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TORONTO SLUMS

The city of Toronto is confronted by a serious problem. Here is an extract from the report of the medical health officer, who made an inspection of slum conditions in that city:

The inspectors found 447 people living in basements and 22 in cellars. Most of the basements are damp, and in the cellars and back kitchens hens, ducks and dogs are sometimes kept. Three hundred and ninety houses were found unfit for human habitation, 77 in the Eastern avenue district, 106 in the Central district, 9 in the Niagara street district, 197 in other districts.

In these, 2,133 people live. The central or City Hall district is the most densely populated. 3,051 families were visited here—11,645 persons living in an area of 162 acres; of these: 1,275 families live in 4 rooms or more. 348 families live in 3 rooms. 387 families live in 2 rooms. 129 families live in 1 room. 81 families live in basements. 1 family lives in a cellar.

No less than 108 of these houses are unfit for habitation. In these districts where there are 5,382 families there are only 1,691 baths. In one house nine children were found sleeping in three rooms. The inspector found among the 4,096 houses inspected that in 42 were families afflicted with tuberculosis, 337 had filthy surroundings, 2,397 had outside closets or privy pits, 716 had unsanitary closets, 208 had filthy conditions inside, 109 had overcrowded rooms, 400 had 4-roomed dwellings, 846 3-roomed, 411 2-roomed, and 108 1-roomed. In these 4,096 houses were 26,412 persons, including French, German, Italian, Hebrew, Polish, Russian, Swedish, Finlander, Macedonian, Greek, Slovenian, Armenian, Chinese and negroes.

The report says that the following conditions peculiar to great cities, are found to be present to a lamentable extent: High rents are being collected for rear houses, dark rooms, tenement houses, houses unfit for habitation; inadequate water supply; unpaved and filthy yards and lanes, sanitary conveniences so-called, which by their position, and the conditions, or for various other reasons have become a public nuisance, a menace to public health, a danger to public morals, and in fact, an offence against public decency. Some houses were so inaccessible that they were at first missed, even by experienced inspectors. One house could be reached only by a curious tunnel-like passage from the street, down a dark and precipitous stairway, and up again into a back yard, where the house was found thus concealed. Two houses were found built over stables with no evidence of any drainage.

Dr. Hastings, the medical health officer, makes this recommendation: "We require, first, a good housing by-law, with provisions for its adequate enforcement. Secondly, we require suburban garden cities, with rapid transportation facilities at single fare, such as they have in Germany and England, where the mechanic can get a ticket for 25 cents good for six round trips six miles from the heart of the city, or for thirty cents for nine miles."

Toronto cannot afford to have these disease breeding centres within its bounds. The health officers must be backed up by such civic legislation as would enable them to clean up the slums. To have more than 20,000 people living in conditions so unsanitary is a menace to the whole city. It is more. It is a disgrace.

CONCERNING THE FARM The report of the Canadian field crops for May shows favorable conditions all over Canada. The acreage in grain in New Brunswick is somewhat larger than that of last year, but less in hay and clover. The figures for this province are:

Table with 2 columns: Crop and Acreage. Spring wheat (acres) 18,400 19,500. Oats (acres) 218,900 212,900. Barley (acres) 3,100 2,900. Peas (acres) 2,100 2,700. Mixed grains (acres) 4,900 4,900. Hay and clover (acres) 63,800 65,000.

provinces. The increase from 1900 to 1911 was in Acres. Manitoba 2,953,600. Saskatchewan 7,364,313. Alberta 1,838,073.

The total area in wheat, oats and barley in the three provinces named is this year about 15,900,000 acres. The report also gives the Canadian exports of dairy produce for the last three years (ending March 31st.) as follows:—

Table with 3 columns: Product, 1911, 1910, 1909. Cheese \$29,789,907 \$21,607,292 \$20,284,696. Butter 744,288 1,010,272 1,821,438. Condensed Milk 469,408 541,372 90,520. Cream 1,714,928 541,372 90,520. Casein 37,000 5,391. Fresh Milk 5,391.

Condensed milk, cream, casein and fresh milk were included in one item down to the end of the fiscal year ended March 31, 1910. It will be observed that there was an enormous increase in the export of condensed milk, cream, casein and milk last year. The report says:—

It will be observed that there was an increase in the exports of dairy products show an increase during the past two years, notwithstanding the lower price obtained for cheese in 1910. If the price of cheese had ruled as high in 1910 as it did in 1909 the exports for the past year would have totalled about \$28,000,000. If the annual increase in home consumption is also taken into account we have ample evidence of a steady growth in dairy production. The chief of the dairy division and other members of the staff are now engaged in completing the investigation begun last year in connection with the care and handling of cream intended for cream-gathering creameries. This work is being carried on at Renfrew, Ont., and it is hoped to complete the series of experiments early in the season."

Dr. E. S. Kirkpatrick points out that reciprocity would give Canada a profitable market in Porto Rico. A draft agreement satisfactory to all parties, for the transfer of the west side harbor lots, has at last been framed. The whole matter should soon be settled.

