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Why Do You Wait?

Why is there never a sane discussion of the question of confederation in the newspapers of this country? What are they afraid of? The country at large is no longer frightened by the "being sold to Canada" cry. Many of our young men who have worked in Canada have seen the benefits that would accrue to Newfoundland from such a Union. Why are the newspapers of St. John's silent on this question?

They don't believe that Newfoundland would suffer from Union with Canada; many of the editors are privately in favor of Confederation.

What is the stumbling block? As far as we can see it is that the business concerns who support the factories in the city fear the loss of the thirty to fifty percent profit which they obtain by reason of revenue tax on Canadian made goods imported into this country, a profit wrung from the taxpayers of this country. They also fear the establishment which would be morally certain—of large towns on the West Coast which would be dangerous rivals to St. John's.

Now St. John's has every right to its position as commercial capital of the country if it can maintain that position in fair competition; but we believe that the country as a whole is getting thoroughly tired of subsidizing St. John's industries through a protective tariff.

One would expect our friend of the Western Star to be an out-and-out Confederate yet it is largely silent. Does Doctor Campbell who resides in St. John's say nay? It is high time for the outcries to wake up. They have been "Rip Van Winkles" long enough. The clothes of that only argument against Confederation—"maintaining our own identity" (we presume the identity of being the sport of historic misgovernment) are worn to tatters.

Wake up Newfoundland! Canada offers a decent education for your children, properly controlled Marine and Fisheries department, avenue of labour and a more democratic spirit and a more united one than we now possess.

What are you waiting for? Canada is not coming to gobble you up. When you say you wish Confederation she is ready to listen to your wishes—not before.

Why do we wait? If you expect St. John's to move you shall wait till Gabriel blows his bugle call.

Wake up.
—Twillingate Sun.

HARD TO PLEASE.



If a man is not contented with it this good old world in June, if his aching grief is vented in a pessimistic tune, he is hopeless, he is chronic, he is full of prunes and bile, and there is no earthly tonic that will brace him up to smile. For

in June the world is gaudy, everything's a sight to see, and the man who is the sadder should alike be full of glee; and the schoolboy should be beaming as along the road he swings; and the grandfathers should be dreaming of a lot of pleasant things; and the farmer with his horses should explain how good he feels; the mortician with his horses should be kicking up his heels. There is something out of kilter with the sad despondent loon who will let his sorrow filter through his countenance in June. If a man is grim and sober, shy of happiness and vim, on a bleak day in October, I can sympathize with him. If a man is far from merry, if he mutters a "Gee Whiz," in the blast of January, I can mix my tears with his. If the language he'd dismember, seeking words that sear like sin, in the middle of December, I can hail him as a twin. But this rosy month is waning and I'd give no playmate for the man who is complaining in the happy days of June.

Household Notes.

To save sugar dissolve it in hot water before adding to any beverage. A woolen cloth saturated with spirits of ammonia will polish nickel. Don't grate chocolate. Put it in a saucepan over the kettle until melted. Pour orange and pineapple juice over sliced bananas for a fruit dessert.

The Mystery Unsolved.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—I have seen in your paper of the 21st inst. a reply to my letter of the 19th re dogs. The writer of that letter has, I think, himself shown some of the characteristics of the animals in question in shrinking off under cover of a non-de-plume. If "A Barrens Traveller" is not ashamed of his statements why does he not sign his name? "A Barrens Traveller" says that if dogs from Topsail had killed the sheep they would have been seen again on the barrens. I do not consider this argument convincing. If dogs from outside had done the mischief they would probably have remained in the neighbourhood and continued the slaughter; if on the other hand dogs from nearby villages (not necessarily Topsail) were responsible, news travels quickly and the owners would in all probability take good care that their dogs would not appear on the barrens while the sheep owners were on the alert. The destruction of sheep last year which "Barrens Traveller" refers to happened, I hear, at a place two or three miles nearer St. John's and among an entirely different flock. Also will "Barrens Traveller" explain why the injured sheep were found comparatively near the village, and the remainder, which escaped, two or three miles further away, supposing dogs from St. John's, for instance, were responsible? And even if we suppose that dogs of this district have never killed sheep, is that any reason why they should not be destroyed if they are kept in defiance of the law? "A Barrens Traveller" says "There are sheep along the roads but none have been destroyed." I wonder if his memory serves him; does he forget the time, not ten years ago, when a lamb, the property of a widow, was destroyed by a dog, the owner of which had to pay for the loss? It is true that dogs of this place have been seen to drive sheep out into the water from which the poor animals have had to be rescued. "A Barrens Traveller" is very anxious to have dogs licensed. Does he wish to pay a license and keep a dog to assist him in the pursuit of game this fall (a thing which our remarkable Topsail "Collie" dogs are said to have done in the past)? Surely there can be no other reason. He should remember that even if dogs were licensed he would probably get no compensation for any losses he might sustain, unless he could prove that a dog which was licensed was responsible.

