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## MEDICAL INSPECTION

The Times prints to day the paper on Medical Inspection in Schools, which was recently read by Dr. William F. Roberts before the St. John Medical Society, and which that body deemed of so much importance and value as to ask for its publication in the press, and to adopt resolutions urging the board of education to take action along the lines suggested.

The Times commends this paper to the thoughtful attention of all parents. The subject matter touches them in a most vital point—the physical and mental welfare of their children. Dr. Roberts begins by showing that this is no new-fangled notion, but that even in Argentina and Japan medical inspection in schools is compulsory. He also arrays facts and figures that are sufficiently startling, in reference to the number of school children suffering from physical defects that might and would be overcome by such inspection. These children are terribly handicapped, and their failure as students is frequently attributed to mental dullness when it is the result of physical ailments.

The discussion is very interesting, and shows the trend of sentiment in the mother country, while it is also shown that in nearly all European countries medical inspection is an established system.

A very important point is made by Dr. Roberts when he states that compulsory school attendance should involve compulsory medical inspection, to protect all the children from danger of contagion or infection. This point cannot be too strongly emphasized.

Dr. Roberts also gives some clear directions touching the matters to look after, in order to ensure health and comfort and effective work in the public schools. Such matters as defective eyesight and hearing, the proper care of the teeth, precautions against infectious and other diseases, are all dealt with in a clear and concise way, and the conclusion to which it all leads—that there should be medical inspection of St. John school-children—is not admitted of doubt or contradiction. The contention that this is a small city has no force. Any person who goes about the city and enters the homes of the very poor, as physicians, Victorian nurses and the agents of the Associated Charities and other benevolent organizations, do, and studies the children and the conditions under which they exist, does not need to go to a larger city to secure evidence of the need of medical inspection.

Dr. Roberts has given a local impulse to a movement of vast significance, and the board of education will doubtless find itself in accord with the substance of the resolutions unanimously adopted by the Medical Society.

## PROVINCIAL POLITICS

Hon. Dr. Pugsley's term as premier of New Brunswick has been brief, and he resigns to enter a wider field of political activity. During his short term at the head of the provincial government he displayed fine gifts of leadership, and, what is most important, the faculty of initiative in matters of public policy. It has been said that the last session of the legislature, under his leadership, was more fruitful in important legislation than any session for many years, and the statement is well founded. The province loses an able premier, but will gain an able representative at Ottawa, where Dr. Pugsley's ability and experience will place him in the front rank.

Premier Robinson enters upon his duties as successor to Dr. Pugsley with the advantage of having the personal good will of all parties and the prestige of rapid political promotion. His friends are confident that he will develop the faculty of successful leadership. Provincial politics, with Mr. Tweedie and Dr. Pugsley out of the field, will not be quite the same, and there will of course be a process of re-adjustment to meet the changed conditions. Owing to the fact that there has been no powerful opposition for many years, the interest in provincial politics has waned. Perhaps now a more lively interest may be developed.

## RALPH CONNOR

This paper has more than once remarked that visits to this part of Canada by representative men of the west are a source of inspiration to our people that should be heartily welcomed. It is observed that when a man from the east goes west and returns, he brings back with him a degree of enthusiasm that before was foreign to his habit. The contact with that vigorous, confident, compelling optimism of the growing west results in a wider outlook and a greater satisfaction in the fact of Canadian citizenship.

The present visit to St. John of Ralph Connor, preacher and novelist, fresh from the scene of his labors in the west, is new inspiration. What Canadian, he asked in the opera house last evening, can think of Canada as she is today, and as she must be, without being thrilled by the thought, and animated by a desire to render such a country faithful service? Such service he himself has rendered, both as preacher and writer, and the value of his work is recognized from ocean to ocean and in lands beyond. St. John has welcomed him, and will know him more intimately after having heard him read from his own works, preach to a congregation, and address the Canadian Club on Canadian citizenship.

## PROF. LEACOCK

Prof. Leacock is being unnecessarily belabored for having written a facetious article to the London Morning Post, in which John Bull is not treated with the traditional reverence. The professor is charged with an exhibition of bad taste, and it is even asserted by some papers that as a lecturer on behalf of the Rhodes imperialism he is not a success.

