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A NATIONAL QUESTION

"Let us not develop Canada as a one-sided country. Let us see to it that Ontario does not become simply a manufacturing country, a country of towns and cities, and that the provinces away down by the sea shall not be drained still drier of their best blood. It is a matter of great importance for the future of that country that there shall be an equal, equitable development all along the line. If we can build up not simply towns and cities, but also a rural population growing and increasing in numbers, then we shall develop Canada not simply in a one-sided way, but we shall develop it along the true lines, where town and city and country are growing up together, one reacting upon the other."

Maritime province people will read with interest and appreciation the above extract from an address by Mr. C. C. James, deputy minister of agriculture for Ontario, before the Canadian Club at Ottawa. Mr. James takes a broad view of the whole situation, and sees the weakness of the national position. The rural communities must be built up. The question is a national question, and must be so recognized. It concerns the cities and towns of the country, as well as the rural districts. Improve the latter, socially, mentally, morally and financially, and it will react upon the former.

Referring to the need of intensive agriculture, Mr. James pointed out that farming had been brought to a far greater height of perfection in Belgium and Denmark than in Canada, and showed how in the eastern provinces the yield of the farms could be enormously increased. He also referred to the need of purer grades of live stock, and pointed out that millions could be made out of poultry. He agreed, however, with other authorities who have lately been quoted in this paper, that a newspaper or a speech would not convince the farmer. It needed the personal instruction of a clever man. It needed to build the interest of the whole country, but the result would be worth while. "This," said Mr. James, "is a big question, and if we can only make a national question of it we ought to be able to command for it the best brains in the country. And you cannot command the best brains of this country, for this work unless the country is prepared to pay for it."

WORKMEN'S INSURANCE

Premier Anquith told the House of Commons yesterday that eighteen of the forty days sitting would be given up to consideration of Lloyd George's workmen's insurance bill. Mr. Balfour protested that too much time was being given to one measure. The bill is a remarkable one. Explaining its provisions, the Toronto Globe says:

"Every industrial worker in Great Britain earning less than \$15 weekly will under the provisions of the bill, be given four return contributions ranging from \$1 to \$4 in return for a week-free medical treatment throughout life, including medicines; sick benefit allowances of ten shillings per week for men and seven and sixpence for women during the first three weeks of illness, and five shillings per week for men and women during the second thirteen weeks; a disablement benefit of five shillings weekly; the right to treatment for consumption in a public sanatorium; grants for working women to relieve maternity charges, and unemployment benefits. At the end of all there is a pension after the working age is past of five shillings a week."

The Globe expresses the view that if Mr. Lloyd George can overcome the objections of the friendly societies and the medical profession and pilot the bill through parliament he will take rank among great benefactors of the common people. We quote further—

"The position of the British worker under these conditions is revolutionary. He is no longer to be 'tossed' while he can work and afterward cast aside like an old shoe. The state says that he must be cared for like a human being from the day of his birth till the day of his death. The cost of that care is levied on the national treasury, on the employing classes, and on the worker himself. It is a great humanitarian work to which Mr. Lloyd George has set his hand, the greatest undertaken by a responsible British statesman since the abolition of slavery throughout the Empire."

AN ENGLISH PERIL

England is threatened with a renewal of labor troubles which might have an effect more disastrous than war itself. It is feared that the railway strike may be renewed, and the experience of the country when the men were out before was such as to cause the people to regard a repetition of it with the gravest concern. The warfare is one that not only causes universal hardship, and great suffering among the poor, but it may be fraught with great developments during the late disturbance which filled the people with consternation.

For this reason the statement that the unions are likely to reject the report of the Royal Commission, and enter upon a more prolonged struggle, is heard with something approaching dismay and fear. To tie up the transportation lines would not only inflict great injury upon the industries of the country, but would cut off the food supply to an alarming extent.