Hoping I am not trespassing too much on your valuable space, I am,
Yours truly,
G. H. HALEY.

Topsail, June 21, 1919.

Miners Working at a coal mine in the Cascade Mountains of Canada do not descend a shaft, but have to climb up a mountain to a height of nearly a mile.

The mine is rich in coal, which occurs in many seams, and five of these are now being now being worked at three different levels, the highest being 5,224 feet above sea level. The high altitude makes the means of approach a big item of expense, but it also makes the cost of transporting the coal correspondingly low, as each loaded truck runs down the incline from coal seam to ground level under its own weight, and at the same time pulls up an empty truck on the other side of the cable.

The coal obtained is anthracite, and this is the only anthracite located so far among the vast stores of coal in Canada.

The mine has an average yield of a thousand tons a day.

How to Fool Flies.

We can keep our houses free from flies by a very simple contrivance. This is to stretch nets of thread or string with meshes one inch wide over the open window or door of a room. It is, however, absolutely necessary that the room to which this is applied should have the light enter by one side only. But you will say the flies could easily get through such wide meshes. Of course they could. But—and this is the remarkable thing about it—they don't, and they won't!

This is not a new idea at all. In fact, it is over two thousand years old. Herodotus records that the Egyptian fishermen protected themselves from the attacks of mosquitoes by spreading their fishing nets over their beds. Americans often have mosquito nets with meshes an inch square put over their beds, and find them a perfect security, though, as is well known, mosquitoes will creep through any small hole in an ordinary gauze net.

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The Late Thos. Cahill.

It is with sentiments of sorrow that we chronicle the death of Thomas Cahill, one of our members. Last summer he was full of life and vigor, and now we count him in our memento for the dead. He was an ideal schoolboy; dutiful, regular, submissive and punctual, and these traits of character he bore with him and put in practice even when he had passed out of the schoolroom. He was as diligent at work as he was at school; certainly we may say of him that he endeavored "to do all things well." We miss him, not that he used to make himself felt, but his genial disposition and willing ways endeared him to us all. Young though we are, yet on every side we miss the familiar faces of those who began school-life with us, but we look for them where angel faces see them in the Better Land.

Last winter the dread disease of which he was a victim made inroads on his not too robust constitution. Hope promised health when spring would verge into summer, but the feeling of declining strength told Tom that the mists of time were clearing from life's hill, and he was already on the return journey. Medical skill availed nothing. Spiritual comfort was not wanting. All that the Catholic Church can do for the sick and dying was done for him. He felt that Heaven was luring him on to detach himself from earth and he awaited the summons with all the faith and happiness that are the adjuncts of a dutiful son and a practical Catholic.

On June 13th his spirit fled from earth and passed through the Eternal Gates to enter into "the joy of the Lord."

On Sunday, the 15th, all that was mortal of our comrade was consigned to mother earth to await the Great Archangel's call to reunite once again with the soul that long since is throbbing in the bosom of God. To pay a last tribute to our departed comrade the members attended the funeral and offered many a prayer that the Almighty may give mercy on the dear departed, and give His help and comfort to the grief-stricken parents, grandfather and sisters, to all of whom we sincerely offer our sympathy. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." — From "The Holy Cross Baseball Chronicle."

