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GOVERNMENT BY COMMISSION.

The people of Calgary are after Government by Commission—an idea which is by no means a new one in Chatham where there is a strong feeling that it is the only form of municipal control. In a recent issue the Calgary Herald says on the subject:

"The Council has not yet taken any step in the direction of government by commission. Surely the aldermen might be courageous enough to give the public a sense of their feeling in the matter."

"Let the matter at least be brought up, and the ratepayers may see who is in favor of, and who against this logical method of attending to the constantly growing needs of the city. At present the Council occupies a false position. The present method of civic government never received the eye or nay of the ratepayers."

"When it suits their convenience they can prate quite glibly about their responsibility to the people, but in this commission idea, in spite of many appeals from the press and the people, they observe a strict silence. 'Would it not be better to take the courageous course?' The old Council knifed last year's commission without consent. This year's Council accepted the situation without consent."

"The Herald believes the Council is working hard, and is undoubtedly doing many good things for Calgary, but after all it is doubtful whether they are doing more than holding their own with current needs."

"At present the system shows signs of the one committee being very jealous of its particular branch as against another committee."

"What would it mean to have Executive Government by Commission? Ex-Mayor Short, of Edmonton, in his valuable paper on the subject, says:

"First: There would be continuity of plan. There would be a constant looking forward to the future and arranging the present accordingly. There would be the choice of thoroughly competent and capable men to take charge of the several departments of the public service. The telephone would be put under a competent head. Likewise the electric light, waterworks, sewerage, public health, road and street-making, assessment and collection of taxes, the maintenance of public order and fire protection. All these departments should be under the commissioners as the business head. Each should be made to work for the benefit of the other. At the beginning of the year, when the question of assessment comes around, the commissioners should have prepared all necessary data; should have obtained comparisons from all other cities, towns and municipalities similarly situated; should have full information for the Council to decide. Then the Council should decide as to the scale of assessment. The commissioners would see that it was carried out. When the roll was completed, it would be completed on the principle laid down by the Council. The Council would be responsible for the principle; the commissioners for the proper carrying out of the principle."

Although ex-Warden Sturgis is a farmer and a man of experience, having filled all the municipal offices in the gift of his fellow-citizens, the lawyer hunch were too much for him and he was told to "go way back and sit down."—Ridgeway Dominion.

Ex-Warden Sturgis intimated that he was a man of means and had plenty of time on his hands, also that for thirty-five years he had fought the party battles and that he considered the nomination his due. Still the convention decided that a farmer must not represent the Liberals of East Kent.—Ridgeway Dominion.

Not With Our Consent.
By men who think they think they think—
And possibly they do, who know?—
We're solemnly informed Japan has up its sleeve a little plan To lick us if it only can
Quite on the sly get in some blows. It's very sad to think about. But when they come to try it out And spring their blooming trap, Pray, what will we be doing when They're pulling off the scrap?

It's whispered by the timid ones That in a year or two or three The yellow peril will come round The white and softer race to pound Upon its own choice stamping ground And make it pack its trunk and flee. They're going to show us, so they say, Where we, the Yanks, get off to stay—Or that's the common chat. Pray, what will we be doing when The Japs are doing that?

The prophets have it figured out Our awful finish is at hand; The yellow kingdom will arise And take our cities by surprise Before our wide and startled eyes And on our solar plexus land. When they are chewing us to bits Their hand will play a tune that fits With their musicians' crude. Pray, what will we be doing when The Japs are getting rid of us?

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Assault On Raisuli.
Tangier, March 2.—Kaid Mehalli, the representative of the Minister of War, completed arrangements to attack the Beni-Larous tribe, which is sheltering Raisuli, and made a final assault on the fortified place yesterday.

Dock Laborers Strike.
Ooruma, Spain, March 2.—A general strike of dock laborers and others has been declared here, with the result that all the ships in port are tied up.

