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The King's Birthday.

To the young of the community, especially, the death of the Queen brings a most unwelcome change. It changes the birthday of the sovereign from May 24 to Nov. 9, King Edward VII. being born on the latter date, in the year 1841. Both in Great Britain and in Canada—but especially in this country—the 24th of May has been the most welcome holiday of all. It ushered in the summer season, and was always celebrated with much zest. A sovereign's birthday in November will not be easy to become reconciled to in Canada, though we often have most delightful weather at that season of the year. It is generally recognized that Thanksgiving Day is enough for the month. But now we are to have the King's birthday. In Australia and New Zealand, a 9th of November holiday will be most acceptable, as it is then delightful spring or early summer in the greater part of these portions of His Majesty's dominions.

The many happy memories associated with the 24th of May will, no doubt, cause a strong public sentiment in favor of continuing to observe that day as Empire Day, and in memory of Victoria the Good.

Lord Rosebery as a Political Wit.

In the recent short session of the British Parliament two subjects gave rise to much interest and were discussed with keen feeling, the fact that Lord Salisbury had bestowed so many important offices on members of his own family, and the charge against Mr. Chamberlain of being connected with companies that had trade relations with the Government. Many strong things were said on these subjects and some things both wise and witty. For instance, Mr. Bowles, defending a friend who had been referred to as a disappointed candidate for office, replied: "Perhaps my honorable friend is a disappointed candidate. At any rate he was a Tory when right honorable gentlemen now sitting on the treasury bench were Radicals and Socialists." This, we are told, was a swinging left-hander for Mr. Chamberlain and his faithful follower, Mr. Jesse Collings, and an acid smile flitted across the face of the former. Mr. Henry Norman, who is a pretty good judge of literary style and political sense, credits Lord Rosebery with saying the best thing on both of these burning questions. We trust that Lord Rosebery will soon be doing as well as saying, but for the benefit of our readers, in the meantime, we reproduce the two striking statements of the ex-Premier. As to the number of Lord Salisbury's family appointed to important offices, a thing that has given offense to staunch Conservatives, the noble lord said:

"We are enabled to congratulate the noble Marquis on being the head of a family with the most remarkable genius for administration that has ever been known. I remember, it was said in the history of the Jews that it was the practice of that nation to confine the priesthood to a single family; and I am not at all sure that this great backward stride towards the traditional methods of that ancient civilization is altogether welcomed by some of the aspirants to office in Her Majesty's present Administration. But there is solace for every consideration. We have often felt in the festive season which is rapidly approaching, that some danger may come to the country from the fact that some Ministers may be so much scattered that there would be no center of administrative power in which we could feel that our interests are safe. But when the festive circle assembles around the noble Marquis at Christmas, we shall feel, not indeed that the whole Cabinet is there—because I do not believe that the palatial accommodation of Hatfield could receive the whole Government at one time—but that there is an ample section of it, the inner section, assembled round the noble Marquis' family table and that our interests and our future are safe."

On the other important question Lord Rosebery said:

"I venture to say that, though these instances are innocent and for the moment free from objection, with regard to the individuals to whom I have referred, yet they are of the very greatest danger to the political life of our country. What is it that we are most proud of? It is not the things in which we are equaled by other nations—intercity, valor and ability—but that in which we have boasted by tradition we are superior to other countries. It is the unattackable purity of our public men. I do not doubt that they are as pure now as ever they were; but the wife of Caesar must be above suspicion. There must be no possibility that, at a time when the enemies of the Government urge that the war has been undertaken in the interests of capitalists—a charge in my opinion as ridiculous

when people make charges of this kind that there should be any opportunity for these slanderers in the gates to rest on any foundation, however slight, and to say, 'What can you expect from a Government which is connected in any way with companies or firms on the stock exchange?'"

Agreeing fully with this, Mr. Spencer thinks that "a tactical and ethical mistake was made on the Liberal side when this subject was permitted to take on the aspect of a personal attack, and the vital national issue thus allowed to be obscured in the pyrotechnic success of a private defense."

The Queen and the Poet.