Prof. Leacock will survive all this criticism, although it may suggest to him that he should label his jokes when they are satirical in their nature. We incline to share the views of a contributor to the Montreal Gazette, touching this whole matter. He writes:

"Referring to Dr. Leacock's article on 'John Bull and His Grown-Up Sons,' which, in the words of the editor of the Morning Post, 'shows his imperialism in a lighter vein,' the only mistake which the writer seems to have made was to send it to the Morning Post instead of to the Montreal Gazette, touching this whole matter. He writes:

"Punch. Had it appeared in the latter, those who now take it so seriously would doubtless have viewed it from the Professor's own standpoint, as nothing more or less than 'a humorous monologue.' Dr. Leacock should surely be judged, not by such amusing trifles, but rather by his serious speeches and writings. It is thus that he is judged apparently by those who understand the man and his mission, for instance, Rt. Hon. R. B. Haldane, secretary of state for war, who, on the occasion of the Professor's address before the members of the Victoria League, expressed the opinion that the speaker (Dr. Leacock) 'would find that something more than a backwash of enthusiasm would be his when he went from place to place and spoke with that eloquence of which they had that day had an example.'"

The Montreal Transcript devotes much space to an effort to prove that no practical test is needed to show the relative merits of Halifax and St. John as winter mail ports. In reply it is only necessary to state that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company has declared St. John the best port and asked permission to prove it. That fact ought to be considered by the Transcript. The test has not yet been permitted, and until it has been made the question is not settled. The Transcript admits that the distance from Liverpool to Montreal is shorter via St. John than via Halifax, but contends that the shorter water route to Halifax gives that port some advantage. This has not been proved. St. John demands the proof. Moreover, if St. John be even as good as Halifax as a mail port, the freight comes to St. John and the steamers here would get freight as well as passengers and mails.

School Superintendent Bridges expresses the opinion that in connection with the transit law an industrial school for incorrigible boys may have to be provided. This suggestion is very satisfactorily pursued in some places. As a matter of fact, there should also be an industrial establishment or farm to which might be sent those inebriates who are continually before the police court for drunkenness. Society does not do its whole duty when it takes certain legal measures to arrest and punish delinquents. Many of these, the young especially, could be reclaimed under proper social conditions, removed from temptation and taught the precepts and the arts of useful citizenship.

At the opera house last evening Rev. C. W. Gordon (Ralph Connor), in a graceful reference to the Marathon athletic club declared himself a strong advocate of athletic sports, which are not only of physical but moral benefit. He expressed surprise that such an organization as the Marathons would be permitted to have a deficit, and expressed the hope that the club would devote itself entirely and always to pure amateur sport.

## GOLDWIN SMITH SAYS HE ABHORS ANNEXATION

Montreal, May 31.—A London cable says: Dr. Goldwin Smith, in the course of a letter in "the Manchester Guardian on Canada and the imperial conference, says: 'I abhor the word annexation, as it implies submission. I heartily deprecate anything violent, precipitate or injurious to the interest or honor of our mother country.'"

MONTREAL CUSTOMS RECEIPTS  
Montreal, May 31.—Customs collections at the port of Montreal for May break all records, being \$1,558,075, an increase over the corresponding month last year of \$34,029. The previous best month was November, 1906, when \$1,488,068 was collected.

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Rev. H. E. Dibbles has returned home to his parish at Oromocto, very much improved in health, after his lengthy stay in California. He also visited the north-west of Canada.

Miss Sherwood, of Sussex, who has been spending the past two weeks with her friend, Miss Morrison, of this city, returned home Thursday evening.

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## CRITICISM

The Critic eyed the sunset as the amber tured to gray. Slow fading in the somewhat foggy west: To the color-blinded Critic was a very dull display.

"That's half so good a sunset as he offered yesterday," he murmured, as he sadly turned away.

"The sunsets can't be always at their best."

—Charles Perkins Stetson.

## IN LIGHTER VEIN

IT BROKE.

"Freddy, you shouldn't laugh out loud in the schoolroom," exclaimed the teacher.

"I didn't mean to do it," apologized Freddy. "I was smiling, when all of a sudden the smile busted."—Harper's Weekly.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Fair Devotee:—"I don't see any way to raise our church debt except to have a lottery."

Minister (shocked):—"That will never have my sanction, madam, unless you call it by some other name."—London Tatler.

