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## LET US BE TOLERANT

It occurs to the Albertan to wonder if the members of the board of trade and others especially denunciatory of the provincial government's management of the telephone system in Calgary have ever reflected upon the very large difficulties confronting the government in its effort to meet the needs of Calgary with respect to telephones.

It would seem unnecessary to point out that nowhere else has the world record for such growth as has taken place in Alberta since the government took over the telephone system. In every part of the province the development has been well nigh inconceivable and nowhere has the measure of progress approached that of Calgary. It must be remembered that Calgary is not all of Alberta and that the demands of other sections are just as insistent as are ours. And, notwithstanding substantial extensions and improvements have been made in Calgary. It is true they have not been equal to the requirements; many people have had to wait for telephones and the service has not been all that could have been desired. Yet to the Albertan the wonder would seem to be that any management, governmental or otherwise, could have been expected to have done better than the government has done, in view of the stupendous growth of the city.

It is quite in order for the board of trade to exert its energies in the direction of procuring betterment of the telephone service but before wholesale condemnation is passed upon the government, The Albertan submits in all fairness, would it not be as well to wait until the government has had time to complete its plans and fulfill the promises it has made?

The Albertan has faith to believe the government will do its utmost to meet the needs of the city and we would bespeak tolerance and consideration of the circumstances, on the part of those who would cavil at the government for the present rather unsatisfactory service.

## MR. RATEPAYER PAYS

Even those purists who decry the increasing use of slang on the American continent are sometimes at a loss to find a pat word or phrase to fit an extraordinary situation. Those who feel helpless to condemn, in a sentence, the wrangling discussion at the city hall on lax administration, might with good excuse fall back on an intercolloquial form, namely, "Where does the city get off?" We have had the dance, now who is going to pay the fiddler? There seems to be no disagreement on certain facts, among them that the city has been jobbed in taking over miles of faulty sidewalks and curbing. The importance of seeking out those to blame for this state of affairs, and even meeting out condign punishment cannot be denied; but while our investigators are at it, Mr. Ratepayer also would like some definite information on who is going to stand for the loss.

Mr. D. S. Moffat, our city solicitor, is quoted as saying that as the contractors are all under bonds, the city can compel the bad paving to be relaid according to specifications. He goes still further, declaring that the city can do the work itself and charge it up against careless or cheating contractors.

## WHAT SHALL THE HARVEST BE?

Has the statesman or politician at Ottawa—Politician seems to fit the case the better—his ear to the ground?

Seemingly he has, if the rumblings emanating from the East through the medium of press dispatches may be taken as an indication.

Evidence the consensus of opinion voiced by all of the leading publications of Eastern Canada

as telegraphed to the West following the election; not one but attributes the overwhelming victory of the Scott government, in the main, to the desire of the people of Saskatchewan to give expression to their demand for wider markets as represented by the word reciprocity.

And notwithstanding that no word has ever emanated from the West, as least as far as The Albertan is aware, of any suggestion of a desire on the part of the West to draw away from the East, there is in the undertone of the comment of numerous of the government's organs, a hint of a sundering of ties if the West persists in its determination to procure greater liberty in the marketing of its products.

Note the comment of "La Patrie," spokesman for the Nationalist wing of the Borden support:

"The result would not be surprising did it not confirm the view that the West is making the most friendly advances to those at the southern side of the boundary, instead of extending the band of friendship to the older provinces of the Dominion, who have so generously and effectively contributed to its prosperity."

Mr. Taft's letter, which caused such profound indignation among us here in Montreal, showing as it did the desire of Americans to make Canada a mere adjunct of the United States, scarcely seems to have troubled the minds of our fellow countrymen in the West. This apparent desire of the electors of Saskatchewan to isolate themselves from the rest of the Dominion and defend a policy prejudicial to their brothers of the East, must inspire Canadians with grave fears for the future.

"The West will shortly exercise in parliament a much increased vote."

"Should the West then continue to exhibit the same desire to serve particular interests without regard to the general prosperity of the Dominion, what must become of the Confederation?"

Generous and effective contribution to the prosperity of the West by the East may well raise a smile on the physiognomy of the West.

