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### Latitude Will Make Canadians.

A United States doctor, Austin O'Malley, has arrived at some ethnological and climatic conclusions about his country, which are attracting attention. As he belongs to the United States he is not being abused for his views, as he might be of alien lineage. His observations lead him to think that the original stock of the United States settlers from the northern parts of Europe cannot survive there. The blondes all die off under United States sunshine and only the brunettes survive.

Irish, English, Scottish, and other northern Europeans cannot live south of the 45th parallel and flourish. The Mediterranean type is at home between the 35th and 45th parallels. From the 50th to the 55th the brown man finds himself thriving, and the black man south of this.

Evidence of this kind, which places the 45th parallel as the southern limit of the best development, is highly significant for Canadians. Dr. O'Malley gives as a scientific basis for his statement that the ultra-violet rays in sunlight produce a form of nervous irritability in fair-skinned subjects, which eventually tends to extinguish the type. The development of more or less darkly-pigmented skin in the skin protects the epiphyseal organism from these effects. By natural selection the stronger, more active physical types will tend to be developed in the northern regions, while the more indolent take themselves to southern climes with their violet rays. A Norwegian colony, this expert points out, made the mistake of going to Texas, a southward move of 2,000 miles. Today there is not a single male or female descendant of that colony.

Legislators rarely consider facts like these in their efforts to set limits to the great tides of nature. Immigration is controlled by greater laws than any nation can pass. Whoever comes to a nation, only the fit endure. In the course of a millennium or so a new type develops in a settled land. Since King Alfred, the Luther Burbank of the sphere has been crossing and blending the Briton, Saxon, Norman and Dane, to make an Englishman. What kind of a race will open the Toronto Exhibition of 1919?

### Boths and Smuts

In the death of General Botha and the succession of General Smuts to the leadership of the South African federation there is material for much reflection for those who are now trying to patch up the affairs of Europe and for those also who are objecting to the measures proposed. There was a time when the Boers and the Transvaal were written and spoken of much as we now speak of the Germans. There was some very bitter talk also when Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman granted to the United States of South Africa the autonomy, or self-determination as it would now be called, which they have so loyally used in the recent war.

It was General Botha who took the leading part in bringing the irreconcilables to consent to behave sufficiently to take advantage of the opportunities opened up to them and the South African population generally. It is true that a minority, led by Hertzog, still strive against destiny, but their generation will pass away as that of Louis Riel is passing away, and the great common sense of the people will assert itself.

It is fortunate that there is such another as General Smuts to carry on the great tradition of magnanimous acquiescence in a magnanimous compact. These two men had the gifts to see that fraternity between Briton and Boer was not merely better for each, but better for the whole world. North and South in the United States learned that lesson too. There are still many divided units that have to learn it. The post-war European situation might well be studied from the South African vantage point. Had Germany conquered the Transvaal we know that the German system would have forbidden the rise of one of the conquered generals to such a place as General Botha has so finely filled in South Africa. The German mind would regard such a method as madness. Yet the British method secured the co-operation of South Africa in the great war against Germany, and for this very reason that German policy refuses the freedom that Britain grants.

At this very moment Germany is plotting and fighting to conquer Poland, Russia, any nation she foolishly deems may be brought under subjection to her domination. A few leaders like Botha and Smuts in Germany would bring the deluded people into a right relation with the facts, and the whole grievously complicated situation in mid-Europe might be settled in as short a time as the Boers discovered

that British freedom was as real as it professed to be.

### A Laurel Wreath for the Exhibition

Mayor Church's appeal for a record crowd for the last two days of the Exhibition should be heeded by the people of Toronto. There is no better advertisement for the Exhibition than the news of a record-breaking attendance spreading over the continent, and there is no better advertisement for Toronto than the success of the Exhibition. If Toronto rolls up the total attendance today to a million and a quarter the idea will sink into many minds which would be impervious to disquisitions on the beauty, the rarity, the excellence, the value or the unique character of the exhibits. Some of the world fairs have had difficulty in collecting a million in months. To get 1,250,000 in two weeks would signify extraordinary attractions. And that, indeed, is what we have.

