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AN INTERESTING REVIEW.

In its monthly commercial letter the Canadian Bank of Commerce notes the fact that immigration into Canada continues to increase, the greater number coming from British territory, while American farmers continue to take up land in the west, where land values have an upward tendency. It observes the same tendency in eastern Canada. With regard to grain, it finds that country and terminal elevators are congested, the holders looking for higher prices, which in October weakened perceptibly. It is pointed out that conditions in the United States market for raw materials cannot but have an unsteady effect upon Canadian manufacturers, and adds that "the prospect of a further decline in commodity prices continues to favor conservative buying." Of the use of the motor vehicle in transportation the letter says:

Producer and consumer are being brought into closer contact by the use of the automotive vehicle, which, when applied to productive purposes, becomes a valuable economic asset. To a certain extent in the neighborhood of the larger cities, direct contact has been established between the producer and the consumer by the motor car, and in this way a market has been brought right to the farmer's door. So also in the west, the use of the motor tractor has greatly lessened the difficulties incident to the scarcity of labor."

Of production generally we read:—"An additional number of industries report the necessity of reducing the scale of operations on account of the volume of orders received being less than anticipated and, in some cases, on account of cancellations. The tendency to diminish production, however, is not widespread. In the pulp and paper, textile and metal trades activity continues."

It is noted that in the face of an improved supply of labor and material there has been a decline in building in Canada, despite the sharp and steady rise in rents; for—

"Would-be investors hesitate to build, fearing lest the temporary profits now offered by the rental of dwellings will be succeeded in a year or two by losses due to declines in rents and in the value of buildings, as a result of lower costs of materials and labor."

One other item, relating to lessened credits, is worthy of note:—"The bank statement for September shows an increase in current loans in Canada of \$32,000,000 over the August figures, while demand deposits increased by \$37,000,000. It is only to be expected that during the crop-moving season the banks will be called upon for substantial advances, but the steady increase which has taken place in the amount of current loans in Canada for some months past, in spite of the evident slackening in a number of manufacturing and trade activities and the recent lowering of prices, indicates the necessity of some curtailment of credit in order that the country may avoid the dangers of over-expansion."

THE NURSES HOME.

Every citizen of St. John has an interest in the General Public Hospital. That institution, while not yet standardized, has for many years performed a service of the highest value to the community. Day and night throughout the year it has ministered to patients, and it is always crowded to its capacity. Far too often it has been necessary to send a patient out earlier than it would be done if there were ample room for other and more severe cases urgently requiring treatment. There is, too, a large number of out-patients who visit the hospital for treatment but live at home. When one thinks of all that is being done in the institution to alleviate pain and restore health, the importance of enlarging and in every way improving it is at once apparent.

But what would the hospital be without the devoted nurses? To them the patients look for help from day to day and from hour to hour, and the strain upon them is incessant. Their duties are very exacting, and it is most important that they be cheerful and radiate health and cheer as they go about the wards. But while this is expected of them they have hitherto been given such poor accommodation as to excite unfavorable comment from all who know how they are housed. A nurse in her resting time should have comfortable quarters and pleasant surroundings, to fit her for the strain of active duty. Moreover, there is a constant demand for more nurses, and young women are constantly going to other cities to get their training because the conditions there are more favorable than in St. John.

But now we are to have a real Nurses' Home in St. John. The walls of the handsome new structure, ample in size for its purpose, have risen, and before very long it will be ready for the furnishings. There is a large number of rooms. For some of these the furnishings have already been pledged by individuals or organizations, and Wednesday of this week is to be known as Hospital Day, when every citizen will be appealed to in behalf of the Nurses' Home. There can be no doubt as to the generous nature of the response.

When the nurses are able to move into their new home it will be possible to

make changes and provide more of the pressing needed accommodation for patients in the hospital. Thus there is another great reason why the response should be a generous one. The ladies' Hospital Aid has made this new home possible at this time. Had its advice been heeded there would have been less delay and less cost. Its members have worked untiringly, and deserve universal support in their efforts.

In Winnipeg on Sunday one A. Bartholomew of Brandon, a Socialist, speaking at a celebration of the Russian Bolshevik revolution, declared that the capitalist class must be abolished, and that the hostility between the masters and the producing class has never been as bitter as it is today. This gentleman and his friends appear to be quite satisfied with conditions in Russia. They should be invited to go there. They are not wanted in Canada, whose hospitality they abuse by denouncing the very system and freedom which permit them to relieve their minds as Bartholomew did on Sunday.

