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FAVORABLE INDICATIONS

Canada's trade balance with the United States shows considerable improvement. During the last twelve months Canadian exports to the United States were higher and the imports lower than in the preceding year. A statement issued from Ottawa shows that while our imports are still considerably larger than our exports to that country there has been an improvement of about \$44,000,000 in the balance during the last year. Another interesting item of news regarding Canada's relations with her neighbor is the announcement that the price received for a Canadian National loan of \$29,000,000 is the best obtained in New York this year for any similar class of security. A third item of interest is the announcement from Ottawa that during the month of June 4,720 Canadians came back from the United States, and that of these 3,962 were native born Canadians. Another very satisfactory item in the news is that the Canadian dollar is getting closer to par in New York, the discount now being but a very small fraction. It is worth while now and then to remind ourselves of facts such as these just noted.

LAFOLLETTE'S FOLLOWING

The LaFollette boom in the United States is having some interesting results. The United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and Railway Shop Laborers have endorsed him as a candidate for the Presidency. The American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic endorses him "as the only candidate who has announced himself in favor of freedom for Ireland." It endorses him "in his campaign to save the nation from Wall Street and British Control." Since the Association has only seven thousand active members and seventy thousand associate members it may not cut a large figure in a campaign. In New York, also, a group of one hundred "liberal professional and business men and women" have assured Senator LaFollette of their support. Representatives of labor organizations in Baltimore have come out for him and will call a state convention. The South Dakota Branch of the National Conference for Progressive Political Action is also in line. The Senator will have a somewhat nondescript following, and it is a little difficult to understand how they can coalesce in support of any individual or any policy.

FAVORS BRITISH METHODS.

The Loeb-Leopold affair in Chicago and the manner in which this tragedy has been treated prompts the Tribune of that city to make some comparisons in which the British method of dealing out justice is placed in contrast with the American. We quote:
"The Franks case has been a three months' moral pastime imposed upon our people before the trial. It is an aggravated instance of what has happened with increasing frequency for two decades since the Thaw trial and before. The injury to justice is in public before the trial. Newspaper trials, before the case is called, have become an abomination. The dangerous initiative that newspapers have taken in judging and convicting out of court is journalistic lynch law. Prosecuting attorneys now hasten to the papers with their theories and confessions. Neither dare, do otherwise. Half-wit juries or prejudiced juries are the inevitable result. There is one remedy and it is drastic restriction of publicity before the trial must be imposed by law. England by custom and by law imposes such restrictions. English papers print only the briefest and coolest statement of the facts before the trial."

RESTORING HUNGARY.

One of the great accomplishments of the League of Nations has been the financial restoration of Austria. A like course is now being pursued in the case of Hungary. The London Statist says that the flotation in London of a portion of the Hungarian reconstruction loan was a success, and adds that its most important aspects "do not lie in its immediate bearing on the financial and economic rehabilitation of Hungary itself, but are firstly, its reflections on the methods to be adopted for European reconstruction in general; and, secondly, its effects on the prestige of the League of Nations." The policy pursued by the League in regard to Austria and Hungary embodies two main principles. The first is the abandonment of the depreciating paper currency as the unit of account, substituting a stable monetary standard; and the second the promotion of an international loan sufficient to cover budget deficits until such time as the Government of the country, can balance the budget. It is through the action of the League that Austria and Hungary have been enabled to secure loans which in their bankrupt condition they could not

otherwise have secured. The Statist is of the opinion that it will eventually be necessary to apply the same policy in the case of some other countries, notably Germany, Russia and Turkey. It says the League has acquitted itself most creditably in the cases of Austria and Hungary, and has "unquestionably performed a real service to humanity." In providing for such loans the investors are protected, and the success attained in the case of Austria promises to be repeated in the case of Hungary. The Hungarian issue offered in London amounted to nearly \$8,000,000, and the prospectus says that the bonds will be secured by a first charge on the gross receipts of the custom duties, the sugar tax and tobacco monopoly, and on the net receipts of the salt monopoly. General, who will act until the financial stability of Hungary is assured, when the account will be controlled by trustees. If the Commissioner-General deems it necessary, other specific revenues and assets must also be furnished by the Hungarian Government as security for the loan. The whole issue of bonds, The Statist informs us, has been heavily over-subscribed.

A visitor from Connecticut testifies that he regards the summer climate of New Brunswick as the most agreeable he has found on the continent. That climate would bear a good deal more advertising than it gets. Occasionally one picks up a New York or other American newspaper to find in it a very attractive advertisement about the summer attractions of Nova Scotia. Our own province does not receive nearly as much publicity of this sort as it ought to get, and which would yield profitable dividends in tourist traffic.

