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### A STRONG CANDIDATE

St. John county Liberals have followed those of Kings in nominating a strong man of high reputation as their standard bearer in the coming by-election. Mr. A. F. Bentley is no stranger, either as a citizen or in a public capacity. He has conducted or shared in many political campaigns, and has also served in the legislature. No man stands higher in the estimation of the people of the county in regard to personal integrity and real public spirit. Mr. Bentley has earned the confidence and respect of his fellow-citizens by a life of consistent fair dealing, and would make an admirable representative in the legislature. The present is a good time for the county to return entirely to the Liberal column and give the Premier government the additional support which its record and policies deserve. The personal tributes paid to Mr. Bentley by representative men of the constituency on Tuesday evening were well merited, and his reply was an able vindication of the policies of the government.

With Mr. Bentley, the county would have two representatives of fine debating ability who are well versed in provincial affairs and well qualified to uphold the interests of their constituents. The people of the county have a fine opportunity to honor one who deserves to be honored by their political confidence, and at the same time to express their approval of a government which has established its claim to public confidence and support.

### THE KINDERGARTEN.

A singularly striking appeal in behalf of the kindergarten is made by a writer in a New York paper, who says:—

"I wish that every scientist, every editor, every novelist, every educator, every preacher, every legislator, every executive, and every taxpayer would give one task the first place today among all his tasks: the furtherance of the one most important idea in the world—the public kindergarten. An effort to make the development of the child compulsory and universal in a new spirit, above all with a view to the development of his character, his health, his cleanliness, his manners, his honesty, his energy, his right thinking, and his right feeling—this could be as nearly a panacea as one can ever expect in an imperfect existence, would minimize evil more than all other means, and is nothing less than the one most important idea in the world. To carry it out fully would mean an enormous initial cost, which would be reimbursed in one generation. Just as the twig is bent the tree's inclined—the most important platitude ever uttered—and ignored."

This writer assumes that along with the work of the kindergarten would go minor physical defects and build up the body as well as train the mind of the child. That would be an ideal condition toward the accomplishment of which workers for child-welfare are striving, and which would contribute greatly to a reduction in the number of those who now grow up to be a burden or a menace or cases for institutional care. But even a kindergarten system that is not allied with a comprehensive and complete infant and children's health service is of inestimable benefit, because of its good effect upon the children and upon their home life, especially upon that of the needy ones of the community.

### FIREMEN AND POLICE.

In his address before the Commercial Club on Tuesday Commissioner Thornton was able to pay a deserved tribute to the work of the fire and police departments. The annual appropriation for each of these services is very much smaller than in Halifax, but the record shows up well by comparison. The commissioner praised very highly the work of the firemen and police corps, with special reference to the fact that the members of the latter get no pay at all, and yet are always on hand regardless of self when there is work to be done. It is gratifying that the head of the safety department is able confidently to invite comparison between the efficiency of the local fire and police departments with that of the departments in any other city in Canada. It was a fine tribute to the police department that so very large a proportion of property reported stolen last year was recovered, and the proportion of convictions to the number of arrests for serious offences was also large. Mr. Thornton pointed out that the number of arrests for drunkenness had been cut in two, and in this connection made a remark which perhaps calls for a word of comment. He said some prohibitionists had asserted that with prohibition there would be less need of police and jails, but both were still needed. Just so—but we have not yet gained real prohibition in St. John. Perhaps the police department may be able to accomplish that result. Mr. Thornton made a very proper appeal to owners of motor cars to observe themselves and to assist in enforcing the laws relating to speed

and to motor traffic in general. His counsel regarding a study of the annual civic reports is also deserving of attention. Whatever the Commercial Club may be able to do to arouse a keener interest in public affairs will be of benefit to the community.

The fight in the American senate over the tariff shows no sign of drawing to a close. The opposition has been so strong that some proposed duties have been withdrawn, and the opposition does not all come from the Democrats. One New York paper says:—"We are witnessing the opening of the real battle over the Fordney-McCumber tariff. Weeks of skirmishing have suddenly developed into an open clash. The first result of that clash is a retreat by the senators in charge of the bill. The advantage should be pressed. Republicans of the League type can do nothing better for themselves or for their party or for the country than to fight it out on this line if it takes all summer."

The Standard proves to its own satisfaction that the city, if it goes in for electric distribution of hydro and buys 10,000,000 kilowatt hours, will only be able to sell 1,000,000 kilowatt hours, of which the minimum cost will be 28¢ cents per kilowatt hour. Then it says:—"The Standard is accused of being simply the mouthpiece of the power company. We are not, as we have said many times before, deliberately and intentionally 'playing the power company's game,' but we are simply taking the cold, hard facts and looking them straight in the face." Comment would appear to be unnecessary.

