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EDITORIAL

USE OF FIREARMS BY CHILDREN.

The lamentable shooting tragedy which occurred near town last week calls for attention to the existence of some things which should not be, to conditions which admit of at least of some correction.

The practice of small boys carrying firearms is entirely too general and should be regulated by parents and in other ways. It is a menace to public safety and while fatal accidents may not come commonly there are circumstances in which they should not have the chance to occur at all. Accidents of these kinds in which small boys figure are most likely to occur in the case of ones who attend school least frequently. Children who are not at school are most apt to get into mischief or trouble of some kind directly or indirectly through themselves or through companions in their escapades. This dwells only on one phase of the question. Compulsory attendance at school should be enforced in the interests of all concerned and of communities at large. The particular accident which happened last week did not, it is true, occur in school hours and might have happened whether parties involved attended school that day or not. The point is this. The boy who attends school regularly is less apt to get into difficulties or accidents than the boy who does not, and attendance itself develops him into a better and more successful citizen in after years.

There is another phase in connection with accidents through the careless and indiscriminate use of firearms by children. These latter have too great ease in securing ammunition. Children may secure ammunition through their parents, associates or dealers. These are the general sources. Older associates should be very cautious in giving or getting ammunition for children. Parents take upon themselves a heavy and dangerous responsibility if they allow their small offspring the use of firearms. Sixteen years of age is a pretty safe age limit to put all around in the use of guns and so far as possible a united effort should be made to see that this is adhered to.

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BOARD OF TRADE.

There are a number of reasons why Bridgetown should have an active Board of Trade and all efforts made to arouse interest and increase its membership and influence are most commendable.

The membership should be larger than it is and the importance of the Board merits a greater measure of general co-operation. There is a point perhaps lost sight of and it is this. The membership fees go practically wholly toward paying room rentals and the Board of Trade rooms are the meeting place for all kinds of gatherings. These have enjoyed the use of the rooms at absolutely no cost to the Board and it is a generosity not ill placed in connection with Women's Institute or philanthropic bodies generally. There are many other cases where a charge is not understood in future to be made. This is only right and proper and we do not think that any of the gatherings indicated will object in any way

to this small readjustment. The position now and heretofore is and has been just this. Board of Trade fees have been dispersed in paying rental so that there has been no surplus to devote to work which concerns the Board as a working factor in the purposes for which it was organized and created. In connection with the endeavors to increase public interest and render the work of the Board effective some few comments might properly be made. Opinions vary on these as well as on other matters but in our opinion and in the opinion of others as well there can be no general permanent interest created nor advance made without more frequent general meetings of all the members. To delegate everything to a council and call general meetings once in three months, once in six or maybe one a year will never develop a Board of Trade in any town nor create interest in its doings.

It might be argued that this is the only way to do on account of more or less public apathy. If this exists it can surely be gradually overcome. If not a Board of Trade has its influence restricted and its power of effective work most seriously minimized.

EDITORIAL

EQUALITY IN FREIGHT AND EXPRESS RATES.

The order of the Board of Railway Commissioners disallowing the Crow's Nest Pass rates put into force recently, while not, by any means, satisfactory to all interests involved should nevertheless meet with general approval from the country at large.

The privilege of special rates for certain sections of Canada is unfair and iniquitous and if these are allowed in one part of the Dominion they open up the way fairly enough for special privileges on some ground or other for other parts. Let the principle once obtain it will not be long before specious agreements will be added for special rates from almost any part of the Dominion. The result is general dissatisfaction and chaos.

