

### Questions and Answers —All About Canada—

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**TRACTORS IN THE NORTH WEST**  
Q.—How many tractors are operated by farmers in the three prairie provinces?

A.—30,000 worth \$24,000,000.

**COLD STORAGE**  
Q.—To what extent is cold storage used in Canada?

A.—Cold storage in Canada is making rapid growth, 322 plants being in operation in 1920. The Dominion Government has subsidized 34.

**MARITIME MANUFACTURES**  
Q.—To what extent is there manufacturing in the Maritimes?

A.—The three Maritime Provinces had, in 1919, 4,227 industrial establishments, employing 54,000; capital invested, \$224,000,000; and value of products, \$246,000,000.

**MICMACS**  
Q.—Who are "Micmacs"?

A.—The Micmacs are the Indians found in the Maritime Provinces 2081 survive in Nova Scotia alone. They belong to the Algonquin stock.

**NOVA SCOTIA DOMINION PREMIERS**  
Q.—How many Dominion Premiers have come from Nova Scotia?

A.—Three Dominion Premiers have come from Nova Scotia—Sir John Thompson, Sir Charles Tupper and Sir Robert Borden.

**NEAREST TO THE EMPIRE**  
Q.—What part of Canada is nearest to the United Kingdom?

A.—Cape Breton, in the vicinity of Glace Bay, is the nearest point in Canada to England, and Nova Scotia is the nearest part of the Empire in direct communication with the British Isles. The distance to Liverpool or Glasgow is less than one-half of that from Plymouth to Capetown, and one-fifth of the voyage to Australia or New Zealand.

**THE PREMIER OF THE PROVINCE**

Ridicules the Report of his Health Expert on the Tuberculosis Situation

(From our Special Correspondent).

Press Gallery, House of Assembly Halifax, April 17th: Some anxiety is being expressed among the friends of Premier Armstrong concerning his condition. Were he not known to be a teetotaler the explanation would be easy. Following the episode in the House of Assembly on the 12th, the exclamations on the street and elsewhere have been:—"I don't understand it." "It is incomprehensible." "What could have gotten into the man?" "Can you beat it?" "It is amazing," etc. etc.

During a discussion in Committee of the House on the estimates for the Nova Scotia Sanatorium, Mr. Corning drew attention to a special report of Dr. Hattie to Hon. J. C. Tully, dated April 1921, which was referred to by Mr. Tully when he presented the budget to the House last Session, having evidently kept Dr. Hattie's report in seclusion for over a year.

Mr. Corning quoted the following from Dr. Hattie's report:—"The scheme, therefore, on which I have prepared an estimate could not be expected to eliminate the disease, but could reasonably be expected to reduce the death rate from this disease fully fifty per cent, which would mean an annual saving of approximately four hundred lives."

Dr. Hattie estimated the cost of the programme for "an annual saving of approximately four hundred lives" at \$256,700.00 an average of \$642 to redeem each of these human beings from suffering and death from tuberculosis.

Dr. Hattie was Provincial Health Officer and enjoyed the confidence of the entire medical profession and people of this Province. He was responsible for the efficient discharge of his duties to Mr. Armstrong who, as Commissioner of Works & Mines, was chief of the Public Health Department. Mr. Armstrong was the one person to whom the Health Officer must look for approval and ways and means to carry out the duties of preserving and promoting public health.

Mr. Corning asked the Premier if anything had been done in the matter of taking steps to carry out Dr. Hattie's recommendation. Mr. Armstrong made this amazing reply:

"Plainly and frankly nothing has been done. I did not think it advisable to take too seriously this report as there might be an exaggeration of the situation due to Dr. Hattie's imagination, and while I have every confidence in my friend (Hon. J. C. Tully), who in his budget speech last year referred to this report, I think, perhaps, it is not

advisable to take the word of the Honourable member too seriously, who might also be using his imagination to play upon the convictions of the Opposition, and who also might have exaggerated."

Mr. Corning expressed surprise that the Premier did not take seriously the report of Dr. Hattie, nor yet the reference of his colleague in the Cabinet, Hon. J. C. Tully, to Dr. Hattie's report.