King Square is not a picnic ground. Persons who go there to hear a band concert or to sit about and enjoy the atmosphere and the beauty of the scenery should have more civic pride than to litter the place up with paper and rubbish of one sort and another. When they do that sort of thing it reveals them as citizens of a very indifferent sort, and the attendant expense is added to the tax bill. Why not make a few arrests and get in fines the money to pay for cleaning the place up?

An almost unbelievable story of cruelty to cows comes from Lorneville. If there is any domestic animal to which man owes kindness it is the purveyor of milk. Only a person of fiendish instincts could treat an animal as these cows at Lorneville are said to have been treated. To seek revenge upon anybody by injuring his cattle or to torture a beast for the love of torture brands the perpetrator as inhuman, and not fit to consort even with the most brutal type of animal creation.

The people of East St. John are to be congratulated on the result of the persistence with which they have sought to secure an adequate water and sewerage system. This work is to be proceeded with at once and will make the eastern suburb a much safer, healthier and more desirable place of residence.

When The Times printed the story of the rescue of a boy from drowning by Seaman Kyte of the Cruiser Constance, this paper also suggested that the rescuer should receive recognition of his bravery from the City Council. The Council shared that view, and a suitable medal has been presented to the young hero.

The beginning of the tidal borings at Hopewell Cape indicates the determination of the Federal Government to test out the theory of Mr. Turnbull and learn whether the development of hydro-electric energy from tidal power at that point is feasible. The people of Moncton are to be congratulated upon the energy and persistence with which they pressed for such action.

The City Council has accepted the offer of \$5,000 from Mr. J. D. O'Connell, the income from which will be utilized from year to year to provide stipends for children. Mr. O'Connell prefers to spend his money in this way rather than for the benefit of any particular institution for children; and, whether there is general agreement with his point of view, there is no question at all about the generosity he continually manifests in the interest of the little ones.

HIT BY MOTOR CYCLE.

Yesterday morning at 9:50 o'clock, J. A. Corey, aged 69 years, a resident of Havelock, Kings county, while crossing Charlotte street from the north corner of King square, went round the rear of a street car going south and was hit by a motor cycle driven by Bernard O'Donnell, of 818 Main street, Fairville. Mr. Corey was knocked down and suffered a shock. He was first removed to the General Public Hospital and then returned to the Park Hotel.

Press Comment

EUROPE IN TRANSITION.

(Christian Science Monitor.)

In the long run therefore, it is what the people themselves think that really counts, and that is why, whatever may happen as between governments in the next few weeks the present trend of opinion in Europe is to be welcomed. Every week shows that the bitterness and estrangement of the past few years lessening, and that toleration and recognition that if nations are to thrive they must live together, not in hostility but in friendship, is steadily growing. Doubtless, new issues are arising and new difficulties are beginning to appear. There will be problems to solve and difficulties to overcome so long as humanity persists. But it is a great thing that mankind should begin to forget and put behind it the rigid prejudices and violent animosities of the recent past, and think rather of how it is to build a new and better world on the foundation of national freedom, democracy, and international co-operation which were laid by the victory of the Allies in the Great War.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

(Toronto Star.)

The revived interest being taken in Canada in the question of old age pensions is a pleasing sign of the times. The country is not in as good a position as formerly to finance pensions. Yet the operation of old age pensions would remove so many conditions which are a reproach to a civilized people, that the inauguration of this form of relief should not be put off indefinitely. Sir Richard Cartwright once declared that it would be a slur on Canada and its opportunities to establish old age pensions. The public is coming to entertain a different view. The Canadian premier has made the gratifying announcement that during the legislative recess the co-operation of the provinces will be sought with a view to the ultimate establishment of a pensions system.

The provinces have plenty of financial problems of their own. But they should sympathetically approach the joint consideration of the question of providing for aged and indigent citizens.

TO ENGLAND FOR LAW.

(Bangor News.)

Four hundred members of the American Bar Association have left for England to attend an international bar convention in London.

It is a good thing for those lawyers to go and talk things over with their professional brethren in England. It may be a good thing for their country, too. They will undoubtedly be impressed with the simpler, more direct and more effective court procedure of England, especially in criminal cases.

The two countries started even in the theory and practice of law. Our American law is based upon English law. There was a time when American administration of justice was much improved over the English system. Court procedure was pretty effective and satisfactory in this country when England still had its Star Chamber delays. Then somehow law in each country seemed to develop in the opposite direction. In the last century England has greatly simplified its judicial methods and expedited justice, by emphasizing essentials, while America has developed a judicial system that is complex, technical and dilatory beyond any in history.

It is an old maxim that "justice delayed is justice denied." Thousands of Americans have justice thus denied right along, in civil suits, because they lack money or patience to see them through the long trials, re-trials, appeals, reversals, etc. Communities over and over again have justice denied because technical and frivolous objections are allowed to interfere with the punishment of guilty criminals. In this matter, at least, America should not be too proud to learn from present-day England.