The railways have now been taken out of the realm of practical politics probably in so far as can in actual practice be done while human nature remains human nature. The country is shouldering a tremendous expense, a large proportion being for railways which have not thus far justified their construction on any economic grounds whatever. Canada has a railway Board and an excellent general manager for the government system of railways. His hands should not be tied in any way. He has a tremendous task to accomplish but the people look to him for results. The Railway Board must function in the interests of fairness in all its dealings. It should be unhampered in its work and its rulings should be in the best economic interests of the country at large. If it cannot properly fulfil its functions, changes might be made in its personnel. Apart from the general question viewed broadly there are many disabilities under which portions of the Dominion labor and these will remain so long as comparatively short freight hauls have to be made over two or three different railway organizations to get to their destination. These features react pretty heavily in the case of the moving of

products from one part of Nova Scotia to another. The shipper who sends his goods short distances has of course to pay high rates which often seem out of proportion to those charged on long hauls of a thousand miles or more. These difficulties will always exist by the very nature of things but there exists a pretty strong opinion that there might be some amelioration of conditions. Express rates would stand considerable readjustment. It is difficult for instance to convince the "man on the street" that it is fair adjustment to charge more to carry certain goods from Kings County, say to Sydney, than from the fruit belt of Ontario to the same city. This is one of numbers of instances which might be given and illustrate a need of adjustment.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

CANADA'S ILL WIND.

Louisville Courier-Journal: This southward trend of Canadians has been steadily maintained since 1921. In that year the number of Canadians admitted to this country was approximately 53,000. In 1922 it rose to 62,000. In 1923 the number leaped to 131,000. For the first six months of 1924 the exodus from Canada to the United States amounted to 96,000. . . Of immigrants to this country few are more desirable than these Canadians, whether they be the thrifty French-Canadians of the New England States, or the dominantly British-Canadian of Ontario, or the Americanized Canadian of the western provinces. Wherever they settle, these Canadians become law-abiding, order-preserving, industrious and prosperous inhabitants of the United States. Men like the late James J. Hill, J. Graham Bell and Senator Couzens of Michigan bring with them to the United States a spirit that spells nation-binding.

IGNORANCE AND DISEASE.

London Times: The acquisition of knowledge has always been followed by the repulse of disease. In the absence of knowledge disease invariably remains master of the situation. In other words, our health is in our own hands. Given the men and the means there is probably no secret which cannot be read. In the past the world has been content to leave its safety to a few pioneers, ill-equipped and often vexed by many disadvantages; and for its carelessness it has paid the penalty. . . . It is not enough to spread knowledge among professional men; the public must share it, since, in the last issue, every citizen is a soldier in the army of health. The menace of public ignorance has recently been illustrated by the appalling epidemics which swept over Russia after the Bolsheviks had murdered the medical men in that unhappy country.

AN AMERICAN PROBLEM.

Boston Transcript: The idea of the possibility of a general exodus of negroes from the United States was long ago exploded. It first found expression in the early days of the last century, when the National Colonization Society of America was organized and took the action which led to the foundation of the State of Liberia. The purpose was the colonizing of Africa of free people of color from the United States. There was some such colonization, but it fell far short of what the society had hoped to accomplish. There has never since been reason to suppose that similar undertaking would result in greater measure of success. The future of the American negro is a problem for America, not for Africa.

AIDING OUR ADVERSARY.

London Daily Mail: (Attacking Dawes' scheme of £2,400,000 loan to Germany). The German manufacturer will be on velvet. His country has managed to get rid of its whole national debt by the artful device of depreciating its money to vanishing-point. His business by the same plan has been relieved of its mortgages, debentures and prior charges. He gives starvation wages in Silesia, for example, according to a recent visitor, £1 a week for sixty hours. His taxation is ridiculously light; where the Englishman pays £1 he pays not more than 3s. or 4s., if that. He will now be supplied with cheap money, while the rate of interest in this country will be sent up by the crazy loans to Germany and Russia.

LAW AND DISORDER.

Brooklyn Eagle: We have been so careful in protecting the rights of the criminal that we frequently sacrifice the right of society to be protected against him. Death sentences, delayed in execution, through tortuous legal processes, many months after the commission of murder, lose much of their deterrent effect. There is still something pertinent in the comment made upon a murder committed more than thirty years ago close to the Canadian boundary in this State, that the murderer showed good judgment in luring his victim from Canada, where he first planned to kill him, into the United States.