In what way, it may be permissible to inquire, has the East contributed to the prosperity of the West aside from reluctantly acquiescing in the emigration to the West of some thousands of good citizens who for the most part have grown affluent in the West and by sending some millions of capital West for investment, where with the rarest of exceptions, it has earned fabulous returns.

It may be answered: by insisting upon the maintenance of tariffs to over-burden the Westerner and by circumscribing his market. In the mind of the average Westerner this is the principal assistance the East has been to the West and it may well be regarded as a questionable sort of assistance but notwithstanding, The Albertan knows of no sentiment in the West warranting the assumption of the Borden organ that because the West gives expression to a desire for a broadening of her markets she is desirous of making Canada an adjunct of the United States or of isolating herself from the rest of the Dominion. Nor does The Albertan understand why the expression of the desires of the West should inspire grave fears for the future unless it be the fear that the East may not always be able to dominate all the affairs of Canada and maintain the supremacy of her selfishness.

As to what may become of the Confederation, in all likelihood the answer to that is, as "La Patrie" suggests, the West will one day have sufficient representation to be able to enforce a greater measure of justice all round.

Obviously the ear of the statesman, or near-statesman, commonly designated the politician, is to the ground and it need not be surprising if Mr. Borden, acute politician that he is accredited with being, hears the rumbling and responds with at least some measure of relief. Of course it won't be reciprocity by that name but it may be expected to produce singularly similar results.

## EDITORIAL NOTES

"Will you be so kind as to send me a copy of The Albertan," writes a correspondent. "I have just concluded the purchase of some property near Calgary and upon making inquiry your paper has been recommended to me as a reliable medium through which to keep in touch with conditions there." Such is the fame of The Albertan.

"How many times?" queried the advertising man at The Albertan office, when a patron telephoned in a "Want Ad" last evening. "Oh, only once. I'll get so many applications I'll be annoyed to death if I see in The Albertan more than once," came the reply. All of which affords a very fair illustration of the value of The Albertan Want Ads.

Even at this distance it is probably not difficult to pass with a good deal of assurance upon the outcome of the suggestion of certain progressives, that both Taft and Roosevelt retire and permit the nomination of a compromise candidate. Taft requires a vindication and Teddy's ambition for power will doubtless be sufficient to eliminate the possibility of such a denouement from consideration.

(Chicago Examiner, July 9.) Nominee Wilson sends his first formal message to Tammany Hall commending Tammany's Fourth of July celebration and concluding: "It is upon hearings like these that the flame of liberty is kept burning."

All of which must bring a "perfectly corking" satisfaction to the bosom of William J. Bryan.

## FIFTEEN RULES OF LIFE FOR ENGLISHMEN

Discovered by Herr Herggelet—Has Printed Them in a Pamphlet

Berlin, July 15.—Herr Merriam Herggelet, who spent fifteen years in England in active business, has recorded his impressions of Englishmen in a pamphlet, which has figured prominently for some time past on the Berlin book stalls and in the shop windows. It bears the impressive title: "On the Probability of a War Between England and Germany." And on the nature of the Two Countries, With a Description of the Englishmen of the Present Day."

Herr Herggelet has discovered that there are five things which concern sport, the Englishman has adopted and adheres to the following fifteen rules of life:

1. Don't reflect, meditate or worry.

2. Don't exert yourself unnecessarily.

3. Don't excite yourself over misdeeds committed, over things forgotten or neglected.

4. Learn no foreign languages; there are always enough foreigners in England when they are needed.

5. Don't change anything unless it is already too late.

6. Don't learn anything from other nations.

7. Don't take precautions, let the trouble come.

8. Don't possess an exaggerated sense of duty, there are other people in the world.

9. Forget everything quickly, recollection only disturbs the peace of the soul.

10. Keep no promise unless pleasure or sport is concerned.

11. Do nothing thoroughly, do only what is absolutely necessary.

12. Don't begin anything too soon; tomorrow is also a day.

13. Indifference and callousness take one quickly through life.

14. Superficiality and ease save trouble and embellish existence.

15. Dream, dream blissfully, indulge in delicious thoughts about riches and sport, sleep long, eat well, work easily and little, abuse for a quarter of an hour each day the political party to which you do not belong, pay your taxes, be contented, believe firmly in the superiority of the British people, and manifest a phlegmatic exterior and demeanor to every one.

