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THE PEOPLE MUST SPEAK

When the electors of St. John went to the polls and endorsed the Fisher platform by a smashing majority, in the face of a bitter campaign behind which was all the influence of the New Brunswick Power Company, they assumed, as they had a perfect right to do, that they need give themselves no further trouble about that particular matter. They knew that what was a mandate to Mr. Fisher was a mandate to every other member of the City Council. Had they thought otherwise they would have applied the remedy. And yet today, despite a clear mandate to the effect that if the Power Company did not within a stated period accept the offer made for its plant a civic distribution system must be built, we find the City Council listening to the smooth voice of the Power Company, delaying action on the distribution system, and even getting back to the old rejected Schofield plan as a possible basis of action.

Has not this gone about far enough? Are the people to be flouted because a small but compact group of supporters of the rejected Schofield plan have developed sudden activity and are staying on the job? Is there nothing, after all, in majority rule in St. John? Is the declared will of the people to be disregarded?

The New Brunswick Power Company has made no offer that does not involve handing over to it the distribution of the Musquash current. Why does it want that current? In order that it may get interest and dividends on watered stock. Not a word has been said about squeezing out any of its water, or altering existing legislation relative to what the company may take from the citizens in return for its services—whether those services be good or bad.

Have we not reached a stage where somebody besides the ten or twelve gentlemen who have been haunting City Hall of late should take heed? Delay is costly. It is also entirely without warrant, and contrary to the declared will of the electors.

CONDITIONS TO AVOID.

We are accustomed to think of Toronto as a city of wealth and culture, and perhaps a bit self-complacent. Her neighbors, not altogether in a serious mood, sometimes refer to her as "Toronto the Good." Even life in Toronto, however, has its dark side. There is a section of the city known as "the Ward." In it are herded Russian, Finnish, Italian, Jewish, Polish, Macedonian, Chinese and Ukrainian groups, each with its own peculiarities, and all of them living under unsanitary conditions if not in utter destitution. A graduate nurse who has been a voluntary visitor in the Ward for three years, told a Women's Mission Circle last week what they would find if they made a tour of the district. A report of her remarks says:

"Many of the homes had no sink and depended entirely upon the lone tap, which frequently left a wet place on the kitchen floor. She had never been in a foreign home in the Ward which boasted a bath. A large number of homes, some with only one room, are open to boarders. To her horror as a nurse she had often found children eating tomatoes and peas directly out of the cans, and feeding on dill pickles. She pictured, among other pitiable conditions in the Ward, the prevailing diet of the children of foreign birth, the dinner generally consisting of a 'chunk' of bread, cheese and black tea. Among the perils of the Ward she named the Socialistic schools, where hatred of more prosperous classes was taught and fostered. Another evil was the intermarriage of Canadian girls with men of foreign nationality. Canadian girls were actually marrying Chinese, and the speaker urged that this intermarriage should be prevented."

Such conditions of life in a Canadian city suggest not merely that immigrants should be carefully selected, but that they be prevented from forming such colonies as the Ward, which are alike a menace to the health and the morals of the community and the welfare of the state. Hon. T. D. Patullo, Minister of Lands in British Columbia, asserted last week that Canada can absorb three hundred thousand immigrants annually. If they came to form "Wards" the country would be much better without them.

Woodstock Press—"The exodus can to a considerable extent be stopped by the development of the Grand Falls water power."

The Marriage Game

The Snappiest of Pastimes As Played to a Decision Every Day By Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Histon

The Hard Instinct

His Play: Why are you always picking on flaws in men's character and putting a reverse twist on 'em as if they were real? You were complaining only a few days ago that men didn't treat women as comrades nor pain. Well, what of it? If a group of men are interested and content to mingle among their own kind as comrades, why shouldn't you women be glad to do the same? I have you. Women simply don't want to live their lives on the comradely plan. Women would rather travel alone. They are not good mixers. Women's clubs are notorious for being scrappy. There is a riot at every meeting. Women as comrades? It can't be done, my dear.