Mr. Eugene V. Debs, from Atlanta penitentiary, said he would be ashamed to be at large under the chaotic conditions of society. Mr. Debs did his best to produce chaos, and is still at it, for he calls Soviet Russia as "the bright star in the political heavens." He claims to be a Socialist, but the Socialists of Europe except the extreme anarchist section, have denounced the Russian Soviet system. Both Canada and the United States are today nursing vipers.

German scientists and statesmen assure the professors and doctors of Oxford that they are ready to co-operate in scientific endeavors, and "relegate to oblivion every offensive word spoken or written in both countries." The record of these gentlemen does not make for child-like faith in their assurances, but the British memory of past differences is proverbially short, and the Germans will be given their opportunity to make good.

According to "The Dominion of Canada," a study by the Bankers Trust Company, of New York, this country, with 10,000,000 hydro-electric horse power available, has a per capita development of .96 horse power compared with .64 horse power for Norway and .07 horse power for the United States. The latter country with 80,000,000 "white coal" horse power available leads the world in potential and developed water power resources and Canada comes next.

The people of Montreal should move to Ireland for safety. In Montreal on Saturday and Sunday four persons were either killed or fatally injured, and a fifth very seriously injured by being run down by automobiles. They seem to need a vigilance committee in that city armed for reprisals.

The newsboys' races on Saturday were well contested. Mayor Schofield was congratulated on his practical interest in athletic sports. The boys only need to be encouraged to do their part in competitions which improve their physical condition.

The announcement that two large steamers will leave Montreal on Nov. 18 on their last trip of the season reminds us that activity will soon be resumed at the port of St. John.

It is now reported that the Republicans will have a record plurality in the next congress in the United States. The new president will have ample backing for his policies.

Mr. J. Harry Flynn and his friends in Toronto will not gain favor by trying to prevent Premier Meighen from speaking in Massey Hall. Veterans should not countenance that sort of thing. It would not strengthen any case they have to present.

Gen. Wrangel still holds the key to the Crimean peninsula, but is hard pressed, and two million people there have very limited supplies of food and clothing. They face a terrible winter.

END 67 YEARS VENDETTA.
75 MURDERS IN FUED.
Rome, Italy, Nov. 8.—After a vendetta of 65 years which involved 75 murders in eight families and injury to property and cattle a reconciliation has been effected. At the ceremony of reconciliation more than 200 men belonging to the families concerned took part.

CORNER STONE LAID.
Halifax, Nov. 7.—In the presence of a large gathering this afternoon Lieutenant Governor Grant laid the corner stone of the new Oxford street Methodist church, to replace the one which was destroyed by fire last February. The new building will cost \$75,000. Rev. Harold P. Roe is the pastor.

FLYING RECORDS.
Toronto, Nov. 7.—Canadian flying records were broken Friday when Lt. Col. Douglas M. Joy flew from Camp Borden to Leaside, (Toronto), a distance of 50 miles in fifteen minutes.

KIEL'S DEPARTED GLORY.
Copenhagen, Denmark, Nov. 8.—Reports from Berlin state that small fleets of the German navy may in future be stationed at Swinemund and Pillau. Kiel Harbor is no longer regarded as being of any value as a naval base.



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THE LOSERS

On the bosom of Salt River sluggishly their vessel floats, and their dismal dirges quiver on the air, in sobbing notes; we can hear their weary chorus: "Gloomy skies are bending o'er us, and there is no hope before us, for we've lost our William Gots." Ah, there is no joyous dirge is set with dew; it is sad to see them sailing, it is tough to hear them wailing, as they lean against the railing for a last and longing view. Up Salt River's weeping waters, they must sail for years, perchance, just because some unfortunates voted for the other camp; they must sail while autumn mellow, they must sail while winter howls, knowing that the other fellows gather in the public snugs. Oh, it is a ship of sorrow that proceeds upon its way, and the heaving dome tomorrow will be lower than today; for each landmark will remind them of the snags they leave behind them and the coldling tears will blind them till they hit the starboard bay. But the ship will be returning with its passengers and crew, and their bosoms will be burning with ambition, fine and new; and for office they'll be running, and for votes they will be gunning, on a platform simply stunning, and a nice fresh rag to chev.

