

GOD SAVE CANADA!

A continental union league, or something of that kind, has been formed in New York. The object of the association is to secure reciprocity between the United States and all the other countries, territories and islands on the North American continent.

In the prospectus of the league the resources of this country are alluded to in glowing terms. The trade with the republic, it is pointed out, is at present large. If the United States were to approach the Dominion in a proper, reasonable spirit, that trade might be expanded to enormous proportions.

It would be useless for any man to be in the ship of state, they say. But when a difference of opinion on an important matter of policy arose, it was not the master of the craft who remained in control. Mr. Blair withdrew and another strong man must have succeeded him.

It is true Mr. Blair has gone out because he disagreed with his nominal leader on an important question of public policy. It is now held by Tories, who have an amazing faculty of "getting wise after the event," that the late Minister of Railways is a strong man and was a capable administrator.

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The Rhodes scholarship for British Columbia in Oxford University has been awarded to A. W. Donaldson, of Vancouver. The successful candidate has passed his second year's examination at McGill University while attending Vancouver College.

The committee having it in hand met on Tuesday. It consisted of Hon. Chief Justice Hunter, Mr. Justice Duff and Mr. Robinson, superintendent of education.

The applications of five candidates had to be considered. Those who were considered were: W. Donaldson, of Nanaimo, who is in attendance at McGill University; Israel Rubinhovitz, of Vancouver, likewise a student at McGill; Dr. E. B. Brown, of Victoria, who has completed his second year at McGill while attending Vancouver College; and S. G. T. Lucas, a graduate in arts of Toronto University.

The competition among the candidates was very keen. Mr. Donaldson won the distinction as a result of his athletic record. He is 22 years of age.

NEW SMUGGING SCHEME. Special Customs Label Used to Secure Passing of Trunks Containing Durable Goods.

New York, July 12.—Behind the arrest of the wireless telegraph operator and a hospital steward employed on one of the trans-Atlantic liners, charged with smuggling contraband goods, the customs officers have discovered a new and ingenious method of smuggling diamonds, silks, tobacco and other merchandise, which would pay a high duty.

And now who can tell who is the Master of the Administration? There is a firm hand in control of it. There has been but one chief since the day Lord Aberdeen took counsel with Mr. Laurier.

What a foolish man the Master of the Administration at Ottawa was! If we are to place any credence in what Tory newspapers say, the principal delight of that autocrat is to "defy public opinion."

On arrival at this port the confederates of the smugglers on board the ship passed upon the trunk containing the contraband goods. It was found that the trunk was not sealed as the inspectors had supposed.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

PERMITS INQUIRY.

To the Editor:—I have been watching the course of our much vaunted British justice and it appears to me that the wobbles considerable. A few weeks ago a poor Chinaman stole an empty box, dignified by the appellation of a "packing case," and the Cudj promptly sends him to the workhouse before any motion by the police.

Now I see the man has been swiping bees (a rather ticklish job), he likewise gets "two months." Mr. Editor, why wasn't he allowed to return those bees as soon as he had the required security?

GRAHAM ISLAND COAL FIELD.

To the Editor:—Noticing in Saturday evening's Times a reference to the Graham Island coal field, and the report thereon in 1902, I may state that I was present with Professor Marshall when he examined that coal field, and I can corroborate what the correspondent of the Times states in reference to that matter.

The day after my interview a message was left for me at my place of business (whether from the president of the union I cannot say, as names were not to be divulged to the effect that if I would employ three more union violators the matter would be all right, and I had the only two decent violators they possessed according to their own telling) on my list, then, I naturally refused to be dictated to by any such body, seeing that I was paying well for what I wanted.

The union say they cannot play with amateurs, still they attended the rehearsal of the amateur orchestra (without pay) and just received the usual \$5 per man (union rate) for the concert. I was willing to pay for rehearsals, so that I cannot see where the consistency comes in.

In reference to Mr. Pina, I must say that he showed a willingness to try and arrange for the orchestra for the oratorio, and had been the president of the union probably since it has been formed.

I think the whole situation speaks for itself. In the matter of arranging my orchestra, it was the union which wished to dictate, and not myself. I repeated their treatment by doing without an orchestra altogether. I must say the members have not made use of the opportunities presented to them; therefore they are unworthy of support.

HERBERT TAYLOR. Victoria, B. C., July 11th, 1904.

THE REGIMENTAL BAND.

OBELUS TO HIS HORSE.

To the Editor:—I have just left your charming city after a very pleasant stay there, but one thing I did not like to recall, the way so many horses are usually trussed up with check reins, or "bearing reins" as they would be called in the Old Country.

To anyone who knows what a horse should look like it is as painful and unnatural to look at as it must be to the unfortunate animal to feel. For an animal drawing any load, uphill especially, it greatly reduces his power of going so, and must tend to wear him out before his time.

In some very few cases a loosh check rein may be required, but this is rare, and in no case are the tightly strapped up checks such as I have seen ever required. If they are, such a horse should not be allowed in the street. I trust the influential members of your community will not let this matter drop. I had the privilege of hearing the Bishop's sermon on the subject of cruelty to animals the other day, but this subject wasn't touched. Personally, when I see a tight check rein I consider it betrays ignorance of horses on the owner's part.