Her Counter-Play: I am aware of it. I am more than aware; I am proud of it. Women have too much character to desire to be comrades! Women are stronger than men—they do not need moral props. Women have confidence in her own opinions. A woman dares to draw her own code. She does not need to go to a meeting of the Independent Order of the Golden Calves or some other imbecile organization to find congenial means of occupying her mind. If the clubs to which we poor women belong are scrappy, as you charge, it is only because there are men will opposing each other. There are fourteen million men members of secret orders in this country alone. Fourteen million men who yield to the herd instinct. And yet men dare to laugh at women and her ways! If I weren't a perfect lady I'd be tempted to exclaim "Rats!"

The Referee: Wow! The referee begs to be excused. (Copyright John F. Dille Co.)

A BALLADE OF SPRING CLOUDS

(By V. C. Timberley.)
O'erhead the fleecy clouds rush by
In haste to meet they know not who;
And swiftly through the air they blow,
And leave the heavens royal blue.
But they will keep their rendezvous,
Alone with that young girl called Spring:
Beside the groves of frozen dew,
And whisper of a secret thing.

Ahead they plunge and care not why
The birds of June are in the air;
Or why the saffron tinted sky
Turned pale as scudding by they pass.
They only know that they must woo
The heralds of the winter king
Who sit all day and stare and brew,
And whisper of a secret thing.

Young Cirrus heads the legion high,
And with him comes the springtime crew
Of fresh young clouds who on the sky
Will try to make old Winter rue.
The day when he committed to his
Our earth with snow and stopped to sing
About himself and his old crew,
And whisper of a secret thing.

ENVOI

Princess, the clouds to Spring are true,
And with them come the birds who sing
Sweet songs of Summer all for you,
And whisper of a secret thing.

IN LIGHTER VEIN.

O'Brien's Opinion.
O'Brien (after a few puffs)—Are you sure this is a uniform-made cigar?
O'Brien—I'll guarantee it.
O'Brien—Thin, begorra, it was intended for the non-uniform trade.
Boston Transcript.

Courting in the Ozarks.
"How did you happen to quit sparking Miss Toadie Bender?" asked an acquaintance.
"I don't like music, that's why!" indignantly replied an Ozark warrior.
"Every night I was over there, just as soon as I got seated old Mr. Bender would come in, take down his infernal fiddle and begin to play. I longer he'd play the fiddle, get, and then finally when only 'bout seven o'clock he'd begin to sing 'Sweet Home.' I couldn't stand any more of it and I left. And I haven't gone back there, neither!"—The Kansas City Star.

Considerate of the Bank.
An English sailor just home after a long cruise entered a bank in Hull and greeted the clerk with, "What cheer, mate? How's your business doing, begor?"
"Not very brisk at present," answered the clerk, "but I hope to see it improve soon."
"That's all right," said the sailor sympathetically. "He fished out a check for £100."
"How'd you have it?" asked the clerk.
The sailor hesitated a moment, then leaned over the counter and said in a hoarse whisper, "Well, mate, I don't want to be 'ard on ye. Glime 'em pun' now and I'll take the rest a pun' a week!"—Boston Transcript.

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRE

Rumors of the possible retirement of Premier Bonar Law were revived yesterday. When he appeared in the House of Commons he looked well but spoke with great difficulty due to throat trouble and his explanation regarding the arrangement for the Imperial Conference had to be read by Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the Exchequer. Mr. Baldwin is the only living man in the present ministry, but there is talk of Austen Chamberlain and Lord Birkhead rejoining the Conservative party in which case Mr. Chamberlain would most likely take the post of Prime Minister.

Canada's ordinary revenue during the fiscal year ending March 31 totaled \$884,790,135, an increase over the previous year of \$18,270,680. Ordinary expenditures totaled \$907,731,559.

WAS 111 YEARS OLD.

Brookville, Ont., April 8.—Rufus Avery, died on Saturday at the House of Industry, Athens, Ont., where he had been an inmate since 1918. He was 111 years old.

One-fifth of South Africa's 5,000,000 population is composed of Caucasians.

ELABORATE FILM AT THE IMPERIAL

"Glimpses of the Moon" Makes a Hit Before Large Gathering—Concert Programme Tonight.

When Edith Wharton wrote her famous novel, "The Glimpses of the Moon," a story of the manners and mode of living of the rich, little did she think, perhaps, of the expense and trouble she was going to cause when the job of translating her story for the screen was undertaken.