CANADA—EAST AND WEST

Domestic Happenings of Other Days

COL. PRIDEAUX KILLED.

Few officers in the fighting prior to the surrender of Quebec had made a finer reputation fighting for the King of England than had Colonel Prideaux who fell fighting at Fort Niagara on July 20, 1758. He had left the Albany section at the time Ambrose advanced towards Ticonderoga and had safely arrived before Fort Niagara which he had been ordered to capture. It was the only remaining French post on the Great Lakes.

Niagara was attacked by a force of French soldiers numbering about 600 men and commanded by Captain Pouchet. He was completely taken by surprise when the English appeared but at once sent messengers to various posts among the Indians to secure assistance against the 4,000 English soldiers. The siege was carried on with great vigor and with deadly effect. Prideaux, a noted Indian fighter, was the place for he was killed on July 20 by a shell which exploded prematurely. His place was taken by Sir William Johnson, a noted Indian fighter. Day after day the effect of the fierce fire of the English was more apparent upon the fort. Pouchet understood well that if any help was to come to him it must arrive before long. Then in the moment of his greatest distress he heard shots that he knew must come from his friends. A lively battle followed with Indians fighting bravely on both sides, not making a sortie from the fort and had to content himself with watching the fight from within. It was fought on an open space just below the fort. But the fight went against the French finally and after the stores had been burned the French fled to Detroit and northwestern Ontario, leaving the whole west in the hands of the English under Johnson. Five days later the fort was surrendered and the garrison had been conveyed to Quebec and sent to New York and finally back to France.

THE OLD WOOD ROAD.

(Rev. George Scott)
Every day I hear the singing
Of the old road through the woods,
Come ye back within the shadows
Of my kindly solitudes.

Come to me and leave the traffic
Of the crowded city ways,
For the purple of the hillside
And the chatter of the jays.

If your brain is tired with scheming,
And your very soul is oppressed,
Leave the hurly-burly and hurry
Of the great world's idle quest.

Come ye back, nor doubt your healing,
Rest ye fair this golden noontide
Close to nature's kindly heart.

Where the maple trees are crimson,
And the hazel and the beech
Yield their stores of golden speech,
Whisper words of gladness.

Let my silences enswathe you
Till your passions all subside
In the glory of my gladness,
Till your heart is satisfied.

Follow on through all my windings
Round the shoulder of the hill,
Past the old camp in the clearing,
When the noon is calm and still.

Every day I hear the singing
Of the old road through the woods,
Come ye back ye toll worn mortals,
Rest ye in my solitudes.

YESTERDAY IN

CITY CHURCHES

An interesting sermon was preached in St. Luke's church last night by the rector, Rev. R. P. McKim, which was one of a series of sermons on the Bible in the light of modern events. In his sermon last night Mr. McKim took for his subject the "League of Nations" and preached from the text "God hath made of one all nations of men—that they should seek after God." It was in the story of Daniel's interpretation of the dream of Nebuchadnezzar regarding the image of metal that Mr. McKim found a league of nations had been foretold.

In St. Mary's church yesterday Rev. W. B. Williston opened his week of mission addresses and in the morning spoke of the need of re-building the altars in the home and in the evening his subject was the importance of the children in the church. In the afternoon he addressed the Sunday school on his work in China and later gave an address at Coldbrook.

Choral Service.
The second monthly choral service was held last night in Knox church and the pastor, Rev. Moorhead Legate, took for his subject "God's Orchestra." A choral service was also held in German street Baptist church and the following took part in the musical programme—Dr. P. J. Bonnell, T. C. Cochrane, S. J. Holder, J. S. Smith, F. J. Punter, G. W. Currie and Mrs. Thomas Guy.

In St. Mary's church damaging the outer walls to the extent of \$800 which is covered by insurance. The fire started in a storeroom but the chemical soon arrived and extinguished the blaze. Box 66, nearest the scene of the fire, was out of commission.

In Central Baptist church yesterday special services were inaugurated by Rev. F. H. Bone and Rev. E. P. Calder of P. E. I. At the morning service Rev. Mr. Calder outlined his ideas of a revival in a church should accomplish. At the conclusion of the service the pastor, Rev. F. H. Bone, made a brief reference to the fortnight of special services. At the evening service Rev. Mr. Calder spoke of the subject "Ambassadors of Christ." A song service was conducted by Frederick Tifts and at the close of the service the ordinance of the Lord's Supper was observed.