THE ROAD TO LAUGHTERTOWN.

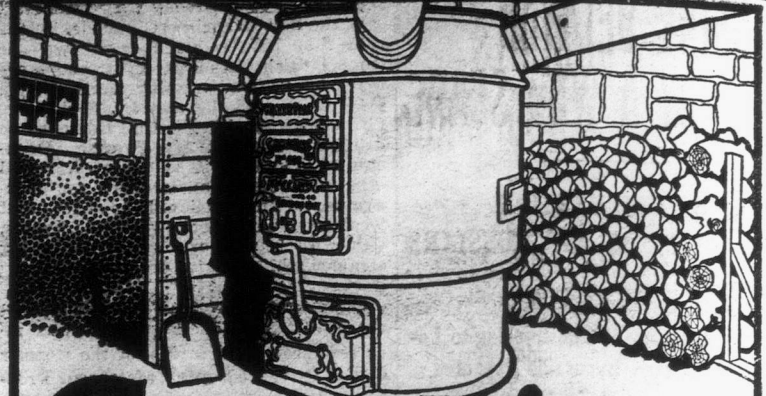
Oh, show me the road to Laughtertown, For I have lost the way! I wandered out of the path one day, When my heart was broke and my hair turned gray.

And I can't remember how to play, I've quite forgotten how to play, It's all through sighing and weeping, they say.

Oh, show me the road to Laughtertown, For I have lost the way! I used to belong to Laughtertown Before I lost the way; For I danced and laughed the livelong day, Ere my heart was broke and my hair turned gray.

So it ought to be easy to find the way, But crying has made me blind, they say. And still toward Teartown my sad feet stray— Oh, show me the road to Laughtertown, For I have lost the way!

Would ye learn the road to Laughtertown, O ye who have lost the way? Would ye have young heart though your hair be gray? Go learn from a little child each day, Go serve him with a willing play, And catch the lit of his laughter gay, And follow his dancing feet as they stray; For he knows the road to Laughtertown, O ye who have lost the way.



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A LONG SWIM.

Hindoo Picked Up After Being in Water For Thirty-Six Hours.

New York, July 12.—The World this morning is astonished by one of the most remarkable feats that has ever been accomplished. It is the story of a Hindoo who was picked up after being in the water for thirty-six hours.

Capt. Chaplain, of the British steamship Shimosa, which arrived from the Far East yesterday, reported that on June 26th a man was found floating in the Red Sea and was picked up. He was a native of India. He claimed to have been a sailor on the British steamer Hindoo, bound from Antwerp. According to his story he fell overboard from his steamer at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of June 11th. It was about 30 hours before he was seen by the Shimosa.

Prospects of Settlement. Favorable Outlook For Success of Negotiations to End Trans-Atlantic Rate War.

London, July 12.—The Associated Press is advised by one of the representatives of the steamship lines which participated in the conference with the president of the board of trade, Gerald Balfour, in regard to the trans-Atlantic rate war, to deny the report circulated in the United States that the negotiations have failed.

Regarding Resignation. Papers Concerning Col. Gregory's Case Presented to the Dominion House.

Ottawa, July 12.—The papers concerning the extension of time to Col. Gregory, of the 2nd Dragoons, were presented to parliament to-day. They show that Col. Gregory refused to recommend the promotion of Major Plassow to be second in command, and that it was necessary for Col. Otter and Col. Lessard to do so.

Russia and States. The Corporation Treaty Has Been Formally Promulgated.

St. Petersburg, July 12.—The corporation treaty between the United States and Russia was formally promulgated to-day. The corporation treaty provides that American and Russian corporations may sue in the courts of both Russia and the United States. Previous to the promulgation of the treaty American companies could not sue in Russia, but could not bring suit in that country.

EMPEROR WILLIAM

Will Pay a Visit to King Edward at the End of October.

Berlin, July 12.—It is stated that Emperor William will visit King Edward at the end of October, at which time it is also expected that he will pay a private visit to the Earl of Londale.

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CORRESPONDENT BACK FROM ARRIVE ON EMPEROR OF INDIA Representatives of London Sphere Pass Through The Press Centre

"American newspapers of irresponsible report there who don't know warfare. They are a lot of the kind exercised so Japanese."

So said W. Kirton, of the London Sphere, after the arrival of the Japanese representatives at the press centre on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Kirton is one of the correspondents who have called, and who have to be aspersed restrictions placed over them by the Japanese. He is the author of the articles which the Graphic concerning the events in Manchuria sent the magnificent paper showing scenes of the Yalu. It was his good fortune to witness the one of the most memorable fights in the short history of the Empire.

Mr. Kirton's viewpoint is told. He passed through the trenches experienced by the Japanese. The Yalu battle, says Kirton, was distinctly a Japanese victory. Russian artillery was sent into the Japanese lines, but it was not a great fight. Kirton's viewpoint is told. He passed through the trenches experienced by the Japanese. The Yalu battle, says Kirton, was distinctly a Japanese victory.

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