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LET US BE CALM

It is quite useless for enemies of the New Brunswick Power Company to attempt to arouse a doubt in the public mind regarding the quantity of power available at Musquash. It is equally useless to attempt to arouse fear that civic distribution will result in a heavy increase in taxes. Nor will attempts to create an impression that nobody is to be trusted except those who would play into the hands of the New Brunswick Power Company change the views of the people as expressed at the polls. It is not accurate to say that the public mind is unduly excited or inflamed. The public mind is settled and firm for the policy of civic distribution of hydro-electric energy. The city council will undelay to carry out that policy. There need be no confusion of the issue, or any fear that the public will change its mind. The contention that the city's interests must be safeguarded is upheld by everybody, but the dangers of civic distribution need not be exaggerated; and, if they are, the source of the agitation is obvious to everybody. The council will conclude the contract and the power commission will proceed to business. In due time the citizens will get the benefit of cheap light and power, and those who now entertain honest doubts will cheerfully admit that their doubts were not well-founded. There are difficulties to overcome, but a city that is in earnest and has faith in itself will cheerfully face each difficulty as it arises, overcome it, and proceed with its task. The really excited people at this moment are those who are thinking about that eight per cent. on \$8,000,000, with \$2,000,000 of common stock hovering in the underbrush ready to come out for its share of the spoils.

THE WAR MEMORIAL

The meeting to be held in the Board of Trade this week, to consider the question of a fitting war memorial, will serve to reveal public sentiment regarding the very important matter. The Daughters of the Empire hope it will be a representative meeting, and they should not be disappointed. There is no difference of opinion as to the duty of the people to erect a memorial, and the only matters to be debated are the question whether the work should be undertaken this year or not; and, if it be undertaken, what form the memorial shall take. Shall it be a mere monument, or a building that can be devoted to some great and useful purpose? If so, what purpose? Such a building could be so designed as to be at once a memorial and a source of perpetual benefit. Some will perhaps suggest, since medical tests found so many defects in young men seeking to enlist, that this memorial might properly be dedicated to the service of childhood. That would indeed be a beneficial memorial. Of course Wednesday's meeting will not be decisive. The subject must be discussed from every point of view, and a decision arrived at that will put behind the memorial the whole force of public sentiment. If it be said that we have been slow in taking action, it may be replied that burdens have been heavy since the war; and that it is better to delay if by so doing the memorial may be the more worthy of the devotion, not merely of men, but of the women who were war casualties, or who by their splendid devotion contributed to victory. Churches and societies have unveiled tablets in honor of members who gave their lives for the cause of civilization, but there must be a great community monument, and therefore a universal interest attaches to the meeting to be held on Wednesday.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

The most convincing testimony to the value of the work of public health nurses is found in the request from various districts in the province to the Red Cross that it provide funds to enable the nurses to remain there a little longer until they can make local arrangements to retain and pay for the services. The Red Cross, in undertaking the expense of sending out a number of nurses for a twelve-month period has done the province a very great service. It has demonstrated the value of public health nursing. This is a part of the great educational campaign which will eventually put the province with cottage hospitals, and put the public health nurse in every community. The people will gradually come to a clear knowledge of the fact that such a service is a real economy, and a useless something for which taxes must be paid. By slow degrees we are learning that it is better to care for these mothers and the infants, remove physical defects that handicap children, bring trained service within the reach of all who are ill, and thereby restore them more quickly to strength, reduce the death rate, and add to the productive capacity and the happiness of the community. There is yet another step referred to by Dr. King in his illuminating letter in the Times of Saturday. We must make provision for proper treatment of mental defect or disease. The feeble-minded, in the various stages of

JUST KEEP FISHIN'

When a fellow feels' lag—when the springtime's comin' 'round, When the sun is gettin' friendly—sorter warm'n' up the ground; It is then I get the fever an' I hunt my pole an' line, An' I've got to go a-fishin', fer I know they're bittin' fine.

When the work has at been finished an' we're foolin' for the week, Then I gather up my tackle fer a full day at the creek— To spread out there, contented, with my old cob pipe alight, An' I smoke an' dream, an' patient be while waitin' for a bite.

I like to land one now an' then—it helps a fellow's fame, But if I don't I make no kick, but go on just the same. An' I like all good fishermen when I get some, I say, "I hooked a powerful big one, but I let him get away."