Centenary Sunday School.
Yesterday was grading Sunday in Centenary Methodist Sunday school and an interesting programme was carried out and the following took part—Richard P. E. I., Townsend Gunn and Miss Humphrey. Helen Morgan, besides an exercise written by Miss Margaret Evans and other drills and children's songs. Miss Beattie Henderland is superintendent of juniors and Miss Julia Henniger of the primary. Twenty pupils graduated from the junior department into the intermediate line from the primary into the junior and eight from the babies into the primary.

Miss Holder has as assistants Miss Evans, Miss Jenkins, Miss Laura Baxter, Mrs. H. A. Goodwin, Miss Pendleton, Miss Nan Powers.

Miss Henniger's helpers are Miss Sybil Barnes, Miss Dora Barbour, Miss Cora Clarke, Miss Annie Tait, Mrs. William Dalziel, Mrs. Charles Whitaker and Mrs. Charles Berrie, secretary, Miss H. Chisholm.

REDS GET GRIP UPON ARMENIA

Tiflis Reports Say Control Being Secured.

Situation in Crimea Bad, a Dollar Worth 50,000 Rubles—Turkish Nationalists Have Eye on India.

Constantinople, Nov. 8.—Armenia is passing under Bolshevik control, so it is said in reports received here from Tiflis. Turks and Bolsheviks are said to have effected a junction at Alexandropol, and it is probable the city of Erivan has been occupied by Turkish troops. Armenian troops are reported to be sending or seeking refuge in Georgia. The Russian Bolsheviks, it is said in reports from Sphatopol, are sending units from three armies to the Crimean region to Baku and Transcaucasia. The purpose is, it is declared, to give the troops a period of rest, and to arrange for a redistribution of forces in the Asiatic campaign.

London, Nov. 8.—A despatch to the London Times from Constantinople says the Nationalists under Kazim Karabekir Pasha outflanked the Armenians, who fell back on the fortress of Araks, which was captured by the Turks. The despatch adds that Alexandropol and the railway between Erivan and Tiflis are menaced and that the situation of the Armenians is critical.

Wrangle's Position.
Constantinople, Nov. 8.—(Delayed)—South Russian anti-Bolshevik forces under command of General Wrangle, still safely hold Perleop and Sakorvo, keys to the isthmus leading from Crimea to the mainland of Russia.

Military observers declare General Wrangle has many long range guns and twelve inch howitzers, as well as other heavy pieces, which have been planted to protect his lines from the Bolsheviks, who are also concentrating their artillery system across the isthmus. General Wrangle has established elaborate barbed wire entanglements.

It is recognized that General Wrangle's withdrawal to Crimea from Taurida has created bad moral and political effects. Moscow already is reporting news of his defeat throughout Islam, and the Turkish Nationalists in Asia Minor talk of awaiting the results of the coming winter before treating with the Allies.

Events in India are being watched with particular interest by the Nationalists.

FRENCH POLICY

Paris, Nov. 8.—France has shown the same ardor in her work of reconstruction as she did in the war, and has successfully crossed the passage from war to peace, says Premier Leygues in an interview in the Petit Parisien.

Discussing his foreign policy, he declares the government will seek to maintain and strengthen its alliance, and will

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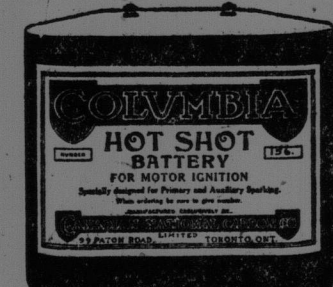
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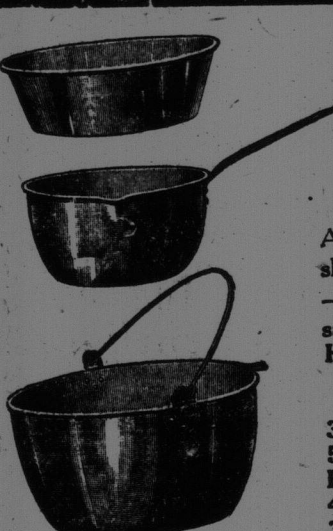
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