Numerous facts are cited to prove that these rules are observed by the average Briton, from the highest official in the state, in the army, in the navy and in the whole of business life, down to the youngest apprentice, and in the poorest workman."

He points out, for example, that there are in London 42,000 and in the whole of England perhaps 100,000 German writers, attendants, etc. Such hard work is not suitable for Englishmen; they prefer to be waited on."

Again: "The Indian poet, with many millions of letters, arrives every Saturday, while the mail leaves England for India every Friday; if the Indian mail arrived on Fridays and left on Saturdays six days would be gained by the correspondents. But what are six days? They will not ruin England."

"Shakespeare, the greatest of all great men, whose works make far too serious demands on the mental powers, can do nothing in England, and can thank Heaven when at least one of his plays is produced annually in London."

The English prefer pieces in which there is dancing and singing, or in which the actors appear throughout the evening in dress clothes or sporting costumes. A Theatre Francaise, a Hofburg, a Konigliches Schauspielhaus are impossible in England; for these are theatrical establishments."

## HAIR AND BEARD UNCLUT FOR 28 YEARS

Election Bet Causes Access of Strength to Loser

With hair uncut and beard untrimmed since 1884 as the result of an election bet, John B. Crispell, of Oldbury, Ulster county, is preaching the gospel of hair, says a Kingston, N. Y., dispatch to The New York World. A long, flowing beard almost conceals his features, and his hair hangs to his shoulders. He is a believer in the health value of hair, and he would not part with any of it, even though the friend to whom he lost the bet has since died.

Partisan feeling ran high after James G. Blaine had been nominated by the Republicans and Grover Cleveland by the Democrats in 1884 for president, and as a result of the baby christenings following that election the young men whose given names are Grover Cleveland and who number any other name in Christendom.

Squire De Witte's store at Old Hurley was the scene of many an exciting political debate, and last fall Crispell, an Indian summer come early that year, the nights were too cold for the men to stay out of doors to carry on their arguments, so they gathered around the big wood stove in the squire's store, which also served as a post-office, and they smoked big black cigars and drank whisky until the squire announced that it was 9 o'clock and time for everyone to go home to bed.

Political debates were big and long in those days, and if ever a pension bill is passed for political patriots, Ulster county deserves it understood now that the state is first on the list of pension claimants.

Aroused Public Feeling

To offset one of the Republican parades Alton B. Parker, who had just begun to walk alone politically, organized a big Democratic demonstration that was advertised to be "bigger and better than any other that had taken place since Noah led the grand march of the flood."

The parade had the effect of further arousing public feeling and at Old Hurley resulted in louder and more acrimonious debates. Sometimes an entire box of cigars—"two for five"—would be sold by the squire during an evening, while some of the more conservative farmers became so excited that they forgot to step out of their farms, their cattle and even their lives, on the result of the vote the coming Tuesday. Of course, it was not expected that the big bet would ever be paid; they simply formed the foundation for one crowd or the other to use a lot of old sayings later on.

Bets His Hair

It was after one of the more conservative men in the neighborhood had offered to bet his life and his farm, which stood in his wife's name, that John B. Crispell threw his hat in the ring and announced that he was willing to bet on "Jim Blaine," and if Grover Cleveland was elected he would agree to have his hair cut and shaved or have his hair cut.

"Do you mean it, John?" they asked. "Yes," he shouted Crispell, pounding the counter with his clenched fist until the labels were almost jarred off the canned vegetables on the shelves against the wall. "I mean it. I've been a man of truth all my life and I just dare you, any of you Democrats, to take me up."

Three Crispell's Republican neighbors stepped forward with a like bet, and at 9 o'clock, when the squire put up the shutters, eight of the men of Old Hurley had paired off with a determination never again to wear a hair to be removed from face or head if the other man's candidate was elected.