The Poet Laureate Tennyson wrote a letter to our late Queen, in the Jubilee year, which casts an interesting side light on the woman Victoria. She sent Tennyson a letter of condolence on the death of his son Lionel, to which he replied as follows:

"Madame—I am grateful for Your Majesty's most kind letter. . . I do indeed feel how the sense of loneliness may oppress Your Majesty in the midst of these loud rejoicings. 'Ihr Beifall selbst macht mein Herz bange.' As Goethe says in his preface to 'Faust.' The multitude are loud, but they are silent. Yet, if indeed, as we have often felt, though silent, be more living than the living—and linger about the planet in which their earth life was passed—then they, while we are lamenting that they are not at our side, may still be with us, and the husband, the daughter and the son, lost my Your Majesty, may rejoice when the people shout 'the name of their Queen.'"

It is recorded that the Queen sent for the poet, and told him that she thoroughly coincided with his beautiful sentiments regarding the sainted dead.

A Timely Retort.

At Weston, Hon. F. R. Latchford, Commissioner of Public Works, exposed some of Mr. Whitney's inconsistencies, which, let it be understood, arise from the difficulty of his position as an Opposition leader, with no positive programme of his own, but bound to attempt to get local support by special appeals on sectional grounds. Mr. Whitney spoke at Weston a short time since, and Mr. Latchford pointed out that one of his planks was that all public franchises should go to the highest bidder. This was in striking contrast to the position of the Opposition leader, a week or two previously, when he addressed the electors of Niagara Falls. There a large number of votes in a bye-election were believed by Mr. Whitney to be trembling in the balance, and he declared that the mighty power of the Niagara River should be given free to everybody, which was on a par with the action of his political friends at Ottawa, who gave at \$5 per square mile all the timber limits in the disputed territory to their party followers. Within the past six months the Ontario Government have received \$25,000 per mile for some of these timber lands. But if Mr. Whitney and his friends had their way, these timber limits would not only have been given away for a mere song to Conservative manipulators, but the territory itself would have been filched from this Province, and the wealth, power and prestige of Ontario would have been vastly curtailed, to the detriment of every taxpayer.

The people of Ontario do not forget that Hon. Mr. Ross and his colleagues always resisted the attempt to despoil the people, and can be trusted to continue to look after their interests.

Twentieth Century Mission Ideals.

Edmund F. Merriam, in the Review of Reviews for January, discusses the topic, "Foreign Missions in the Twentieth Century," in connection with the valuable lessons that have been learned by the century recently closed. Chief among the lessons established by the experience of the past century are:

1. The evangelization of every nation must be done chiefly by its own people.
2. The necessity of self-support and self-reliance in the native churches, has been acknowledged in the closing years of the nineteenth century.
3. As a result of these lessons from missionary experience, certain modifications of missionary methods may be expected in the century now entered on.
4. There will be a proportionate decrease in the number of missionaries sent out from Christian lands in comparison with the amount of work carried on.
5. Evangelistic tours in pagan lands by preachers and lecturers from Christian countries will increase in number and frequency.
6. When Christian work in what are now non-Christian lands has become personally and completely conformed to twentieth century methods, based upon the best experience of the nineteenth century, the permanent residence of foreign missionaries in any country will cease.
7. Mr. Merriam draws three conclusions from these points or twentieth century missionary methods:
 1. Foreign missionary societies are not a permanent feature of the work of the Christian Church.
 2. The project presented affords an

ultimate solution of the problem of missionaries' families.

3. The administration of missions should at once begin to be shaped with a view to these changes in missionary methods.

It is not advisable, of course, that there should be sudden and radical changes. But there will be a general consensus of agreement with the main points made by this writer, and few will cavil with his conclusion that every man appointed and assigned, every measure adopted, and every dollar expended, should aim at the final object and end of all foreign mission work of every sort and character—the establishment of an independent, self-supporting, pure and self-propagating Christian church in every nation on the face of the earth.

Eulogies on the Queen.

[Buffalo Times.]

If Edward VII. makes as good a king as his mother was a queen, he will prove himself the greatest king England ever had.

[Detroit Today.]

But, as her reign has come to a close, it has become evident that the throne is an institution of immense importance and power in the land, and the establishment of a republic is no more talked of or dreamed of. This is due simply to the influence of her long and noble life.

[Port Huron Times.]

Queen Victoria of Great Britain is dead. The people of the United States will mourn for her as the head of a great nation, and as the mother of a closely allied by similarity of political policies and institutions, language and blood relationship. They will mourn for her as a noble woman and an inspiring example to all wives and mothers.

