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THE UNIVERSITY

The Times today devotes considerable space to the annual exercises at the University of New Brunswick. This provincial institution has been steadily gaining in favor and enlarging its field of usefulness. It deserves the support of the people, and is doing a splendid work for higher education. In the past too large a proportion of the graduates of our higher institutions have found it necessary to leave their native province in order to secure positions for which they were qualified. Fortunately the conditions are changing, although still too slowly, and as the development of the province along industrial lines proceeds, there will be a wider field at home for the clever young men who at the colleges fit themselves for lives of greater usefulness in the community. The tendency in education is more toward the practical than in former years, and the professions of engineering, forestry and agriculture are attracting more attention. It may be hoped that the University of New Brunswick will encourage this tendency, and that more and more of the young men who are educated there will come out equipped for work in the agricultural and industrial field.

THE MUNICIPAL HOME

The universal protest against the action taken by the municipal council in regard to the Municipal Home will of course be heeded by the council. Not for a long time has public sentiment been as vigorously expressed in relation to any matter dealt with by the municipal authorities. Those who voted in favor of giving an option at \$75,000 contents that the property is not worth that amount of money, but they are equally wrong in that contention. As a matter of fact there is no immediate need of a new institution, and in any case the proposal to remove the Municipal Home to St. Martins would be vigorously resisted. The home should be moved nearer to the city than St. Martins. So far as the effect of the blasting operations is concerned, these will be completed with the excavation for the dry dock, and will not long be a source of worry. If the site of the present building should be needed for industrial purposes or in connection with the development of East St. John, the property will be worth very much more than \$75,000, and if it is not needed for any such purpose there is no need of hurrying the sale. Nobody doubts for a moment that land in that locality will steadily increase in value.

It is worthy of note that land quite close to the Municipal Home property has been sold as high as \$1,000 per acre, and that other property in that vicinity is being offered for sale at \$1,000 per acre and some at a good deal more than \$1,000 per acre. As the value of land thereabouts is certain to increase, there is no risk whatever in holding on to the Municipal Home. On the contrary the land will steadily be increasing in value; and, so far as the building is concerned, when people begin to buy land for speculative purposes they do not pay much attention to the value of the building. It is the land they are after, and they expect it to produce for them the results desired without much regard to the value of the buildings thereon.

AT OTTAWA

The Ottawa dispatches state that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will today place before parliament the bill to amend the Naval Bill and free speech in the house. Mr. Borden has made it clear that the naval bill will be forced through the house by closure, and the Liberals have decided that following the disposal of several amendments, which will of course be voted down by a solid Tory majority, Sir Wilfrid will move the six months bill, and after stating the Liberal position will let the bill go to the senate without the application of closure to force its passage through the house. Mr. Borden cannot say the senate, and that body will no doubt throw out the bill, which should never have been introduced, and which is opposed to the whole spirit of the majority of the people of Canada. They are quite willing to do their share for the defence of the Empire, but prefer to do it by establishing a Canadian navy built and manned by Canadians. In a word they are opposed to a policy of tribute, and only await the opportunity to remove from power a government which has so utterly failed to give expression to their views.

LO, THESE MANY YEARS

The public desire for a meat diet in St. John is not likely to be stimulated by reading the report of the discussion in the municipal council yesterday. The question of better slaughter house was being considered, and we are told one speaker mentioned some shocking incidents under the present system of killing the animals for the market. Another speaker said he knew of animals being killed and sold which were not fit for food. Still another told of the sale of diseased animals.

For twenty-five years there has been a demand more or less loud for better conditions, but the citizens have been content to go on in the old way, while members of the municipal council tell us results in the sale of diseased meat and other meat not fit for food. Possibly this kind of meat comes from other points in

the province, but it has been shown over and over again that the conditions under which even healthy animals are slaughtered here are very far from satisfactory from the sanitary point of view, while enough care has never been taken to keep meat covered and protected from possible infection.

The whole matter has been once more referred to a committee, and perhaps this is the committee for which we have been waiting twenty-five years.

LORD HALDANE'S VIEW

At a time when the question of playgrounds and kindergarten work is receiving a good deal of attention in St. John it is worth while to quote some observations made by that eminent English scholar and statesman, Lord Haldane. We quote from an English paper: "Opening an exhibition in London yesterday afternoon, of handwork, contributed by children attending the play centres in the Metropolitan, Lord Haldane dwelt on the value of such training for the children of the poor, who were just as susceptible and amenable to moulding influences as children in better circumstances. The object of play centres was something more than play. It was to give a chance to get at, and mould boys and girls who were spending their time under the worst influences in the street, and suggested to them the doing of better things. If that work were going on in all great cities of the country, and adapted to rural districts the next generation would be a much better generation. Education would never be complete until they trained the eye, hand, and ear as well as the mental faculties, and looked after the physique. It was a great problem, but he thought that two hundred years hence people would look back on the twentieth century, and wonder we had not thought of the obvious duty of taking care of future generations. The play-centre movement must begin by voluntary effort, and eventually must be looked upon as an essential part of education."

