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WHAT WILL OTTAWA DO?

The people of the Maritime Provinces are watching more keenly than ever before the attitude of their representatives in Parliament. It goes without saying that when a member goes to Ottawa and mingles with his fellow-members, and listens to the debates, he quickly realizes that our national problems are more diverse and difficult than he had even imagined; but in years past there has been too great a tendency on the part of our representatives to play the party game or lose sight of Maritime interests in their absorption in those larger dreams that may seem to hold for them more personal advantage. Had they given more careful study to the effect of legislation upon their own portion of the Dominion it would have been better for their constituents and for the cause of unity in Canada.

During the past year the case of the Maritimes has been brought so forcibly to the attention of the whole country that it may be expected our own representatives will be disposed to think a little less about party and a little more about justice to the Maritime Provinces. Failure to adopt that attitude would certainly be taken note of by their constituents. It is to be noted with great satisfaction that in the debates of past weeks, fruitless in large measure as they have been, it has been made clear that members from all the provinces are better informed and more willing to give fair consideration to Maritime claims than of old. We are still waiting, however, to learn to what extent sympathy is to find expression in legislation, and to measure thereby, to some extent at least, the influence or lack of influence our own representatives have, and to what extent they are ready to make common cause when our interests are at stake. If the present session of Parliament ends without substantial recognition of the disabilities under which we labor, and a real attempt to remove them, the dissatisfaction so rampant a year ago will be further increased, and national spirit hereabouts will be likely to fall upon dead ears.

BUYING AT HOME.

The New York Commercial has found cause for comment in an advertisement which appears in British newspapers under the heading: "British Cars for British Folk," and with the ending in large type: "Own a British Car." The advertisement reads: "How would you feel, on driving to your golf club, if yours were the only car that was not British? When deciding which car to buy, remember that nowadays it is regarded as 'bad form' to purchase any but British-made goods. As value for money, the case for the British Car is overwhelming. And when you remember that your purchase of a British Car is another step forward to the solution of the unemployment problem, you cannot even think of buying any other make."

The New York paper observes that it has no fault to find with the British advertiser, but admires them for it, and adds that there is "a form of patriotism which should commend itself to everyone"; but it asks: "While they are so engaged, what are we doing in the United States?" Answering its own question, it quotes advertisements in New York of English-made and other foreign goods, and then proceeds: "Isn't it time there was more of a concerted effort to promote goods with the brand 'Made in U. S. A.'? It is the money of the American manufacturer that pays in part the expenses of conducting this Government. It is the money of the American people that supplements that supplied by the manufacturer. It is the American producer and the American worker who are the backbone of the nation. Why, then, should the people of this country give aid and financial support to the producers and wage-earners of other lands? The people of Great Britain are right in their efforts. They certainly should have the united backing of their own people—and no doubt have. Let us follow the example and demand the American people buy American-made goods."

All of which appears to strengthen the appeal of those who urge Canadians to purchase goods "Made in Canada." Maritime products, Canadian goods, Empire products. Let us give ourselves the preference as compared with the foreigner. Let us buy at home, and keep on buying at home.

THE RAILWAY MINISTER.

The Edmonton Journal expresses the opinion that Hon. Mr. Dunning will carry the Regina seat easily, in view of the Liberal majority obtained there in October and his own prestige as a statesman. The Journal adds: "As Premier of Saskatchewan he has proven both a capable administrator and a shrewd party leader. His is the only Government on the prairies which has survived the entrance of the farmers into the political field. He is bound to exert a powerful influence on the policies of the federal administration. But some of his ideas do not coincide with those of many eastern Liberals and it remains to be seen how this conflict will be adjusted. There is also the fact to consider that he and the Progressives from his own province have hitherto been strongly opposed. Whether his entrance into the government

will make it easier for it to maintain friendly relations with them is thus open to doubt."

The immigrant boy who went to the Canadian West when he was seventeen and fought his way up to the premiership of Saskatchewan against seemingly impossible odds is regarded by most Westerners as a man of very great force and ability, and the western belief is that he will further enhance his reputation at Ottawa. The Maritime Provinces are naturally interested in him for many reasons, among them being the fact that railway justice to these provinces is a matter of the utmost importance.

Now that Mr. Dunning has entered the field of federal politics the West will have a new and powerful advocate of its interests. He has joined a Government that is confronted by the very serious problem of retaining office without a majority and only by grace of the Progressives; and the Edmonton Journal tells us that in the past Mr. Dunning and the Progressives have not seen eye to eye. The larger field afforded him a greater opportunity to reveal the quality of his statesmanship, and his advent makes the Ottawa situation more intriguing to the political observer, east or west.

Odds and Ends

How Long, How Long?

