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AUSTRALIA'S EXAMPLE

Australia is beginning negotiations for reciprocity with the United States. Undisturbed by the flag-drapers of Canada, and the Unionist party in England, the people of the Commonwealth are proceeding in a business-like way to benefit their own country, realizing that in so doing they cannot fail to benefit the Empire.

The announcement of Australia's action in this matter will be a sad blow to the hopes of Mr. Borden and the high imperialists in Ottawa and London. In the face of all their shouting, and their wild appeals to the people to save the Empire, the Australians can see no danger in a profitable trade agreement, nor do they fear what Mr. Borden has described as an interlocking of their fiscal system with that of the United States.

No doubt there is also another thought than that of trade in the minds of the Australian people. We all remember the fervent welcome they extended to the visiting American fleet of warships. They recognize that the United States is one of the great powers on the Pacific, and they desire the most friendly relations with a nation speaking their own language and sharing the same traditions.

WEST INDIA TRADE

The Halifax Echo suggests that in order to carry out its declared policy of increasing inter-imperial trade, the Borden government should operate a line of fast steamships in connection with the Intercolonial Railway. The Echo contends that the situation in the West Indies, because of the United States tariff on the one hand, and on the other the lack of easy communication with Canada, is one that calls for a prompt and effective remedy, which would be supplied by a fast steamship service between the islands and Canada.

BUMPING THE MIDDLEMAN

Long life to Mayor Shank of Indianapolis. He has put the middleman to rout. He has brought the producer and the consumer together, to the great joy of the latter. The consumer had been paying the middleman \$1.00 per bushel for potatoes. Mayor Shank showed how to get them for 75 cents per bushel, and delivered the goods. States of Mayor Shank should be erected in public places. No man dare say that this benefactor of the race is "small potatoes."

a bushel in this city. Dealers immediately lowered their price to 81, but raised it again as soon as the mayor's supply was exhausted. The first supply was exhausted in three hours, and orders were taken in advance for two more car-loads. There are about 600 bushels in a car.

We are told that since the above was written Mayor Shank has been selling, and proposes to go on with other fruits, and meats. The Rural New Yorker asserts that one car load of potatoes run over a monopoly is worth a train-load of political theory.

Of course this plan implies that the purchaser must go to the market and get his goods. If he prefers to order by telephone he must still patronize the middleman. The merit of the Shank scheme is that it may be used at any time to prevent the middleman from charging too high prices. A radical development of the scheme would be the establishment of municipal markets controlled by the city.

Sir Andrew Fraser was greatly impressed with the opportunities for development at Courtenay Bay. All visitors are of like mind.

The iron and steel men, the advance guard of the army of high protection, are knocking at the doors of the Borden government. They want their profits increased.

The winter port season is open and there is need of the very best harbor ferry service the department can give. Fortunately there are two good boats available for this winter.

"I would rather be right than be premier," said Sir Wilfrid Laurier last night at the banquet in his honor. He has been both, and if his health is preserved he will be both once more.

Having voted in favor of a bridge across the harbor the citizens will approve of Mr. Scully's move to discover how the matter stands at the present time, and the attitude of the provincial and federal governments toward the scheme.

The war into which Italy rushed with such light-hearted cheerfulness is not marked by great battles, but it is costing the country enormous sums, and is not likely to end soon. The Turk is at a disadvantage, but he is tenacious and utterly without fear.

The question of a navy is not new to Canada. The gentlemen who make up the present government have already had two distinct policies, and now they are groping about for a third. As responsible and intelligent statesmen they present a diverting spectacle.

The Liberal tribune to Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Ottawa last evening was not the expression of a beaten and despairing party, but of one assured of the righteousness of its cause and the early triumph of its principles.

If enough immigrants can be settled in New Brunswick next year to offset in number the year's loss by migration to the west, we shall have accomplished something; but that which is most needed is something to check the westward migration and keep our own people at home.

To get down to cases. Will the Laymen's Conference unite the best elements in St. John next spring to elect a commission that will give the city good government? Also, will it lead to the rigid enforcement of laws that are now, on the testimony of the police magistrate, too often violated? China will always be a long way off.

More than half the people of the world live in India and China. The task of the missionaries is colossal. Price Collier says: "The conversion of the thousand million brown and yellow men of Asia by the five hundred million Christians is so far away in the distance that no eye, even that of imagination, can see so far down the aisles of time."

The Times was censured by its opponents in the federal election campaign for declaring that a vote for Borden was a vote for Bourassa. Yesterday at Ottawa Mr. Monk was chosen to lead the house while Mr. Borden was closeted with Mr. Bourassa. The people of Canada are gradually learning what the victory of the unholy alliance really means.

The report of the committee which has been investigating the civic board of works must not be suppressed. The citizens have a right to know what conclusions the committee arrived at after hearing the evidence. Nothing that may be said or insinuated concerning any member of that committee, can affect the evidence which it heard in its enquiry into the affairs of the board of works.

A Japanese tea garden sits acres in extent is being moved on automobile trucks from Pasadena to Oak Knoll, cal., where the owner of the garden has purchased a new estate. The moving of the garden has now been in progress for more than a month and it is estimated that it will be finished more before the work is completed. There are more than \$100,000 worth of rare trees, shrubs, and ornaments in the garden.

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THE SANGS O' SCOTLAN'

By A. G. Riddoch, Denver, Colo. Come, lay yer soor, lang faces by, There's naughtin sweeter tae the eigh, An' think awhile o' Scotland's name, An' sing the sweet auld sangs o' hame; There's naughtin sweeter tae the eigh, An' naughtin sweeter tae the eigh, The sangs the gude auld Scotch folk sang, Till ilka post-smoked rafter rang.

Forget awhile the woes o' life, Be silly bickerings an' strife, About the silver an' the gold, Whilk some day soon will gang tae mold; The sangs weel kent in moor an' glen, Have just their course o' life begun; So let us sing them loud and clear, An' we'll forget that life is drear.

Upon the banks o' Afton's stream We'll dance an' sing as in a dream, An' neath the birks o' bonnie Doon We'll joyfulness o' hearts weel croon; An' gin some o' us across the sea, We'll shout the strains o' "Scots wha hae An' wi' John Anderson my Jo' Arm linked in arm we'll blythly go.

The sangs o' Scotland, aye an' aye, Are pure an' gentle as the mae, If he but sing, care soon gangs by; See let us lay our cares aside, An' sen' the sweet strains far an' wide; For when we're singin' sangs o' hame, We're honorin' auld Scotland's name.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

He—There was a terrible accident at our house last night. She—You mean it? He—Yes, as I was sitting in the parlor, I happened to look out and I saw the kitchen sink.

OF COURSE. He—Honey, will I hah to keep on doin' washin' afta we're married? Henry—Sure. We got to eat, don't we?

HIS PROPHETIC SOUL. "John do you love your little wife?" "Yes." "Oh, you love me very much?" "Yes." "Will you always love me?" "Yes—say, woman, what have you gone and ordered sent home now?"

HEARTLESS. Cholly—"Miss Jones, hie without you would be, for me, a desert. What is your answer?" Ethel—"Buy a camel!"

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