

MARITIMES ARE MORE CHEERFUL O'CONNOR FINDS

Vice-Pres. Canadian Fisheries Assn. Tells of Trip

DUNCAN REPORT

Says Feeling is That Complaints of Seaboard Provinces Justified.

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—"I found the people of the Maritimes in a more cheerful frame of mind than they have been for some time, but with a certain undertone of gloominess in their mood," said J. T. O'Connor, vice-president of the Canadian Fisheries Association, and wholesale and retail fish merchant of Montreal, who has just completed a tour of the fish producing centres of the three Eastern Provinces.

"Everybody I met seemed fairly well pleased with the unofficial version of the Duncan report on Maritimes' claims, and I met with quite a number of important business men, besides the chief fish producers. The feeling is that the Duncan report justifies the complaints of the Maritimes that the concentration, largely expressed of impetus, has not yet been kept with them, and that they have been discriminated against in tariff matters, in railway rates and service, in expenditures for colonization and other matters. Now they are expecting action, unless the published version of the Duncan report is inaccurate they will, I think, be fairly well contented with action on the basis of it. But they don't want the Duncan report to be treated as a medicine for a general cure of the Maritimes. They are not asking for sympathy, but for what they think is fair treatment of their rights as original partners in the Canadian Confederation. If the rest of Canada takes the attitude that the Duncan report is only an excuse to 'kick' the Maritimes as an act of grace rather than of fair play, more harm than good will be done."

NO SECESSION TALK.

"I did not hear much talk of secession. The important business men are very careful to avoid that question, but it was not difficult to sense what they thought and felt. Few, if any, of the leading business, like the thought of secession, regard it as an unfortunate step. But I could not help feeling that while they hoped for the dissolution of their connection with Canada, they had made up their minds that if favorable action on the Duncan report would spend any more time pleading for what they consider their rights. They feel they have got the Dominion Government in a position where if it does not act, the onus of a secession movement will not rest with the Maritimes."

"It is idle for the other provinces to attempt to persuade the Maritimes that they would be worse off than they are if they had not come into the Confederation. They simply won't believe it, and their past history offers some justification for this. But they are quite willing to be persuaded that with proper co-operation they can realize their legitimate hopes within the Confederation. In that spirit the confidence of the Maritimes in the Confederation can be restored."

PRaises MARITIMES

"Canada has no fairer provinces than the three Maritimes, and I am one of those who believe that their secession would be a disaster for the other provinces; at any rate, it would be more disadvantageous to the Central and Western Provinces than to the Maritimes themselves. That fact should be the decisive factor in the Dominion Government's action on the Duncan report. It is the kind of fact that if it had its proper place in the Canadian consciousness would make us chary of talking down to the Maritimes as if they were asking for charity, instead of what they regard as rights."

"The Maritimes have the finest climate in Canada. I was surprised this trip to see roses blooming out of doors in November. Perhaps they are not as enterprising in all respects as they ought to be. But that charge may be laid against any province. It is now

85-YEAR-OLD TWINS CELEBRATE



Celebrating their eighty-fifth birthday together, William and Thomas Barker (above), twins, of Ponca, Neb., declare they're hale and hearty because (or in spite) of the fact they've chewed tobacco all their lives. They were born in Morgan County, Ohio, in 1842.

CANADIANS AGAIN SLIGHTLY LOWER

Last Three Days of Week Productive of Market Softness

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—Normal trend on the Wall Street market at the close of the week reflected a generally confident mood, and individual stocks in the main acted accordingly. It might be said that Wall Street finished up the week at an advance of quite substantial character. Meantime the Canadian markets became rather soft and the result was that the trend throughout the week was in a slightly downward direction. Financial Counsel's Daily average declined rather more than a point in the period, from 38.81 to 37.06, while at one time during the week the figure was as high as 38.08. Thus it might be seen that the last three days of the week were the ones that were productive of the softness.

REALIZES \$2,550

Cathedral High Tea Figures—Three Fast Days

The high tea held recently in the Y. M. C. I. building for the St. Vincent school fund realized \$2,550.55, it was announced in the Cathedral at Sunday's masses. It was also stated that Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of this week will be fast days in the Catholic Church, the Ember Days of Advent.

being pointed out that some men from other provinces have gone to the Maritimes and developed new enterprises. But also Maritimes men have gone over the earth and may be found in the important positions almost anywhere.