[Scottish-American.]

The good and noble Victoria, Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India, died on Tuesday at her private residence, Osborne House. Full of years and of honors as she was, the sad event has cast a gloom over the whole world, for her estimable and pure life as a queen, wife, mother and widow has endeared her to all peoples, even those who were in principle opposed to monarchies.

[New York Journal.]

There may have been many greater monarchs than Victoria, but there never has been one more richly endowed with the qualities that win a people's affection. The story of her painfully climbing to the top of one of her palaces a few months ago to cheer up a sick servant, at a time when her own condition made every step she took a matter of state importance, was the sort of thing that counted more than intellectual brilliancy in winning the devotion of her subjects.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.]

America mourns with Britain this day. The bells that toll from Land's End to Ultima Thule have answering voices from Plymouth Rock even to the crags of the Rockies, and thence over the plains to the waters of Puget Sound and the golden sands of the Colorado. Wherever the English tongue is spoken there are hearts beating with sublime elation and sorrow for this Queen and Empress; yea, verily, but more than all, for this English woman, this glorious matron, as it were, the very mother of our race.

[Washington Star.]

The Queen possessed the rarest and greatest combination with which it is possible for a man or woman to be blessed—strength of character and the genius of common sense. Bishop Potter likens her in this regard to Washington; and with excellent reason. In all

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that made for good example in living, for consideration in judgment and expression, for patience in times of turmoil and passion, she was as distinctly the mother of her country as Washington was the father of his. Her people of both high and low degree looked up to her; and those who did not copy her example were yet among the first to be touched by any tribute to its worthiness which the outside world at any time paid.

[Chicago American.]

In Queen Victoria, the British Empire loses a noble woman and a "democratic" ruler, if, as Jefferson and the old school Democrats said, that government is best which governs the least.

Queen Victoria governed not at all, except to prevent the access to power of evil men.

The world is better because Queen Victoria lived, and this improvement, partially at least, is due to her purity of character and her submission to genuine popular rule.

The world owes her thanks.

Pessimism.

[Theodore Garrison.]

Because I snatched a pebble from the way,
And thought it priceless till that day
My eyes
Filled with a clearer light, and knew
My prize
Was worthless, poorer than the common clay.

Because of this shall I go clamoring,
"Behold, there are no diamonds!"
And say,
"Look as ye will, ye find but pebbles?"
Nay!
Soul, thou wert blind to do so weak a thing.

Notwithstanding a Little Rheumatism.

[Hamilton Herald.]

The Hon. George W. Ross has undertaken to develop the resources of this province in the manufacture of wood-pulp, paper, lumber, refined nickel and copper, pig iron, steel, nickel steel, but sugar, and several other good and useful things, besides establishing cold storage depots for farmers and dairymen, constructing county roads, building a huge abattoir to encourage the dead meat trade, and carrying on the government at odd times. It's quite a contract for a man with the rheumatism.

Should Not Be Forced to Drink.

[Montreal Witness.]

A correspondent signing "Temptation" tells how householders in Montreal give balls with suppers lasting from midnight till four in the morning, at which no beverage is provided but wine. Dancing is thirsty exercise, and this is almost forcing young people to drink, which, in view of the possible consequences—the certain consequences to a certain proportion of those who learn the habit—is taking a terrible responsibility. If any of those men who are thus lavish with their wine and penurious with whole-some beverages were to have an applicant for employment from a young man the next day with the smell of that wine on him we are pretty certain that the applicant would be irrevocably dismissed, though he might not be told why.

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An unnamed beneficiary in Cleveland, O., has given a Glenville, O., clergyman unlimited credit for the relief of the poor in that community.

A PLEASANT DUTY.—"When I know anything worthy of recommendation, I consider it my duty to tell it," says Rev. James Murdoch, of Hibernia, Pa. "Dr. Agnew's Catarrh Powder has cured me of Catarrh of five years' standing. It is certainly magical in its effect. The first application benefited me in five minutes. 50 cents. For sale by C. McCallum & Co."

TWO MORE FATEFUL FIRES

Walkerville Match Factory in Ashes—Two Men Killed.

Some 25,000 Boxes of Chees Destroyed at Montreal—Total Loss Placed at \$300,000.