Mr. Armstrong retorted: "I said too seriously, and I don't take you too seriously either."

Mr. Corning pointed out that if the Premier had any doubt as to the wisdom or correctness of Dr. Hattie's report, it was of a sufficiently serious character to demand at least reference to other experts for advice. Mr. Corning asked Mr. Armstrong if any such reference had been made.

Then came another amazing reply from Mr. Armstrong: "That would spoil your fun."

Dr. LeBlanc wanted to know if the Government did not think the tuberculosis situation in Nova Scotia was

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serious, and he drew attention to the diagram in the Public Health report with reference to this disease. Mr. Armstrong exclaimed: "Who drew the black lines?" Dr. LeBlanc said "I suppose the man who drew up the report drew them. The Honourable Premier should know. It is under his Department. I believe personally that one hundred per cent of the doctors in Nova Scotia would back Dr. Hattie in his statements. I do not believe that the members of the government know anything about the situation."

Mr. Armstrong shouted—"Hear, Hear."

It is well nigh unbelievable that such a farce could be enacted by the members of a government in a civilized country. The public have no conception of the fiasco being carried on in this Province in the name of government.

An effort to save four hundred human lives per year, coming from the Government's own Public Health adviser is not to be taken seriously. It is evidently not fraught with enough political significance to be so taken. Highway graft and over-payment is bigger and more effective in vote getting and political influence, and therefore seems to be of more interest to the Government.

A prominent public man holding high position exclaimed on hearing of this and similar episodes in the House recently—"Ye shades of Tupper, Howe and Johnson, into what hands have the affairs of this long suffering Province fallen at last!"

**IMPOSES PENALTY ON CARELESS PICKERS**

New Clause in Fruit Inspection Bill Adopted by House

Ottawa.—"We want an act so drafted that we will not have to go to a lawyer to find out what the law is," said T. G. McBride, Progressive member for Cariboo, in the agriculture committee, during the discussion of the bill regarding sale and inspection of fruit.

The point under consideration was a clause imposing a penalty for careless picking.

A. R. McMaster, Liberal member for Brome, had objected to the extension of the criminal code over matters in which there was "moral obliquity."

"Let the civil law take care of that," he added.

Mr. McBride wished the law made clear so that the grower would have the means of controlling the pickers.

After a brief discussion the penalty for careless picking was adopted.

G. E. McIntosh, fruit commissioner, said it was a new feature in the law.

After some amendments to details the bill was reported back to the House in practically the same shape as it was presented there by the department of agriculture.

The pessimist says, "It can't be done". The Optimist says, "It can be done". The Peptimist says nothing, but does it.

### LIFE WAS MISERY!

"I was reading the other day about Neurasthenia, about the large number of people who were troubled with this disease. It is just what my wife had. She felt miserable all the time and was constantly depressed. She would waken in the morning and tell me that something dreadful was going to happen that day. Life was nothing short of misery for her. She was so depressed that I expected she would lose her mind and have to go to a sanitarium and I kept wondering how I would get the money to pay for her. She could not eat and had no appetite for food. She was irritable and cranky most of the time. If she was crossed in any way, she would immediately work herself up into a violent temper. This worried me because she had always had a kind and gentle disposition and nothing which was said or done seemed to irritate her. I spoke to our family doctor about her and he said that her trouble was imagination and that if she would try and forget about her depression and look on the bright side of life she would be all right. Of course I didn't dare tell her this because I knew she would get into one of her tempers. When she got over these fits of temper, she was always weak and ill and more depressed than ever. The doctor said a tonic might help her and gave me a prescription but this did not do her any good. She tried all kinds of other tonics with the same result. Carnol was recommended to me and I wish to state that it is the leader of all tonics. Since taking it my wife has changed completely. Now she is always ready for her meals and work is no burden. It is a pleasure for me to recommend Carnol to anyone who is in need of a tonic or a body builder. Excuse me for writing this letter but I want you to accept my thanks for that wonderful tonic known as Carnol." — Mr. J. M., Toronto.

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