Now when we're called from this old world to join the angels' band, I hope the thing will work out so I'll somehow be on hand; An' if the good Lord lets me have the job for which I'm wishin', I want to find some shady spot an' just keep on a-fishin'.

—Harry M. Dean.

LIGHTER VEIN.

Father Flanagan's Joke. "Ah, Michael, it's cleantin' your clock, 'tis, yer reverence."

"Well, it's nothin' to see you improvin' your time,"—Baton Transcript.

Musical Note.

A very deaf old lady, walking along the street, saw an Italian turning a peasant's head and looking at it awhile, shook her head, and said: "No, I shan't give you any money for such music as that. I can hear any of the tunes, and, besides, it smells as if there were something burning inside!"—The Congregationalist.

An Ingenious Sidelight.

An Italian woman, asked in court to state her age, replied: "Between 35 and 50." When pressed to be more exact, she said she kept exact count of her money and other possessions, but some one might rob her of these. But as no one could steal a year or a day, she did not bother to keep track of them.—Boston Transcript.

Metacological.

First Gentleman—Did you get home last night before the storm? Second Gentleman—That was when it started.—London Mail.

"Was that sleeping lotion I recommended you any good?" asked Brown of his friend Jones. "Good!" replied Jones. "I should say it was. Listen here! I took it as you suggested and went to sleep soon after getting into a friend with his head under his arm come along, and asked me if I wanted to buy his feet. I was bargaining with him when the dragon on which I was riding slipped his skin and left me teetering in mid-air. "While I was considering how I should get down, a bull with two heads peered over the edge of a wall and said: 'Would you mind getting up? I would first climb over and fix a window for him. So as I was sliding down the mountain, the conductor called out: 'Get up, get up, get up!' We passed your station 200 years ago, he answered calmly, holding the train up and slipping it in its vest pocket. At that moment I woke up and found that I had been asleep ten minutes."

HON. J. B. M. BAXTER WILL ADDRESS CLUB

Toronto Conservative Business Men Hold the First Luncheon Next Tuesday.

(Toronto Globe.)

The Liberal-Conservative Business Men's Club will meet for its first monthly luncheon at the Canadian room of the King Edward Hotel at 12:45 on Tuesday next. The guest of honor will be Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, minister of customs, leaving for London tomorrow. Members of the club are looking forward to a treat and will be disappointed.

WHISKEY STILL BURSTS; ROCKS A TENEMENT

Police Say They Found Two Barrels of Alcohol After an Explosion in Brooklyn.

(New York Post.)

The explosion of an alleged whiskey still this morning in the rear room of a grocery store on the first floor of the four-story brick tenement house at 149 Hanover street, Brooklyn, shook the whole house and aroused the eight families living in it. Patrolman Walker Wolf investigated and said he found that one of two copper stills had exploded. Although some of the tenants ran to the street there was no need of their doing so, as there was no fire. The police said that besides the stills they found two fifty-gallon barrels of alcohol and a five-gallon can of what looked like wine.

CUTS OFF WIFE'S FOOT HAIR TO PREVENT TOUR AS TONIC SHOW

Akron, Ohio, May 15.—Nearly four feet of hair was shorn from the head of Mrs. Clara Cox, aged 27, by her husband, Orrin Cox, a rubber worker, to prevent her from leaving her family to travel as a hair tonic demonstrator, she asserted. She and her husband quarreled over the proposed tour, she said, and she remained from home until late last night. Cox availed her return, watched her as she brushed her hair for the night and then, as she arose from in front of her mirror, clipped the braids, which reached to her ankles.

Mrs. Cox is now in a hospital, suffering from a nervous breakdown.

"I would give a million dollars if I could restore my hair," Cox told her as they were reconciled at the hospital.

LOCAL NEWS

Make no mistake; the Dr. Scholl representative is at Walcott's.

6th SIEGE BATTERY May 15 and 16 at 8 p.m. uniforms will be issued and recruits signed on. Only a limited number of vacancies. Camp dates will be announced and training started at once. By order, Major G. A. Gambin, M. C. O. C. 6th Siege Battery. 2708—5—15

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On and after May 20, the steamer Oceanic will leave for Wickham at 2 p.m. on Saturdays only. 2709—5—15

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THE RITZ.