With yesterday's attendance another such crowd as came on Labor Day would make the million and a quarter record. There should be nothing difficult about this. There are enough people in Toronto who have not yet seen the war relics and the war pictures to make the attendance, to mention none of the other attractions, and these two collections can never be seen again.

Everybody go to the big fair today and give the Peace Exhibition a laurel wreath.

### GETTING CLOSE.

A Millbrook, Ont., pastor has announced that on Sunday next he will preach on the text, "What Hast Thou in the House?"—I Kings, iv, 2. Might be a timely text for one of the Toronto preachers in the near future. Eh, what?

### IDA RE THE SCHOOL BOARD

BY IDA L. WEBSTER.

Thursday night the board of school trustees met for the first time. Justice Lennox gave out his decision in the recent investigation. So far as we could see all the members of the famous board were present, and from the noise which issued from the mouths of most of them they were not "silent masks at the feast" by any means.

Mr. Frederick Hambly was in the chair, that being his official position, by the way, and in all fairness to him it must be said that he was about the only element in the entire room that seemed to know what the whole affair was about. His patience was simply remarkable. Not even the insane suggestion of the various members re the ordinary business appeared to faze him.

Perhaps one of the brightest motions of the evening was that of Dr. Hunter, who thought that the photograph of any chairman or ex-chairman who was found guilty of illegal or improper conduct by a full-fledged judge of a recognized court should be taken from the wall—from amongst the other gathering.

To our mind that would be a most terrible thing. Just imagine taking a fellow's "picture" off the wall just because some judge or other who was getting thousands of dollars for investigating his methods thought he was a crook. Isn't that a punishment?

Dr. Hopkins did not agree with his fellow M.D. saying that he thought any such motion was a disgrace and a shame to the city of Toronto. Personally, when he brought that statement out he almost knocked us dead, because in our somewhat weak and puny mind we cannot think of anything which is quite such a disgrace to the citizens of Toronto as the necessity for investigations.

In any case the motion was killed, so that so far as the photographs of one of the chairmen could be a murder if he so desired and still his "map" will be given a place of honor, where it will in all probability prove a nightmare to those members who do not like him.

Then a letter was read from some woman or women (the secretary does not speak loud enough to make the statement just exactly certain), but in any case the letter posited the principal, Mr. Morrison, in no uncertain terms. From the sound of the note she accused him of doing everything but attend to the business for which he is paid.

There was all sorts of talk sprinkled with hisses from the gods, and the argument ended it was about a draw, with a committee appointed to meet the alleged offender and arrive at an agreement. Great stuff, if the man happened to be guilty, we'll say, but then it is the way of the school board. Instead of having the principal up there facing his accusers they prefer to hedge around and take care of the matter in their own sweet way.

Other than these there were unlimited resolutions and motions, but strange to say not one of them was for the resignation of all members until such time as the citizens felt justified in reinstating them. In fact, one of the trustees said that all that investigation business was behind them, and that it had nothing to do with the present moment or the future business. "Thanks to us ourselves he has his nerve, but then every man to his own opinion."

Many times references were made to the board of control or the city council; that is one member or the other would say that the school board was degenerating to the level of the aforementioned bodies. The idea was evidently to be clever, but the effort was wasted, because never in the palmist days of either of them were they a match to the school trustees.

And now if one of those people really and truly want to show that they are a school trustee let him or her make a motion and use force enough to carry it that the teachers get paid a decent wage. Cut out the argument about getting money to build and photographs being grabbed off walls and just use a little ordinary common sense about the business. The employees in the teaching line are the poorest paid lot in captivity. Give them a show to live like human beings and never mind trying to make funny remarks for the reporters to put in their papers, because it is a ten to one shot that the editor will clip the one that is up out of his own mind. Remember it is just as easy for a camel to go thru the eye of a needle as it is for some trustees to be clever in repartee.

