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What is likely to be one of the most interesting debates that the British House of Commons has witnessed in recent years will arise on the occasion, which Mr. Asquith says will soon be given, to discuss the proposal for an Imperial house of representatives. We are not sanguine that any definite conclusion will be reached, for the question is too many-sided and too involved to be disposed of off-hand. The interest will arise from the epoch-making fact that the question will be brought up in the House of Commons for such a step will be a distinct and very important advance towards the consummation of a plan that has been the dream of some Canadians for half a century. We repeat what we said on this subject on Saturday: An Imperial Council of some sort seems to us to be necessary owing to the increasing importance of the overseas Dominions. Steam and electricity have narrowed the world. The oceans no longer divide the Empire, but unite it. The problem of local autonomy is being rapidly and successfully worked out, although there are timid people who are unable to distinguish between autonomy and disintegration, and we can easily believe that out of it in time will come a plan for centralizing the control of questions that are purely Imperial in a body that shall be representative of all the self-governing British countries.

In Liverpool, says M. A. P., there is developing a definite and considerable Chinatown. The sprightly London weekly is more than a little anxious about this. It has ascertained that the Liverpool colony numbers about 8,000, and it thinks that colonies will be established in other seaports. The presence of such a number of Chinamen in Liverpool is explained by the fact that there are many desertions of Chinese sailors, and that the police find it exceedingly difficult to make arrests, one Chinaman looking to the average policeman's eye very much like another. The Liverpool Orientals seem to be very prosperous and even wealthy, and M. A. P. says it has been sug-

gested that they do not make all their money honestly, but practicing extensively. We are inclined to think that our contemporary does not quite understand the Chinese faculty of making and keeping money, and fears very serious consequences from the presence in seaport communities of great numbers of men, whose ways are different from the ways of the white men.

The problem created by the presence of Chinamen in England is only one phase of a broader question affecting all civilized countries. The white races were not content to let the yellow man alone and he has set out to conquer the world in his own peculiar fashion. British Columbians will be likely to smile at the embarrassment expressed in other places at the presence of the undesirable immigrants. We have been accustomed to be called everything that was not complimentary because we objected to the influx of Chinese. Now that other people are beginning to see what it means perhaps they will take a more charitable view of us. What is going to be done about it? Frankly we do not know.

The English papers are warning their readers to beware of fake Coronation schemes. Funds are being collected, it appears, for various alleged purposes in connection with that ceremony, and the names of many excellent people and praiseworthy organizations are being employed for that purpose by persons, who find in it an easy way of making a living at the expense of loyal but gullible people.

Everything bearing upon the municipal ownership of public utilities is of great interest. We therefore reproduce the following extracts from the Calgary Albertan:

Calgary owns its own electric lights and power plant. It is valued at \$600,000. Last year it produced a net revenue of \$24,000 after providing for operating expenses, sinking fund, and depreciation. Calgary owns its own waterworks system, in which \$1,700,000 has been invested. Last year it produced a gross revenue of \$108,480, and after paying operating expenses and fixed charges, gave a net profit of \$8,353. Calgary owns its own passenger railway system. It is valued at approximately \$1,500,000. There will be added \$484,000 in extensions in 1914, bringing the total investment up to \$1,000,000. The net revenue for 1910, over operating expenses and fixed

It is announced that Dr. William Saunders, who for twenty-eight years has been director of the Dominion Experimental Farms, is to retire. Failing health is assigned as the reason, but as Dr. Saunders has reached the age of seventy-five, he might easily be excused if he desired a rest. His work for Canada has been well done, and he will go into retirement with the grateful respect of all who have watched his career.

Much attention has been drawn in England recently to the question of hand-writing, the stimulus having been given by a remark made by the late Lord Wolverhampton, which some one has resuscitated. Lord Wolverhampton was addressing a school, and he said: "Whether you are in political life, in judicial life, in

or mercenary. If a man is not a man, but a machine, or whether you are in love, you must realize that this writing is meant to be read. Long-suffering newspaper men will join with us in the wish that people would remember this inspection of the correspondence thus finds its way into a newspaper office would make the public wonder why it is that newspaper men, who have the handling of communications, are not worn out with grief. Some persons feels like writing to the paper. He never seems to think that some one will have to read his letter before it can be given out, to the printer, and that the compositor must also read it, and that the proof-reader must go through the same performance. He makes a series of marks on a sheet of paper, crosses some of them out and writes in others. He would not think of sending such a production to a man from whom he was ordering, say, a load of wood; but he has a notion that a newspaper man can read anything and have abundant time to decipher hieroglyphics. In the vague hope that it may do some good may we say to intending contributors that they should make all their letters; that they should give themselves plenty of room; that when they have to make erasures and interlineations, and have not plenty of room they should strike out the whole sentence and write a new one; that they will pay some attention to punctuation, at least sufficient to mark the ends of their sentences?