(Halifax Herald.) Regulations have been promulgated respecting the length of skirts to be worn by girl students at the Provincial Normal College, at Truro. The skirt must fall below the knee to a point one quarter the distance from the knee cap to the ankle.

Last night three Halifax Herald readers were asked: "What do you think of this ruling?" The answers: Mrs. H. M. Rosenberg, Edgemere, Dartmouth: "Ridiculous! I think every girl should be allowed to suit herself on the question of dress. I do not for one moment think the dresses are too short today. Certainly the short dress is more sanitary than the long trailing one of a few years ago."

Miss Jennie Flemming, Y. W. C. A. secretary: "I think the ruling may be a little too strict, but I don't know whether the desired objective can be obtained in that particular way."

Dr. J. D. Logan, Psychologist: "There are two objections to a preliminary edict of the sort. First, it is a fact that the girls who dress with short skirts are immature, really saying that he himself is immature in feeling that he himself is affected. He is in danger of being called 'over-sexed.' Secondly, Dr. Logan is Principal of the Normal College and not the autocrat or pope of the relations of dress to morals. I should think that Dr. A. H. MacKay, Superintendent of Education, and his official advisors, and not Dr. Logan, would have the right to say, not factually but as a fact, what shall be the dress of students in our college or in the public schools. Mayor of Truro said that if the girls wearing very short skirts could stand it in this sort of weather, well, the shoe should be said that even more 'advanced' styles had been worn in the 'dark continent' for hundreds of years so the present treatment he said is nothing to brag about. One well known Truro man after denouncing present extreme styles said this morning's college edict should never have got into the newspapers. The newspapers, he said, should be haled into court and fined five hundred dollars a-piece for giving the matter publicity. The edict he declared was a private matter and should not have been known outside the Normal College."

More Than a Washbone.

(New York Commercial.) The average college student puts in only about 800 hours of actual study per term of nine months. Anyone who really wants to gain an education, of any kind, can do so by making that many hours of study in his own home after work. This he should be able to do in one year.

Such study, systematically carried forward, will provide everything obtainable in a college course save lectures and class discussion.

You can get what the university man is getting if you have the backbone.

(P. B. M. in Ottawa Citizen.) They're telling a wicked one on the members of parliament now.

A few days ago a party of Americans were being shown over the Parliament Buildings by a member of the House whom one of the party had met in New York. The member was explaining everything, even the mysteries of Black Rod and the mace, but he kept recurring, however, to the small party the members got.

"We get deucedly small compensation for serving. Merely \$4,000 a year. Hardly a good deal of pay, and below what scores of civil servants get," he said.

He kept harping on the indemnity until one of the Americans whispered to another one of the party: "Let's get out of this. This bird is gassing for a tip."

Just Fun

A TROMBONE player is the only fellow who ever gets anywhere by letting things slide.

WHEN there are silver threads among the gold it doesn't mean anything except that the henna didn't work.

"LET me call, you sweetheart," said the fellow asking for a date.

The saddest words Of Ruth and Little Are just these four, "The line is busy."

AN ADVOCATE of preparedness frequently neglects to fill his fountain pen.

"THIS is another of Life's dirty jokes," said the burglar when he opened a safe and found only the Dumbell Number of that famous humorous publication.

CONSIDERATION for the old gets little consideration from the young.

BLOW TO THE COMMUNITY. LOCAL residents will regret to learn that Leonard Sternhagen had a narrow escape from death while hunting—Chilton, Wis., Independent.

ALL is fair in love and war, and there are other points of similarity.

WALTER GOLDING says he can remember way back when a silver dollar was real money.

THE new schoolmaster spied the three-legged stool.

"Is this the dunce block?" he asked a pretty little child.

"I guess so," said she, with a hiss; "that's where the teacher sits."

CURRENT FICTION. "EXCUSE me!"

"I beg your pardon?"

"Be sure and come to see us!"

"I've had a lovely time."

"We've never had a cross word since we've been married."

"I'll pay you this tomorrow, sure!"

"I'd rather have my Ford than your big car."

"I'd trust my husband anywhere."

"Oh, it's no trouble at all!"

"It isn't the money! It's the principle of the thing!"

"I just finished the last quart I had, old man."

"IS YOUR husband fond of home cooking?"

"Oh, yes, we always dine at a restaurant that makes a specialty of it."

THE town chicken farmer is a person who pays the grocer a fancy price for poultry and eggs.

EMBRACE opportunities and succeed; hug delusions and fail.

"PA," said Clarence, "what do they mean by nursing a grouch?"

"That's what a wife does when her husband is home sick," snapped Ma.

THEY say to strive while the iron is hot. Good advice, but first be sure you have the right iron.