It was well understood that the King government would make no radical changes in the tariff at this session, but the budget brought down by Hon. Mr. Fielding on Tuesday makes a downward revision and also increases somewhat the British preference. To meet the heavy requirements for revenue, the sales tax is increased 50 per cent and some other taxes are imposed. The finance minister has made no radical changes, but what he has done is a guarantee of good faith until such time as the whole tariff question has been fully examined before the next session of parliament.

The civic authorities must abate the dog nuisance. Garden beds are not fenced, or any bit of fresh soil exposed anywhere is at their mercy. If people will not take care of their dogs, the animals should be destroyed. St. John does not want to be called "dog-town."

Mr. K. H. Smith, of the Dominion water power branch, told the Moncton Rotary Club on Monday that there is an adequate supply of hydro-electric power available at Musquash, and that it only remains to get a market.

Leader Palmer has returned from the Pacific coast. If on looking over the situation he concludes that opposition in the by-elections will not get his party anywhere, he will show evidence of political discernment.

Canadian Finance says:—"The wheat acreage seeded this year in Alberta will be from 5 to 10 per cent. larger than that of 1921, according to reports received by the Canadian Pacific Railway from their agents."

### BRITISH TACT

### AND IRISH HUMOR

A little tact and humor in business go a long way, says a business man. The following correspondence is said to have passed between a Leeds firm and a County Antrim merchant:

The Leeds firm wrote:

Gentlemen.—What do you do when a firm owes a small sum of money—2s. 6d., for instance—and does not respond to bills, statements, letters, etc? Do you just charge it off to profit and loss or do you send another 2s. 6d. sending them more letters and bills?

The reason we are asking you this is that you have received from us on August 22, one gross of buttons, and have postponed paying for some. Our first bill was rendered quite some time ago. Of course we know your credit is O. K., and that you are good for it, but that does not help us out if you do not remit.

Won't you kindly attach your check, money order, or stamps to this letter and send it back by return mail? Then you will feel better and so will we.

And the Irish merchant replied:

"Dear Sir,—Received your letter of January 1. In Ireland we are so busy asserting our nationality, inaugurating Sinn Féin, and Unionist clubs, recruiting special police, attending conferences and inquests, making new states, setting up new governments (we now have four) to them, cursing the Pope and King William and fulfilling other religious duties—in fact, doing everything but making money, that a small matter such as you mention in your letter is 'invisible' to an Irishman of only ordinary mentality."

Your letter makes us ashamed of ourselves. You are losing your time in the button trade. Your style has a lure that would make your fortune in the legal profession. If ever you grow tired of writing letters, or even 'fed up' with life generally, leave Leeds and buttons behind—come to Ireland, the only

### "ARMAMENTS ISS FOOLISH UND VICKED—NOW!"



—Alley in the Memphis Commercial Appeal.

### WHY BE A WORM.

She was small, but very energetic. The sphinx cracked its protest as she talked.

"Stop!" she cried, "my sister suffers! Rally, and take your stand against oppression. For centuries we have been slaves of man."

We obeyed his man-made laws. Even as our mothers bowed beneath the yoke of their jungle masters. But the worm has turned! Justice be our watchword! One law, one code of morals for man and woman!"

There was more, much more. But I moved on and pondered thus: I do not feel like a worm.

My mother never cringed before her jungle mate.

Nor did my father descend from a tree, tail upmost.

Why should I feel like a worm? I vote. I manage my household. And my children. And my husband.

Though, of course, he does not know it. I let him go forth every morning, and work hard all day.

And pay the rent, and the taxes; everything in fact.

I tactfully direct his taste in ties, and help him choose a sample for his suit.

We have one code of morals. But two hats, and I always choose my own.

When we fare forth sometimes of an evening.

He helps me down the steep, steep curb, And pilots me through the dizzy maze of traffic.

And I cling with just the right show of timid dependence.

Though I have negotiated that same crossing a dozen times that day, Alone, and with far better speed.

Every morning I ask "What would you do about dinner tonight?"

And, "What are you going to have?" he always answers.

So everything is satisfactory. I may smoke, if I like, or chew, Or stay out late nights, alone; Or climb upon a soapbox and exhort the passing world to turn.

But I do not enjoy these things any more than I like this free verse.

But that does not make me feel like a Then why turn?

—Vida Savage Owens, in the New York Times

### LIGHTER VEIN.

Not So Foolish.

Some years ago, before the auto bus, Francois, a native Louisianian, was the employer of the small town's local livery stable, driving the "hack" between the hotel and the hotels.

His employers became suspicious that Francois had not been turning in their office all the cash fares he was collecting, and called him in.

"Francois, how long have you been working for us?"

"O—about twenty year!"

"How much are we paying you a month?"

"Twenty dollar month."

"Well, we have a new proposition now to make to you."

"What is it?" asked Francois.

"If you will go with us before your clergyman and make a solemn vow that you will turn into this office all the cash fares you collect we will pay you \$100 a month."

replied Francois, his eyes registering contempt, "you tink I'm fool, eh?"—Judge.

Knew What They Wanted.

