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THE INTERCOLONIAL

The most commonplace kind of humor is that which deals in exaggeration. It is sometimes very funny and very effective. Not always, however. For example, when the editor of Collier's Weekly, Canadian edition, applies it to the Intercolonial Railroad, as he does in last week's issue, one is not disposed to laugh at the result—especially if one is at all conversant with the facts. The editor of Collier's, after stating that commercial travellers began to arrive at the station "like flies," asserts that it "has the tedious knack of finding out the greatest distance between two points," and "goes zigzag, like a snake fence, so that it won't miss a flag station." He asserts that the I. C. R. is "a million dollar a year overmanned and about that much underpaid." He further declares that it "pays too much for labor at the bottom and too little for brains at the top, so as to meet the twisted logic of its paymasters." Then he proceeds:

"It has a sumptuous passenger service. Its first-class coaches may easily be mistaken for police cars. It supplies a dollar-and-a-half dinner for twenty-five cents. It runs three trains where two ought to do. Its freight rates are arranged so as to displease nobody. It isn't grouchy, like other railways, about pauses. There is much free travelling on it at all times, and more around elections. There are four great events in every Bluenose's life—his birth, death, marriage, and a free ride on the Intercolonial. If he didn't get the free ride he would consider that the other three had happened in vain. The Intercolonial is something more than a railway. It is a college of manners for trainhands. The brakeman, for example, is a deep thinker on public questions, and is never too busy to leave his duties and talk politics in the smoking compartment. Also it is a charitable foundation, an ark of the covenant, a house of refuge for decayed gentlemen from the maritime provinces who have not found their work congenial elsewhere."

This is not humor. Printed as part of the leading editorial, in a weekly which professes to have a wide circulation and some influence, it is misleading and injurious. It grossly misrepresents both the management and staff of the railway, and also the attitude of the people of the maritime provinces toward the road and its management. If the editor of Collier's seeks a fitting subject for satire or burlesque, those earnest and patriotic souls who inspired the agitation to have the government railway turned over to a company should not escape his arguement. The people of the lower provinces have good reason to complain that their attitude toward the Intercolonial is misrepresented. They have never insisted that it should be part of an expensive political machine, operated for their sole benefit. They have held, with perfect justice, that it, as well as the canal, is an important part of Canada's transportation system, and that it should be extended to serve a larger territory. They do not object to the application of sound business principles in its management.

A POOR OBSERVER

A writer in *Tout le Monde*, of Paris, asserts that Canada is rapidly being Americanized—that it is enthusiastically "Yankee." He says that American farmers are crowding into the Canadian northwest, to the great alarm of the imperialists, and that even if a stream of English immigrants pours into the country they will quickly come under the sway of the Yankee idea. This writer asserts that American influence is transforming Canadian life. The papers are written, edited and printed after American models, and are filled with American slang. The cablegrams from Europe come via New York, and are colored by its yellow and anglophobe journalism. The hotels are dummy copies of American hotels. Canada gets its fashions from New York. It plays American games instead of English cricket and football. It smokes American cigars, and chews American tobacco. Perhaps, naturally enough, the French writer sees in French Canada the hope of the nation.

It is unfortunate that men with little knowledge of actual conditions are in a

position to misrepresent to the public abroad the real spirit of the Canadian people. This country Canadianizes those who become citizens. It has been much influenced in its development by its neighbor to the south, and this influence will continue; but when an intelligent man settles in Canada and comes to realize its immense resources and vast possibilities, he becomes a Canadian, and has no thought of being Americanized. He knows that great as the country to the south may be, there is boundless opportunity on this side of the border for a distinctive development, related to its neighbor only by the ties of mutual esteem.

The Conservatives of British Columbia must be deeply humiliated by the exposure of the fraud perpetrated in connection with the Borden telegram. The people on the Atlantic coast of Canada were treated to an affidavit, and those on the Pacific coast to a telegram. In each case an effort was made to mislead the public, and in each case it was a Conservative plot. The Victoria Colonist has just told the story of the forged telegram. That paper was misled. The real telegram was taken from the telegraph editor's desk and the one which was printed was a counterfeit. The Colonist apologizes to its readers for permitting itself to be deceived. In view of such exposures as this, the Conservative party is at a great disadvantage in parliament and in the country. Mr. Borden must bear the burden of the political sins of his followers.

