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WHY CHANGE IS NEEDED.

Speaking in Antigonish last night Hon. T. A. Crerar made a remark which is eminently true in regard not only to Nova Scotia, but to the maritime provinces in general. He said that because of its geographical position Nova Scotia should prosper from the development of maritime trade. It did so prosper before confederation and the application of the Canadian tariff. It was to be recompensed by having its ports developed and the products of its industries carried on favorable terms by railway to the larger Canadian centres. This recompense has not been bestowed. A high tariff operates more injuriously to the maritime provinces than to any other part of Canada. It prevents the development of the maritime trade which is to them the breath of life. The conditions would not be so bad if such factories as we have could get favorable freight rates to the west and a rightful share of the trade of the west were conveyed through maritime province ports, but the freight rates are prohibitive and the ports are neglected, while a large Canadian trade goes through American channels. This precious government of ours which is now asking to be returned to power not only neglects the national ports in these provinces, but has purchased a thousand miles of railway in the United States, and even some grain elevators, which must be provided with traffic or become even a worse bargain than they are now. When Hon. Mr. Crerar, a western man, declares that we suffer from the tariff and the failure to develop our ports and our maritime trade, he shows a keener mind than the native-born Tories who are shouting for the return of the Meighen government to power. The sooner we can rid ourselves of such a government and get one which will not act as if Canada began at Montreal, the better for the maritime provinces.

THE SMART-ALECK POLICY

A Tory candidate in the west had a vicious fling the other day at what he styled the Wood-Crerar movement. Wood is featured by Mr. Meighen and his lieutenants as a most objectionable person. It is fair to present the other side of the case. In Sussex on Thursday Hon. Mr. Crerar said: "Who is Mr. Wood? Fifteen or sixteen years ago Mr. Wood came from the United States and settled in Alberta. His forefathers had emigrated from Scotland and England. I have seen the statement made that he is an American, but he is not. He is a Canadian citizen, a British subject, naturalized ten years ago. Moreover, he was considered good enough for Sir Robert Borden to discuss with him in 1917 the question of his entering the Union government. He was also considered good enough by Mr. Meighen to be put on several commissions in Western Canada. When our government friends question the loyalty of Mr. Wood and of those who have come to Canada from other countries they are doing work which reflects very little credit on themselves and doing work which is injurious to Canada at a time when we should endeavor to bring all our people together."

BLISS CARMAN

New Brunswick has given Canada her most distinctive poet. This tribute was paid to Bliss Carman by the president of the Canadian Authors' Association in Montreal last night when the poet was crowned with a wreath of laurel and maple leaves. One wonders how many Canadians are familiar with Carman's poems. Like Roberts, also of New Brunswick, and others, he was compelled to leave his native land to gain a recognition of his genius. Not until his fame had been firmly established abroad did he attract much attention in Canada. It is fitting that the newly organized Canadian Authors' Association should do him honor, and perhaps now the haunting sweetness of his melodious verse will become a part of the greater number of his countrymen. Canada is making a literature, and it should be the aim of the people to acquaint themselves with and prize at its full worth what is best in the work of Canadian authors.

Hon. John Morrissey has been chosen as the Liberal candidate in Northumberland. A participant in many hard-fought battles in that constituency and personally known to all the people, he should easily carry the Liberal banner to victory in this contest.

If it be true that Soviet Russia is now willing to recognize the debts of Imperial Russia to foreign capitalists it is a very significant proof that Lenin and his friends are more and more convinced that Russia cannot live to herself, and that national honor is something not lightly to be cast aside. They set out to revolutionize the world, and have been able to retain power far longer than the rest of the world deemed possible, but they have been compelled from time to time to make concessions, change their policy, and get nearer to the economic system of other countries. Only the ignorance and passiveness of the great mass of the people, and the patriotic spirit aroused by the fact that Russia was in danger from foreign foes could have given them so long a lease of power. Conditions in that country are terrible, but there seems no other prudent course than to let the people work out their own salvation.

Premier Meighen said in Toronto last night: "The employing community in Canada are not sure tonight what the country's tariff is to be. I can't know myself, but I do know what it will be if I am returned to power." Any anxiety Mr. Meighen may have concerning the tariff when a Liberal government comes into power will be at once removed if he will remember what followed the gloomy predictions of Sir Charles Tupper in 1896. The Liberals came into power, revised the tariff, introduced the British preference and inaugurated the golden era of Canadian progress and prosperity. The people of Canada remember, if Mr. Meighen for political reasons does not, and they are not at all disturbed by his frantic assertions that the tariff is the issue and that only a tariff framed by himself (at the dictation of the big interests) can save the country.

Halifax Chronicle: It is not necessary to enter into an elaborate defence of the building of the National Transcontinental Railway. It was built at a time when immigrants were pouring in to the country and when, so far as public men could see, there promised to be a still greater development in the opening up of new areas in the west. The tariff which broke out in 1914 could not have been foreseen. It changed the situation entirely, and for this reason and on account of the efforts which the Borden government and its friends made to discredit and degrade the National Transcontinental, that railway never was given a fair chance for success. But in spite of all this there is testimony that the National Transcontinental Railway is and will be a great asset to the Dominion.