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The leading technical paper of Germany points out that the United States is striving forward so fast in the production of iron that now it not only leads all the other nations individually, but comes near to surpassing them all combined. In 1905 Germany produced 11,000,000 tons, England 9,500,000, the others smaller amounts down to 4,000 tons produced by India, while the total product of the world outside the United States was 31,000,000. Yet in that same year we produced 23,000,000 tons, more than half the outside world's total product. Figured by percentages, the gains of Canada and Japan are more remarkable than ours. As compared with 1904, Canada very nearly doubled and so did Japan.

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Pearls in Northern Canada.

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Signs of human life are scarce there, but intervals may be seen rude huts or rocks erected by whale and seal hunters long since departed for more profitable fields.

In the rushing waters of the streams which empty into the sea, pearls are found hidden in the shells of the mussel, which are often so plentiful as to partially block the river. Unlike the pearls of Ceylon, they are snowy white, although a certain percentage are irregular in shape.

Those who visited the shore of the Ungava streams often wondered why people before them had collected so many mussel shells, but it developed upon a well-read letter to discover that pearls existed in those shells.—New York Herald.

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THE OLDEST ENGINEER.

George Thomas Horton, Who Was Sent From England to Open the Great Western Railway.

George T. Horton, aged 88, of Chicago, has been presently in Toronto. Mr. Horton is to-day the oldest engineer alive, and likewise the oldest Brotherhood member. He is still chaplain of Division 303. He is in his 88th year. Was sent from England to France as engineer, and was one of the English refugees at the Restoration of the French Empire under Napoleon III. On returning to England he was honored by being the only engineer chosen to come to this country to open the Great Western Railway. He was the first man to run over the Suspension Bridge—was engineer of the engine that tested the bridge, took the official train over, and drove the first engines over the following



GEORGE T. HORTON.

roads—Hamilton to Suspension Bridge, Hamilton to London, London to Windsor, Hamilton to Buffalo, and Hamilton to Goderich. He not only ran the first trains, but walked over the road with the officials from Hamilton to the Bridge, stopping at farm houses each night. Later he was made foreman at Hamilton, and again at London.

Mr. Horton retired to go into business, but his old desire for railroad work was too strong, and he returned to the throttle. Then he worked at Winnipeg, St. Paul, Chicago, San Francisco, and Bloomington, until old age asserted itself.

Mr. Horton has three daughters living—one in Chicago, with whom he resides; one in Goderich, the eldest; Mrs. R. J. Fielder of East Toronto, where there were gathered the five generations. Mr. Horton has living 15 grandchildren, thirty great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

It is an interesting coincidence that David Liddell, a grandson, was engineer of an engine that tested the new Suspension Bridge.

Sir Percy Girouard.

Sir Percy Girouard, who has just been appointed High Commissioner of Northern Nigeria, holds a prominent place in the front rank of military engineers. He is the son of Mr. Justice Girouard of the Canadian Supreme Court, and was born in Montreal less than 40 years ago. Graduating from the Royal Military College at Kingston in 1886, he spent two years on construction work on the Canadian Pacific Railway, but gave this position up to join the Royal Engineers at Woolwich. By 1890 he was traffic manager at the Royal Arsenal. In 1891 he wrote a pamphlet on the defence of Britain by means of a coast railway line. The subject was treated in an original manner and won the attention of the highest military officials and of the Cabinet. Major-General Kitchener was about this time preparing for his Sudan expedition and offered the young Canadian a position on his staff. It was eagerly accepted, and the railway from Alexandria south bears witness both to the judgment of the commander and to the hard work, accurate foresight and tireless energy of the young officer to whom he entrusted its construction. The British Government recognized the worth and capacity of the builder and appointed him managing director of the railroad. In this capacity he visited America to make purchases for his road. He was still on this continent when the South African war broke out. The Boers had begun tearing up the railways in the Transvaal, experience was needed. None was to be had so competent as Girouard, and he received a summons to join his old chief. During the war he had charge of all the lines over which troops or supplies had to pass, and when peace came at last he was given the task of reconstructing and simplifying the railway system of the new colonies. Since 1902 he has been Assistant Quartermaster-General in the Welsh and Midland districts.

