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OLD COUNTRY AWAKENING TO
CANADIAN POSSIBILITIES.

As an illustration of the awakening which is at last taking place in the Old Country with regard to Canada and Canadian possibilities it is worthy of note that the London Morning Post of recent date devoted four columns to the Dominion—three columns to a description of the country under the heading "Prosperous Canada" and one column in editorial emphasis of the facts therein related.

Here are some extracts from the editorial:

"It has been somewhat difficult to explain why the Dominion of Canada has attracted so much less attention, as a field for British capital, and British settlers, than its magnificent resources and splendid climate would seem to merit. This neglect of which Canadians have made legitimate complaint from time to time, is probably attributable to a variety of causes, but the primary cause is undoubtedly ignorance, an ignorance which was to a very considerable extent shared even by the Canadians themselves. Canadians, indeed, knew that the popular misconception which enshrined the Empire, as 'Our Lady of the Snows,' was ludicrously at variance with the facts, but even in Canada there was until quite recently little real appreciation of the magnificent territories that stretch in limitless expanse towards the north and northwest from the more settled regions of the Dominion. Following the normal law of development, the people of Canada have first settled and exploited the Eastern Provinces and the more accessible regions bordering on the United States. The opening of the Canadian Pacific Railway gave an immense impetus to the Central and Western Territories and the wheatfields of Manitoba are a splendid testimony to Canadian enterprise. But the chief fact of the situation is that there are too few people in Canada for adequate development of its practically illimitable resources, and this fact has in quite recent years been strongly emphasized by the discovery that those resources are even greater than had been suspected. It was for long an almost universal article of creed that the Great Lone Lands to the south and west of Hudson Bay were, by reason of the character of the climate and the nature of the soil, incapable of profitable cultivation or development. That belief is now known to be erroneous.

The interests of the Dominion are capable of being very succinctly stated. Canada is, and desires to remain, an integral portion of the British Empire. While anxious to maintain the most friendly relations with the great neighboring republic to the south, Canadians are strongly opposed to becoming either a political or an economic dependency of the United States.

These considerations lend to the proposal to build an entirely new line of railway across Canada something more than a local interest. But, while the strategic importance of the new line must not be overlooked, it is the economic advantages it offers both to Canada and to the Mother Country that arrests immediate attention.

Canada is on the threshold of a new era in her development, and she may legitimately look to the Mother Country, with its large population and accumulated wealth, to assist her in the task of defending her political and economical integrity, and of strengthening her position as an integral portion of the British Empire."

With such references—and these days there are many of them—in British papers, the tide of emigration from the Mother Land to this country, should become most marked.

But the wonder is how J. Pierpont Morgan could be so careless as to leave the Beaver line to be gobbled up by the C. P. R. — Hamilton Herald.

In five years the three or four Victorian nurses maintained in Ottawa have helped 1,052 patients. They have been blessings in one thousand homes, most of which otherwise could not have afforded trained nurses. This order is no bad—Ottawa Journal.

Joseph Chamberlain is only 66, and yet in his farewell speech at Cape Town he spoke of the end of his political career as being necessarily near its close. Why necessarily? Pope Leo was more than 86 when he began his life-work, and that was twenty-five years ago. — Hamilton Herald.

A PRECOCIOUS CHILD.

London Daily News.

The most precocious child known to history, one whose story has been well authenticated, was born at Lubeck 182 years ago. At the age of ten months Christian Helnecker could repeat any word that was said to him; when 12 months old he knew by heart the principal events narrated in the Pentateuch, and in his second year he learned to repeat the greater part of the Old and New Testaments. In his third year he seems to have known rather more history and geography than an average cabinet minister, and before he was 4 he was well read in church history and theology. It was at this tender age that Christian went to the court of Denmark, where he was hailed as a wonder. On his return home writing lessons commenced, but this ordeal was too much for him, and at the age of 4-1/2 years he died. It is said that he showed but little uneasiness at the approach of death.

ENTHUSIASM OVER PORRIDGE.

London News.

In behalf of a well-to-do and prosperous section of the greatest empire the sun ever shed its effulgence upon, we must, too, take up the cudgel in behalf of porridge. True, we cannot say we're wedded to porridge itself. But we've eaten porridge and haggis, and we have stayed with both games like a little man. 'Twasn't that we liked either, but 'twas a matter of showing a yellow streak. Consequently, we're going to stay by porridge to the last ditch. Not until such times as the Irishman forsakes potatoes, and the Englishman calves' brains and plucks, shall we throw down our old Scottish prince of foods. Think of Wallace and Bruce, and Bruce's spider, and can you help but think of porridge? Think of the siege of Lucknow, and Scottish valor, and there you have porridge again! Think of Waterloo and the Scotch Greys, and can you possibly forget porridge? Of course not. Every time the British army has felt its oats—or at least the Scottish portion of it—porridge has been at the bottom of the laudable feeling.

Tons of Food For the Atlantic.

Commenting on the tremendous amount of food consumed on the average Atlantic liner nowadays, a writer in the Springfield Republican says: "At 8 comes the monumental breakfast; at 11 the deck steward fills up the commode figures in the morgue with their beef tea from those thick, obese English cups; at 1 the magnificent luncheon; at 5 the sleepers assaulted by the deck steward again; at 7 the awesome English dinner; at 9-30 a trifling lunch to ballast you for bed. Besides this barbaric mounds of sandwiches, olives, cheese, crackers, perpetually stare you in the face in the smoking room. Food, food, food; the sight and smell of it pursue the unwilling stomach in every corner of the place; food tasted, wasted, thrown away. There is one port hole on the steamer deck, from the galley apparently, which belches it forth in a continuous stream—half loaves of bread, great remnants of meat; we have left a trail of it across the Atlantic. If some one would only estimate the tons of wasted food which are annually thrown into the Atlantic or could calculate how much cheaper these steamship companies could give us our travel if they substituted plain, self-respecting fare for this gilded glutony, it would certainly be interesting and worth while.

Every man ought to air his opinions. If he doesn't they are apt to get musty.

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The Guillotine and Its Inventor.

One of the most widely disseminated of popular errors is that Dr. Guillotin invented the grim machine which still bears the name. The real inventor of this sinister contrivance was Dr. Louis, a well known medical man and permanent secretary of the Parisian School of Medicine, or Academie de Medicine.

Dr. Guillotin, who died in 1814, energetically but vainly protested against the use of his name in connection with this disagreeable subject—an evidence, if one were wanted, of the great difficulty there is of correcting a popular error. Needless to say that the legend that Dr. Guillotin was among the victims of his friend's ingenious and merciful instrument of destruction is wholly apocryphal. He died at a good old age and in his bed, surrounded by his children, who, however, obtained permission to change their name.

The time is past when poets starved in garrets. Most of them can get a job running the elevator now.

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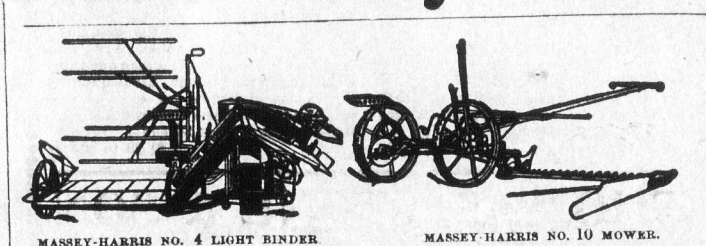
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