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RURAL PROBLEMS

In the article from the pen of the Rev. Hunter Boyd, which the Times reprints today, there is not only a strong vein of optimism which commends it to the people, but it is filled with suggestion such as students of sociology will very heartily welcome.

Mr. Boyd speaks from the standpoint of a minister, who is familiar with rural conditions in the maritime provinces, and who has given much thought to problems affecting the welfare of the agricultural community. He has seen the drift to the cities and to the west and to the United States, and has taken note of the pessimism which takes hold of the older members of a community, and even the younger ones who remain, when there is a continuous drift away from the old home.

Mr. Boyd, speaking as a minister, makes a suggestion that ministers generally might well endorse—especially those dwelling in rural districts. The material success of the farmer means much to those agencies which operate for the moral and spiritual good of the community.

Mr. Boyd makes a pointed reference to several matters which affect very seriously the moral as well as the material welfare of rural communities. We are familiar with districts against dishonest politicians, but Mr. Boyd turns the eye of criticism upon careless or fraudulent fruit-packing, and general indifference to results in stock-raising and agriculture in general.

BRITISH POLITICS

The London Express sees much trouble ahead for the Liberal government in England. Commenting upon a speech delivered by Mr. Asquith prior to the retirement of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Express said: "Mr. Asquith has taken the first opportunity of making evident the wide and impassable gulf between genuine liberals and the socialists, and the semi-socialist. The chief government whip in a recent speech emphasized the difference. There is, he said, 'as great a divergence between liberals and socialists as between liberals and unionists.' There is indeed, the unionists and the socialists agree in recognizing the necessity for social reform, and they both are ready with plans to alleviate distress. Liberalism is uninterested. It will abolish church schools, ruin brewers, even rewrite Irish Home Rule upon its banners—if we are to trust Mr. Redmond—but it has nothing to offer the unemployed English workman. It is quite evident that no considerable number of intelligent humane men can for long be content with this attitude. Already the best of the government's supporters are in revolt. How long can the cabinet itself be relied on to follow meekly the negative lead of Mr. Asquith and Mr. Burns? Mr. Lloyd-George is a practical politician, with a very open disregard for the late Mr. Cobden. As it is, the Spectator tearfully writes him down, as 'at heart a protectionist,' and there is reason to think that he is impressed with the necessity of formulating some positive proposals to meet a great national evil. Whether Mr. Lloyd-George will become the leader of an openly-declared radical-socialist party or whether he will find salvation, and join in the ever-growing demand for tariff reform remains to be seen. But two things stand out from the recent debate. One is that old-fashioned liberalism is absolutely dead as a political force, and the other is that the great alternative—tariff reform or socialism—is the one vital issue before the British people."

Of the progress of the province of British Columbia under the rule of a Conservative provincial government the Victoria Colonist says: "Premier McBride, during the course of his address to the electors of Esquimalt district on Tuesday evening, made one statement which even his bitterest opponents must admit is warranted by the facts. This was to the effect that the results, after five years' control of the affairs of this province by the present administration, have been eminently satisfactory to all classes. It is absolutely indisputable that order has been brought out of chaos, industry has been lifted from the slough of despond in which it was cast by the ruinous tinkering of previous governments, confidence has been restored in the financial centres and conditions generally throughout the whole province are buoyant and full of promise for the future."

The new commissioners of the Central Railway are competent men. Mr. P. S. Archibald is an engineer and railway man of long experience, and may be relied on to have an intelligent oversight of the roadbed and rolling stock of the Central, and to see to it that construction and repair work are properly done.

Some fifteen millions has been added to the debt of Canada during the past fiscal year. How much of the total expenditure of \$110,000,000 was waste or graft, as indicated by the report of the civil service commission?

Congratulations to General Booth, who at seventy-nine is still able to direct the affairs of the vast and world-wide organization which he has developed from his East London mission of more than forty years ago.

An illustration of Standard Oil methods comes from Haverhill, Mass., where the company reduced kerosene to five cents per gallon to kill off competition.

There is a continued falling off in railway earnings in Canada compared with the corresponding period last year. Less freight is being moved.

If the C. P. R. should decide to tap the Queens county coal fields the railway situation thereabouts would become decidedly interesting.

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To those whose way is shadowed o'er By memory of sin, May Easter come with help and strength A better life to win.

To those whose favored lot in life Seems crowded with blessings rare, May Easter whisper, "Seek the poor"— Their griefs and trials share.