## THE DAY AT OTTAWA

BY TOM KING.

Ottawa, Sept. 5.—Parliament was bored today, and made no effort to disguise the fact. The debate on the address was resumed at three o'clock by Jos. Demers, Liberal member for St. John's, Quebec, and opposition members were obliged to keep it going. The government side of the chamber was almost entirely deserted, and it was evident that no more speeches were to be expected from that side of the chamber.

The government is anxious to get thru the session as quickly as possible, and with the least possible friction. The Liberals do not think there is any party capital to be made by forcing a fight and the result is a painful marking time.

Mr. Demers began his speech this afternoon by saying that he would not discuss the peace treaty, and then proceeded to discuss it at considerable length. He also touched upon the high cost of living and pleaded for a general amnesty for the defaulters under the military service act. Mr. Baldwin, joined in this request and suggested that the amnesty would be a fitting climax to the highly successful tour of the Prince of Wales. It would make his visit seem like a visit from the Prince of Peace.

Another Quebec member who wanted amnesty for the slackers was Emmanuel Danjou. Mr. Danjou, after warning the government that all the defaulters would vote against them as soon as they got out of jail, rather illogically advised their immediate liberation.

Mr. Baldwin, by the way, is something of a radical and takes a gloomy view of our financial situation. He also has considerable apprehensions about the future of the government. Government members, he said, were resigning, cabinet ministers were being replaced, and the government was apparently upon the toboggan. He has no use for the "grand military machine" we are building up in Canada, and denies that war is ever glorious. War, he said, means slaughter, destruction, desolate widows and fatherless children; it was always cruel and diabolic. On account of the war, he declared, 8,000 Canadians would never be loved.

Mr. Turgeon of New Brunswick contributed a speech, as also did Mr. Proulx of Prescott. Mr. Cahill, Liberal member for Pontiac, rose long enough to complain about the car shortage in the Abitibi district. He said that settlers along the National Transcontinental Railway were unable to ship pulpwood, lumber and other commodities to the United States in this connection, he read a letter from the deputy minister of railways, which in substance announced that Canadian cars could not be furnished to shippers for American destination. Mr. Cahill wanted to know how we were ever going to get the adverse balance of trade if our people are not allowed to ship manufactured products and other commodities to the United States.

This brought to his feet Sir George Roster, minister of trade and commerce. Sir George said it was desirable to stabilize exchange by shipping all the products we could sell to the United States. On the other hand, if we send cars across the line they were a long time in getting back. We could keep a certain number of American cars in this country, but never enough to make up for Canadian cars that remained in the United States. At one time there were 20,000 more of our cars in the United States than there were American cars in Canada. It was an old problem, but apparently as far off as ever from any solution.

Dr. J. W. Edwards of Frontenac apparently got over the traces, and, although he is a government supporter, contributed a speech to the debate. It was ostensibly a reply to the charge of reckless extravagance brought against the government by Mr. Sinclair of Nova Scotia. The doctor said that he had sat in the house for many years and he had never seen any member from Nova Scotia offering the slightest objection to any outlay however extravagant, where the money was to be spent in his own province.

This indictment was sweeping enough to include the prime minister, but the member for Frontenac probably overlooked that fact. Indeed, he rose for the purpose of defending and castigating the government, and in his enthusiasm went so far as to question the existence of any pressing problem before the high cost of living. The cost of living, he said, had always been a problem for the great majority of the people. There were complaints, he said, about the men who had made millions during the war, but they were no better or no worse, in his opinion, than the men who became millionaires before the war. The cost of living, he said, was a problem for the great majority of the people. There were complaints, he said, about the men who had made millions during the war, but they were no better or no worse, in his opinion, than the men who became millionaires before the war. The cost of living, he said, was a problem for the great majority of the people. There were complaints, he said, about the men who had made millions during the war, but they were no better or no worse, in his opinion, than the men who became millionaires before the war.