Montreal Witness: Mr. Meighen has dropped the good manners that he has been practising with so much restraint. He calls Mr. Crerar, his late colleague, a coward for charging the government with dishonesty and with allying itself with big interests, without pointing out any specific instance or making definite charge. He calls his utterances demagogic cant. They seem to hurt him. Well, if the government has not allied itself with the big interests, the big interests and their organs have very unanimously and effectively allied themselves with it.

The prospect that there may not be both farmer and Liberal candidates in York-Sunbury has thrown the Tories of that constituency into a panic. They fear Mr. Hanson may not have the privilege of sitting at all in the seat he won in a by-election.

A woman has been appointed acting deputy provincial secretary in Manitoba. Recognition of woman's capacity for public life grows wider from year to year, and is a natural and proper result of the extension of the franchise. A woman has just been elected a member of the parliament of Norway.

Every elector who gazes upon the huge tory poster on the dead walls asks the question: Where does the money come from?

Canada would have liked to share in the welcome to Marshal Foch in New York yesterday.

FARMERS FLOCKING TO VARSITY FOR STUDY IN WINTER COURSE

(Toronto Globe)

The short winter course for farmers held at the University of Toronto last spring met with such a hearty response that it has been decided to repeat the course after Christmas. This course, arranged for men and women on the farms of Ontario, is promoted by the headquarters organization of the U. F. O. The curriculum is drawn up by Mr. M. H. Staples, Educational Director of the U. F. O., and Mr. W. J. Danlop, Director of University Extension Work. Last season the subjects offered were economics, architecture, public health and hygiene, English literature and Canadian history. This season the course has been arranged with the object of providing for those who were at the University last winter and intend to return, and for those who will be attending for the first time. It is proposed that economics and English literature shall be compulsory for all students, while the choice of three, of either public health and hygiene, Canadian history, elementary commercial, geography, psychology,

household science, public speaking and architecture, provides a wide number of options. Thus, each student will take five subjects. Three lectures will be held each morning, and special arrangements will be made for the afternoons. Special lectures in the evenings are also contemplated.

The period decided upon for this winter is February 6 to February 18. Last winter 279 farmers from all parts of Ontario attended the course, but for next February the U. F. O. expects an attendance of nearly 600. The course, which is open to anyone engaged in farm work, will bring to the University representatives from U. F. O. clubs, U. F. W. O. clubs, Junior and Senior Women's Institutes.

In point of view of numbers and enthusiasm the present course is the most successful of the extension courses held by the Provincial University. It also shows the willingness of the University to provide higher education for those who desire it.

Announcements of this course will be sent shortly to all the U. F. O. clubs.

THE OLD FARM LANE

Jimmie Goldenheart and I
In the tender, wistful grey
Of a fading autumn day,
When the wind was scarce a sigh,
And the sun dimmed the old lane,
Walked with stumbling feet again.

We, too, had come to autumn days,
Long our sun the line had crossed,
But gently now we see the last
Through autumn's haze,
And the quiet calm of years
Has kissed away the sting of tears.

Fluttering down on broken wings,
Fall the grey leaves to the sod;
Gently as if the hand of God,
Sheltered disappointed things—
Perhaps our work that comes to naught
He yet holds in His tender thought.

Now here, now there, the light winds
Play;
Now here and there just stirs a tree,
And Jimmie said: "How gently we
Lay down our tools at close of day;
Yet memory holds for ever sweet
The hopes that fluttered to defeat."

The far-off fields, serene and wide,
Smiled with soft sunshine to the west,
Like mellow peace that age had blessed,
And sorrow time had sanctified;
We think that, though we look the goal,
We found the same of the soul.

And Jimmie said: "What wistful ghosts
Hover about in this old lane?
Our hungry eyes see here again
Our dear lost dreams, a phantom host;
Each rustling, shivering leaf doth hold
Voices of the friends of old."

Twos down this lane she laughing
Came
And gaily won a foolish heart;
Long since the kind years healed the smart,
But no sulter after shone the same—
But ah, the years since death's dull sway
Hid all that loveliness away!

Now and again an apple falls,
Amongst the trees the suns burn,
Along the fence the asters yearn,
At every step a memory calls;
The haze of youth and dreams again,
Like after glow fill this dear lane.
S. M. S.

LIGHTER VEIN.

Too Much Eat.
A countryman who went to a large city to see the sights engaged a room at a hotel and before retiring asked the clerk about the hours for meals.

"We have breakfast from seven to eleven, dinner from twelve to three, and supper from six to eight," explained the clerk.

"Look here," inquired the farmer in surprise, "what time am I going to get to see the town?"—Houston Post.

It was in one of those country towns which have a general store which sells everything from face powder to dynamite.

MUMMIFIED MINER SHOWN.

Ancient Chilean Placed on View at Natural History Museum.

The mummy of a prehistoric miner has been placed on exhibition in the Museum of Natural History, New York. It was found in 1914 in a copper mine in Chuquibambilla, Chile, and was presented to the museum by the Guggenheim brothers, owners of the mine.

