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THE GUELPH WINTER SHOW.

We can all afford to take pride in the splendid success of the Guelph winter show.

The event was looking for a home some years ago, and Brantford secured it using the Grand Trunk shops, then vacant, for the purpose. Without any doubt at that time we could have obtained the exhibition permanently and the late Mr. Joseph Stratford, backed up by The Courier, urged that steps be taken to that end. Nothing of an aggressive nature was done and the outcome has shown that Mr. Stratford had a much clearer view of the possibilities than did others.

Toronto, after the usual Toronto fashion, two or three years ago, inaugurated a show to offset the Guelph event, but it hasn't done anything of the kind. The Royal City function continues to grow and flourish and large buildings erected by the Ontario Government not so long ago are now found to be absolutely inadequate and new structures will have to be provided. For the opening day this year the attendance was 8,210 as compared with 3,200 for the first day last year.

Good for Guelph, and Brantfordites will not envy her success in the matter because they foolishly lost the event themselves. And right here it is only the part of frankness to admit that the exhibition is better there anyway because of the proximity of the Agricultural College. Students from that place can attend to much advantage and farmers and their families in turn can visit the institution named and learn much for themselves also.

HON. SAM. HUGHES

The Hon. Sam Hughes is a man who does things and what's more he doesn't care what critics he may arouse in the doing of them.

Full of energy and determination he has taken a whole-hearted and energetic interest in the welfare of the Militia, in fact it is safe to assert that he stands head and shoulders above any other Minister at the head of this department, whether Grit or Tory.

A characteristic incident of the man occurred at the time of the Boer war. He wanted to go with the Canadian contingent, but was not selected, presumably for political reasons. Nothing daunted, the Hon. Sam went over on his own account and served for several months in that struggle. He is equally fearless in other respects as shown by the fact that he openly called down some officers at Halifax who had used strong drink at a dinner contrary to his expressed desire. It is not too much to say that since his advent, all branches of the service have received an impetus and a quickening such as never before obtained. Some good souls of course hold up their hands in holy horror at what they will be pleased to call militarism, but the man or boy never lived yet who failed to get advantage from proper discipline and training, and should a call to arms come as it has twice in Canada, within a comparatively recent period, and once for the Empire, it is well to be thoroughly prepared.

Hon. Mr. Hughes announces as his latest plan, a comprehensive scheme for the training of military students. In a recent issue of this paper it was announced that Major R. Leonard, an old Brantford boy, had generously offered to donate such an establishment in connection with Queen's University, Kingston, and previously the statement was made of a similar gift for McGill College, Montreal, by Lord Strathcona. The Minister considers himself now warranted in saying that he thinks public spirited citizens of affluence will shortly make the total available \$1,000,000, so that all the Canadian universities will have such establishments.

High spirited, but affable, the Hon. Sam is deservedly most popular at Ottawa, and he has the knack of getting his estimates through the House with less friction than almost any other member of the Cabinet. He has very properly made the title "Minister of Militia" mean something and it is to be hoped that he will long be spared for the office.

THE ONTARIO LEADERSHIP

Somebody or the other has started the rumor that Sir James Whitney may retire from the Premiership of Ontario, and opened up speculation as to his successor.

They don't know Sir James, or the circumstances of his present cessation from the duties of office. The truth of the matter is that he works too hard. There is not an employee in the Legislative building who sticks as closely to his work as the first Minister, and when on top of that there is the great responsibility resting upon any man at the head of such a vast Province as this—407,262 square miles, or about four times the size of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales combined—it is small wonder that nature has called for some relief.

Although he has passed his seventieth birthday, Sir James is still vigorous, and recreation, too long delayed, will without much doubt, put him in fine fettle once more.

It is quite customary to depict the Premier as a man with a big stick, who overawes his colleagues and all those with whom he comes in contact. It is not to be denied that he is very outspoken, not to say sometimes bluff when he deems the occasion to warrant such a course, but there is a big heart in that broad frame and an uprightness of purpose and hatred of wrong doing, such as impresses everyone with whom he comes in contact. If James Pliny Whitney by one overt act could retain the reins of office, that move would never be made. He would step out of power without one moment's hesitation.

Among his followers there has never been even the hint of a successor. He has their whole-hearted admiration and respect, just as he has of all others who appreciate the worthiness and the straightforwardness of his administration of the affairs of Ontario.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Sam Hughes hews to the line; even if the chips do cover up the surrounding area.

If you would join the Club St. Nicholas. You are welcome, married, maid or lass.

Well, what do you think of the advertisement in this issue of the great family journal? They tell you of a wealth of carefully selected goods sold at right prices.

