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PROVINCIAL EXPENDITURES.

According to an audit of the provincial accounts made public by the Provincial Secretary, New Brunswick had a deficit of \$726,839 for the year ended October 31 last, approximately half a million dollars more than the deficit for the preceding year.

The fact that stands out is that in the last fiscal year the province went behind by some three-quarters of a million, a sum equal to the total public revenue not so many years ago.

The province must pull in its horns in the matter of expenditure. New forms of taxation, such as the gasoline tax, will provide some additional revenue, but evidently it will be small in comparison with the needs revealed in the figures published to-day.

When the Legislature meets, if the custom of previous sessions is followed, we shall have a prolonged debate as to responsibility for the growing debt and for recurring deficits.

Another point is that the parties should unite in pressing to have the Valley Railway taken over by the Dominion and incorporated in the C. N. R. system.

The taxpayers who compare the provincial revenue of the present day with that which the province had before the war, even if they make all due allowance for the decreased purchasing power of the dollar, cannot escape the conclusion that expenditure within the last fifteen years, irrespective of which party has been in power, has grown unreasonably and unjustifiably.

Interest charges and the absolute necessity of keeping in repair our vastly increased mileage in improved roads, make up a heavy and inescapable burden, but it is senseless to keep adding constantly to the over-expenditure and merely waiting for something to turn up.

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refers to the urgent need for the station and the bad advertising that Hamilton and the C. N. R. are getting "as a result of the disgraceful accommodation now being provided travelers entering and leaving the city," but it is pessimistic as to the outlook.

We do not doubt that Hamilton needs a new station, but it probably does not need it any more than Saint John does, and if the travelling public there had been compelled to submit to conditions such as have existed here for some years, we may well believe that the outcry in that quarter would be much louder than it is.

The case as presented by the Spectator, however, suggests that we are by no means assured of the early restoration of the trashed, and that it is a matter to which our representatives at Ottawa should devote their attention.

Saint John, it may be taken for granted, will not follow the example of Yarmouth, which has just published the names of 830 delinquent taxpayers in the form of an advertisement.

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Just Fun

NOBODY can say that the modern girl has no visible means of support.

DEBT SETTLEMENT: "Bill, I'll pay you that five I owe you next week; now let me have ten."

A NEW YORK law office was held up by five masked men, who escaped after a short struggle in an automobile. The report that the robbers lost only \$700 is probably erroneous.

MORE often the fool and his money never get together.

Some lady owns a pup, of those high-breed "townies."

He never pants; He always trossers.

ONE sign of greatness is to have a signature nobody can read.

HERE'S great news for boarders. The salmon catch of Alaska may become exhausted soon.

AT THE CLOSE of the services, the Harmonizing Five will sing that grand old ditty, "I Used to Be Assistant to the Village Pill-Maker, But Now I'm Rolling My Own."

SOME MORE THINGS YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING.

Men living in the southern states find it very difficult to remove their shoes without first unlacing them.

Psychologists have not yet been able to discover a woman who can yawn with her mouth closed.

It is not a common supposition that the Eskimos have long been eating arctic chowder with a salad fork.

Almost all American college graduates can count up to ten without making a mistake.

The boys of Shanghai in China have come to the conclusion that it is impractical to fly kites in the house, particularly the parlor.

No matter how hard they try, the inhabitants of Paris cannot walk on both sides of the street at the same time.

No one of the American senators believe in playing tap-the-finger on Sundays.

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ROCKER to clerk: Getting ready to go home? Why, it's half an hour before quitting time.

Clerk: Well, don't I have to get ready half an hour before working time to get here?

"DO WE sleep too much?" asks a writer in one of the magazines. No, we don't. There is an amateur saxophone player across the street.

MARY. "Mary, Mary, quite contrary. Best let your tresses grow. For those tresses and nuts, 'Twixt their clips and their cuts—They've made you a holy shew."

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Dinner Stories

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"I must charge you five dollars," he said to the patient.

The under-upter turned upon his persecutor: "What! Five dollars? Why, you promised to charge me only one!"

"Yes," agreed the tooth-tugger, cheerfully, "that was my contract price."

"Well," queried the tormented one, "but you yelled so loud that you've scared away four other dollar patients!"

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"Yes, your Honor," replied the juror, eagerly. "I'd be very glad if you'd let me whether the prisoner really stole the watch?"

Other Views

IDLE DREAMING? (Boston Evening Transcript.) If the anthracite miners were given five per cent increase in wages and then produced 10 per cent more coal, with the result that the operators passed the saving along to the public—but why indulge in idle dreams?

KEEP YOUR FEET WARM. (Milverton Sun.) The Stratford Beacon-Herald gives golden advice to those who would avoid colds, bronchitis, "flu" or pneumonia, or at least reduce to a minimum the chances of contracting these diseases by taking proper care of the feet. It advises the wearing of overshoes as about the best foot protection available.