CHILDREN AND ENVIRONMENT.

(New York Herald-Tribune.)

It is a little surprising that in the perennial discussion of the influence of heredity and environment on character so few people have had thought of adopted children. It has remained for the State Charities Association to run a three-year test on a group of 810 adopted children, and to arrive at the conclusion, if somewhat disturbing, that environment wins hands down. It was found that 80 per cent. of these children had come from backgrounds "predominantly bad" and that 77 per cent. had "made good." Further, while 86 per cent. of the children placed before they were five years old "succeeded," only 72 per cent. of those placed after the age of five came up to the survey's standard.

These conclusions throw a gentle statistical haze over the subject which conceals somewhat the inexactitude of the terminology. "Success," for example—and it is the difficulty of all sociological writers—is hardly capable of scientific definition, while the survey is compelled to admit that most of the cases studied are not yet over twenty-five years old. But if such a survey cannot be precisely scientific it can be interesting, and for practical purposes it seems to get us at least as far as either the biologists or the intelligence testers, and it is as good a substitute as could be expected for that hypothetical experiment in which all the babies born in France in one year were to be exchanged for those born in England, and the resulting generations studied to see which exhibited "Gallic wit" and which showed "English reserve."

It means that a careful application of common-sense standards indicates that our children are much more apt to be what we make them than merely to be what they were born. We have more often pretended that this is so than actually believed in it; and it is still difficult quite to understand that a child of parents who were both drunken and immoral can under proper influences grow up without showing any taint of its parentage. If this really is the more likely result, it suggests a vastly better hope for the future, but also a vastly greater responsibility for the present.

SHOOTS A HORSE.

At the request of William E. Scully, M.L.A., Police Sergeant O'Neill, of the western division, on Monday shot a horse that was unfit for use.

ORKNEY ROADS

(David Horne.)

Oh, the Orkney roads are long, long roads,
For they all run down to the sea,
Past the Hammers of Hoy and Wideford Hill,
And the heights of Copinsay Lea.
You may tramp them all from end to end,
But matter which way you go,
You land at last on the edge of the deep,
And it's south by Scapa Flow.

There's a dear old road that creeps along
The skirts of Wideford Mains,
Past Ingness Bay and St. Peter's Pool,
And there when the daylight wanes,
The fairies dance in a joyous ring
On Dingshore height.
And you tread a road in the Land of Dreams,
Bewitched by mad moonlight.

There's the Orkney road, w' Keelylang,
In the flow the grim old Hindenburg
Watches the dying day,
You speed along the friendly hills,
You reach the plain of Summerdale,
Where gray ghosts flutter by.

And a road runs west to Stromness town,
Past Maeshowe's mystic mound;
In broad daylight you spy stone men
On Brogar's heavy ground.
And roads run on to St. Margaret's Hope,
Or wind down by Whitehall,
And many forbye in the Orkney Isles,
That hold our hearts in thrall.

But they all run on in a carefree way,
Past burn and kirk and mill,
Past the dear old house where you were born,
Past a loch or a heathery hill.
You may tramp them all from end to end,
But matter which way you go,
You'll land on the longest road of all—
The road of the open sea.

LIGHTEN VEIN.

Watered Stock.
"They tell me you have an oil well on your farm."
"There's some truth in it," replied Farmer Courtessell, "I got the well."

Price Fixing.
Stranger—"Brother, at what price do you value the cow with the white face I saw yesterday in the field by the railroad?"
Farmer—"Are you the tax assessor or has she been killed by the cars?"

Back-Fire.
Speer—"Have you seen Al?"
Gemmell—"Who? A Kauffman?"
Speer—"No, Alchold."
Gemmell—"No, but kerosene him last night and he hasn't benzine since."

No Pleasant Reunion.
"Just happened to run into an old friend downtown."
"Was he glad to see you?"
"I should say so. I smashed his fender and blew out a tire when I ran into him."

The Artful Editor.
Visitor—"How do you get so many subscribers?"
Editor of Magazine—"Just between you and me, I'll tell you the secret. I answer the contributors and tell them the stuff will be used as soon as possible. That makes them subscribe for life."

By The Landlord.
"When I rented this bungalow, you promised to put it in perfect condition. Why didn't you repair the leak in the roof?"
"The agreement does not allow me to repair it. You will find that states you are to get running water all over the house."