Stays With It

Cleveland was inaugurated on March 4, 1885. Spring opened a few weeks later, and such of the Old Hurley farmers as had refrained from visiting the squire, for fear of the loss of their "catching cold," began hitching their teams to their spring buggies and driving to town for the purpose of having their hair cut. Then, as the warm weather came on, the farmers from the mountainous section known as Lapala began to find burdocks in their hair, and they tramped to Kingston for their annual sojourn with the barber. One by one the entire male population of the township of Hurley had his hair cut and shaved, except John B. Crispell. By the Fourth of July he had the finest crop of hair of any one in Ulster county. Crispell's neighbors thought he would trim up a bit for Thanksgiving, and again for Christmas, but each time they were mistaken. His hair and beard continued to grow until he was compelled to get a larger size hat and wear it to give up wearing a chest protector.

Loses Much Vitality

Crispell says he found that his bodily and mental strength have increased since he cut his hair. He has been able to do more work, and his health is lost through clipping his hair and shaving his beard. He argues that if it were required for hair to grow, it follows that when there is a severing of the hair a certain amount of strength escapes.

Crispell today is as vigorous as a man of 25. He is a building mover and performs as much work as any three of the men in his employ. He wields a hammer that has a head weighing two pounds and he strikes a blow with it with such force that tinny nails are driven to the head in an oak plank with a single blow.

AMERICA A POLITE NATION

Los Angeles, July 15.—"America is a land of courtesy and politeness," said a visitor from the States to a young man who had been in the States for some time, and who was registered at the Alexandria after an extended tour of the United States and attendance at the International Law Congress at Philadelphia.

Wherever we have travelled, every possible courtesy has been extended to us, every aid in finding our way about, and after travelling in nearly every part of the universe I would choose the United States as the one in which the traveller is most graciously received.

Verdict spoke enthusiastically of the politeness of the American people, and declared that if he were a young man seeking his fortune he would try to secure it in this country. He compared New Mexico and Arizona to portions of Africa, where the topography and the type of buildings are similar, as are the climates.

**HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY**  
INCORPORATED 1859  
DURING JULY and AUGUST, STORE CLOSING WEDNESDAY AT 1 P. M.

## Employees' Excursion to Banff

Tomorrow, July 17th, we will hold our employees' third annual excursion to Banff and for this reason the store will be closed all day. Our patrons are kindly asked to keep this in mind and to make their purchases accordingly. By doing so you will not be inconvenienced by the store's closing, while we will appreciate your co-operation and be able to leave fancy free for a day's outing at this popular resort.

## Final Clearance of Shoe Oddments

76 Pairs to March Out at Extraordinary Low Prices

Commencing today sharp at 9 a. m., we will offer all the oddments left over from last week's sale, at prices that will start them marching in short order. Although the prices are greatly lowered, the quality, workmanship, fit and style are just the same as they were when these shoes commanded full prices. The only difference is the oddness of the sizes, which fact accounts for such radical reductions. However, if you can wear any of the sizes that are contained in the assortments, you will get one of the biggest shoe bargains of the season. Better come and see them.

## 18 PAIRS

## Men's Oxfords

Made of patent, tan and leather and in smart styles. Sizes. Regular up to \$5.50, for \$1.95

## 30 PAIRS

## Men's Boots

Made of velour calf, with Goodyear welt soles and in the blucher style. Broken sizes. Regular \$5.00 \$3.45 \$5.50 and \$6.00, for

## 28 PAIRS

## Women's Oxfords and Pumps

Made of black suede, patent and gun-metal leathers. The famous silk-kid make; sizes 2-12 to 4. Regular \$1.95 \$3.75 and \$4.00, for

ON SALE TODAY AT 9 a. m.

## Glassware Specials

The articles listed below are of a kind that are needed for every-day use. It is this fact that makes the reductions so significant and that should induce you to obtain a good supply while such saving opportunities are available.