SURE TO HANG. (Flint Journal.) It is a noticeable fact, bearing on this problem, that in the countries where the homicide record is lowest, the man who does commit murder is not only nearly sure to hang, but has a prompt and short trial and few or no appeals to higher courts. Yet nobody would say that in England or Canada innocent men are put to death oftener than here.

RUBBER RAVERS. (N. Y. Journal of Commerce.) To suggest that there is any deep plot against the United States or that excessive profits for rubber, or ex-

France's Nemesis



From the Star, London.

Poems That Live

TO MARGUERITE

Yes, in the sea of life entiled, With the echoing straits between us thrown, Dotting the shoreless watery wild, We mortal millions live alone.

But when the moon their hollow light, And they are swept by beams of spring, And in their gleam on starry nights The nightingales divinely sing; And lovely notes, from shore to shore, Across the sounds and channels pour;

O then a longing like despair Is to their farthest cavern sent! For surely once they felt we were Now round us spreads the watery plain, O might our margins meet again!

Who order'd that their longing's fire Should be as soon as kindled, cooled? Who renders vain their deep desire?— A God, a God their severance ruled; And bade betwixt their shores to be The unplumbed, salt, estranging sea.

—Matthew Arnold.

The Best of Advice

BY CLARK KINNAIRD

UNDERMINING THE FOUNDATIONS OF GOVERNMENT.

IT IS getting to be common now for important men to bemoan in public the fact that our laws are falling into universal disregard and contempt.

Many of them tell the Cause, and offer a Cure. They all agree that our laws aren't being enforced.

Yet, no matter what the trouble, no matter what the disease, no matter what the complaint, no matter what the existing law, people rush to Congress, to some committee, have a bill framed while you wait, have it enacted into law, and go contentedly back to their work, without regard to the rights of the citizen or the dignity of legislation.

Many laws upon the statute books of the states and the nation are unjust and absurd, as everyone knows; yet from all sides it is to be heard that all laws ought to be obeyed because they are laws.

THERE is one sound argument, and one only, in favor of the strict enforcement of all laws: Popular disrespect for one statute leads to disregard for others, and, in some cases, for the whole body of laws.

When a polity begins to lose its faith in the sanctity of the law, the foundation of society is in danger of weakening and causing the whole structure to topple.

Society is impossible unless those who are associated agree to observe certain rules of conduct towards one another.

Its stability depends upon the steadiness with which they abide by that agreement; and, so far as they waver, that mutual trust which is the bond of society is weakened or destroyed.

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SENATE ARE WORLD COURT. (Brooklyn Eagle.) The world court is not a perfect instrument. Neither, perhaps, should the United States enter it without such reservations as the present administration has proposed.

But the ostentatious opposition of a group of Republican and Democratic irreconcilables, who wish to tear down and discourage any new thing for human good and who offer nothing in its place, must be characterized as the merest sterility of statesmanship.

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Twenty Years Ago Today

From Times' Files.

HON. A. G. BLAIR arrived in the city on a business trip.

THE police sports were held in Victoria Rink and were a great success. More than 8,000 people were present.

REV. A. D. DEWDNEY received a purse of gold from his congregation at a farewell tendered him before he left for the West.

THE Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. held their annual meeting. Encouraging reports were read.

Timely Views On World Topics

"IF THE ideals of sportsmanship would be carried far enough the coal strike would be settled in no time," declared Col. Henry Breckenridge, president of the National Amateur Athletic Federation, in a recent speech.

"Athletics," he continued, "are such a vital thing in the lives of men that they forget economics, religious and racial differences.

Some of the largest athletic boards in the country are composed of labor leaders, capitalists, college professors and men in all walks of life.

"While these men sit at the arbitration table discussing the welfare of the younger generation, no matter what problems they may disagree on at that time, the element of sportsmanship makes a solution easy," the speaker said.

"If there were only more such boards, in which the ideals of sportsmanship entered, when the great economic problems come before leaders in finance and labor, they would quickly solve them.

"In the Civil War 85 per cent of the people lived in the country. Today, however, only about 50 per cent live in the open air under healthful conditions, the shops and factories and stores having lured the other half to the cities and more or less unhealthy existences.

"During the World War a national survey showed that only one-third of the men between 21 and 31 were physically fit for service.

"America, from the standpoint of athletic organization, is the greatest country in the world," he said. "It has the greatest physical, material and moral power in the world. Today America holds in the hollow of its hand its present and future."

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WILLING TO BE TEMPTED. (Vancouver Province.) Little Alec's parents are confident he is going to grow up to be a great statesman.

They are proudly telling of a little scene one of them overheard the other day. Alec and his little sister were playing. Their mother had given them apples. Alec had eaten his; little Cynthia was saving hers for a while.

"Let's play Adam and Eve," Alec suggested to her. "How do you play it?" asked Cynthia.

"You tempt me to eat your apple, and I give way," he explained.

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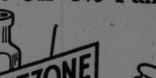
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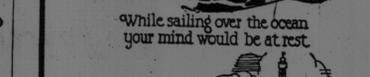
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