HOWDY, SI! Under this rock Lies Silas Burley His wife came back A week too early.

THE two things most plentiful are trouble and advice to farmers.

GOOD figures don't lie in the water long at a time.

GETTING money may not bring happiness, but it brings more than losing it does.

DEATH is the only blessing in which all will share.

The Cycle of Women's Dress. (Toledo Blade.)

In 1886 the silk dress of the average woman contained 22 yards of material. This was the time when a line drawn from the back of the neck downward described midway a sudden and upward curve. It was also the time when, thanks to fashion, municipalities could dispense with a good deal of the hired labor for street cleaning.

About 20 years earlier, the period of the hoop skirt, the yards of friendly co-operation in Europe cannot, from our point of view, be permitted to assume an exclusive or delinquent character. In relation to any of the great nations beyond the seas. This is particularly true of the United States, since there appears to be a tendency in some quarters to assume that the European nations may possibly, in time be called upon to "present a united front" against America. That futile assumption has been made in connection with the debt problem, which will be solved in quite other ways. But it comes from a false and dangerous attitude of mind. The relation of America to Europe cannot be defined in the trivial terms of a dramatic contrast.

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Protest of Down and Outs

COMRADES, I ASK YOU, WHAT IS TO BECOME OF THE LIKES OF US?



—From the Evening News, London.

Poems That Live

HIS SUPPOSED MISTRESS.

If I freely can discover
What would please me in my lover,
I would have her fair and witty,
Savouring more of court than city;
A little proud, but full of pity;
Light and humorous in her toying;
Of building hopes, and soon destroying;
Long, but sweet in the enjoying;
Neither too easy, nor too hard;
All extremes I would have barred.

She should be allowed her passions,
So they were but used as fashions;
Sometimes forward, and then frowning,
Sometimes sickish, and then swooning,
Every fit with change still crowning,
Purely jealous I would have her;
Then only constant when I crave her,
Tis a virtue should not save her,
Tis a virtue she should not have her,
Neither her peevishness annoy me.

—Ben Jonson.

The Best of Advice

BY CLARK KINNARD.

THE SAME OLD SING-SONG.

IS THE world going to the dogs?

No day passes but what some oratorically-inclined person gets up before an audience somewhere and solemnly declares that youth has sunk to the very depths, with the result that Everything is Going to Smash.

In the oldest books youth is censured for its bad conduct and wilful ways, and predictions are made that the world will suffer for the wickedness of its younger generation.

"But don't be worried," the young people of today are sending the world straight to hell, as ever so often one says, he is simply echoing what has been said in all languages in all ages.

In the "Oraculo Manual," first published in Huesca, Aragon, Spain, in 1647, one Baltasar Gracian said:

"Even knowledge has to be in fashion, and where it is not it is wise to affect ignorance."

"Thought and taste change with the times."

"Do not be old-fashioned in your ways of thinking, and let your taste be in modern style."

luck mean much more than sense? Does it mean that you may make mistakes with advantage as long as you do not make the same mistake twice? That would seem to be a quality in Mr. Baldwin. He does not stop learning. This sounds ordinary. It is in fact quite uncommon.

Other Views

LOGARNO AND THE BRITISH. (London Times.)

Quite apart from the direct interest of the British Dominions, the process of extending the area of friendly co-operation in Europe cannot, from our point of view, be permitted to assume an exclusive or delinquent character. In relation to any of the great nations beyond the seas. This is particularly true of the United States, since there appears to be a tendency in some quarters to assume that the European nations may possibly, in time be called upon to "present a united front" against America. That futile assumption has been made in connection with the debt problem, which will be solved in quite other ways. But it comes from a false and dangerous attitude of mind. The relation of America to Europe cannot be defined in the trivial terms of a dramatic contrast.

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Twenty Years Ago Today

From Times' Files.

WINTER re-commenced as the February snow was torn off the calendar. March opened with a 40-mile-an-hour snow-bizzard followed by a drop in the temperature to six degrees above zero.

THE ferry committee had bills aggregating \$1,000 for repairs and new parts for the steamer Ludlow submitted to them covering the period which the new boat had been in service.

RUMORS were rife at the City Hall as to the outcome of the charges of irregularities in connection with the building of the New Rodney Wharf.

The Very Idea!

By Ed. Johnson

TEARIN IN.

THERE'S a heap of satisfaction for the man who swings to action when he has a job that really should be done. He's the live and snappy stepper who has got the brand of pepper that can make the hardest labor turn to fun.

Has no time for lazy frettin', as to where he'll be gettin', 'cause his line is taken up with tearin' in. Fret and fumes are only brewin' for the man who's shy on doin', and is just a bit too lazy to begin.