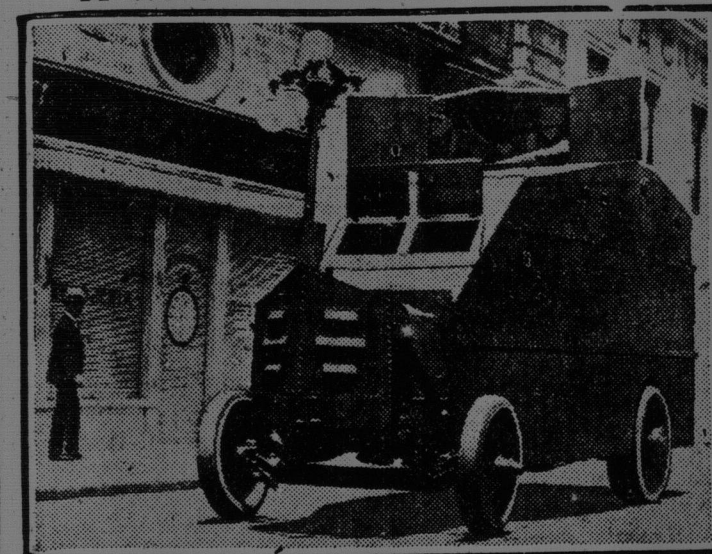
NO MEMORIAL IN ABBEY.

Permission for a memorial tablet to Lord Byron in Westminster Abbey has been refused. Bishop Ryle, dean of Westminster, in the course of a letter to the London Times says: "Byron, partly by his own open, dissolute life and partly by the influence of licentious verse, earned a world-wide reputation for immorality among English-speaking people. Westminster Abbey primarily stands to witness for Jesus Christ. A man who outraged the laws of Our Divine Lord and whose principles of woman violated Christian principles of purity and honor should not be commemorated in Westminster Abbey."

In conclusion Bishop Ryle says: "In my decision I have the unanimous support of the chapter. I believe also, that I shall have behind me the support of the great mass of Christian opinion, throughout the whole British Empire."

A Chicago electric traction company has sold \$1,244,100 worth of preferred stock to 5,136 of its employees.

IT WAS A PEACEFUL ELECTION!



Tanks patrolled the streets of Mexico City the day the voters went to the polls to elect a new president but no serious disorders were reported. All in all, it was a quiet election for Mexico. So far, though, nobody knows who was elected. General Calles and General Flores, the rival candidates, both are claiming victory. The national Congress probably will have to decide which of them will wear the mantle Alvaro Obregon is discarding.

SAILORS PLEASED WITH VISIT HERE

Petty Officers are Guests of Sergeants' Mess—Buffalo Entertainment.

Of all the cities at which the cruiser Constance has called during the last 18 months the city of St. John is the only one that has extended to the seamen of the ship the freedom of theatres and street cars, and at the entertainment given last night at the Garrison Mess for the petty officers and men of the Constance, Chief Petty Officer Corbie, who acted as chairman, expressed the hearty appreciation of the petty officers and men for these courtesies.

Speaking on behalf of the petty officers and men, he declared that in his city during the 18 months that he had found a more congenial atmosphere or been so royally entertained. There was no city on the continent where they would wish to visit again as they did in St. John. He also voiced the hearty appreciation of the men for the splendid entertainment of their hosts of last evening, the members of the Sergeants' Mess.

Members of the ship's company and the members of the Garrison Mess both contributed to an excellent programme which was heartily enjoyed.

New Brunswick Lodge No. 4623, Royal Antishipian Order of Buffaloes, under the Grand Lodge of England, held its weekly meeting Monday night in the lodge rooms in the new building, Primus W. J. Blackwell, Sr., occupied the royal chair and was assisted in conducting the meeting by Primo Thomas Cox. A large number of the eighty members of the order, members of the crew of H. M. S. Constance, attended. Initiations and elections to the second degree took place after which a real old Buffalo time was enjoyed. Songs, instrumental duets and speeches kept the ball rolling until an early hour in the morning when the New Brunswick lodge to entertain them.

SCARLET FEVER IN EDMUNDSTON.

Two public health nurses have been sent to Edmundston by the Provincial Department of Health to take charge of the nursing of scarlet fever cases, the disease being quite prevalent in Edmundston at the present time.

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daughter. Do you remember the story of the minister who stopped a small boy on the street and said sternly: "Tommy, what would your poor mother say if she saw you smoking that cigarette?" "She'd give me the dickens," they're hers," responded the boy blithely. Mothers, you can't fool your children, but they can fool you. Be friends with them. Poor mother! poor, indeed, if you balance the world and its pleasures against the love and respect of your children.
"Her Book" contains good advice to old and young, grave and gay. It has a chapter on "Manners," another on "Economy," "Husbands and Wives," "The Family Life," "The Philanderer,"
"The Gossip Habit," "Nagging Folk," and on many other engrossing subjects. Besides the "Talks," there are nearly 300 pages of cooking recipes, entertainments, games, etc. Witty and well Margaret Currie tells how to cook the cake for the party, and how to give those attending said party a real good time.
SEE SEWERAGE LOCATION.
Dr. G. G. Melvin, chief medical health officer of the province, was in the city yesterday and in company with Dr. William Warwick, medical officer for the district, visited East St. John to look over the sewerage system installation location.

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