One of the most important questions to be answered at the enquiry concerning the boulders at No. 6 berth on the West Side, is this: Why was not the dredging done before the winter steamers began to arrive? Those boulders did not grow, nor were they suddenly thrust up by seismic disturbances. They were left there by the dredges, and a survey of the bottom would have located them immediately after the dredges ceased work. There was gross negligence on the part of somebody, and the responsibility should be placed on this investigation. By no way, does the board of works propose to investigate itself.

It is announced that the Salvation Army will continue its work of bringing immigrants to Canada. So far as we know, the army's objective is to bring to Canada brought out by the Army has been made by Labor Organizer Trotter, and as Col. Howell observes, it is not well sustained by the evidence. There is no disposition in Canada to shut the door in the face of thrifty and hard-working settlers.

The result of today's meeting of the city council will be awaited with much interest by the citizens, who desire to know whether there is to be any important result from all the consideration and discussion of improved methods of civic government. There is also much to be learned what the aldermen will do with the proposed disfranchisement of some thousands of citizens.

The address by Professor Leacock on the external relations of Canada, to be delivered before the Canadian Club tomorrow evening, will be one of great interest. Professor Leacock has made a tour of the Empire since he was last heard in St. John, and his outlook has been broadened by that experience. His message should be well worth hearing, and filled with valuable suggestions.

The American house of representatives has voted half a million dollars for army experiments with balloons and airships. All the great powers are making such experiments and the balloon is certain to play an important part for observation purposes in future wars.

Mount Royal, which lies behind the city of Montreal, is described by some scientists as an extinct volcano. Possibly this explains the earthquake shock which was felt in that city last night.

In view of the exposure of the fraud in connection with the Borden telegram, Hon. Mr. Templeman should be elected in Comox-Atlin by a record majority.

AN EX-ALDERMAN AS A LIFE SAVER

(Frederick Herold.)

Ex-Ald. Kelly, who serves the city letter boxes, was the means of saving the life of an unfortunate on Thursday night. He was driving down Charlotte street at a late hour, when his attention was attracted by a dark object lying in the gutter. He made an investigation and found that the object was a man loaded to the neck with liquor. He was lying in the gutter and would undoubtedly have perished had not the ex-alderman played the part of the good Samaritan and removed him to the police station. The fellow came around all right, and the following morning paid \$5 for his night's lodging.

A REAR END COLLISION

During the blizzard at McAdam on Saturday, a rear end collision occurred between two freight trains. The rear van and one box car of one train and the head light of the engine on the other were smashed. The line was blocked for some hours.

The Boston train was delayed in consequence of did not clear the city until five o'clock Sunday morning.

Too much time is wasted in trying to reform things that are not worth reforming.

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Stores close at 6 p. m.

St. John, Feb. 1st, 1909.

Big February Suit Sale Starts Today at HARVEY'S

We have spent the last week among our Men's, Youths' and Boys' Suits marking them down and getting them ready for this big suit sale. In some cases we have actually cut the former prices in two. This will give you a chance to buy a good suit for very little money.

SALE PRICES OF MEN'S SUITS: \$4.95, \$5.95, \$6.95, \$8.95, \$11.45, and \$15.00. These suits sold regularly at \$7.50 to \$22.00.

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Our 16th Annual February Clearance Sale

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Can you afford to miss it?

There are "Queen Quality" shoes for women, and "Walk-Over" shoes for men, reduced nearly one-half.

Your size is among them.



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- 10 in. Bayside, former price \$3.65 now \$2.70
- 11 in. Bayside, former price \$4.00 now \$3.00
- 10 in. Falcon, former price \$3.85 now \$2.90
- 11 in. Falcon, former price \$4.25 now \$3.20
- 11 in. Royal Canadian, former price \$3.75, now \$2.80

Washing Machines of all Kinds
EMERSON & FISHER, LTD., 25 Germain Street

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HAND, PUSH, MOTOR, VELOCIPED CARS, Track Tools, Shovels, Barrows, Barrett Jacks, Well's, Lights, Fairbanks-Morse Pumps.