The part of the report in which the Royal Commission upholds the right of the companies to refuse to recognize the

unions is strongly objected to by the men. The Commission said:

"We think that with their great responsibilities the companies cannot and should not be expected to permit any intervention between them and their men on the subjects of discipline and management."

It was conceded that the men should be represented by an advocate of their own before a conciliation board, and he might be a union official, but this does not satisfy the men. At meetings held in various parts of the country they have denounced the report, and a London cable yesterday stated that at meetings of the four unionist Monday resolutions declining to accept the report of the Royal Commission will be submitted. The situation is therefore critical. The fact that parliament has reassembled is perhaps fortunate, for if the strike is renewed a condition may develop which would call for vigorous action.

A London cable says that Lloyd George's workmen's insurance bill is the most radical measure ever brought before the British house.

C. P. R. officials anticipate a large winter port business. This is good news for the workmen and the merchants of the city. The summer has been dull along the waterfront.

The Peterborough Review, Conservative, says that the Borden government should make some of the tariff reductions provided for in the reciprocity agreement. There is little prospect of any such action. A reduction in the duty on canned goods would be of great benefit at the present time, when the consumer is being squeezed because of a shortage in the Canadian pack.

SIMONDS CONSERVATIVES

Friends of the victorious councillors in Simonds held a supper and smoker at Charles Mayall's in Lech Lomond, last evening. About twenty guests from the city drove out. Speeches were made by Councillors-elect Thomas B. Carson, Fred Stephenson, Henry Shillington, and by Hon. Robert Maxwell, M.P., E. E. Agor, J. B. Baxter, and others. Letters of regret at not being able to attend were received from Hon. J. D. Hazen, Hon. J. K. Fleming, and John E. Wilson, M.P.

The following were elected to the coming local government convention, either to nominate a candidate for the approach of by-election or, in the event of a general election, to nominate two candidates. Simonds No. 1—John McDonald, Jr., chairman; Henry Shillington, secretary. Delegates—John McDonald, Jr., W. B. Tennant, Edward Boyle, Frank Joseph and William Knox.

Substitutes—Oliver Gilson, E. J. Young, J. Barrett, Edward Shillington, E. Graham and Fred Foley.

Simonds No. 2—Thomas B. Carson, chairman; Robert J. Wood, secretary. Delegates—Thomas B. Carson, Andrew R. Moore and William Cunningham.

Substitutes—John R. Wallace, Thomas Moir and William Sharp.

Simonds No. 3—William J. Jones, chairman; William J. Johnston, secretary. Delegates—James W. Willis, Albert Stephenson, and W. J. Johnston.

Substitutes—Joseph Jones, George Johnston and Ernest Graham.

POPULATION OF CHINA

(New York Times)

Chinese politicians, when they come to this country, do not lose the fertile and picturesque imagination that pervades their national literature. When C. S. Gunn, of the Young China Association, says that 400,000,000 of the 420,000,000 people in China are in sympathy with the movement, "which the Chinese Sun Wen is the reputed leader, he puts a fine touch of statistical impartiality upon his figures by saying that 'adverse received show' them to be 'probably correct.'"

The most trustworthy estimate of the population of the Chinese empire made by one American Minister, about five years ago, after careful study of all the data, official or other, that were available, fixed the approximate total at 270,000,000. This estimate agreed substantially with that made about fifteen years since by French scientists connected with the government of Tonquin in the South. Chinese official estimates have been in the neighborhood of 400,000,000, an increase of some 20 per cent. over any figures for which trustworthy support has been found by foreign investigators. The size of the population does not, however, affect the merits of the insurrectionary or reform movement. If that commands the active sympathy of even one-half the people of China, the Manchu dynasty will be thrown, though what may happen afterward it would be rash to try to predict.

MORE LIKE HER BILL

Neighbor—I s'pose your Bill's 'tten the 'arp with the Hangele now?"

