannah for Hamburg. Savannah—Sailed January 21st, S. S. "Panama," Stuart, for Hull and London River via Newport News.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 29.—Herbert Burroughs, 15 years of age, of Providence, R. I., treasurer of the "Baltimore" Foot-Foundry of that city, was found dead in bed at the Fort Pitt Hotel here today. The police are investigating.