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### EAST AND WEST TRADE

Mr. J. H. Harris, member for North York, Ontario, told parliament on Wednesday that "trade in Canada must flow east and west if this country was to remain a nation within the Empire."

This reads well, but does Mr. Harris mean that the east and west-ocean traffic should all go through Canadian ports? His views on that point would be of interest. If he would be content to have this traffic flow through American ports his views would gain but little favor in the maritime provinces, and yet it is to be feared that the average Ontario man is thinking more of avoiding American competition in his own field than in building up Canada by a real east and west transportation policy for the whole country. In this connection La Presse, of Montreal, makes some observations that are of interest to readers in the maritime provinces. We quote—

"From November until the end of April, the United States have almost exclusive monopoly of the transportation of Canadian grain. Navigation on the Great Lakes closes at the same time as on the St. Lawrence. Consequently, it is clear that our neighbors must accumulate, during the period of navigation, an enormous surplus of grain in their elevators for transportation over their railways during the winter to their Atlantic ports, to maintain their export traffic from December to the end of March. They benefit no more than we do from Lake transportation during the winter months. It is, therefore, pertinent to ask why we ourselves cannot have recourse to the same methods in order to assure for our winter ports the benefit of a continual traffic in wheat, seeing that the major portion of our harvests is directed towards Great Britain? Are not our railways, which complain of lack of traffic, in as good a position to transfer our own wheat from the West to the Atlantic ports as the railways of the United States? Here is a problem which is of economic importance for Canada to solve."

La Presse asks questions which are continually asked in St. John and Halifax, but thus far without attracting any marked attention in Ontario and the West. Perhaps the recent speeches of Messrs. Logan, Tupper and others in parliament may arouse some interest. One fact is plain: These provinces must get a square deal or they will regret having placed themselves in a position where they could be used merely for the convenience of other provinces.

### THE POWER COMPANY'S PLEA

The Times commends to its readers the letter of Mr. John N. Flood in this issue. Mr. Flood deals in trenchant fashion with a propaganda that is being carried on in the interests of the New Brunswick Company. The Murray report to which he refers was prepared in the United States in the interests of privately owned and operated electric utilities, as part of a campaign against public ownership. It was prepared for the National Electric Light Association, and so far as it relates to the Hydro Electric Power Commission in Ontario Sir Adam Beck has declared its comparisons to be incorrect. But the average citizen of St. John might be assumed by the New Brunswick Power Company and its friends not to know that, and therefore open to be influenced by its propaganda. In a speech delivered this week Sir Adam Beck said that the propaganda against hydro was so extensive and so bitter that it would almost take away the reputation and certainly the courage of any man. A report of his speech says further—

"It was the success of the hydro to his mind, that had given birth to the attacks on it. There was a new triumph in history; the principles underlying the scheme of operations were unique and the way they had been carried out made them bear the brunt of attacks on public ownership. There were over three hundred public bodies engaged in carrying out this work and no one had dared to point to one of the public men directing these multitudinous affairs and say that anything was wrong with any one of the trustees."

This address was delivered before the Ontario Municipal Hydro Electric Association, and at its close a resolution expressing confidence in him and in the Hydro Commission was adopted.

The citizens of St. John will be very unwise and very blind to their own interests if they do not insist that the full benefit of the Musquash development be passed on to the consumers of light and power. The New Brunswick Power Company is not a factor in the case unless it can give that full benefit to the people. Moreover, the city should not enter in any agreement with the company that would strengthen the company's position to the future injury of the public.

Nova Scotia and New Brunswick will together change the rule of the road. It is suggested they may not do so till next December, but better late than never. The change should have been made long ago, and this province is not responsible for all the delay. In view of the steadily growing motor traffic this way from the New England states the change is in the interest of public safety. The rule of the road should be uniform across the continent, and the coming action of these two provinces will make it so.

Whoever has called at Government House, Halifax, during the past five years and enjoyed the hospitality of Lieut. Gov. and Mrs. MacCallum Grant will join in congratulations to them and to the province of Nova Scotia that his honor's term has been extended. Not only is Lieut. Gov. Grant a rare host, but he is a man of the people, deeply interested in all that pertains to the public welfare. St. John Rotarians who have visited Halifax have the most kindly recollections of the genial nature of Rotarian Grant.

Every automobile owner and every taxpayer is interested in protecting the highways during the next few weeks, or until the frost is out and the roads dried up. Reckless and heavy driving over the roads during the early spring may easily make them bad for the whole summer, and undo the work done at great cost at public expense.

## SMUTS RENDERED ACCOUNT TO HOUSE

Great Oration Accorded to South African Premier by Assembly—Sketch of Operations.