After all, where life will find us quite depends on what's behind us, and the proper one is you, it's safe to say. If you've left a trail of shirk-in, in the place of honest working, well—you can't expect to reach to much success.

All we've got to do is learn to know the proper one to turn to, and the proper one is you, it's safe to say. If you've left a trail of shirk-in, in the place of honest working, well—you can't expect to reach to much success.

When angry, count ten—then swear.

One of these bright days ..

the car companies are gonna ..

of straps to hang on is all ..

wrong—and make us bring our ..

own.

A motion picture company, taking pictures of real American farm life, caught a farm hand in action. Showing what science can do.

At trying to meet expenses he was never known to shirk. He looked until he found a job—Then sent his wife to work.

HOME, SWEET HOME—(Eight o'clock in the evening) The baby's cry for a drink of water. Dad yells for his slippers. The two boys can't find their pajamas. The dishes and father get up question.

MARK SURE DASH DASH DASH UP TO HIS NECK IN TROUBLE FOR NOT GETTING DOWN ON TIME PERIOD. (Copyright, 1926, NEA Service, Inc.)

NOW, HONESTLY—

You haven't been to a movie or a show for weeks.

Goak, how you hate movies. Think they give you a headache. Imagination, most likely, but it's a good alibi. Just sticking around the house—and you enjoy it.

Been out to all day, among people, and you're satisfied to settle down and loaf in the evening.

It's how about the Mrs. When she's reading the paper, just watch her.

Betha she turns to the movie, or show ads.

Take the hint, old man. She'll get a kick out of it—and that ought to give you a kick, too.

HOW APPLE PIE GOT ITS NAME: Once upon a time a good

housewife made a pie crust. It came out pretty good, so it was a shame to waste it. "What'll I put in it?" she asked her husband. "Apples," came the reply, just like that.

FABLES IN FACT.

HURRAH EXCLAMATION MARK FATHER FOUND A NEW JOB PERIOD QUOTATION MARK NOW COME A QUOTATION MARK SAID HE TO HIS WIFE QUOTATION MARK BE SURE AND WAKE ME AT SEVEN IN THE MORNING PERIOD I DON'T WANT TO BE LATE THE FIRST DAY QUOTATION MARK PERIOD SO THE MRS. SET THE ALARM FOR SEVEN COMMA IT FAILED TO RING PERIOD AND DID FATHER GET UP QUESTION MARK SURE DASH DASH DASH UP TO HIS NECK IN TROUBLE FOR NOT GETTING DOWN ON TIME PERIOD. (Copyright, 1926, NEA Service, Inc.)

HE found his hair was leaving the top of his head, and took his barber to task about it. "You sold me two bottles of stuff to make this hair grow."

"It is very strange it won't grow again," said the barber. "I can't understand it."

"Well, look here," said the man, "I don't mind drinking another bottle, but this must be the last."

AMONG a party of Bostonians who spent some time in a hunting party in Maine were two college professors.

Women have much success in England as masters of fox hunting parties.

Spring Time FROCKS

Of Canton Crepe and Satin Back Crepe

Scores of Adorable Frocks are here and now on display.

Some of the interesting new style touches are—

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Straight line skirts with side or front fullness. The many models are so varied that every woman or miss will find just the dress or frock she wants at the price she wants to pay.

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Some of the predominating Spring Colors are Windsor Tan, Seaspray, French Nude Blush, Moonlight, Rosewood.

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housewife made a pie crust. It came out pretty good, so it was a shame to waste it. "What'll I put in it?" she asked her husband. "Apples," came the reply, just like that.

This circumstance afforded one of the professors immediate opportunity to comment upon the knowledge that woodmen gain by observation.

"Now," said he, "this man has discovered that heat emanating from a stove strikes the roof, and that the circulation is so quickened that the camp is warmed in such little time that would be required were the stove in its regular place on the floor."

But the other professor ventured the opinion that the stove was set high in order that a good supply of green wood could be placed under it.

After much argument, they called the guide and asked why the stove was in such a position.

The man grinned. "Well, gentles," he explained, "when I brought the stove up the river I lost most of the stove-pipe overboard; so we had to set the stove up that way so as to have the pipe reach through the roof."

FOUND NO ONE THERE.

As a result of telephone call on Saturday night from a resident near the corner of Pitt and Princess streets, that a suspicious character was loitering there, Detective Biddlecombe made a search but was unable to find any person.

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Dead Men Tell No Tales

—but their Wills do!

A man's real worth is disclosed soon after his death. Then it is that his friends know how successful and how farseeing he has been in providing for his family's future.

Then it is that the story must be told of a widow sacrificing herself to support the children and give them a fair education.

Or, then it is that she may lack back with tender memories of her husband's unselfish efforts to provide for them, not only during his life, but for ever after.

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