In a novel it is easy to more characters from Lake Como to Venice, thence to Paris and St. Moritz, Florida and New York with a few sentences, and erecting such settings for a motion picture is another thing.

Allan Dwan's Paramount production of "The Glimpses of the Moon," which is now on view at the Imperial theatre, is just one lavish setting after another in which piquant Bebe Daniels, stunner Nita Naldi, Ruby de la Renta, David Powell, Charles Gerrard, and Maurice Costello move in the portrayal of the characters of this many-an-angled drama.

For the Altrincham villa in Paris there was built a drawing room on the Louis XV style, a picture gallery done in French Gothic, a music room of Marie Antoinette mode, and a beautiful hallway that occupied more than half of the huge studio stage.

The Vanderlyn palace in Venice, where much of the action of the story takes place, is an exact reproduction of the interior of an old Venetian palace, and it is Italian renaissance style of architecture. For rare beauty of setting nothing that has been done at half the cost in New York where Susan Branch's "million dollar" wedding takes place.

A section of the Venetian canal was constructed in the studio for the exterior scenes at Venice. Eighteen inches of water flowed through the street on which gondolas were rowed in Passy were also built for scenes in the picture.

In addition to all these scenes, Mr. Dwan took his entire company to Miami, Florida, for three weeks, where beach and yacht scenes were filmed. This is not the half of it. All the characters had to dress to fit the scene and costly surroundings, which necessitated the purchase of a score of expensive gowns for the women players.

This same fine show will be on at the Imperial theatre in the studio for the first time at the Unique theatre, which will be given. In addition to the third of the twice-weekly concerts will be four numbers by Mrs. Kent Scovell and Miss Beryl Blanchard, and three numbers by the orchestra which play upon two grand instruments with the effect almost of a full orchestra.

LOCAL NEWS

The Eastern Steamship Lines service between Toronto, Montreal, and St. John will be resumed on Monday, May 21 when the Governor Dingley will sail from St. John, arriving in the afternoon of Tuesday, May 22.

Captain William B. Bennett, of the Canadian Mounted Police Department, conducted the annual sight tests for the pilots, in the old post office building in Prince William street, yesterday afternoon.

The police have located little thirteen-year-old Nellie Morrison, who was missing from the home of her mother, Mrs. Agnes Morrell, 46 Erin street, over the week end. She was discovered yesterday at Bloomfield at the home of Mrs. Watts, her grandmother.

In the case of the King vs. Ernest Bell and Fred Martin, charged with theft, the defendants were allowed to go on their own recognizance in the Circuit Court yesterday afternoon. J. Hennessey appeared for Bell and J. Starr Tait for Martin.

Arthur Connors was found guilty yesterday, by a jury in the Circuit Court before Chief Justice McKewen, of a charge of fraudulently converting to his own use moneys alleged to have been collected for another. He was remanded for sentence.

Evans Evans, travelling passenger representative of the C. N. R. here, has been appointed travelling passenger agent, C. N. R., with headquarters at Los Angeles, Cal. He was appointed travelling passenger representative in 1919 after eighteen years' service with the railway.

Mrs. E. Atherton Smith returned to the city yesterday from Toronto where she attended the National Conference on Education and Citizenship as the representative of the New Brunswick Provincial chapter 1, O. D. E. and delegate of the Women's Councils of the province.

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CHURCH UNION IN ALBERTA.

To the Editor of the Toronto Globe: Within the past five months the synod and Presbyteries of Alberta have been discussing and voting upon the question of Church Union with the following results to date: Synod of Alberta, for 38, against 28; Presbytery of Edmonton 20, 8; Red Deer 4, 11; Calgary 6, 8; High River 4, 3; Peace River, unanimous for; Vermilion, unanimous for; Lacombe, unanimous for. The Presbyteries of Macleod and Medicine Hat have taken no action as yet.

A. C. BRYAN, Secretary Presbyterian Union Committee of Alberta, Calgary, Alta.

MARY CARR'S AT THE QUEEN SQUARE

"The Custard Cup" an Appealing Picture With Beloved Actress in Excellent Part.

The author of "The Custard Cup" has an accurate and sympathetic understanding of human nature and has filled her story with kindly feeling and the optimism that makes for happiness and contentment. The picture is now being shown at the Queen Square theatre. It features Mary Carr.