Fire broke out in the warehouse of the Walkerville match factory last evening, and when the flames were nearly subdued by the volunteer fire brigade several barrels of chemicals ignited, causing a dreadful explosion. The roof of the building shot into the air to the height of 200 feet, while the walls burst out, throwing bricks in every direction.

TWO FATALITIES.

Beside the wrecked building was found the remains of Wm. Brindle, captain of the chemical department of the fire brigade, with a large hole in the back of his head.

Lieut. G. R. S. Phillips, volunteer fireman, also perished in the ruins. His body was recovered beneath a mass of debris. He was one of the South African heroes, and was immediately buried in Walkerville and with the officers of the 21st Regiment.

SEVERAL INJURED.

Charles Housen, a small lad, had his skull smashed by a flying brick. He will likely die. Others injured were: Frank Demaris, fireman, severely cut on the chest; Chauncey Bennett, fireman, ankle broken; Alex. Langlois, fireman, seriously injured; ex-Mayor Thomas Reid, chief of the fire department, cut on face and hands; E. G. Russell, dead on head and nose, and Fred Cooper, cut on the face.

MORE DETAILS.

The fire was noticed shortly after 5 o'clock, and the Walkerville fire brigade was soon on hand, but owing to the very inflammable nature of the contents of the storehouse the blaze had gained considerable headway. The firemen were making desperate efforts to stem the flames, when suddenly there was a terrible roar, and the whole roof was blown off, rafters, bricks and burning cinders being thrown hundreds of feet in the air. Shortly after there was

ANOTHER EXPLOSION.

and the end and sides of the building were blown out, burying Fireman George Phillips in the debris, and killing Fireman Wm. Brindle. About a dozen others were badly injured, and a number received cuts and bruises. Ex-Mayor Thomas Reid, chief of the brigade, was knocked down and badly stunned.

THE FIRST EXPLOSION.

The first explosion gave warning to the crowd to get away, or there would have been many more victims. The horses on the hook and ladder truck stampeded after the explosion, and threw the driver off the truck, passing over him and bruising him pretty badly. The truck was wrecked and the horses were badly cut up.

The storehouse was about 200 feet back of the main building of the match factory, and were totally destroyed, together with several thousand dollars' worth of material.

CORPORAL PHILLIPS.

Corporal Geo. R. Phillips, who was killed, returned recently from South Africa, having been through the whole of the campaign, and marched with the Royal Canadians, under Lord Roberts, to Pretoria. He was one of the number who guarded the Boer prisoners, and landed at St. Helena with them on the return voyage. He had just succeeded in ridding himself of a bad attack of rheumatism, contracted there, and started work again. He was a son of Rev. Mr. Phillips, Blackheath, England.

WM. M. BRINDLE.

Wm. M. Brindle, the other victim, had been employed as head of the shipping department in Parke Davis & Co.'s laboratory here, and was well

and favorably known. He was a son of Wm. Brindle, Cardinal, Ont., and a brother of Trooper H. M. Brindle, formerly of the Northwest Mounted Police force. Mr. Brindle had just returned from his home a week ago, where he had been to welcome his brother home from the South African campaign.

The Walkerville fire brigade is a volunteer one, and the whole population of the town were wild with anxiety over the event. The cause of the fire is unknown.

ANOTHER MONTREAL FIRE.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 25.—Twenty-five thousand boxes of cheese, valued at \$200,000, were destroyed by fire in the warehouse of D. O. McPherson & Co., William street, this morning. The warehouse of Hodgson Bros. adjoining, where 40,000 boxes were stored, was damaged by smoke and water. A. W. Johnson and J. Pitts, commission agents, also suffered. The fire loss will total probably \$300,000.

SAVED BY SALT WATER.

Pana, Ill., Jan. 26.—Mrs. Brazil Hayward, residing east of this city, was thought to be dying yesterday. The physicians in attendance administered a tablespoonful of salt water hypodermically. In the evening the patient was apparently out of danger.

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SIX WHALERS LOST.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 25.—Letters have been received here announcing the loss at sea on Dec. 23 of a boat's crew of six men from the whaling schooner Charles H. Hodgson, of this port. The men had put off in chase of a school of whales, but were caught in the school, and before help could reach them they disappeared. All were natives of Cape Verde Islands, but belonged in this city.

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