Oil Bottles, colonial pattern, regular 25c, for 15c

Sauce Nappies, regular 50c dozen. Special 6 for 20c

Vases, regular 35c each, for 25c

Pickle or Spoon Tray—8-inch, reg. 35c, for 20c

Berry Set—7 pieces special, set 40c

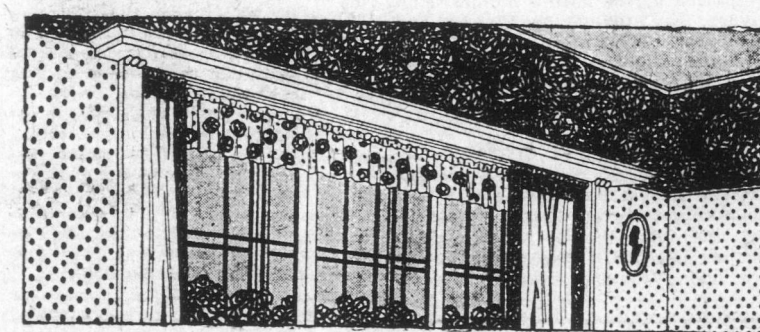
Butter Dish, Spoon Holder and Cream Jugs, 3 pieces. Special 35c

Glass Flower Holders. Regular 50c, for 25c

Tumblers, tall shaped, full crystal, Regular \$3.50 dozen, for \$2.25

Bell Tumblers—Table sizes. Regular \$1.00 dozen, for 75c

China Dept., 2nd Floor.



## Cretonnes, to Clear at Half Price

If we were offering you \$1.00 bills for 50c this sale could hardly be of more importance to you. It does not actually offer you a bargain of this nature, however, but the one that it does offer you is equally good and at the same rate of value-giving.

## Here it is: 500 Yards of High Quality Cretonnes and Art Sateens at Half Regular Prices

These fabrics represent the balance of our spring and summer stock and are priced to clear at this great reduction.

The collection contains a very wide assortment of floral, art and conventional designs and in all colors; width 30 and 31 inches.

61-1-2c for 121-2c Qualities.

71-1-2c for 150c Qualities.

10c for 20c Qualities.

121-2c for 250c Qualities.

15c for 30c Qualities.

171-2c for 35c Qualities.

20c for 40c Qualities.

221-2c for 45c Qualities.

231-2c for 55c Qualities.

## Boys' Suits at Great Savings

If your boy needs a new suit this advertisement tells of an important event by which you can buy it at a great saving.

The suits that will be offered during this sale have been taken from regular stocks and are reduced in price in order to clear them before stock taking. In the ordinary way they were exceptional value—far better in fact than you could expect to secure elsewhere at the same prices. They are made of all-wool tweeds and worsteds—a quality that looks well and wears as well as it looks. They are cut in smart, mannish, two-piece styles and the materials come in a wide selection of grey, brown and fawn, striped, checked and mixture patterns.

These suits are splendidly tailored throughout and trimmed to match material. The coats have three pockets and the knickerbockers four. The latter also have belt loops and are made in the bloomer style.

Now one of these suits will make your boy look smart and well-dressed and will also give excellent service. Remember this sale is for today only, so you had better make up your mind right now to come on one of these days and make the big saving that this sale offers you.

Regular \$6.00 to \$7.50 for \$4.95

Regular \$8.00 to \$10.00 for \$6.55

## Some Grocery Savings For Today

Finest French Asparagus—Points, regular 35c tin, Today Special, 3 tin \$1.00

Finest French Asparagus—Long, regular 45c tin, Today Special, 3 tin \$1.00

Sardines—Bottled Mackerel style, in Tomato sauce, Reg. 50c tin, Today, 3 tins for \$1.00

H. B. Co's Pickled Herring, Today Special, bottle \$1.00

Brand's Imported Worcester Sauce, Today Special, bottle \$1.00

Brand's Imported Worcester Sauce, Today Special, bottle \$1.00

Lunch Tongue, 1 lb. tin, Today Special, tin \$1.00

GOODWILL'S FRUITS

Including Red Cherries, Black Berries, Red Currants, Peaches, Luscious Plums, Green Apples, Today special 2 bottles for \$1.00

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## WILSON'S HOME LIFE IDEAL

His Ambitions Find Sympathy in Wife and Three Daughters

Tommy Wilson, 7 years old, was visiting his little cousin, Jesse Bones, down in Rome, Ga. Tommy and Jesse were running a race one day, and Tommy ran into a little girl named Ellen Louise Axon, tottering beside her "old mammy," who called her "Ellie Lou."