Depends for the happy part of a small section of the city, known as "Custard Court," the petty jealousies, kindnesses and underlying strain of crime and dishonesty that is to be found in the world at large are all enmeshed with intensity, and form a drama that is vital, humorous and absorbing.

As Mrs. Penfield, Mrs. Carr brings out the bright and helpful nature of the supporting company is a very able one. The trio of lovable waifs is played by Miriam Battista, Jerry Devine and Ernest McKay.

AT THE UNIQUE

A Striking Picture is "When Husbands Deceive," Featuring Leah Baird.

"When Husbands Deceive," offered for the first time at the Unique theatre yesterday, is another drama of domestic intrigue, written by Leah Baird, and featuring her. For this the author-star has taken a pair of lovers as separated them through the deception of the girl's guardian. After branding the boy a thief and making her believe that he is practically penniless, he proposes and is accepted.

Then comes disillusionment. She strips the mask of deceit from her husband and accuses him, in a tense scene fraught with drama, of stealing her lover's good name, of treating her money and of other crimes.

The husband sees suicide as the only way out—but why leave his wife free to be happy with her lover? He will take her with him, even in death! In her greatest distress comes an unexpected source—the beginning of happiness for those who are deceived.

"When Husbands Deceive" is preceded with lavish splendor. From Miss Baird's down to the smallest role, the acting is excellent.

Shoots Ex-Employer; Young Widow is Held

Once His Stenographer, Woman Accuses New Castle, (Pa.) Man of Deserting Her.

New Castle, Pa., April 10.—Entering the Dufford furniture store here, Mrs. Josephine Best, a young widow, shot an ex-stenographer of her late husband, and was held by police.

Questioned regarding the shooting, Mrs. Best, who formerly was employed as stenographer for the furniture company, declared, police say, that she shot Dufford when he attempted to end their relations. Dufford's condition is regarded as critical.

When Mrs. Best entered the furniture store she walked directly to Dufford, who was standing on the main floor. Two shots were fired, the first going wild. The second struck him in the back. He fell to the floor and an instant later the revolver was taken from the woman's hand. No words were exchanged before the shooting, the police say.

Dufford lives here with his wife and two sons. Mrs. Best has two small children. She left the employ of the furniture company about a year ago. Police learned that she purchased a revolver a short time before the shooting.

ACTOR AND PLAYWRIGHT.

John Drinkwater's Father Left a \$1604 Estate.

London, March 22.—(By mail.)—Albert Edwin Drinkwater of St. Stephen's Square, Bayswater, W., actor, playwright, and theatre manager, lately with the Birmingham Repertory Theatre, for some years secretary of the Incorporated Stage Society, who died on January 27, aged seventy-one, left an estate of the gross value of \$1604, with net personally \$427.

He left his plays and rights and interests therein to his wife for life, with remainder to his daughter Dorothy and his son John Drinkwater, author of "Abraham Lincoln," "Mary Stuart," "Oliver Cromwell," and other plays.

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IN THE LEGISLATURE.

In the Legislature last evening Hon. J. P. Byrne, attorney-general, introduced a bill relating to the sale of securities, the anticipated "Blue Sky" legislation. The bill gives the Board of Public Utilities supervision over the sale of securities affected by the legislation.

A delegation at a conference with the Attorney-General suggested that the reputable brokerage houses should be given a permit to carry on their

business in the usual manner and submit a list of any new offerings each week to the Board of Public Utilities, who could strike from the list any stocks which did not meet with approval.

Estimates for the Legislative Assembly, totalling \$21,686.83; for the Attorney-General's department totalling \$5,800; and for the Department of Agriculture totalling \$60,700, an aggregate of \$88,286.83, were passed at the session which began before 9 o'clock last night and continued until 1.30 this morning.

LIBERAL ELECTED. Angles, England, April 9.—A Liberal combination has won the parlia-

mentary by-election in this constituency, the result of which was announced today. For the first time since the split between Lloyd George and Asquith, the National Liberals and the Liberals combined forces in contesting the seat in a by-election with the result that Sir J. R. Thomas, Liberal, was elected over E. T. John, Labor, and O. Roberts, Conservative. Running as a National Liberal at the last election Thomas's successful candidate was opposed to General Sir Owen Thomas, Independent, whose death necessitated the new election.

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