(Canadian Press Cable)

London, March 21.—Every corner in the South African House of Assembly was packed and a great ovation was accorded to the premier, General Jan Christian Smuts, when he rose in the House to describe the past week's events. Reuter's Capetown correspondent cables, "The country," he said, "has escaped a tremendous danger."

The gravity of the position had not been made sufficiently clear, Premier Smuts said. When he left for Johannesburg the position was that severe fighting was proceeding along the whole Reef, and everything, except in the immediate centre of Johannesburg, was in the hands of the revolutionaries. The country was faced with intense danger and a fear of slaughter comparable with the French revolution. Fortunately the government forces were able to change the situation.

Continuing, Premier Smuts gave a sketch of the operations during the week, and announced that the situation was now almost normal. It had been clear for some time, he said, that the Mine Workers' Union and the industrial federation of trade unions were not free agents. There was another agency in the background. Their great mistake was in not disavowing themselves from the revolutionary element when they noticed the movement toward physical force. There was no doubt the revolutionaries wanted to set up a Soviet Republic, and they expected assistance from the country.

Feared Bloodshed.

Premier Smuts said he had greatly feared that before the burghers could come to the government's assistance, the rebels would be able to set up a revolutionary government and mete out executions, with the result that there would be a blood bath at Johannesburg. However, every part of the country had responded quickly to the premier's appeal. The burghers were called upon on Friday, and their advance guards appeared on Sunday. The premier paid tribute to the police, who had done their duty beyond praise, he said, while the centre of Johannesburg was prevented from falling into the hands of the revolutionaries by the Durban Light Infantry, composed mostly of mere school boys, together with the Transvaal Scottish Imperial Light Infantry.

Deep gratitude to the natives for not having been stampeded was expressed by Premier Smuts. He said the fear had obsessed him that, as a result of the wanton shooting of natives, there might be a wild outbreak which the government would have to quell, but fortunately the natives had kept their heads.

Premier Smuts said he disliked the idea of trying criminals by courts martial, and he had decided instead that they should be tried by the ordinary courts of the law of the land.

Concluding the premier announced that the government adhered to its decision to appoint an industrial commission, and so as to make it impartial, neither side to the labor dispute should be represented on it. This announcement was greeted with loud cheers.

### YOUTHFUL DETERMINATION SHOWN BY CRIPPLED LAD

Brantford, March 24.—One of the most remarkable evidences of youthful determination has been shown by the passing of the tenderfoot scout tests by Mervyn Jackson, thirteen, who is crippled from the waist down, and has been from infancy. The lad is taken around in a little wagon by a scout chum, and when at the scene of rendezvous he gets out and does just the same as any other scout. His case is being watched with interest by the higher scout officials, and particulars have already been sent to Chief Scout Baden-Powell.

MAYING.  
(Rev. George Scott.)  
As I stepped down by yon burn side,  
Ah me, the morn was rarely mellow,  
And May was at its fullest tide,  
Sweet May that never yet had fellow.

So fair the time the little breeze,  
The heavy alder catkins shaking  
Sighed dreamily among the trees,  
As one who murmurs while awaking.

I lingered by the stepping stones,  
And heard the brooklets vain protesting,  
Now faint, now high indignant tones,  
Far overhead the birds were nesting.

And so I loitered by the way,  
Ah me, such happy thoughts were  
Blending  
Around my heart I dared not say,  
Such happiness might have an ending.

The Maytime scattered garlands sweet,  
Artistic colors interlacing  
So lavishly around my feet,  
The shady woodland daisies gracing.

And delicate perfumes were there,  
To mingle with the happy singing,  
Of birds upon the sunny air,  
Sweet carillons to heaven ringing.

And so I walked by yon burn side,  
One morning when the woods were  
Maying,  
When loveliness flowed like a tide  
Wherever breezes went a-straying.

The Maytime glory filled the vale,  
Its joyous life was overflowing  
Upon the wilderness and swale,  
And on the upland pastures glowing.

The tiny brooklets fill the stream,  
The stream becomes a rushing river,  
The pleasing sweetness of a dream  
Shall last forever and forever.

### HOME FOR AGED ODDFELLOWS

C. L. Woods of Truro, grand master of the maritime provinces and Newfoundland branches of the Oddfellows, addressed a combined meeting of the city Oddfellows and the Rebekah Sisters in West St. John last night. The outstanding feature of the address was the announcement of plans for the erection of a home for aged and indigent members and their children in the near future. The selection of a site will be made this summer. The musical part of the evening was greatly enjoyed, the performers being Mr. Gibson and family, Miss Edna Smith, J. and Mrs. Simpson, J. Harry Robson, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Miss Brown, Ernest Tull, Jack Rosey, Mr. Bush, Miss Campbell, and Messrs. Long, Rippey, Lanyon, and Lingley. After this programme, refreshments were served and dancing was indulged in.