Long-Suffering Widow—Not 'im, 'tten the Hangele wiv the 'arp's nearest 's mark."—Black and White.

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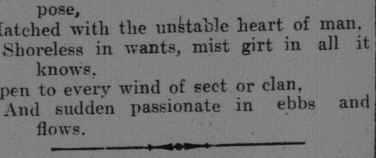


PILOTS OF LIB. RTY

(By James Russell Lowell.)

Flawless his heart and tempered to the core,
Who, beckoned by the forward leaping wave,
First left behind him the firm-footed shore,
And, urged by every nerve and sail and oar,Steered for the unknown which gods to mortals gave;
High hearted surely he;
But bolder they who first off-cut
Their moorings from the habitable past
And ventured charless on the sea
Of storm engineering liberty.For all earth's width of waters is a span,
And their convulsed existence mere repose.
Matched with the unstable heart of man,
Shoreless in wants, mist girt in all it knows,
Open to every wind of sect or clan,
And sudden passionate in ebbs and flows.

IN LIGHTER VEIN



OVERSIGHT

Her Mother—When he kissed you why didn't you call me?
Daughter—Well, ma, I didn't know you wanted to be kissed, too.

TIMELY LULABY

Daddy's gone a-hunting,
If he doesn't shoot his guide
We'll have deer-meat steamed and fried.
—Buffalo News.

VARIETY THERE

"We had three kinds of potatoes at boarding house for breakfast," said Mr. Mack to a friend.
"That's good, what were they?"
"Dane, undone and burned."

A SHOCKING FIGURE

Tullman—"Does Dr. Razzo give electric treatment?"
Shorter—"No; but his fee has the same effect, as a powerful current."

USEFUL

Friend—"In one respect that new show of snuff is worth double the price of admission."
Manager—"What is that?"
Friend—"It makes one doubly appreciate any other show he ever sees afterward."—Chicago News.

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

Premier Fleming, in Ottawa yesterday said the provincial premiers would meet soon in conference on the matter of the national representation in the House of Commons.

At a meeting of the labor organizations in Montreal last night, an independent labor party was organized. Officers were elected, and an organization committee appointed.

In the circuit court in Dorchester yesterday the jury returned a verdict of acquittal in the case of Harry Horseman, charged with seduction.

Dr. J. W. Daniel, ex-M.P., for St. John county, has been given a temporary appointment as postmaster of Chilliwick, B. C., in order to open this constituency for him.

He will hold the position till a senate vacancy is found.

While excavating at Beside near Sackville Tuesday, workmen discovered an Indian grave with flint spear heads, arrow heads, copper beads, a copper tomahawk and other articles. The body had apparently been entombed in birch bark.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 25—A Dawson despatch states that Dr. Thompson, Conservative, was elected in the Yukon by about 400 majority over F. T. Congdon, the Liberal candidate and former member.

Newark, N. J., Oct. 25—The Essex county grand jury returned an indictment this afternoon charging Allison McFarland with the murder of his wife Evelyn, who died of cyanide of potassium poisoning at her home here on the night of Oct. 17.

MORNING LOCALS

Edward Star was before Magistrate Ritchie in the police court yesterday afternoon on the charge of deserting a ship on its arrival at Grandstone Island from Rio Janeiro. The sailor expressed his willingness to go back to the steamer and arrangements were made to this effect.