In Hamilton Mr. Corner became the husband of Miss Stone.—London Advertiser.

That brings to mind the story of the introduction of a Mr. Chewitt to a Miss Nibblitt.

Mr. John F. Donald, of Plympton Township, decided to give up-to-date treatment to an old orchard just about useless. As a result he reports a profit of \$420 this year over all expenses. Get more out of the land is just about as good advice as getting back to the land.

It has been shown by the evidence that the National Land and Fruit Company, one of Pollman Evans' affairs paid \$484 on some land and borrowed \$500,000 on the same. The high cost of getting duped is running a dead heat with the high cost of living.

Sir William Mackenzie head of the Canadian Northern Railway has just returned from the Old Land where he succeeded in floating \$6,000,000 worth of bonds. Sir Mac. is the kind of man who would fall into the Brantford canal and come out with his pockets full of speckled trout.

A Sarnia Township farmer sued the Bell Telephone Company for the death of a horse because he could not phone a veterinary as a line was out of order. They settled for \$125 and costs. Now if Brantford's city hall should get into trouble because of a balky phone, about how much do you think the community would get out of it?

The people of Toronto on January First next will vote as to whether the municipal franchise should be extended to married women owning property as it is now to widows and spinners of that class. Why, not? No earthly reason exists why a woman having lost a husband, or never possessing one should be specially privileged in this essential. N.B.—Voting is meant.

"No one contends that Sir Wilfrid did all that should have been done to get rid of high taxation. He did all that could be done and went out of office trying to do more.—Toronto Globe.

The only article he made free was binder twine. How much did that come down in price as a result? Not only that but why is it that with the tariff removed all the Canadian binder twine industries were put out of business with one exception?

LOYD GEORGE'S STIRRING SPEECH AT OXFORD CITY

Chancellor is Given Great Reception, in Which Dead Birds and Turnips Play a Part.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Mr. Lloyd George's visit to Oxford on Friday as a guest of the Oxford Debating Society was made the occasion of a good deal of chaff and tagging by the undergraduates, but resulted in a signal triumph, a motion condemning the land policy of the Government being rejected by a large majority, after a stirring speech by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The streets were crowded in the evening, and there was great laughter when three or four taxi-cabs drove along, each with a full load of cheering undergraduates. Some of them carried banners on sticks, others mangolds, but the majority turnips. Scientific agriculture is evidently not a strong point in the university curriculum, seeing that so many of the students are entirely ignorant of the difference between a mangold and a turnip.

While Mr. Lloyd George's motor-car was passing through Oxford to the meeting a number of dead birds were thrown at the windows, which were broken. When the Chancellor arrived at the Union building he had a reception in which cheers and boos were about equally mixed. As he passed through the gates, half-a-dozen turnips were thrown over the wall. For this episode the Chancellor had a broad smile.

The Martyr's Memorial that well-known landmark in the University city, was decorated in what was certainly an original fashion. The decorations were so placed that elaborate arrangements had to be made for their removal. These arrangements were carried out by the police on Saturday morning, and the Martyr's Memorial resumed its ordinary appearance. The decorations were conveyed to the police station amid the enthusiastic cheers of the undergraduates.

Mr. Lloyd George spent the night at the Deanery, Christ Church, as the guest of the Vice-Chancellor. On Saturday morning he received three deputations of women's suffrage in the dining-room of the Deanery, and at half-past twelve left in his motor for London.

At this time the "Lona Quad" at Christ Church was filled with undergraduates and their friends. Most of these were furnished with cameras, with which they "snap-shotted" the Chancellor. When Mr. Lloyd George was passing through the gates into the street someone threw a dog-biscuit into the car. The Chancellor picked it up and placed it in the letter bag, remarking, "That will do for my lunch."

The debate was opened by Mr. E. H. G. Roberts (Trinity) on the question "That this house has no confidence in the land policy of his Majesty's Government."

After Mr. Roberts had moved the resolution Mr. G. P. Dennis (Exeter) opposed it, and Mr. W. T. Monkton (Balliol), an ex-president of the society, supported it.

Mr. Lloyd George, who wound up the debate, was received with the greatest enthusiasm.

Referring first to the "Ulster difficulty," the Chancellor said: "I assure you that it is by no means the Government's difficulty. (Cheers) It is a difficulty which confronts and concerns both parties, and I think you will excuse me when I say that the less it is discussed at the present moment the more likely it is to be satisfactorily settled. (Cheers) I do not give way to any person in any political party in my sincere desire that the question should be settled, at any rate without bloodshed. (Hear, hear.)"