## WORKS BOTH WAYS.

"The appetite," said the physician, "is always a consideration of great importance."

"Yes," answered the man who is painfully economical, "if you have a poor appetite, you worry your health, and if you have a good one you worry about the expense."—Washington Star.

## A PARTRIDGE TEST.

An English squire was examining an Irishman on his talents for the position of gamekeeper. At last he asked him to tell him an old bird from another of later birth.

"By the teeth, sorr!"

"But partridges have no teeth."

"Begorra, I have!"—Judge's Library.

## EXPLAINED.

"Why did you charge \$100.00 for a bootblack stand worth \$90?" a capitalist contractor was asked.

"Because I thought there would be a kick if I charged any more," he replied pleasantly. "Anything else you're wanting to know today?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

## AN IDIOT'S LOGIC.

It was a hot summer evening, and the minister stood in the pulpit, till, pausing to look around, he found everybody had gone to sleep but the village idiot.

"Nobody," he exclaimed reproachfully, is listening to me but one poor idiot."

The idiot immediately arose and said: "If I were not an idiot I should not be listening to you," and marched out of the building.—Correspondence of the London Spectator.

## THEATRES

## AT THE OPERA HOUSE

The Lyceum Stock Company's engagement will close tonight. This afternoon A Night Off will be given its final presentation. Mr. Jelenko will appear in his excellent characterization of "Marcus Brutus Snap." A final reception will be held on the stage in honor of Miss Eleanor Hicks, the leading woman, and Frank Powell, leading man, who are to be married.

Amherst next Wednesday. The fair bride-elect will serve those who attend with wedding cake. The members of the company will assist the young couple in receiving.

Tonight Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, preceded by a new dramatic sketch entitled "An Angel Unaware" will be the final offering. Mr. Jelenko will be seen in the dual role of Jekyll and Hyde, ably supported by the entire strength of the cast. Those who witnessed the splendid performance Wednesday night were unanimous in the opinion that it was one of the best dramatic productions seen upon the local stage for some time.

The sketch, "An Angel Unaware," which will be given its initial production, is said to promise well both in conception and dramatic interest. The leading roles will be sustained by Miss Juliette Atkinson and Frank Powell. R. E. Walker, a member of the repertorial staff of this paper, is the author.

The drawing for the handsome dinner set will also take place Saturday night. The holder of the lucky coupon, receiving any night of the week, must be in the audience when the drawing takes place.

## AT THE NICKEL

Drama, humor, pathos, athletics and scenic education is the story in a nutshell concerning the Nickel programme of motion pictures this afternoon and evening. Tracked by Bloodhounds, Burglars and Poisoners. Scenes in Burnham, Football Game and When Friends Meet are the titles of the long and interesting films, and when the new illustrated songs, "We Never Seemed So Far Apart Before," is added to the list an excellent menu is afforded. This is the big day for children, and when the warm weather crowded performances should rule up to closing time at 10.30 p. m.

## THE CORNET BAND FAIR

There was quite a good attendance last night at the City Cornet Band fair in St. Andrew's rink. The following won the door prizes: Barrel of flour, 2.24; silver set, 2.19; W. J. Sullivan, 68 St. Patrick street; fruit basket, 2.12; Miss Coughlin, Cliff street; manure set, 2.12; Miss D. Monahan, Elliot Row; and fancy vase, 2.25. The prizes in the sports went to the following: Ladies' bean board, Miss O'Donnell, 1st; Miss Murphy, 2nd; gentlemen's bean board, J. L. Connolly, 1st; M. McNeely, 2nd.

The Carleton Cornet Band played an excellent programme which was very much appreciated. Ronald Kerr and J. Hogan and Miss Alcorn were the vocalists.

An attractive programme has been arranged for tonight. The City Cornet Band will play and good door prizes will be given. Miss M. Gleeson, 97 Hazen street won the barrel of flour Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonald returned yesterday from a three months' trip through Europe. They visited Switzerland, Germany, Holland, Belgium and France, as well as the United Kingdom.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. B. McCready will arrive from Charlottetown today and will be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Travers, Lancaster.

## Wall Paper.

We will have a good assortment of Wall Papers at 2c. 4c. 6c. 7c. to 20c. Roll. Some odd lots have been received in a new lot. Lace Curtains, 25c. 50c. 75c. 90c. to \$2.10 pair.

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