Exhibitors to Receive Additional Encouragements at Provincial Fair

At a recent meeting of the Stockbreeders' Association of British Columbia, the decision was reached to offer a number of prizes toward promotion of the success of the features of the Victoria Agricultural Association's annual show related to the work of the association, and to accept the following prizes to be awarded to the best selected. In respect to the former, it was decided in the first class to give prizes of \$35 and \$20 respectively for the best pair of heavy draught animals, mares or geldings, registered or unregistered, three years old or under, bred in British Columbia and owned by the owners; similar prizes are provided for the best two animals of light breed, mares or geldings, registered or unregistered, three years old or under, bred in the province and exhibited by the owners.

In the sheep first class, first and second prizes respectively of \$20 and \$15 are to be provided for the best ram and two ewes; registered, medium wool breed, best ram, in Little Columbia, \$20 and \$15 respectively. Ewes. Prizes in equal amount are provided for the best ram lamb and two ewe lambs; registered, long wool breed, \$20 and \$15. In the province and exhibited by owners, exhibitors, and breeders, required to be members of the Association in order to be entitled to compete for these special money prizes.

In connection with the interesting exhibition, the University of Florida show, a feature that has attained extensive and well deserved popularity of late years, it was arranged to offer prizes in two classes, of the first for competitors in the best and second for competitors in the good and under. Six classes of live stock are to be judged, including heavy and light hogs, beef and dairy cattle, sheep and goats, and horses. The judges will judge two out of these six classes, and the prizes to be awarded on the basis of 40 per cent for placing and 60 per cent for reasons. The prizes allotted are: 1st, \$100.00; 2d, \$100.00; 3d, \$50.00 and 4th, \$25.00.

Mr. George D. Mackay to Fill Position of Deputy Commissioner of Lands

Although an exceptionally long list of business was on file for consideration by the provincial executive at its meeting yesterday, the great majority of the items listed stood over automatically until Wednesday in consequence of the absence of the premier, who is temporarily indisposed.

The resignation of Mr. Andrew Haslam as timber inspector, etc., at Vancouver, was accepted with regret, and Mr. George D. Mackay, forest ranger, appointed as his successor to fill the offices of timber inspector, mining recorder and deputy commissioner of lands, with headquarters at Vancouver city. Robert Hamilton of Vancouver, assistant supervisor of scalers, has been named to succeed Mr. Haslam as supervisor of log scaling.

Particulars have been received from Port Steele of the serious accident which occurred at the home of Miss Lizzie Walsh, aged 17, daughter of Constable Walsh, of Port Steele, now in the St. Eugene Hospital suffering from severe burns which, however, are happily not expected to prove fatal. The accident occurred thirteen years of age, and was caused by a gasoline lamp which hung from the ceiling, and a few drops spilled on the floor. As the boy was walking out of the door he stepped on the head of the lamp, the wick ignited, causing the gasoline to explode. He ran to the nearest hotel for help, while the girl endeavored to smother the fire with her dress. She herself, however, was soon enveloped in flames. When the fire arrived the girl was found rolling in the snow in front of the house, endeavoring to put out her burning clothing. The little heroine was taken to the Imperial Hotel, where Dr. Watt attended her, and later in the day was conveyed to the hospital at Dr.

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The party is one of the representatives of the progress of the world's capital, and the British Columbia statements made in the past are seeing this progress. Opportunities with the promising investment of the island are not overlooked. Both since before their departure and when they have met with Hon. P. J. A. finance minister, themselves keenly alive to the interests of British Columbia, and their inspection of the country have a most stimulating confidence of Old and new in the stability of the British Columbia ventures.

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