Where Miners Go Up To Work.

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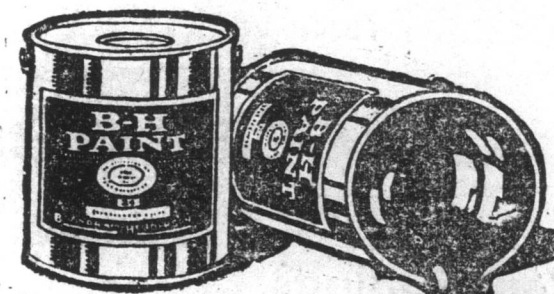
There are over 13,000 Bolshevik secret agents working in the United States and Canada, at the present time, according to General Dobransky, of the National Russian army, who is in Boston on a mission for the Czar Government, to interest leaders of opinion in the movement to fight Bolshevism in America as well as Russia, and to help gain recognition for the Omsk Government by the allies. The Gen. was head of the technical department of the Russian Ministry of War before the Bolshevik revolution, and was very instrumental in saving the vast military stores of the allies collected at Vladivostok and elsewhere, valued at over \$350,000,000. He fled from Russia, disguised as a workman, to Siberia, via Europe and the United States, when the Bolsheviks gained power, and thus was able to help the allies in Siberia. He declared that there is a world-wide menace from the Bolshevik doctrine which is being propagated with stolen Russian gold by means of secret agents in every manufacturing and mining city and town and seaport throughout the United States and Canada. He declares that these agents have divided the two countries into districts, in each of which a Soviet is to be established after existing Governments are overthrown. These agents have a number instead of a name, to

disguise their identity. And an agent bearing the number of 173,000 has been discovered by my committee. Many of them are of Teutonic origin as well as the leaders in Russia, who adopted Russian names there to disguise their origin. America and Canada must be on their guard to crush out this menace and ferret out the agents, he says.

France Preserves
Monuments of the War.

The French Government has selected about 140 famous sites along the whole front, which will be preserved in their present state as monuments of the war. Care will be taken to select a large variety of points of interest. For example, famous battle fields, deep dugouts, long underground galleries, ruins, pill boxes observation points and several of the Verdun forts will be kept and extensive shelters carved in rock on the wooded heights of the Vosges will be preserved, as well as entrenchments on both sides of the Meuse and in the Champagne, Soissons and Noyon areas. Among the sites in the British sector will be the Butte de Warcourt, ruins of Bapume, some destroyed monuments at Peronne, several completely devastated castle estates like the Chateau de Thiepval, the underground maze of Combles, tanks, churchyard at Pozieres, observation points on Hill 80, Ginchy battle field, and the famous slagheap and tower bridge at Loos.

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Dogs.

(Christian Science Monitor)

Dogs are a tremendous subject. To write their history would be very nearly to write the history of the human race, for practically wherever the human race is or ever has been there are and ever have been dogs. All down the centuries, in every country of the world, the dog of man has followed at the heels of some master, has rejoiced exuberantly in his favor, has abased himself utterly under the cloud of displeasure, and ever ready and eager to forget all differences, has reckoned the maintenance of relations as the greatest thing in the world.

And so, from far back in the past, when the dog had no real history, when he is known to have existed only because of the rude carving of some solid rock overlooking some old sea, from those dim times the characteristic of the dog that seems to have come down to the present along one wonderfully unbroken line is his faithfulness. Five thousand years before the Christian era, the Egyptian peasant, as he watched each year for the happening of the most marvellous, the rising of the Nile, noticed that its gracious waters began to trickle over his parched land at the time that a certain glorious star appeared above the horizon, and so inevitably did the rising of the Nile follow upon the rising of the star that, to the peasant, the dog's faithfulness could only be compared to the faithfulness of his star, and thus Sirius came to be called the Dog Star. Thus, even at that time, the dog had established

himself firmly in one whose faith changing that of his devotion to his master, he failed to make a hero is still regarded. For the most part, amongst most men, had no difficulty in position as the maintaining of station in the so famous and looked for and that any narrow den with bladders of the soldier's did scanty duty trolled No-More patches through tangles.

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