THE FISH INDUSTRY

"So far as the industry of which I have special knowledge is concerned, the Maritime end of it is being carried on with enterprise and skill. We cannot find a market in Canada for more than one-fifth of the fish the Maritimes are producing. All the producers are not up-to-date in their methods, but that applies to every business. The generality of Maritime fish producers are keen to meet every requirement; they invite suggestions and welcome criticisms. And they are keen to do everything possible to supply the other provinces with fish in the best condition, and every suggestion is carried out, and new experiments tried, regardless of cost. No Maritime fish producers has for years been making money, or what you may call piling up money; they are putting their profits back into their business, and developing new lines of activity in their industry."

BIBLE STUDENT IS LECTURER IN CITY

A. N. Marchant Speaks on "The New World Now Beginning"

At the International Bible Students' hall, 88 Charlotte street, Sunday afternoon, A. N. Marchant, associate lecturer of the International Bible Students' Association, lectured on the subject, "The New World Now Beginning."

The speaker read the third chapter of second Peter as proof that there were to be on earth three worlds, or distinct dispensations of divine Providence. The first, lasting from the fall of Adam to the flood in Noah's day; the second lasting from the flood to the second coming of Christ and the establishment of His kingdom, and the third, world without end, for ages to come, wherein dwelleth righteousness. Noah was instructed to build an ark for the saving of his house. In this ark he sailed out of the old world into the new. God made a covenant with Noah that He would never again destroy every living thing as He had done. Jesus said, "as it was in the days of Noah so it will be in the days of the Son of Man."

Now the "present evil world" is passing away, said the speaker, and people are being carried into the new order of things by means of aeroplanes, express trains, automobiles, etc. As the ark was the only means of safety and deliverance from the destruction of the old world, so now Christ is the only one who can give happiness and eternal life in His new kingdom which He is about to establish.

NEW YEAR RALLY PLANS PERFECTED

Rev. John Unsworth to be the Speaker at Baptist Sunday School Gathering

"The Mystery of the Three Glasses," is to be the theme of a special address to be given by Rev. John Unsworth at a rally of the Baptist Sunday schools to be held in the Central Baptist church on New Year's morning. Final arrangements for the rally were made at a meeting of the Baptist Sunday School superintendents' Association held on Saturday evening in the main street church rooms with R. H. Parsons, president, in the chair.

W. J. McLarty, chairman of the program committee for the rally, announced that it had been decided to have the same arrangements with regard to the awarding of the banner at the rally as had been followed for the last few years. The average of attendance with the Sunday schools for the last three months will be taken as the basis of Sunday school enrollment and the banner will be awarded on the percentage attendance at the rally by comparison with the average attendance of the last three months. A. J. Jenner, superintendent of Central Sunday school, was appointed to arrange for the awarding of the rally arrangements and program.

SEEKS ANNULMENT

Lita Grey Chaplin May Go to Holy Rota Tribunal

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 13.—Lita Grey Chaplin, estranged wife of Charlie Chaplin, film comedian, last night indicated that she may follow the lead of the former Consul General Vanderbilt and Guglielmo Marconi, by applying for a religious annulment of her marriage to the film comedian.

"I have known of my rights in such matters as an appeal to the court of Rome at Rome. I have been informed that because Mr. Chaplin was a divorced man when I married him, I am in a position to further these rights," Mrs. Chaplin said.

STEAL JEWELLERY

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13.—Six men armed with shotguns, held up and robbed a jeweller, a wholesale jeweller, of \$81,000 in jewellery early today. Ziegler with two companions, was on his way to Harrisburg, Pa. The robbers escaped in an automobile.

READY IN AUTUMN

Plans for the new F. G. Spencer theatre, in Charlottetown, P. E. I., are nearing completion. This unit of the Spencer chain of amusement houses is expected to be ready next fall.



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Direct heat Universal Hot Plate, 7 inches square, \$4.75. 6 inches square \$3.75
Lightning Toaster \$3.50
Westinghouse Toaster, automatically turning the toast over \$6.75
Universal make \$8.50
Enclosed upright cabinet model, as pictured, \$10
Waffle Iron—Star-Rite \$12
Larger Universal \$17

Heaters

Crate Type Air Heater \$10
S.S. Bowl, reflector type \$6.50
Canadian Beauty Sun Bowl \$5.50, \$7.50
Heating Pads with 3 different heats, Star-Rite quality \$9
Universal Electric Bandage for Rheumatism, etc., applying to any part of body—18 inches x 18 inches—with cord having control device to save rising from bed \$6

Personal

Curling Tongs \$2 to \$4
Marcel Wave Irons \$2.50 to \$5.75
Star-Rite Skin Vibrator \$7.50
Star-Rite Hair Dryer \$12

Household

Radiant Electric Iron, \$3.50 with cord and plug Westinghouse Iron, with cord and plug, \$4.50
Domanco Everlasting Iron \$6.75
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