Sam Watkins was seeking a permit from a prohibition agent to buy wine.

"What do you want it for?" asked the agent.

"For sacrilegious purposes, sah."

"For sacrilegious purposes? You mean sacramental purposes?"

"Dat's it, sah. Ah, the committee has done appointed me tuh get it."

"What kind of wine does your committee want?"

"Well, sah, we talked it all over, and finally decided on gin."—Judge.

### FORD SEES 6,000,000TH CAR.

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### BLACK GIANT BREED

### A SUPER-CHICKEN

Jersey Poultrymen Develop a Remarkable Fowl, Notable for Size and Tender Meat—Qualities Akin to Capons.

Jersey farmers have created a super-chicken, according to Alexis L. Clark, Chief of the Bureau of Markets of New Jersey. This chicken is the Jersey Black Giant, whose rise to fame for itself and fortune for its owners, Mr. Clark said, is one of the most romantic bits of history in poultrydom.

"While professional poultrymen were devoting their energies chiefly to the breeding of fancy stocks for the shows," the Market Bureau Chief said, "a group of farmers in Central New Jersey during the last few years were gradually developing from a mongrel ancestry, a practical utility bird, which, suddenly they have been surprised to discover, has become the most talked of entry and the center of interest among blue-ribbon winners at all the season's poultry shows."

For many years farmers in upper Burlington and lower Monmouth and Mercer counties have supplied a large trade, especially in New York and Philadelphia markets, with dressed poultry. This chicken achieved a reputation for birds of immense size and splendid quality of flesh. What were known as the "Black Giants" of Philadelphia capons were birds of this mixed breed, which always topped the market prices.

"Because of the exacting demand of their trade, the farmers were continually striving to develop a bird of certain characteristics, the chief of which were great size, the ability to put on flesh quickly, the meat to be tender and succulent, and the bird to be economical in feed."

The result has been the 100 per cent. meat bird. The commercial value of the type of bird to the farmers of the state was recognized five years ago by officials of the State Bureau of Markets.

It was through the efforts of Chief Clark that the first pen of the so-called Black Giants was exhibited at a poultry show at Trenton. The next year the New York poultry dealers became interested and showed some at Madison Square Garden show, and during the last three years, the popularity of the birds had almost reached a demand in demand at almost fabulous prices, Mr. Clark said.

"Many farmers" continued, "are now raising a thoroughbred type of the Giants as a profitable sideline of general farming. A peculiar characteristic of the breed is its tendency to cover wide ranges in seeking its food. It will frequently wander a mile or more from the poultry house and will pick up more food than any other breed, making it an unusually economical breed to raise."

"The popularity that this new breed has met with can be judged by the fact that over 10,000. Even with this number the demand for hatching eggs and baby chicks is away beyond the supply. The American Poultry Association will be requested to accept this new breed as 'standard' at its annual meeting in Knoxville, Tenn., next August."

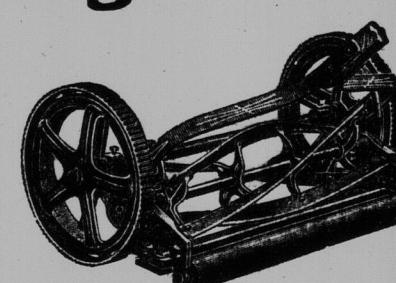
### TO ELIMINATE CANCER

Speaking in Halifax last week, Dr. Stewart, on the subject of cancer, said Canadians and Americans were working hand and hand for the control of cancer and towards its eradication. In the United States last year there had been a national cancer week during which an intensive cancer campaign was put on through the press, the bill board, public meetings, and the church. Organization work was under way in the Maritime Provinces. Prince Edward Island had been the first to effect its organization. Something of that nature would be done in New Brunswick this summer, and he hoped the matter would be taken up in the meeting of the Nova Scotia Medical Society in Sydney in July. There were annually five hundred deaths from cancer in Nova Scotia, of which fifty were in Halifax yearly. The death rate from that disease was increasing in Nova Scotia, so that now about every death out of twelve was due to that cause. It was now known that cancer was not constitutional, contagious, nor hereditary, but that it was local and could be taken in time could be prevented. There was no alternative to the knife. Increasing death rate from operations which was very marked, and he hoped that in time cancer would be controlled as smallpox was now controlled.

G. W. V. A. Branches Installing Radio.

Another branch of the G. W. V. A. in Saskatchewan has installed a radio receiving set for the amusement and instruction of members. The Wynard G. W. V. A. has just put the finishing touches upon the equipment in its Memorial Hall. The Belleville, Ontario, branch is also reported among those commands planning the installation of radiophones.

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This hill, with its Roman and Norse remains, is a favorite hunting ground for archaeologists. About a year ago during excavations there was brought to light "the Vikings' hoard," a rare and valuable collection of old silver which is believed to have been buried by Norse raiders in the early centuries of the Christian era.



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