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Editorial

Our pulpits are our work clothes. Each of us live some kind of a sermon every day.

CONFEDERATION

With the union of four provinces—Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario and Quebec—under the terms of the British North America Act, Canada as a nation came into existence fifty-six years ago. The passing of the years has served to mellow the circumstances surrounding this momentous step until the political strife and suspicion of that day has been obscured. While no good purpose will be gained by reciting such details, it is well for us as Canadians to remember at this time that it was only as a result of the sincerity, persistency and singleness of purpose on the part of those true patriots who conceived the idea of union that their plans were ever brought to fruition. They saw a vision of a great North American nation, owing allegiance always to the British Crown, in the place of the group of colonies which at that time seemed to be gradually losing contact and sympathy with each other and with the Motherland.

Sir John A. Macdonald, in concluding his great speech in which he introduced the resolution to the Crown seeking confederation, had a glimpse of the Canada of to-day and the Canada that will be, when he declared that as a united nation the time would come when the counsels of the Dominion would be sought by the other nations of the earth, and when Canada would be a subscribing but powerful people in its relation to the Empire, ready to stand by it in peace and in war. Sir John might readily be credited with prevision of Canada's part in the Great War, at the Peace Conference and at the Washington Conference on Armaments.

Our forefathers toiled to bring about confederation, although they knew that the full fruits of their labors would not be realized until after they had passed from active life. They left to us no uncertain guidepost to our duty in fostering the elements of the greater nation which Canada must be if given proper guidance at this juncture.

BUS SERVICE TOO HEAVILY TAXED

The recent finding of the Commission of Public Utilities respecting the bus line lately provided to connect the different sections in this vicinity furnishes a reasonable suspicion that an attempt is being made to put this most convenient service out of business. At any rate this is the view taken by many of our people as it does not seem possible that it can be profitably continued under the heavy burden of taxation which has been imposed. THE ACADIAN understands that in the vicinity of three thousand dollars per annum will be required to provide for all the requirements along this line that are demanded of the service, which surely is a heavy handicap for an undertaking the financial success of which was from the first problematical.

When the Commission met here a few weeks ago it was fully pointed out by representatives of the sections particularly interested that the bus service was a real need and furnished most satisfactory accommodation, and it was urged that no unnecessary burden be laid upon the enterprising proprietor. The Commission promised to take all the facts presented to them into careful consideration before making their decision. It really seems too bad that the continuance of what has already become a very decided convenience to our people should be jeopardized by what most people consider unnecessary and exorbitant demands made upon it.

HIGHWAY BOARD SHOULD PAY

Wolfville's main thoroughfare has been subjected to much unusual and heavy traffic during the past year or more in consequence of the road construction going on under the direction of the Provincial Highway Board. All of the gravel used on the new roadway between this town and Avonport is carried by motor trucks from the gravel pit near the old Horton Poor Farm, and must of necessity go over our permanent street constructed wholly at the expense of Wolfville ratepayers and towards the maintenance of which the Highway Board contributes nothing.

It would be difficult to estimate just how much injury to the life of the street has been occasioned by this traffic, but we were told a short time ago by the chairman of the Commission of Public Utilities that it was a careful estimate of the ordinary wear on the roads that furnished the basis on which such services as bus lines were taxed. This being the case it seems only fair that the Highway Board should be asked to contribute to the town towards the upkeep of our permanent street a sum commensurate with the damage that it has suffered. In our opinion this is a matter which demands the immediate attention of our civic rulers, and steps should be taken to secure an equitable adjustment without further delay.

FLY YOUR FLAG ON DOMINION DAY

It is devoutly to be hoped that the Flag will be more in evidence in Wolfville on Dominion Day than it was on the occasion of the last two or three national holidays. Empty flag poles on the birthday of our beloved Dominion would bear testimony to a lack of that spirit which makes for worthy and patriotic citizenship, and a proper pride in the great heritage that is ours.

On Victoria Day the very limited number of flags visible was very freely commented upon, especially by visitors. Let there be no cause for such complaint on Dominion Day, when from every pole erected for this purpose at least, the flag we love so dearly should flutter in the breeze. This is one way in which we can teach the lesson of patriotism to the rising generation, and every school ground should make its contribution of bunting in honor of the day. This is a very slight service and is the least that we can be expected to do. In addition—where possible—there should be public exercises of an appropriate character with addresses suitable to the occasion.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MOTOR DRIVERS

The present method by which the government grants licenses to drivers of motor vehicles, without requiring any specified qualifications, provides a menace to public safety that should no longer be allowed to exist. The provincial treasury may be replenished as a result of such procedure but the public safety is in no way guarded. In view of the rapidly increased number of motor vehicles which now use our streets every driver should be obliged to satisfy some competent official or board that he is a safe person to be entrusted with such a responsibility. It is no wonder that under the existing conditions, which make no provision for public safety, that frequent accidents should occur, and this number is bound to increase unless some change is soon made. In too many cases car-drivers acknowledge an alarming ignorance of the ordinary rules of the road, while a few of those who are today operating motor-driven vehicles are physically unqualified for the task. The careful and qualified driver on our highways is now taking chances that he should not be obliged to risk.