Hon. J. K. Flemming states that matters in regard to the St. John valley railway agreement are progressing in a satisfactory manner. Yesterday's conference in this city on the question of trade with Cuba will doubtless deepen local interest in this important subject.

The welcome to Sir Wilfrid Laurier on the St. Lawrence will be a memorable affair. Quebec will acclaim her greatest son, and all Canada will applaud. Dublin people give a royal welcome to the King and Queen. The relations between Ireland and the throne will be more cordial in the future than ever in the past.

As a "boos" story the Standard plays up a rumor that St. John has increased little or none in population in the last ten years; and also the remark of a man who says he hopes this is true. Some people might call this a "knock."

The presence of Hon. Dr. Pugsley and Hon. C. W. Robinson at the Kent County Liberal convention in Richibucto next Tuesday will add greatly to the general interest in the proceedings. Both reciprocity and provincial matters will be discussed, and candidates nominated for federal and provincial houses.

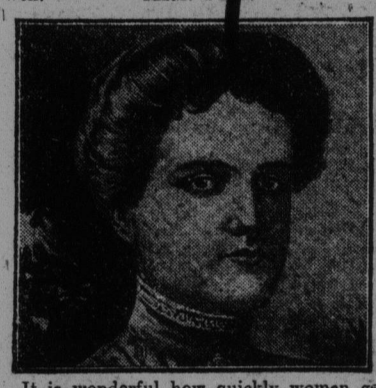
Each day the Standard represent Sir Wilfrid Laurier as giving another back with his little axe at the painter which fastens Canada to the Empire. The people of Canada are preparing to welcome Sir Wilfrid as a great imperial as well as a great Canadian statesman. The Standard is not in touch with the sentiment of the people.

THE BELLES. Of the belles! Summer belles. What a plentitude of heartaches their giddiness compels! How they giggle, giggle, giggle! In the sea-breeze-laden night. How their victims squirm and wriggle! In an ecstasy of fright. How they hurt! When they flirt, When they flirt, they gloat. On the squirming of a fellow when they have him by the throat.

OF THE BELLES! Brazen belles. How they conjure, scheme and plan To entrap the Summer-man, The ribbon-counter gentlemen who masquerade as swells. OF THE BELLES! Greedy belles! How they wring, wring, wring Soda water, everything, From the pockets of those "Cash!" exclaiming swells. OF THE BELLES! Foxy belles! What a wealth of hints they fling, To compel the pleasant ring Diamond ring. Ah! the heart-engaging rill, Of the golden wedding bells, bells, bells, bells, bells. OF THE BELLES! Tom Dally, in Catholic Standard and Times.

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THE BRIGHT DAY

It is vain for you to rise up early. To sit up late. To eat the bread of sorrow. For so he greiveth his beloved sleep. Pain speak.

After a little space, Mary, his dearest daughter, covered up his face And stayed her tears, For her own sake it was, she knew, to face the years. And live through as he had always led— The life whose every thread, Made part of the plain coat called Sacrifice.

A coat without device But one which many, many hearts have blessed For its warm love, and pressed Its rough folds to their lips and wept. For she remembered how her hand he kept Within his own, and with her walked abroad. And watched the sunsets, its last glory yield. All this came back to her, All little things that were, And every clear remembrance on her heart Laid its rich sorrow and its mortal smart, Too exquisite bereavement to be borne.

Yet, after the long night the austere morn, Smiling upon her, said with gentleness:— I am the living, and I am no less The dead. For they have entered into me: Today, not yesterday, is their eternity. Your past must die with him you loved so much.

He is part of me, and you must touch My hand with the warm love of a young child, For I, the living world, am reconciled To God's un pitying plan; and all my hours, My tasks, my needs imperative, and my bright flowers. Are fashioned from the souls of those who worship God. Nothing God made is underneath the soil! I am Today, my daughter, and I need your love!

Look up above— The sky is leaden, and the cheerless rain Makes its own misery and pain. But you and I can only bear to hear, Deep in our hearts, the joyous clear, Brave music of the soul that sings Of coming day and living things! —Samuel McCoy in The Atlantic.

ON HIS GUARD "Let's go in and get something to eat." "Not in that restaurant." "Why?" "Last time I was there they had a sign which read, 'Watch your hat and overcoat,' and while I was doing that somebody stole my watch."

BROUGHT IT UPON HIMSELF Boston Transcript.—Widmore—I made the mistake of my life last night. I told my wife I didn't like her new gown. Singleton—And she flared up, eh? Widmore—Oh, no; it wasn't that; but now she wants money for another.

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Elephants, like other animals, lie down to sleep in their native jungles, but in captivity never. Their standing sleep is brief—about three hours—and all the rest of the night they stand rocking from side to side in the darkness. The reason for this, the keepers say, is that the elephant never reaches the point of complete confidence in his keepers and is ever grieving for the jungle.



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