The committee in charge of the refreshments was composed of the following: S. L. Ewart, J. W. Campbell, S. W. Campbell, F. Ames, W. R. Sanderson, Frank Griffiths. The programme committee, which was under the convener-ship of Frederick C. Long, included Walter L. Bagnall, Frank Hamm, Harry B. Duke, Charles Gates and W. J. Watson.

### ANIMAL FREAK AT NIAGARA

Creature Seems to Be a Cross Between a Fish and a Lizard

Niagara Falls, N. Y., March 24.—Zoologists are trying to classify a peculiar form of animal life found by Edward Briggs in an intake on the Upper Niagara River. The freak is twelve inches long. The fore part of the body resembles a lizard, while the hind part looks like a fish. The eyes are very small and the mouth is like that of a catfish.

The creature is of spotted brown color and has a smooth skin and no scales. It has four legs, the feet being formed like human hands. It has a long, thin tail. The ears have four lobes, with a tuft of hair on each lobe. The freak is alive and now in Mr. Briggs's possession.

### NATIONAL HIGHWAYS

A meeting of the New Brunswick Automobile Association was held last night, with F. A. Dykeman presiding. The chief speaker of the evening was S. L. Squire of Toronto, chairman of the executive committee of the Canadian Good Roads Association, who gave an address on "National Highways." He emphasized the importance of the roads of the country and said that there were ten times as many people traveling on them as by other means and that twice as much freight was transferred. Mr. Squire said that United States roads left about \$37,000,000 in Canada, but that only about two per cent. of them came through the maritime provinces. Mr. Squire recommended a chain of good roads completely across the dominion. Mayor Schofield said that he had noticed a great improvement in the roads of the province. He suggested that a committee be appointed to look into the proposition to build camps for automobiles in the Musquash development area.

### TWO CHILDREN DROWNED

(Frederick Gleason)  
To lose their only two children by a double drowning accident was the heart-breaking experience of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mackey, of Roxbury, Mass., on last Thursday. News of the sad fatality was received by friends here yesterday.

John and Charles Mackey, aged 11 and 10 years, went from their home in Roxbury to Franklin Park with other schoolmates to have a skate on some ice which had formed on Scarborough Pond in the Park. The boys skated on some thin ice, went through, were carried under the ice and drowned.

The unfortunate victims of the accident were the only children of Mr. and Mrs. Mackey, who are well known in Providence. The mother was formerly Miss Minnie Damery, daughter of the late John Damery, of this city, and of Mrs. Damery, of Roxbury, while the father is a son of William Mackey, formerly of this city and a nephew of Harry C. Mackey, of this city.

### TAXATION MATTERS

Mayor Schofield said the city commissioners, together with the heads of the assessment boards, were in conference yesterday in an endeavor to find a solution that would eliminate the conflict between the city and county assessments acts which results in double assessment in some cases. According to the city act, income tax is levied at the place where the man earns his money, and by the county act income tax is levied according to residence. About 100 persons are affected this way, and much time is taken up in adjustment each year. The amount of money in question is said to be relatively small. A committee consisting of E. M. Olive, W. O. Dunham, L. Chabon Jordan, J. King Kelley and the city collector was appointed to collect facts and figures on the matter and to report back at another meeting on Saturday afternoon.

## LOCAL NEWS

Begin your spring shopping. You will save money by shopping at Bassett's, 14 Charlotte St. 8-25

Just received—Ladies' two-strap mahogany slippers, slip sole, \$4.85 a pair. Percy J. Steel, 511 Main street. 8-25

Let us supply you with window shades. Guaranteed rollers, with fixtures. Only 85c. each. Bab's Dept. Store, 104-106 King St. West. 8-25

AT McBEATH'S GROCERY.  
Mrs. Barrett will serve cake and McBeath's Special Coffee with her demonstration of Magic Baking Powder, Friday and Saturday afternoons, March 24 and 25, from 8 to 5; also Saturday evening from 8-10. You are invited. 29-65 8-25

Men! Get your work pants for \$1.98 a pair. Dark patterns and strong to wear.—At Bassett's, 14 Charlotte St. 8-25

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A new lot of men's dress shirts, only 98c. Bab's Dept. Store, 104-106 King St. West. 8-25

Men! If you are going to buy boots on Saturday, buy them from Percy J. Steel, 511 Main street. It will pay you. See his \$4.85 specials. 8-25

We have bunk full of ladies' boots, small sizes, to clear for \$1.98.—At Bassett's, 14 Charlotte St. 8-25

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Studio, Saturday, Confetti—Studio Orchestra.

