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ing of the Panama Canal, in part, the lumber business in New Brunswick has fallen on evil days; perhaps, the consolidation of some of these companies into pulp producers may be one way out of the difficulty.

General industry is also at a standstill due to the fact that many plants cannot sell their products in central Canadian markets—markets to which the Maritimes feel they are entitled, but also on the ground that better business on the Maritimes will eventually help to improve business conditions throughout Canada.

Then, again, there is the Nova Scotia coal situation. Nova Scotia is not to feel bitter at the protection of the central provinces of the need of tariff protection, when at the same time the tariff falls to assist the one region in Canada where it is possible to manufacture steel by the development of one of our great natural resources, namely, coal in Cape Breton, N. S. Maritimers say that primary and secondary steel industries have been built up in central Canada by allowing such industries a drawback on the duty on their coal requirements, and at the same time, the finished product of such industries sells in a tariff protected market.

While the Nova Scotian coal or steel worker will realize that these Upper Canadian plants are adjacent to the markets, yet he feels with some justification that the Dominion revenues obtained in protecting steel might be devoted to a bounty or subsidy, so that the one plant in Canada which is able to manufacture steel from raw materials drawn from only British sources should not languish and thus reduce, not only the Nova Scotian coal producer, but also its production of coal, which plays such a prominent part in steel manufacture.

The confederation of the nine provinces has undoubtedly directed the flow of capital in the Maritimes. There are many reasons for this. In the first place, there are many idle plants along the Atlantic seaboard. This has been due, in some instances, to consolidations, which have kept their mills in operation in central Canada, where they are more adjacent to the markets. Then, other plants have been closed through competition with larger operations in central Canada larger production. Thus, capitalists hesitate to invest in provinces which record shows so many failures, due to one factor alone, namely, confederation.

Upper and western Canadian sometimes charge the Maritimes with lack of initiative. The mere repetition of such charges naturally does not make them any truer. In fact, the evidence all points the other way. One of the finest products naturally does not make them any truer. In fact, the evidence all points the other way. One of the finest products naturally does not make them any truer. In fact, the evidence all points the other way.

There are other factors which constitute any charge of lack of initiative in the Maritimes. There are its successful companies, such as Moira, Stanfield, Red Rose Tea, Connors Brothers, the pulp and paper companies and the sugar refineries. Then, Little Prince Edward Island shows that she is awake also, by her ventures into fox farming, and by her remarkable success in the seed potato field. That province now exports large quantities of seed potatoes to the States annually.

GROWERS WIDE AWAKE. Occasionally also, the Pullman caterer critic points to the apple growers of the Annapolis Valley as an example of the lack of initiative in the Maritimes. These apple growers have been criticized for packing their apples in barrels instead of in better market. But these criticisms do not appear to be borne out by the facts, which are that the apple growers in the Annapolis Valley find that they obtain a wider margin of profit through packing in barrels than by packing in boxes. They may or may not obtain as high a gross profit, but there is no doubt that they obtain bigger net profits.

The same thing applies to the fishermen on the Newfoundland banks, who find that their profits are larger by making as fast a trip as possible and filling their schooners. In other words, speaking broadly, the bank cod fishermen make more money by going after quantity rather than quality.

The recent expansion in the fox farming field in the Maritime Provinces is but another indication that there is just as much initiative on the Atlantic coast as there is elsewhere in Canada. In the meantime, the tendency seems to be to combine fox farming with mixed farming rather than to form companies for the purpose of breeding foxes only.

One of the other criticisms hurled at the Maritimes is the fact that the Maritimers themselves are rather skeptical of the future possibilities of this section of the Dominion. This is only natural, and easily explainable on the ground that there are many plants today in the Maritimes, due to the competition with central Canadian plants. And due also to the fact that the handicaps of industry in these provinces has never received proper study from the rest of Canada.

BRINGING IN TOURISTS. The Maritimes by means of provincial "Tourists' Bureaus, supported in large measure by voluntary contributions, are bringing more and more tourists annually within their borders. These associations are wide awake, and are obtaining good results from the work which they have accomplished. This, again, shows no lack of initiative.

The Maritime Provinces feel also that their ports are not given sufficient of the Canadian export and import trade. The railway rates for export traffic through Saint John and Halifax are the same as for shipments via New England ports. There is a strong feeling, though, in the Maritime Provinces, that the railroads should be required to route their goods through Canadian ports.

Moreover, the Maritimers point to the fact that Montreal, Quebec and Vancouver harbors are operated under a federal commission, whereas the ports of Halifax and Saint John are operated by the city. These cities have been under the necessity of raising large capital sums to enable them to increase their harbor facilities despite the fact that the railroads have already spent some sums at both ports.

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A BOON TO CATTLE SHIPPERS

THE erection of a new export cattle building at the Eastern Public Cattle Market in Montreal is another step in the establishment of better marketing for the live stock producer and at the same time it establishes sound business conditions making for greater prosperity in the live-stock industry.

Opened recently, this new building is regarded as one of the finest, if not the finest of its kind on the American continent, having accommodation for 50 carloads of cattle at one time. By the arrangement of 25 cattle chutes on each side of the main alley-way of the huge structure, a train of 25 cars can be unloaded at each side. Two tagging chutes occupy the centre of the main runway with elevated platforms facilitate the marking of export cattle as required by the British markets. A careful study to eliminate the exciting and bruising of cattle was made and the results of many experiments along these lines have been embodied in the construction of this new building.

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ements will be carried on direct diplomatic correspondence or through any more personal agency that may be determined. This is an important change and a salutary one."

NEW YORK COMMENT. NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Interpretations ranging from the "beginning of the breaking up of the British Empire" at one extreme to "beginning of a new epoch of power and influence," were expressed at Washington in commenting on the report of the Doherty Conference, says Carter Field in a despatch to the Herald-Tribune.