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THE STORY LAND

Come, little boy, with the smiling face, Come little girl, with the curls of gold, Climb to my knee in the old, old place, And hold me the vision you would behold.

Glimpses of mystical places fair, Over beyond the sunlit strand, Shuggle close and we'll journey there, Into the wonderful Story Land.

Now we enter the fairy dell, All a-lit to a dreamy glow; Under sweet Chlorella dwells— Yes, we'll pay her a visit soon. Sweet Pond Riding Hood lives back there, Just at the edge of the forest grand, Down where the wild flowers blossom fair, Out in the rollicking Story Land.

Clasp me close with your baby hands, Softly now as they're gliding down, Into the bay of the Bay of Land, Just at the borders of Summerland. Here is the garden where once there grew Jack's huge beanstalk so wondrous high; And here's the magical goose that flew With the old woman who swept the sky.

Can't you see in the freight's place, Shadowy visions leap and rise, Ghosts of Storyland's dreamy days? Hark, little dreamers, to strains of song! Synthetic notes from a fairy land, Drifting drowsily from above, Low and sweet from the Story Land.

Softly the wearied eyelids close, Folded now as the hands so fair, Little fawns in sweet Summerland, Smiling into the Dreamland there. See, now yonder the hand Man comes, Tripping lightly across the strand, Glad refrain from the story Land.

—R. B. Brinsford, in Los Angeles Express.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

BREAKFAST MONTHS.

A traveller stopped at a hotel in Greenland, where the nights are six months long, and, as he registered, asked a question of the clerk.

"What time do you have breakfast?"

"From half-past march to a quarter to May,"—Harper's Weekly.

BEWARE THE "EXHIBIT A."

Some women weep when men deceive, Some are a different sort; One kind will take the thing to heart, The other kind—to court.

—Boston Transcript.

LETTING THE CAT OUT.

"Say, grandpa, make a noise like a frog."

"What for, my son?"

"Why, papa says that when you croak we'll get five thousand dollars."—From Success Magazine.

WIFE.

Lady (with some hesitation): "I—er—wish to look at some false fringes."

Salesman: "Certainly, madam."

What shade does your dress wear?"

Punch.

HIS CHOICE.

"I like to visit there. They have three lovely children."

"Of rather visit at a place where they have a lovely cook."—Kansas City Journal.

COMING DOWN.

Mrs. Parvane: "Oh yes—we can trace our ancestry back to—"

Her husband: "I was born descending centuries."—London Opinion.

DUSTY.

While a German resident was driving an English friend from London to London, a motor car was at a terrific pace, raising a cloud of dust.

"How do you like it?" asked the Englishman.

"Oh, it's fine," answered the German.

"But you find him next day. No, you're not, are you?"

COULDN'T GET LOST THERE.

(Atlanta Constitution.) "I—er—wish to look at some false fringes."

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NOVA SCOTIA

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PROVINCIAL NEWS

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THE PARSONS

Stipendiary McKenzie of Amherst had a busy session on Saturday. Six Scott Act violation cases were before him.

The assessed valuation of the town of Shelburne is as follows: Real \$108,800; personal \$22,065; income \$5,700; rate of taxation \$2.70.

It is said that H. J. McCann, supt. of stores for the Dominion Coal Co., will be appointed manager of the Sydney and Glace Bay Railway.

Capt. Josiah Hopkins, of Mill Village, Queens county, walked on a high platform at New Germany station recently and broke his leg in two places.

Bill Ferguson, of Sydney, has left for New York in connection with a proposition of the early development of the areas of the Cape Breton, coal, iron and railway companies, at Brighton. Mr. Ferguson will meet Mr. Lancaster, reputed to be a hampster, in the United States metropolis in this regard.

The Parsons town council has recommended J. F. Outhit for the position of stipendiary, vacated by the death of G. S. Muir.

Frank Saleans has been arrested in Kentville. It is understood that four charges have been preferred against him, but the nature of them is not known.

The mechanical staff at Dominion No. 2 colliery, Glace Bay, will, it is expected, commence the installation of safety hooks on the main hoisting cages. The hooks will be fitted on the No. 9 cage at first and given a trial before being permanently fitted at the collieries. The hooks are now in use on the cages at No. 2 colliery and are giving much satisfaction.

