

# Birthdays of Note

DAY, MARCH TWENTIETH

Somers, who with his brother, Lord Hyde, is engaged in farming, celebrates his twenty-seventh birthday today. This "plowing peer" is a very well set-up, strong and sensible young man, among his rural neighbors he is known as a thorough democrat. Before he succeeded his father, he was simply Arthur Tennison Cocks, great-grandson of the fifth baron. He was a member of the First Life Guards, and the coronation of the late King George V. acted as one of his life's pages. The farming experiment was begun two years ago and is to be met with fair success.

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## CITY COUNCIL TO ATTEND FUNERAL

Remains of Hon. William Paterson Arrived in the City Today.

The press of Canada, irrespective of politics, yesterday paid glowing tribute to the life of the late Hon. William Paterson, showing that the sphere of activity of the one who represented Brantford and Brant for so many years in Parliament was national in its scope. The private life and exemplary character of the man, as well as the parliamentary career, were extolled in the numerous editorial tributes throughout the Dominion.

The remains of the late Mr. Paterson arrived in the city this afternoon from Pictou, and were conveyed to the residence of Mr. W. F. Paterson, 87 Charlotte street, whence the funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon to Farringdon Church. The bearers will be C. B. Heyd, Judge J. L. Muir, E. L. Good, Dr. V. Leeming and T. H. Preston. George Kippax of Farringdon church will conduct the services.

Messages of Condolence. Messages of condolence have been received from all over the Dominion, including in which were many from former fellow Cabinet Ministers and members of Parliament. Hon. W. S. Fielding and Hon. Mackenzie King will attend the obsequies to-morrow.

City Council to Attend. The City Council will attend the funeral in a body, as well as representatives of the Brantford Liberal Associations. On Sunday references

## Irving Company Had Misfortune

Mr. Irving and his management have had a very unfortunate experience with their head stage carpenter whilst on their present tour. A few days ago the man commenced to act very queerly, and a day or so ago he became quite violent. Whilst in the city yesterday Mr. Frost, the manager, called in Dr. Ashton, who, after an examination, ordered the removal of the unfortunate fellow to the Guelph Sanatorium. One of the members of the company was left behind to take him to Guelph, and he was removed there after considerable difficulty.

will be made in several of the city pulpits to the life of the deceased, its lessons and its inspirations.

Flag at Half-mast. In honor to the memory of the ex-Minister of the Crown the flag at the post office building is at half-mast.

Interesting Lecture. Mr. W. L. Clark, of Toronto, of the Moral Reform Department of the Methodist church, gave a most interesting, practical and timely talk to even and older boys in Sydenham St. church last evening. Mr. Clark has been in this work for about twenty years and has spoken in nearly every city and large town in United States and Canada. He has some peculiar mannerisms but is a most entertaining speaker and evidently from his wide experience knows what he is talking about. Mr. Butchart acted as chairman.

## Saturday Special Bargains

Men's box kip, blucher cut, Lace Boots, leather lined, regular \$3.00. Saturday **\$1.98**

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## A NIGHT WITH THE MINSTREL MEN

Alexandra Athletic Club Talent in Splendid Entertainment Last Night.

Under the auspices of the Alexandra Athletic Club the St. Andrews young men held a concert last night. The proceeds of the undertaking are to be devoted to the Athletic Club.

The evening's programme opened with the orchestral rendering, "The Spirit of Independence." The troupe of dusky performers sang their choruses of medley music, a varied collection that goes with true plantation jingle.

Jack Howarth's turn "Years, Years Yes" lost nothing in his singing. Ed Hutchings sings his rollicking ditty, "Sit Down, You're Rocking the Boat" well. Ed. has a modest voice and his associates lend strenuous aid in the chorus.

Bill Johnson supplied clever dialogue in generous lumps. Bill lays on the locutions stuff thick and it makes a hit.

"There is no love like mine?" sang Harry Banner and his realism in Dixie life must be filled with heart beats. Harry's rendering made amorous glances look out from the row of "sooty" sons of Ham.