"Mr. Roberts also discussed the

Budget of 1909, and very fairly quoted the statement that you must test a Budget by its financial success. I accept that test.

"I invite you to look at a little non-controversial speech of mine at Limehouse on the subject. (Laughter.) That Budget produced last year between twenty-six and twenty-seven millions, and it will produce more this year. Both the Navy and the Army Estimates have gone up by something like twenty millions since 1908. The whole of that money has been produced by that 'financial failure'—the Budget of 1909. (Laughter.)

"In addition, we have found money for old-age pensions—(cheers)—and national insurance, and we have paid something like fifty millions of the public debt—all out of that great 'financial failure' and at a time when every country in Europe is borrowing for the purpose of armaments. (Cheers.)

"It was said the cost of collecting the land tax was half a million. It was the cost of valuation that was half a million, and the Valuation Bill introduced by Mr. Walter Long would have cost the same. Valuation is not collection—the two terms

A Minimum Wage

The Chancellor then turned to the land question, with which the debate was chiefly concerned, and said: "I cannot for the life of me say whether the Unionist party condemn the whole of the Government proposals or not. I should like to ask the last speaker (Mr. Monkton) if he is in favor of fixing a minimum wage

for agricultural laborers by the gross of law. This is the most fundamental issue of the whole Government programme."

He had been represented as a very violent partisan whose heart was full of partisanship. Speaking as an old man to young men, he said that no man could attain any prominence in public life without going through years of strife and contention, which aroused fury and prejudice against him. Let them judge these proposals on their merits, forgetting if they liked the obnoxious Chancellor of the Exchequer.

"The only difference in regard to housing is that one party says we must lend the credit of the State, and the other—the Unionist—says we must not merely lend it but pay half the cost of the expense of the taxpayer. A more futile and disastrous policy than that no man could conceive. If you are going to make grants for the purpose of building houses, how are you going to stop in the rural districts? Are you going to tax the artisans in the towns for the purpose of paying the rent of the workmen in the villages?"

Dealing with the question of security of tenure, Mr. Lloyd George said: "At the present moment the vast majority of farmers in this country conduct their business under conditions in which no other trade can be possibly kept alive. A year's notice and a man can be turned out of a place where he has spent all his life, where his ancestors were brought up before

him, and where he has put all his energy, his intelligence, his soul into cultivating the land. He can be turned out and he can get no real compensation. Is a proposal to give him fair compensation for being turned out of house and home for no reason in the world—is that condemned? It has not been.

"With purchase the state takes all the risks and gets none of the benefit. Agriculture is doing very well; on the whole prices are high. (A Voice: 22s 6d. an acre) I am referring to land, not rock. (Laughter and cheers.) Land is selling at a higher price now than it has done for years—five years after the Budget of 1909. (Laughter.)

"The Commission appointed to inquire into the relations between landlord and tenant in Wales made this unanimous recommendation: 'We have now seen that many farmers who paid in time of prosperity and had to borrow largely in order to pay what was often an extravagant price for their holding, are now in a most precarious condition, and have nothing short of ruin staring them in the face.'

"So much for the Unionist policy of Land Purchase. It is a wrong policy for the farmer, for the State, and for the community. What you want to give a guarantee to the tenant farmer that if he puts his brain, energy, skill, capital, and labor into a farm, he and not another, shall reap the reward. (Cheers.)

"I have a list here of the wages of agricultural laborers in the parishes

around Oxford—12s., 13s., 14s., and I think the highest is 15s. a week. I voice: 'And their cottages? Not a word. That is where you are wanted. (Cheers.) These are not the wages these are the earnings, including the cottage, and what is given back to the ordinary laborer.

The Maritime League have been given until Saturday to put their league into running order and make an agreement with the N.H.A. They are not prepared to do so. H. A. will declare all Maritime League players on the market. The trouble about this might be that the Maritimers may fight back and put the in the hockey commission's effectiveness.

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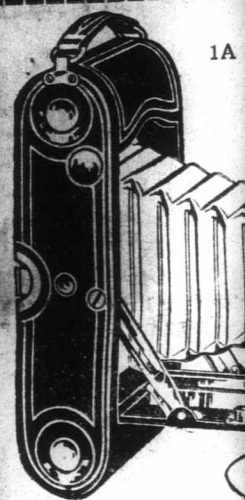
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"Voodooists" Are Arrested

Atrocious Crimes by Voodoo Sect in Island of Cuba.

HAVANA, Dec. 12.—Four negroes and whites have been recently in connection with "voodoo" practices in the province of Matanzas. They are charged with sacrificing a six year old boy but much mystery surrounds the crime.

The witchcraft association for the last few years has been operating extensively, is being



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