"Diplomats, state department officials, and senators were absorbed in a study of the new situation presented, it generally being regarded as of more intense interest and more widespread significance than anything which has happened in international affairs for a long time."

DOMINATING INFLUENCE. "With the United States outside the League of Nations, and the world court, the British Empire has been recognized here as the dominating influence in both. Hence, there is a great deal of speculation as to what the effect of the greater autonomy granted the Dominions, and, incidentally, Ireland, will have on Britain's influence in world affairs, due to the concentration of the United States on the western hemisphere."

"There are those who contend that Britain will become tremendously more important. Those holding this view say that by the new 'Magna Charta' as one writer described the recommendations, Britain has eliminated most of the friction and many of the embarrassments which have handicapped her freedom of action in the past. From now on, those holding this view assert, she will be able to act with far less fear of the possible consequences of her action."

AUSTRALIA COMMENT. MELBOURNE, Australia Nov. 22.—Federal circles here are pleased with the action of the Imperial Conference in adopting the report of the Inter-Imperial Relations Committee putting the Dominions on equal status with Great Britain. Hon. E. C. G. Page, Commonwealth treasurer, in welcoming the decision, issued a warning in regard to the fresh responsibilities involved in connection with Australia's mandate over New Guinea and said: "Even if we have personality of our own," he said, "we will all remain British-governed by common respect for the rule of law."

BEAUTY PARLOR RE-OPENS. Genevieve's Beauty Parlor, Admiral Beatty Hotel, has re-opened after remodeling and re-decorating, and is now the most up-to-date parlor in the city. For appointments, phone M. 5088. 11-24

DANCING, RITZ, TONIGHT. Ritz orchestra in attendance; Charleston exhibition. Good time assured. 11-23

F. S. THOMAS LTD. EXPAND ACTIVELY. North End Store Adds New Departments; One of City's Big Shopping Centres

For more than thirty years the name of Thomas has been creditably associated with Fur and Gentlemen's Furnishings, and in this line of activity a large volume of trade has been built up. It has always been the Thomas policy to keep abreast of the times, and consequently as years have passed remodeling has taken place, new store fronts, new fixtures, showcases, etc. Last year the business was turned into a limited company, Mr. Thomas becoming president, and several new lines were added to the gentlemen's furnishing department, and several new lines to the ladies' department.

This year ladies' hosiery and lingerie have been added in large variety. This line, together with many other ladies' requirements, has made the Thomas store one of the city's leading shopping centres.

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BUSINESS LOCALS

Dancing tonight, Orange Hall, Simonds street. Harmony Orchestra. 11-23

THE WONDERFUL SAVIOUR Will be the subject discussed by Evangelist Eugene C. Stiff in Coburg Street Church tonight at 8 o'clock. 11-24

Dancing Tuesday and Thursday, Bayview Hall, Little River. Gentlemen 25c; Ladies 15c. Good music. Refreshments. 11-24

DANCE AND BRIDGE. De Monte Chapter, I. O. O. E., dance and bridge at Admiral Beatty Hotel, Thursday evening, November 22nd, at nine o'clock. Tickets \$2. Phone Main 2828. A few tickets can be obtained at office of the Beatty Hotel. 11-24

MARTELO DANCE. Pretoria Boys' Hall, Guilford street, West Side, Tuesday, Nov. 23. Bus leaves 12.30. 11-23

TEA AND SALE. St. Paul's Valley Sunday School, Tuesday, Nov. 23. Admission and tea 35 cents. 11-23

WINTER MILLINERY. Old hats made new. Velour and velvet hats reshaped. McLaughlin's, 42 King Square. 11-23

INTERNATIONAL DEBATE. "RESOLVED THAT this House opposes the growing tendency of Government to invade the rights of individuals." Saint John versus University of Cambridge (England) will be held at the High School, Union street, on Wednesday, November 24th, at 8 p. m. 11-22-23

KATE M. MATTHEW LECTURE COURSE. Travel in England, Ireland, Scotland, will be described with lantern illustrations by Miss Jessie Wilson, Miss Harriet Smith and Miss Florence Estabrooks on Tuesday evening, Nov. 23, 8 p. m. Natural History rooms. General admission 25 cents. 11-20-23

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SECOND FATALITY

Companion Shoots Sherbrooke Youth While Hunting. Canadian Press. SHERBROOKE, Que., Nov. 22.—The second hunting fatality of the season took place shortly before noon in the vicinity of the Spring Road, Lennoxville, when Ernest Deshaunes, 25 years old, of Lennoxville, was fatally wounded, as a result of being accidentally shot by his companion, Henry Larue, also of Lennoxville.

GERMAN PRINCE IN MEXICO. MEXICO CITY, Nov. 22.—Prince Henry of Prussia, brother of the former Emperor of Germany, has arrived here for a visit to Mexico. A large crowd gathered at the railway station and in nearby street to greet and cheer the prince.

WOMAN ON TRIAL. VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 22.—Mrs. Margaret K. Motie, charged with the murder of her husband, Albert F. Motie, on November 17, at their home here, was committed for trial Saturday by Magistrate George Jay.

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BLACK FOX SHIPMENT. MONCTON, N. B., Nov. 22.—The largest single shipment of silver black foxes ever exported from Prince Edward Island will pass through this city Tuesday. A conservative estimate of the value is \$200,000, there being 800 animals in the consignment, all destined to ranches in the United States.

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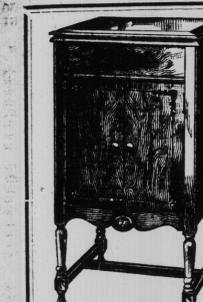
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