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DINNER PRICES DOWN

—THE CLIFTON Two attractive door prizes at this popular dancing academy this evening. Final prizes. Dancing 9-12. 2710—5—16

Ever mindful of the interests of patrons, the management of the popular Clifton House announces today that while retaining the same high standards of quality, variety and service in their dining room, the dinner prices, like that of other meals, will be reduced from sixty to fifty cents, beginning Monday, May 15, with the corresponding reduction of \$5.50 to \$4.50 on books of ten tickets. This announcement will be received with interest by patrons of the Clifton House. 2710—5—16

ISLANDS ARE IN PAWN.

Denmark Has Never Redeemed Orkney and Shetland.

The islands of Orkney and Shetland are legally "in pawn." They were pledged to Sweden by the King of Denmark on the occasion of the marriage of the Danish princess, Margaret, to James III. of Scotland, in 1469. These islands groups were then Norwegian territory, and had been so since the close of the Ninth Century.

At the time of their being pawned the King of Denmark was also sovereign of Norway and Sweden and today the islands of Orkney and Shetland are still under the rule of the Danish princess, who is now the Queen of Norway. To help matters on, the Danish king agreed to fix the princess' dowry at 60,000 ducats (about \$24,000). The islands were to be paid before the lady left Denmark and the island of Orkney was given in pledge for the remainder.

But at the last moment the king could only lay his hands on 2,000 of the 10,000 ducats which were to be paid. The islands of Orkney and Shetland were the balance.

The pledge has never since been redeemed, although Denmark has made several attempts to get back these islands, all the negotiations have come to naught. There the matter rests.

CLAIMS TO END RADIO BUZZ

Chicago Expert Uses Lightning Wires Instead of Storage Batteries.

Chicago, May 15.—A means of eliminating the buzzing in radio and of operating the wireless sets by utilizing them directly to lighting wires through an ordinary socket instead of using expensive storage batteries has been patented by F. E. Meffner, a government expert during the war, he announced.

The radio is attached to any 110 volt alternating current through the ordinary light socket, Mr. Meffner said. In place of rectifiers and filters now used in attempts to eliminate the hum, Mr. Meffner uses balancing devices. The electric flow in which the hum is stepped down to six volts.

Mr. Meffner was formerly connected with the army and navy aircraft department and assisted John Hays Hammond in perfecting a radio torpedo device. Devices which are said to obtain same results as Mr. Meffner's are said to be the property of the government, recently, but details have not been made public.

CHATHAM PERSONALS.

(Chatham World.) Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stone, Miss Mabel and Master Frederick of West St. John, accompanied by Mrs. S. Cassidy of Moncton, arrived in Chatham on Thursday.

Misses Annie and Addie Rich left on Wednesday for Sydney to spend several weeks with friends.

Miss Lucy Jarvis, who has spent several months with friends in upper Canadian cities, has returned home.

Miss Kathleen Fisher is spending a few days with friends in St. John.

Miss Nan Creighton of Newcastle is visiting in New York, where she will meet her father, J. D. Creighton, who has been in Atlantic City, and they will return home together.

Mrs. F. Hindley and little daughter, Dorothy, of Portage la Prairie, are spending two or three months with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Clarke, Millerton.

Mrs. Stanley Veno and son Buster have returned home after spending the winter in Boston.

MAGNITUDE OF INSURANCE.

The magnitude of the insurance business in the United States is almost beyond comprehension. An authority says there are 2,368 companies, including mutual associations, and 868 fraternal insurance companies, which together have more than 1,700 county farm organizations. Licensed agents make an army of 604,291 individuals, not including solicitors of large agencies who are not listed.

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PERFECTING MACHINE TO THRESH ON FIELD

Western Inventor Would Cut Out Labor of Hand Threshing.

After losing approximately \$100,000 in a farm venture, because of the high cost of threshing his grain, J. Clave, an inventive Alberta farmer, has been spending the last ten years in an effort to make a traveling threshing machine which will gather up the sheaves of grain of the fields and thresh them in one operation without handling by labor. This Mr. Clave says he has at last accomplished, and now he is in Calgary with a view of enlisting capital with which to market his invention.

The machine, in an imperfect state, has been tried out, and has shown remarkable results, Mr. Clave says. He

has made three models, the last of which is now on a farm at Okotoks. Last year, there was a minimum loss from grain from the field to the threshed product, and a minimum loss from the threshing machine ready by harvest time this year.

At a considerable expense, we have engaged the services of Dr. Scholl's Foot Expert, who will be here on—

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