A MURDER A DAY.

Kansas City Times: Robert E. Crowe, the State's prosecutor in the

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THE NEW LIFE ON THE OCEAN WAVE.

By B. K. Sandworth, in Listening Post

(It is announced that twenty of the most powerful torpedo-boat destroyers of the United States Navy, with their crew, have been organized into Fleet for the patrolling of that portion of the American coast known as Rum Row.)

Sing ho, ye tars, ye sons of Mars, That guard the Yankee strand, And watch by day and night From Casco Bay to Key West Light To keep the alcoholic blight From Prohibition's Land.

From Halifax they come in smacks, From Scotland schooners come; From Pernambuco power boats sweep And strong men pale and women weep As towards the sacred shore they creep

The Dastard Devils of the Deep— The Runners of the Rum.

But through the fogs, like faithful dogs The Keen Destroyers watch, And naval men face fearful fates To keep from these United States The cup that still inebriates— The product of the Scotch.

Were turned in battle's hour, Have now to foil a grimmer foe; The deadly drink that's not below A half of one per cent, or so Of alcoholic power.

The shells they hurled once kept the world From great disaster free; Now, six miles from the Atlantic's brink, They cause uncounted casks to sink That no American need drink A stronger drink than tea.

With song and shout the ships sail out, Their task to do or die; And still their seamen sing the song That Yankees sang so long (With one word changed, that sounded wrong) "Land of the brave and dry."

Here's to ye then, ye sailor men Of credit and renown; Here's to your captains and your crews; Long may ye ply from Newport News, And when ye meet the foeman Booze, I hope you'll put him down!

HANTSPOUR CHURCH CALLS BRITISH COLUMBIA MINISTER

Hantsport.—Rev. Z. L. Fash, M. A., of West Sumnerland, British Columbia, has accepted a call to the Hantsport Baptist Church, and will assume his duties the first of November. Owing to the illness of the former pastor, Rev. Mr. Beals, B. A., the pulpits has been supplied by different ministers during the summer. Rev. Mr. Beals and Mrs. Beals are leaving the first of November to live at Wolfville. He will retire from active service for a time, and enjoy a complete rest.

Franks case, now fears there will be a crime wave in Chicago. . . . Crime normalcy in Chicago is accepted as involving a murder a day; that's as near as Chicago ever has come to a crime wave, and it was at that average before the recent verdict. . . . A murder a day keeps the hangman away.

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Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Gills Jacques of Middleton and Mrs. Treffer, of Harrington, were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. R. Melvin.

Miss Rogers of Nictaux, is teaching the primary department of the school here during the illness of Miss Mitchell. Miss Mitchell's health we understand is improving.

Sorry to report Mrs. Ella Goucher on the sick list.

Mrs. M. Landers is the guest of Mrs. J. G. Masters for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest McNeil have returned home from a pleasant visit with friends in Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Mr. Geo Wells of Annapolis, Mrs. Bleakney of Seattle, Mrs. Amelia Banks and Miss Maud Walker of Kingston, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. D. M. Outhit.

Mrs. Otis Chute was at home to her friends on Wednesday last. She was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Arthur Gates Miss Evelyn Gates attended the door. Mrs. J. G. Masters and Miss Ruby Chute poured the tea.

Mrs. Raymond Baillie of Springfield, Mass., was the guest of Mrs. J. Edwin Baker last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ray of Grandville, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morse and Mr. R. Goodwin were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goucher on Sunday last.

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The whole mill, including drying room together with machinery, and a large quantity of stock ready for shipments a total loss. The property valued at \$8,000 was one of the several mills in this vicinity in which the Co-operative Company of Canada is interested, and was completed only a year ago. It was equipped with modern up-to-date machinery for sawing nail keg staves. There was no insurance carried.

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Mrs. Daniels was a courage and hopeful her home, a loyal friend in the most trying hour, it all being largely borne in her Saviour.

To Mr. Daniels and to whom the loss was to the mother and the also to Mr. and Mrs.

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