Tommy lost the race because he saw little "Ellie Lou" sprawling in the dust, and he stopped to get her up. Tommy's mother and father had just been to Rome, Ga., to visit Jesse Bones, a lawyer of Atlanta, struggling under a bright new shingle which read "Thomas Woodrow Wilson, Attorney at Law."

Nothing was more natural than that Mrs. Bones should mention to young Mr. Wilson that the Rev. Mr. Axon, D. D., a resident of Rome, had a very charming daughter, and her name was Ellen Louise.

Married Ellen Louise Axon in 1885. There was a tea party soon, and it was a matter of record that the young lawyer lengthened his visit from a week to a month, and that his law practice at Atlanta failed suffered during the next year. Two years later, when Mr. Wilson had quit the law to become a teacher in Bryn Mawr, he married "Ellie Lou." That was in 1888.

As a young bride on the Bryn Mawr campus, as wife of Princeton's president, and finally as wife of New Jersey's governor, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson has been the same sweet, quiet, Southern woman. Like other wives of the great she has been interviewed and

interviewed, and the family life of the Wilsons has been made an open book. It is often more true than true to say of women who have famous husbands, "They are happiest in their home," but in the case of Mrs. Wilson such is precisely the truth. She is truly a home body, the confidante of her three charming daughters, and to quote her own words, the "chum" of her husband.

The Wilson home life has ever been ideal. The ambitions of the husband and father have had full sympathy in the home circle. Mrs. Wilson was asked once to speak in public in connection with some woman's work. "No indeed," she protested. "My woman's work is at home with my daughters and my husband."

Mother and Daughters Artistic

The Misses Wilson, like their mother, have sunny dispositions and reflect the romantic old South. The mother and her three daughters have artistic temperaments exemplified in several directions. Mrs. Wilson is an artist of exceptional skill. Miss Margaret, eldest of the three daughters, has a pleasing voice and devotes much of her time to music. The second daughter, Miss Jessie, gives her time largely to scientific work and is active in social settlement projects in both New York and Philadelphia. Miss Ellen, the youngest daughter, inherits from her mother ability as an artist and occupies her leisure time wielding the brush. Mrs. Wilson is a pronounced suffragist, but her sisters and Mrs. Wilson, at last report, were still in the doubtful column. Mr. Wilson is credited with a leaning toward giving women any rights they want.

The Governor is Devoted to Golf

For many years the Wilson family has spent its summers at Seagirt, N. J. There is a point to have the family circle complete during those two short months. The ladies are splendid equestrians and Mr. Wilson likes the game of golf, though he confesses that he plays "miserably."

A little incident gives a bit of an insight into the Wilson household. A lady called at the Seagirt home. Suddenly there was the "hunk-hunk" of a motor car outside the window and the merry laugh of women's voices. "Callers" remarked the visitor.

"No," said Mrs. Wilson. "It's just the maids going for a walk."

Later Mrs. Wilson went to the kitchen and prepared the lunch. Governor Wilson came in with the tea things and the three daughters served. The visitor could not refrain a remark. "Oh, we are just all chums out here," smiled Mrs. Wilson. "Mr. Wilson, the girls and I. I don't know what we would do without each other, and she beamed upon the happy circle around the table."

The summer home of the Wilson family at Seagirt was originally the New Jersey building at the St. Louis world's fair, and is known as New Jersey's "Little White House."

It is the state's only executive mansion, there being no official home for the governor at Trenton. Last winter the Wilsons had apartments in Princeton Inn.

Received News of Nomination at Home

The news of his nomination was received by Governor Wilson as he sat on the broad veranda of the "Little White House." It is a delightful place, this seaside residence—a low, broad, white frame cottage, from whose wide porches and great open windows one looks across the sand dunes to the sea. The Wilsons have filled it full of literary and art