Mothers buying girls' boots can get better boots for less money at Percy J. Steel's, 511 Main street. 8-25

STOREY MILLINERY.  
165 Union street. See sale announcement Monday issue of this paper. Wait and get your Easter hat here. All 1922 stock. The store has been completely renovated and is ready for business again at the old stand—Storey Millinery. 23-23 8-27

VICTORIA ST. BAPTIST CHURCH.  
Tonight in the last week night service of Mr. and Mrs. Dorrie's mission. Subject, "The Tragedy of Calvary." Come! 23-23 8-27

LOCAL COAL CONDITION.  
We will deliver and put in to any address in the city 3, 6, 10 bag lots. See coal adv. Domestic Coal Co., Phone Main 2554. Hard and Soft Coal. 23-10 8-27

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Regular dances, Oddfellows' Hall, West St. John, tonight, March 24.

CHARCOAL.  
To kindle fires quickly without smoke get a bag of Gibson & Co's Charcoal at your grocer's or phone Main 2636. 4-4

Pantry sale, Imperial lobby by Wide Awake Circle, Saturday 23th, 11 o'clock. 23-25 8-25

First showing of spring hats, Carlton Millinery Parlor, March 24-25, Miss Suddard, 201 King street, West. 8-27

CLIMO'S PHOTO ANNIVERSARY.  
Begins March 21st, ends 28th. Don't miss it. All photos half price. 85 Germain St. 23-03 8-27

Piano lessons, reasonable—48 Hursfield street, right hand bell. 23-14

Smoky City Cleaner, 19c, at Duval's, 15 Waterloo St. Open evenings. 3-25

SCOTCH ANTHRACITE COAL.  
A shipment of this celebrated coal in Chestnut, Stove and Jumbo sizes, due to arrive soon for J. S. Gibson & Co., Ltd. Order at No. 1 Union street. 8-25

Oldsmobile & Touring Car sets the pace. 23-24 8-29

Oldsmobile & Touring Car drops in price \$500.—Book up now. 23-24 8-29

Oldsmobile & Touring Car has stood the test. Ask the owner. 23-24 8-29

DAYLIGHT SAVING IN QUEBEC MAY BE COURT QUESTION

Quebec, March 24.—(Canadian Press)  
"Daylight saving" is a very thorny question in Quebec just at present, but there is every indication that the city council will today pass the daylight saving by-law for the coming summer. It is reported, however, that the opponents will take out a writ of injunction against the city.

### MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

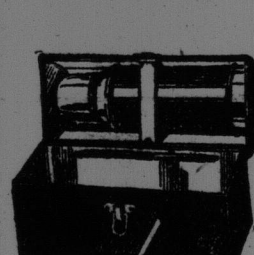
Governor J. B. A. Robertson of Oklahoma is under arrest on a charge of accepting a bribe to permit the operation of the Guaranty Bank of Oklahoma, while it was in an alleged insolvent condition. The governor immediately gave bond of \$5,000 for his appearance at trial. The arrest followed the report of a legislative committee.

After an investigation by the Halifax police commission two policemen, Buckler and Buchanan, were completely exonerated from charges of complicity in the theft of seventy-five gallons of rum. No evidence was found against the two.

### CARLETON CHURCH CONCERT

The members of the choir of the Carleton Methodist church, assisted by local talent and members of the community chorus, gave a concert last evening in the vestry of the church under the direction of A. U. Brander. Those who took part in the programme in addition to the chorus were D. Mawhinney, D. Thomas, C. Crowell, W. McEachern, L. Harding, F. Mayes, Miss M. Stackhouse, Mrs. J. L. Robertson acted as accompanist during the entertainment which comprised choral singing, vocal solos and musical selections.

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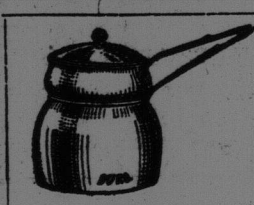


The workman used to carry his sandwiches, pie and coffee in a two-story tin pail. By lunch time the sandwiches were dry as chips, the pie was mashed flat, and the cold coffee was unfit for human consumption.

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YOUNG GIRL AT RICKARD TRIAL ADMITS FORGERY

New York, March 23.—Twelve-year-old Nellie Gask, chief corroborating witness in the trial of Tex Rickard, sports promoter, charged with attacking Sarah Schoenfeld, aged fifteen, admitted under cross examination of Rickard's counsel today that she had forged checks and committed a burglary. Nellie added that she took Sarah to meet Rickard because she considered him "a good man, of good appearance, who would be easy to get money and eat from."

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