OVER-GOLFING

That there is danger to the citizen of middle-age in over-golfing is the dictum of Dr. Matthias Nicoll, Jr., deputy State Commissioner of Health of New York. Dr. Nicoll, himself an enthusiastic golfer and a physician of long experience, stated that there is no question that golf may be and often is overdone, and that it is not infrequently indulged in by those who on account of their physical condition should not play at all. Accordingly he recommended what he described as "a few rules for aged golfers which all of them will resent" as follows:

If your physician advises against golf, don't play.

Don't rush between holes. You won't hold up anyone if you walk steadily at a moderate pace, and your game will not suffer thereby.

Choose fairly level courses if possible, and take hills very slowly.

Take time to digest a light lunch. Heavy eating has nothing to recommend it except sociability.

Don't continue the game if you feel dizzy, weak, or otherwise unfit.

Don't lose your temper. It won't help your game, your health, or the work of your caddy.

After your game and shower, protect yourself from draughts and cold winds.

If you must play in the rain, change into dry clothes after a shower and get a hard rub-down immediately after you come in.

During the off-season a moderate amount of indoor golf is a valuable form of exercise and will keep you hopeful for an early spring.

We had always been led to believe that golf was the best game in the world for the old-timers. And probably it is. But the "aged" must bear in mind that they are not as young as they used to be, and that even the royal game has its hazards. Even so, will the older players of the game agree to the regimen laid down by this authority? Probably not.

A bedspread 101 years old and still in use is the unique possession of Mrs. W. N. Taggart, Chattanooga, Tenn. This interesting relic of the past is the product of a once famous colonial home industry—the making of hand-tufted bedspreads.

On the banks of the Skomish River near Bremerton, Wash., is a cherry tree said to be in its 91st season of fruition. The cherry tree is more than six feet through at the base and the branches are estimated to cover 5,000 square feet.

Most of us dislike the exhibition of too much nerve, but somehow can't help but admire it sometimes.

THE CANADIAN FLAG

There appears to be some doubt in the minds of many people on the subject of what flag may be used in Canada, on occasions of rejoicing. Following is the opinion of the late Sir John Bourinot, formerly Clerk of the Canadian House of Commons, with reference to Dominion flags:

"The famous British flag commonly known as the Union Jack, is flown from all the fortresses and garrisons of Canada, whether under the charge of Imperial military authorities or Colonial militia forces. The Union Jack is a combination of three flags. The red cross on the white ground is for England, the white cross with the arms placed diagonally on a blue ground for Scotland, and the red cross with the arms placed diagonally on a white ground for Ireland.

"The Dominion of Canada has also authority to use a national flag, viz.: The red or blue ensign, a flag of plain red or blue, having the Union Jack in the upper canton, or corner, next the mast, and the Dominion coat-of-arms in the fly or field of the flag.

"The blue ensign is a distinguishing flag of the Government vessels of Canada; the mercantile marine of the Dominion has a right to use the red ensign.

"The Governor-General has authority to use a plain Union Jack in the centre of which are the Dominion arms, surrounded by a garland of maple leaves and surmounted by a crown."

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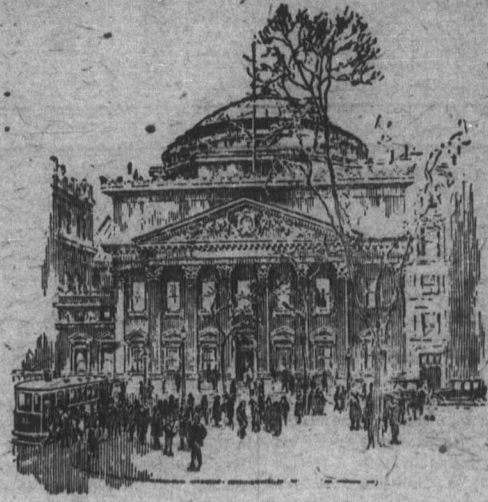
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