"This prehistoric miner," said Charles W. Mead, Assistant Curator of Anthropology at the museum, "had burrowed fifteen or more feet into the side of a hill when the earth caved in, killing him."

He was at the time collecting copper which was used in making implements and ornaments. The mineral he was after was stannite, which is found in the form of green or blue sand. This he could scrape off from the cleavage faces in the rock. He was much helped in this matter by the fact that the ledges there had been shattered by an earthquake a thousand years before his time. This made it possible for him to work with prehistoric implements consisting of stone hammers and wooden bone scrapers. The copper he collected he carried off in skin bags and baskets.

Concerning the age of the mummy, it is believed he must have lived and worked before the Spaniards came into Chile. The first Spanish expedition into Chile was made in 1535. The mummy's shoulder was crushed by the weight of tons of rock which came down upon him, and his body dried up like that of a codfish, becoming naturally mummified.

This is the second mummy in the museum's collection that has been discovered in this mine. The older mummy was presented to the institution by the late J. Pierpont Morgan. Chuquibambilla is a copper mining district in the desert of Atacama. The mummy was found by Mauricio Pidot on Nov. 22, 1909, and was lying in a drift six feet below the surface, covered with stones and earth that had killed him. The Indian mode of mining was to burrow into the side of hills and extract the copper ore, which consisted of green and blue powder from the cleavage faces of the rocks. Nothing definite is known as to the time in which the man lived. For more than 800 years the Indian miner used tools and implements of the Spaniards. It is certain, however, that he lived a considerable time before the advent of the Spaniards.

DUE TO "RITOUS LIVING."

Viola Hubbard a Drug Addict—Inquest is Concluded.
(Toronto Telegram.)
That the death of twenty-year-old Viola Hubbard was due to "excessive and riotous living" was the verdict of Coroner Clendenen's jury who added a recommendation for an investigation into the conditions under which dance halls and resorts for the intermingling of mixed races were allowed to exist.

George White, negro, said: "We did not have to give her drugs; there is a crowd in a saloon that could get her more drugs in ten minutes than any other man could get in an hour."

He said it was a white man who had called at his house to ask him to run twenty cases of whiskey to Windsor. He was a Chinaman," Mrs. Wilkinson declared from her seat.

"Gentlemen, I am on my knees," declared White, raising his hands to his words and continuing from that posture to plead passionately: "This thing is up to me! It happened to me! I was a drug habit, and that a 'mysterious package' testified to previously as having been delivered to her by a Chinese, was a half pound of tea for which she paid several dollars."

"There are dozens of white girls living around the same way and they have arsenic and fatality took," Mrs. Hubbard, when chided for lack of maternal care.

ALL BRITISH BOOKS FIRST.

Toronto School Committee Investigating Question.
(Toronto Telegram.)
The spirit of patriotism, incorporating Canadian written and Canadian made, or British books first, for the school children in Toronto, with several other questions all leading to the direct promotion of Imperialism, permeated the management committee of the Board of Education at the meeting this afternoon.

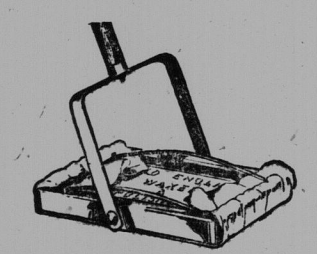
The book question is being taken up by the local board, and none but British books will be purchased first. A copy of the decision is being sent to the Urban School Trustees' Association. Where American or other foreign books are being used, several members even went so far as to suggest that they now be supplied by Canadian professors and issued by Canadian firms. The Canadian or British idea should be inculcated, they claimed, and not allow our children get the viewpoint of another nation for ours.

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LIBRARY BRINGS \$18,881.

1640 Shakespeare Sold for \$2,950 at Rita Wellman Lee Disposal.
The library of Rita Wellman Lee, New York, sold for \$18,881 at the Anderson Galleries. At the afternoon session, \$8,844 was realized, and at the evening session \$10,037.

The highest price of the day was \$2,950 paid by Lathrop C. Harper for "Poems: Written by Will, Shakespeare, Gent., London, 1640. The Brick Book Shop gave 1,400 for the Second Folio Shakespeare, London, 1632. Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach obtained for \$1,400 the first "Decameron" by Boccaccio in English, London, 1620. Mr. Harper paid \$800 for the first issue of Goldsmith's "Vicar of Wakefield," Salisbury, 1766. James F. Drake gave \$975 for the fifth copy of the first issue of "The Faerie Queene," by Edmund Spenser, London, 1590-96.

BIG DEER SMASHES WINDOWS IN DASH THROUGH SCRANTON

Scranton, Pa., Oct. 29.—A full grown antlered deer bolted through some miles of Scranton streets this week, leaving a trail of shattered windows and scattered provisions. The animal came from no one knows where, and has apparently returned to the same place.
In its flight through the city the deer jumped through a large plate glass window in a grocery, scattering provisions right and left and making its exit through a door in the rear.
When last seen it was heading toward the mountains.

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