To those who quiver 'neath the smart Of wrongs unjustly borne, May Easter bring the grace of Him Who wore the crown of thorns. SARAH BOLLES.

IN LIGHTER VIEW

A NEW ARGUMENT "You are too dissipated to make a good husband."

"But, sir, I love your daughter." "So do I."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

FOILED

Bobby—Did yer get a lot o' presents, an' have a good time on yer birthday? Tommy—Naw! Ma gimme a new suit o' clothes for a present, an' I had ter be careful o' 'em all day.—Cleveland Leader.

THE TROUBLE

"The wind" said the Bear, consolingly, "is tempered to the storm lamb." "I guess it must be doggone it!" sighed the lamb. "That's probably the reason I can't raise any of 'em right now."—Cleveland Leader.

MIGHT BE WORSE

"Why should you sit around complaining as you do? Your troubles are not half as bad as they might be." "That's all you know about it. My troubles are about as bad as they could possibly become."

"Pshaw! You only imagine that. You have no daughter whose engagement to a titled foreigner is being rumored, have you?"

THE DOG THAT TOOK THE CAT

"Our dog took the first prize at a cat show." "How was that?" "He took the cat."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

WOULD HAVE TRIMMED HIM

"When I came to this city," boasted Peter, "I had nothing but my bare hands." "Yes," mused Eulus, "but there weren't any pretty manure girls in those days."—Cleveland Leader.

WHO KNOWS

"They are trying to interest our statement in Esperanto." "Is a certain word any shorter or uglier in that language?"—Pittsburg Post.

TAKING NO CHANCES

Nellie—If you don't love Jack, why don't you jilt him? Belle—And be just as likely as not to fall in love with him the minute I did it? No thank you—I don't dare.—Cleveland Leader.

HALF-HOUR TURNS

Gibbs—Rain, sunshine, sleet and snow all in one day. Isn't the weather villainous? Dibbs—Villainous is not the word; it's vaudevillianous.—Boston Transcript.

ANSWERED

"Do you know, Miss Smithers, I read somewhere that yawning indicates a person is bored." "Is that so? Ho-hum! Ho-hum!"—St. Louis Times.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Mary Tait, widow of John Tait, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Thompson, 72 High street, last evening at 6 o'clock. She leaves one son William, and three daughters, Mrs. Geo. Thompson and Mrs. Daniel Hatfield, of St. John, and Mrs. John Montague, of Sydney (C. B.). The time of the funeral has not yet been arranged.

Mrs. W. A. Quinton, wife of W. A. Quinton, steward of the provincial hospital, Lunenburg, occurred at her home, Manwagonsiah road, yesterday. Mrs. Quinton, who was a daughter of Robert R. Allen of the firm of Allen Bros., leaves, besides her husband, one brother, C. B. Allen of this city, and a sister in California. She had been sick only a short time.

John Wiggins, John Wiggins, at one time a resident of this city, died on the 4th inst. at his home in New Westminster (B. C.). He came here with his parents from Ireland while still an infant in 1839 and remained till he was in his eighteenth year. After that he went to California and spent his life prospecting for gold. A despatch from Victoria thus describes him: "Over six feet tall, with flowing white hair, and as straight as an arrow, in spite of his years, his form was regularly to be seen in the public streets here, and his death will remove another of those old pioneers whose number is rapidly diminishing as the years roll on. He was for some years chief of police in this city. Among his relatives were Mrs. J. A. Robinson, New Westminster, and Mrs. P. E. Peels, wife of the collector of customs at White Horse, niece of the deceased, and H. Wiggins, his nephew, who is at present connected with the Vancouver province."

James McCafferty, Richibucto, April 9.—Richibucto has lost a respected resident in the person of James McCafferty, whose death occurred very suddenly at his home, about 8 o'clock, last evening.

Mr. McCafferty had not been in good health throughout the winter, but had not been confined to the house. Yesterday he was about as usual, and was up street, as far as the post office in the afternoon. He had not quite completed his fifty-second year, having been born at Belknap, Ireland, April 24, 1856. He is survived by his wife, two sons, Charles, at present of Roxbury, Mass., and Daniel, at home; and four daughters, Mrs. A. E. Ethel, each of St. John, and Miss Minnie, at home.

Interment will be made at Kouchnigbouque.

The engagement of Miss Jette, daughter of Sir Louis Jette, to Dr. Grondeau of Laval university, is announced.

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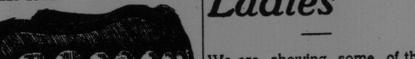
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