The debate on the address will go over for a week, as the peace treaty is to have the right of way on Monday and will be under consideration until a final vote is taken not later than Thursday night. The Unionist members during the coming week, but Chief Whip Middlebrooke today denied the report that the call had been issued for Tuesday next.

### BURNHAM CHALLENGES ISSUERS OF PETITION

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Ottawa, Sept. 5.—J. H. Burnham, M.P. for Peterboro, has made reply to a despatch sent last night from his native city, in which it was stated that a petition was being circulated regarding his resignation because of his having taken his seat in the cross benches of the house of commons.

He has wired the Peterboro papers as follows: "Telegraphic despatch states that a petition is circulating in Peterboro for my retirement owing to my going to cross benches in protest of continuance of new Unionist party in power without going to the people first. Since I regard it as a breach of faith with those who voted for Unionism while the war lasted, I challenge the petitioners if there are any to get the announced backing of the Union government, whereupon I will immediately resign my seat and appeal to the people. Go to it now or crawl."

I'LL GET HIM YET!

# CAN YOU ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS?

- (1) What is Labor's Duty to the Public . . . ?
- (2) Must We "Work Another Hour a Day" to Reduce Prices . . . ?
- (3) Should the Shantung Award to Japan be Stricken from the Treaty . . . ?
- (4) Does the United States Want a Department of Aviation . . . ?
- (5) What is Industrial Democracy . . . ?
- (6) What are the Principal Provisions in the New German Constitution . . . ?
- (7) Is Germany Doing Secret Propaganda Work in Spain . . . ?
- (8) Is England Drinking More Now Than Before the War . . . ?
- (9) Are Cattails Suitable for Food . . . ?
- (10) Can the Earth's Surface Be Accurately Represented on a Flat Map . . . ?
- (11) What Great New Harbors Has the War Developed . . . ?
- (12) Is There More Democracy in the German Theatre Than in Ours . . . ?
- (13) How Are England and France Honoring the Dead . . . ?
- (14) Of What Does the American Merchant Marine Consist . . . ?
- (15) On What Dates Will Foreign Securities Held in America Mature . . . ?

## Where Two Million Men and Women Find Answers to Their Questions

In this week's number of THE LITERARY DIGEST, dated September 6th, there are splendid articles that give satisfying answers to all the questions asked here, and many more. Besides, you will be interested in reading what is best in Current Poetry, in Finance and Commerce, in Personal Glimpses of Men and Events, etc. In addition to this feast of text-matter "The Digest" is graphically illustrated with half-tone pictures and reproductions of the most humorous cartoons from the American and European press. Get "The Digest" this week!

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Special to The Toronto World.  
St. Catharines, Ont., Sept. 5.—Lieut.-Col. Leonard, president of Coniagias mine, heads St. Catharines branch of Personal Liberty League, with Harry Southcott as president, Secretary Cunningham, of G. W. V. A., is vice-president; Major E. Q. Lamont, secretary-treasurer. The following were also chosen: Council: Brig.-Gen. W. J. M. King, Lieut.-Col. W. H. Merritt, A. W. Taylor, R. A. Stinson, W. McNamara, J. C. Notman, Major A. W. Butler, P. Spearman, P. I. Price, H. A. Keen in close proximity to the hotel. A fine clay tennis court offers a means of physical exercise. "The Highland Inn" is operated by the Grand Trunk Railway, and will close for the season on Sept. 30, so make your reservations early. Illustrated descriptive literature telling you all about it from any Grand Trunk agent, or write Mr. N. T. Clarke, manager, Highland Inn, Algonquin Park, Ont.

### Prince Will Formally Open Winnipeg's New Water System

Winnipeg, Sept. 5.—Greater Winnipeg's \$15,000,000 water scheme is to be formally opened by his royal highness the Prince of Wales when he comes here next Tuesday.

### SEPTEMBER IN ALGONQUIN PARK

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