Jack Rowan takes a hit at Brantford "gas" in his plaint "For months and months," etc. This was a decided success with the patrons, who insisted on an encore which was given and loudly applauded. "Good bye summer, so long fall; hello winter," given by George Howarth was good. George gives his part as much "local color" as it gets in far away Kentucky, so to speak. Ed. Oswald gave rare flavor of "Down South" sentiment to "Sunshine and Roses." Ed. leads his chorus in fine style and only needs to be more natural to fill a "coon's" shoes (on the stage). Al. Johnson did "Who dat say chicken?" in an imitable way. Al. would shame a "colored" gentleman, with his accent and "high" ways. His mannerisms are quite the thing. Part one closed in splendid harmony. "In the land of Cotton," piano, drum and entire circle. The negro wanderer's song for "De ol' Home" getting all it requires in sympathetic handling.

The quartette's selection was executed with cohesive talent, all four giving of their best. Will Scott's bass solo had depths of emotion hitherto unexplored in minstrelsy. Will goes down in his notes well below where any ordinary nigger would be. The dialogue cast of Hutchings and Oswald is far ahead of the amateur class. Turns are applauded at vaudeville shows which fall far below its mark. "Dear Old Girl" was done to its uttermost by John Howard. John's song had music to it, and John lends it all his. That is the highest praise to be said of a particularly well sung melody. What is perhaps the best turn of the evening is Harry Banner's dancing as he leads the quartette through Sailor's Hornpipe. It is a good turn and was encored repeatedly.

Bill Johnson did a monologue act in a red gown and a powerful voice. He's impressive, is Bill, and his humor profound rather than boisterous. The closing scene of "Uncle Joe's Birthday" is given all the go and ginger the company can inspire into it. It is a lively and splendid finish to an evening of songs and merry jokes. Manager D. Forbes Thomson has a great deal to his credit in the fine condition evident throughout the performance of his dusky squad. It is by far the best yet seen in the city.

## DID CHILD WAKE UP CROSS OR FEVERISH?

Look, Mother! If tongue is coated give 'California' Syrup of Figs.

Mother! Your child isn't naturally cross and peevish. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign its little stomach, liver and bowels need a cleansing at once.

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A Handsome Model Suit in navy blue wool crepe, tier style of skirt, fancy draped sash of satin on coat, inlaid Roman stripe silk vest, and collar finished with touches of plaited chiffon. Special .....\$28.50

A Charming Suit, in the new mustard shade of silk and wool crepe, new pegtop style of skirt, coat new drop shoulder, short front with postillion back, fancy made ornaments, touches of hunter's green and lace. Special .....\$27.50

Beautiful Model in Rose Bedford Suit, peg style of skirt, new graded back, touches of black satin and fancy Roman silk collar. Special .....\$28.50

New Combination Suit, black silk moire coat, with black and white waffle cloth skirt, in tiered style. Very exclusive.....\$27.50

An Attractive Novelty Dress of crinkled silk crepe, in midnight blue, made with double puff skirt, with beautiful sheer vest of white chiffon, with black satin girdle. Very smart .....\$24

A Charming Novelty Dress of taupe silk crepe-de-chine, made with double tier skirt, waist with large armhole, trimmed with velvet .....\$22.50

Imported Gown, of rose wool crepe, skirt made with tier front and peg back, collar and girdle of black and white striped velvet .....\$22.50

A Copy of Paul Poirer's Latest Creation, navy crepe-de-chine gown, made with puff all around skirt, waist is blouse effect, vest of shadow lace, finished with crushed girdle with one long tab and tassel.....\$25

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## GRAND RIVER IS QUITE PEACEFUL

But Civic Authorities Say  
Channel Near the Island  
Should be Deepened

If the city does not deepen the channel around the west end of Kerby Island they will have some serious damage on their hands every year.

The water at this point is only four or five inches deep and the ice becomes blocked up in the channel to such an extent that the water can't rise high enough to carry it away. As a result, it is backed up against the waterworks property and floods the grounds around.

This year the city is luckily escaping much damage on account of the small quantity of snow and the easy way in which the river has broken up.

The L. E. and N. left the channel through Kerby Island in such a bad condition that the ice has no possible outlet. Those in a position to know the conditions existing around the waterworks property, state that if the city does not widen and deepen the channel around the island serious damage will be the result every year.

An Ice Blockade.

Above Wilkes dam and above the Paris dam, there is an ice blockade of a mile or so. This is about the only feature of the river situation, such as to occasion worry.

The L. E. and N.

Mr. W. P. Kellett said that more danger was feared from an ice jam to the L. E. and N. than from other causes. The ice would cut the embankment of the railway along the river quicker than high water. This was true at Burt's Grove. In Brantford Mr. Kellett said the company did not anticipate any trouble and civic authorities were now patting themselves on the back because of the good job done at Lorne Bridge.