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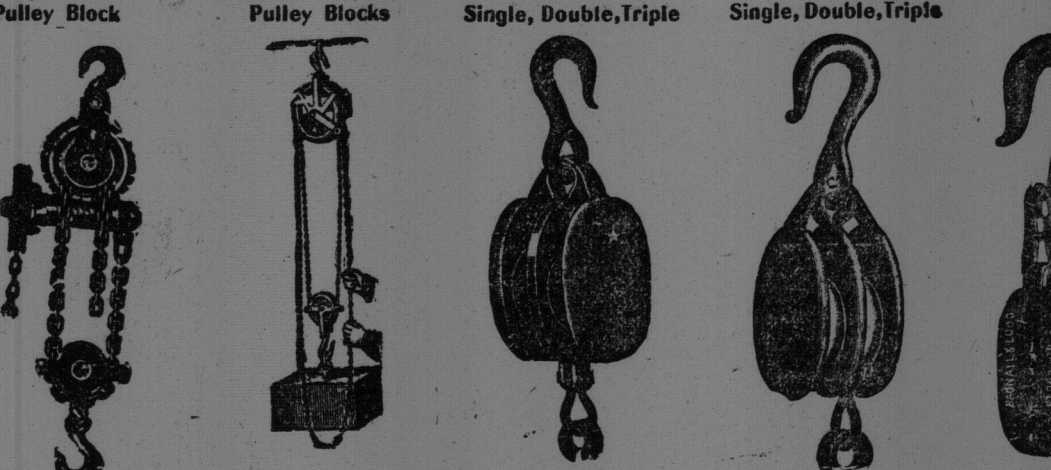
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LUMBERMEN DO NOT FIGHT NOW AS IN OLD DAYS

Bangor Writer Recalls Some Lively Battles Among the "Jacks" in Comparison With Present Times

(Bangor Commercial).

A party of a dozen lumbermen, all bound for a winter in the woods, left the Union station the other morning on the early Bangor & Aroostook train. Each man's outfit was done up in a grain sack, ingeniously arranged with straps so that it could be slung over the shoulders and easily carried as a pack. Perhaps there were three or four bottles of liquor in the party and by the time the train had reached Northern Maine Junction the men had been passed around several times.

Coming down the aisle of the smoker, the conductor glanced sharply at the men as they passed, as he collected their tickets. By the time the train had reached Lagrange the entire crowd was under a table, tipsy but peaceable. As the morning wore on the tipsiness changed to drowsiness and that, in turn, gave way to sleep. Just before the station at which they were to get off was reached, a train man shook each lumber jack by the head, and when the cars slowed down at the platform they jumped off, bag and baggage, with scarcely a word.

Not much like the old days, this isn't? observed a gray-haired travelling man in the rear seat of the smoker as he filled his pipe after the train had started again. "They are different, somehow, these chaps who go into the woods nowadays from what they used to be. Fifteen or twenty years ago the chances would have been ten to one against the conductor having gotten that crowd off of the train without a fight. But now one seldom sees trouble. I don't know whether fighting went out with the coming in of the spring log haul or how to account for it; but it's different."

There have been some bloody battles between lumber jacks on eastern Maine railroad trains before now, in which the train crews were often called upon to separate the enraged combatants. A party of twenty bound for Moosehead lake a number of years ago got into a rough and tumble fight after the old Bangor & Piscataquis train pulled out of Bangor one morning and when the cars pulled into the Greenville station eight of them were taken out unconscious. One man, a six-foot Prince Edward Islander, had a car entirely bitten off. They were hardly men, physically, who went into the Maine woods in those days and after a night's sleep at Greenville, the entire party started up the lake for their camps the next morning, seemingly none the worse for what had happened.

Greenville has been the scene of many a fight between woodmen. And too often revolting brutality has been practiced. One morning some eight years ago, the clerk of a Greenville lumberman's boarding house came down stairs to find one of his guests asleep on the office floor where he lay all night in a drunken stupor.

"Get up, you!" called the clerk, poking the prostrate body with the toe of his boot. There was no response, even when a bucket of cold water was dashed in the sleeper's face. Then the boarding house clerk, suddenly and quite without warning, pulled out a revolver and fired.

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INTERRUPTED REPOSE.

"So you don't care for chess?"

"Not much. It's annoying to be wakened every time you drop into a new nap merely to be told that it is your move."—Washington Star.

In making cranberry jelly or jam, much less sugar will be required if the sugar is not added until the fruit has been well cooked.