Chases in first aid to the injured have been formed at Port Moresby, C. B., and include employees of the North Atlantic Collieries Co. The club is under the instruction of Dr. Bisset.

Among the mayors elected by acclamation on Tuesday were Judge J. M. Owen for Annapolis, Harry Ruggles, of Bridgetown, J. E. Jones, for Digby.

Excavating for the new business block at Glace Bay will be constructed by Senator McDonald was begun last week. The building will be of two stories.

J. H. Plummer, president of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. was in Sydney on Thursday night and returned to Montreal on Friday morning in response to a telegram stating that his daughter was ill in Toronto. He was accompanied by Maxine F. P. Jones, of the company at Sydney.

General Manager Dugan of the Dominion Coal Co. declined to confer with a committee of five appointed by a public meeting at Dominion, C. B., to ascertain the prospects for No. 6 colliery. Mr. Dugan intimated that he was willing to meet Revs. S. J. Boyce and N. McQueen.

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO BENEFIT YOUR CITY?

Rev. A. B. Cohoe Asks This Question in Address at the Every Day Club Last Evening.

"To St. John a better city because you live in it?" was the searching question put by Rev. A. B. Cohoe at the Every Day Club last evening.

Mr. Cohoe led up to this question by a thoughtful discussion of the relation of the people of a city to each other, and the influence of the conduct of each upon the general welfare. He applied his remarks to men and women, and to the young and old, and to each of them put the question quoted. He pointed out not only the evil effects of intemperance, but of that sober selfishness which contents itself with taking everything that is offered and giving nothing in return.

In contrast to this last mentioned attitude, he pictured the citizen who recognizes that he has received from his parents and from the past, and receives from his friends and fellow citizens and society at large more than he can ever repay; and who resolves that he will pay back in service to humanity as much as he can.

If every man and woman in St. John were actuated by such a motive, he said, what could they not accomplish, in laying here the foundations of a city in which the kingdom of God would be realized here and now?

The keynote of his very earnest address was service to humanity, unselfish, uplifting, and avoiding whatever in conduct or example did injury to another soul. The hall was crowded far beyond its seating capacity, and the audience listened with deep interest to the close. The musical programme included a solo by Mr. Richards, and a number of hymns. The club has provided 100 copies of the Canadian Hymnal for the musical portion of the programme.

There was a very interesting meeting at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, with music and brief addresses by B. L. Sheppard, C. S. Humbert, R. H. Othier, R. B. Addison and the president of the club.

The club will hold its weekly meeting this evening. The membership is increasing. The speaker on next Sunday evening will be Rev. Mr. Titus.

RHEUMATISM HAS MANY VICTIMS

Dread Disease Has Many Victims Here Who Can Find Quick Relief in This Simple Home-Made Mixture If Taken Promptly.

Thousands of men and women who have lost the living and torturing of this dread disease, which is no respecter of age, person, sex, color or rank, will be interested to know that while for many years rheumatism was considered an incurable ailment, now it is one of the easiest afflictions of the human body to conquer. Medical science has proven it not a distinct disease in itself, but a symptom caused by inactive kidneys. Rheumatism is uric acid in the blood and other waste products of the system, which should be filtered and strained out in the form of urine. The function of the kidneys is to sift these poisons and acids out and keep the blood clean and pure. The kidneys, however, are of sponge-like substance; the holes or pores of which will sometimes, either from overwork, cold or exposure become clogged and inactive, and failing in their function of eliminating these poisons from the blood, they remain in the veins, decompose and settling about the joints and muscles, cause the untold suffering and pain of rheumatism and backache, often producing complications of bladder and urinary disease, weakness, etc.

The following simple prescription is said to relieve the worst cases of rheumatism because of its direct action upon the blood and kidneys, relieving, too, the most severe forms of bladder and urinary trouble. Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, one ounce. Mix by shaking well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime. The ingredients can be had from any good preparation pharmacy, and are absolutely harmless and safe to use at any time.

FLORIDA TOWN BURNED

Pensacola, Fla., Jan. 31.—The town of Milton, thirty miles east of Pensacola, was almost wiped off the map by fire today, the entire business section, and several residences being destroyed. The total loss is \$150,000 or more.

The world may owe you a living young man, but by the time you collect it you will be ready to give the undertaker a job.