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TIDES OF THE OCEAN.

Regularity of the Flow and Ebb of the Restless Waters.

Of all the operations of nature in the whole world there are none more regular in their courses than the tides of the ocean. So perfect is their action and so constant are they in their ebb and flow that the big maritime governments are able to figure out the height of each and every tide for every day and night more than a year in advance for any part of the earth's surface.

In most places the tides run about four to the twenty-four hours, two being flood, when the water sweeps in from the sea and makes what is known as high water, and two being ebb, when it sweeps back to the ocean, leaving low water.

Each of these tides lasts about six hours—that is, for five hours or more the waters are on the move, rushing in or out, and they cease for a time, standing quite still in some places.

Sometimes a tide will run flood on the surface while it is running ebb below near the bottom. Places where this happens are always likely to make danger spots for the mariner.

In the majority of places the tides rise and fall only a few feet, but on shores where the banks are very steep, falling off abruptly into deep water, it often happens that the tide when it rises comes in so fast that it pours through all narrow openings in cascade-like torrents, making such things as the famous "bores" which may be seen in places like the bay of Fundy.

In other places, again, there will be more or less than four tides in the twenty-four hours. Furthermore, there are localities where hardly any tidal action at all can be observed. All these peculiarities have been studied and are taken into account nowadays by the observers who make up the tidal tables.

MAN AND HIS HAT.

They Are Firmly Bound Together by the Red Tape of Society.

There are things, it is a comfort to know, which even a man cannot do, and a man is supposed to be able to do almost anything. Now, a novelist may put his heroine's hat on her head at any angle he chooses—it is one of the few privileges of womanhood—and leave her not a bit less charming or dignified, but I defy him to put his hero's hat at a rosy angle over his ear at a crucial point in his career and leave him still heroic! The Achilles heel of a man is his hat! He must guard that as he does his reputation, for it is at once his strength and his weakness.

It would hurt an archbishop—and an archbishop necessarily stands for all that is good and great—less in the eyes of the public to commit a crime than to wear his hat on the back of his sacred head—real back—and so exhibit himself to his distressed diocese. He may have all the known virtues and many that are not known, but even an archbishop cannot with impunity defy convention. Still, if he is so inclined, why should not a good and great man wear his hat over his nose without creating unfavorable comment? The fact is he cannot. He is ruled by convention, and convention is the red tape of society.

The cast iron laws of fashion, which is only another name for convention, are such that if the greatest man in England were to walk with all his accustomed dignity from the Marble arch to the bank with a trailing peacock's feather attached to the band of his immaculate silk hat he would be followed by a mob in two seconds, and by the time he reached Vere street the outraged majesty of the law would take him into custody as a suspicious character.—Mrs. John Lane in Putnam's Monthly.

Happens Once Every 2,500,000 Years.

A remarkable freak in moon phases was noted in the month of February, 1903, a month which has gone into astronomical annals as "the month without a full moon." In that year January and March each had two full moons, but February none. A writer in a leading astronomical journal uses the following language in describing it: "Do you realize what a rare thing in nature it was? It has not happened before since the beginning of the Christian era or probably since the creation of the world! It will not occur again, according to the computations of the astronomer royal of England, for—how long do you think? Not until after 2,500,000 years from 1893!"

Domestic Weather Prophets.

Probably everybody knows that there are hygroscopic plants which indicate more or less clearly the quantity of moisture in the atmosphere. A strip of seaweed hung in an exposed position frequently does duty as a popular and easily comprehended weather glass, although it may be doubted whether its predictions are of much value. More reliance can be placed in the behavior of a pine twig, which may very readily be pressed into service as a domestic weather prophet.

His Pronunciation.

She—That Mr. Plaux, the architect, has a funny way of pronouncing things, hasn't he? He—I haven't noticed it. She—Why, yes. Didn't you hear him allude to a sore throat? He—A sore throat! She—Yes. I heard him mention a gargle several times. We always call it gargle, you know.

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