## STORY OF SHOOTING

MORDEN, Man., March 20. — Jacob Bergen, called this morning as a witness in the Krafchenko murder trial, told the court that the morning of the shooting he was standing near his house, close to the Bank of Montreal premises, in Plum Coulee. He saw a man wearing a black overcoat with collar upturned, come from the bank, followed a few feet after by Arnold. He did not hear either call out. The first man, walking very fast, turned off the sidewalk, and Arnold followed. Then the first man turned around with a revolver in his right hand and shot Arnold, who was five or six feet away.

Three lives were lost in the Houghton-Detroit elevator fire at Detroit. Rev John MacNeill of Toronto vigorously assailed the Unitarians at the Pittsburgh Bible Conference.

## ULSTER A HOT BED TODAY, LEADERS IN VERY HOSTILE MOOD

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sage from England, Sir George Richardson, a retired lieutenant-general of the British Army, who is commander in chief of the Ulster Unionist forces together with his chief officers.

As the party come down the gangway from the steamer to the pier they found drawn up as a guard of honor the emergency force of picked men of Ulster volunteers who had been summoned to the Unionist headquarters at a late hour last night. A big crowd gave them a noisy welcome, cheering wildly and firing salvoes into the air from their revolvers.

Documents Removed.

During the night automobiles had been kept busy moving stores and documents from the Unionist headquarters, apparently fearing a raid by the police who had been keeping close watch on every move made by the Unionists.

Precautions of a particularly rigorous character have been taken at the Victoria Military barracks here, where extra guards have been on duty day and night for several days past.

Urgent instructions have been sent to the military authorities in the south of Ireland to despatch reinforcements immediately to the garrison stations in Ulster.

That Parade.

The proposed parade of Nationalist volunteers announced for Sunday at Londonderry which was regarded in many quarters as likely to result in a conflict which would set the heather on fire in Ulster, will probably be abandoned. John Redmond, the Nationalist leader, to-day telegraphed an urgent appeal to the promoters of the parade to cancel the affair which, he said, "calculated to inflame the gravest injury to the Nationalist cause as it was playing the game of their bitterest enemies and affording them the pretext they were particularly looking for."

The house occupied by Sir Edward Carson and the other Unionist leaders is guarded by Ulster volunteers in full service kit prepared to resist any attempt to execute any warrants which might be issued by the authorities.

In response to instructions from army headquarters a detachment of 200 infantry arrived at Newry in the course of the day from the Curragh and another 300 from Mullingar. The garrison of Londonderry also was reinforced by 300 men from Mullingar and two warships have arrived in Dublin Bay.

Feeling among the public in Bel-

fast has become much more tense since yesterday's debate in parliament and soon after his arrival here Sir Edward issued an appeal to his followers to preserve calm. No disturbance had occurred up to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

## A Paterson Story

OTTAWA, March 20.—Hon. Dr. Reid, who succeeded the late Hon. Mr. Paterson as Minister of Customs, told an interesting little story about Mr. Paterson. He found in the late Minister's desk two or three drawers full of letters and private papers and newspaper clippings which had belonged to the late Hon. Mr. Paterson. They had lain in these drawers undisturbed all these long fifteen years. Once in a while evidently Mr. Paterson would pull them out and look at them with deep rooted sentiment which was characteristic of him. Dr. Reid has sent the papers to Captain Tom Wallace, M.P., the son.

Holstein conservatives, dissatisfied with the attitude of Sir James Whitney and his followers on temperance, are getting a petition largely signed by Conservatives asking for a plebiscite in Ontario on abolishing the bar.

## INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS FOR CANADA'S REDMEN

Will Introduce Bill to Amend the Indian Act in Several Particulars.

[By Special Wire to The Courier] OTTAWA, March 20.—An act to amend the Indian Act was introduced by Hon. Dr. Roche in the Commons yesterday afternoon. One amendment deals with industrial schools and provides that where there are no industrial schools the Minister may declare a public school to be an industrial school under the meaning of the act. Another amendment regulates the procedure for the expropriation of sites for such schools, and a third extends the existing provisions of the law for the resumption of control over Indian reserves. A fourth amendment prohibits the attendance of Indians at dances or stampedes outside of their own reserve.

President Wilson stated at Washington that he would favor any plan for the establishment of peace in Mexico.

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