A NOBLE DOG

An interesting story of the faithfulness of a dog is printed in the Summerside Pioneer. It is to the effect that two little girls were walking along the shore accompanied by a large collie. The latter suddenly ran ahead in great haste, and at a certain point plunged into the water, swam out for a considerable distance, and returned with a young lamb which had fallen over a bank into the water. The girls went home to tell their father, but the dog remained to guard the lamb. On their return they met the dog, with the lamb trotting by his side. The lamb was soon restored to its mother, none the worse for its adventure. The correspondent asks this question: "Don't you think a dog like this ought to escape taxes?" The editor replies that he certainly thinks it should, and his view will be shared by every reader of the story, which may well be used to illustrate talks on the general subject of kindness to animals.

At a time when there is some talk of financial stringency, the report from all parts of Canada that the outlook for the crops is good is the best kind of news.

"Premier Borden has come out of the trying ordeal of the past five months with added lustre," says the Standard. There is no accounting for taste.

Potatoes are selling in Houlton at double the price received by New Brunswick farmers at Woodstock. The farmers of Carleton county have had ample opportunity to realize what they lost when reciprocity was defeated.

The Standard thinks it is a mystery that Dr. Puley and Mr. Carvell were elected to parliament. When attention is directed to the matter, it must be admitted that these gentlemen did give quite a job to the Standard and its friends on election day.

The Standard gladly informs its readers that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has suffered in reputation, "inasmuch as he has made many lose faith in his boasts of devotion to the British flag." The Standard's high example of real and unfeigned devotion is Mr. Houdin, the deputy speaker, who in 1911 boasted that French-Canadians had shot holes in the British flag.

CAPTAIN RUNS BURNING STEAMER ASHORE; ALL SAVED

Kinoe, Me., May 15.—Sticking to his post in the wheelhouse, Captain C. J. Robinson piloted the burning steamer Katabdin from the middle of Moosehead Lake to the shore near East Outlet, saving the lives of ten men of the crew.

The Katabdin caught fire while towing a raft of logs. Her upper works were soon a mass of flames, which drove the crew to the bow of the craft. All on board managed to reach shore in safety. The steamer was burned to the water's edge.

Winnipeg, May 14.—Sir Rodmond Roblin left Winnipeg for the east last night. He will be in the city tomorrow, but on a visit to his father at Pictou (Ont.).

Rev. W. S. Hall, recently from England, has supplied two or three Sundays at Wickham and The Narrows. He hopes to settle in one of the maritime provinces.

BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABILITIES

THURSDAY, MAY FIFTEEN.

Sir Edwin Lankester, a distinguished English scientist, celebrates his sixty-sixth birthday today. He is now emeritus professor of zoology and comparative anatomy in the University of London and is one of the greatest authorities on these subjects in the world. For many years he was director of the natural history department in the British Museum.

LIGHTER VEIN

One day last summer two small boys were playing near the country road. A young woman approached them.

"Little boy," said she, "can you get me through this gate to the pike?"

"Yes'm, I think so. A load of hay went through five minutes ago."

A teacher in one of the schools defined conscience as "something within you that tells you when you have done wrong."

"O, yes," said a little lad at the end of the room, "I had it once last summer after eating green apples, but they had to send for a doctor."

Travelers' tales which often add charm to a conversation of an agreeable person, frequently under a more serious guise than they are, in fact, that was amusingly illustrated by an occurrence in a Baltimore club-house not long ago.

"There I stood, gentlemen," the long-winded narrator was saying, after drowsing on for an hour with reference to his trip to Switzerland—"there I stood with the abyss yawning in front of me."

"Pardon me," hastily interrupted one of the unfortunate men who had been obliged to listen to the story, "but was that yawning before you got there?"

Harper's Weekly.

ADVANCE INFORMATION.

"Young man, we need brains in our business."

"I know you do. That is why I'm looking for a job here."—Baltimore American.

HIS SNAP

"I gorry, I'm tired!"

"Then you got tired?"

"Yes, you got a hot stove all day, and you work in a nice cool sewer!"—The Masses.

MISSING THE MUSIC

Old Lady (watching moving picture photographer taking a street scene)—"I must be getting deaf. That man's grinding his hand organ, and I can't hear a note."

Frank.

COFFER A GOLD POTATO.

"I guess I'll get out of business," said the salesman, dejectedly. "I'm too unsophisticated. I made arrangements with a firm for exclusive territory for the sale of Japanese art."

"What happened?"

"They gave me California!"—Washington Star.

OBEDIENT.

Mother—"Mabel, why do you take two pieces of cake?"

Mabel—"Cause, ma, you told me not to take twice for it."—Puck.

YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED.

"Poverty may be a blessing in disguise."

"No doubt," replied Miss Cayenne, "but it is such a small blessing and such a big disguise!"—Washington Star.

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MORNING LOCALS

Detective Killen returned home last night from New York. He said that the extradition papers had been delayed at Washington, and therefore he could not bring R. D. Isaacs home yet.

Among the New Brunswickers to receive the degree of B.Sc. at McGill this week will be R. R. Duffy, of Hillsboro, N. B.; McDougall, Moncton; C. C. Ryan, of Sackville, and T. M. Morrow of St. John, in civil engineering. John McNaughton of Black River, N. B., and Daniel P. Gilmour, of St. George will be graduates in law.

At the house of Mrs. Struan Robertson yesterday afternoon a meeting of the St. Stephen's church branch of the Foreign and Home Missionary Society was held. A life membership certificate was presented to Miss Jessie A. Reed. Mrs. Gordon Dickie made the presentation. Solos were sung by Mrs. F. A. Goddard, refreshments were served by Mrs. Robertson, assisted by some of the ladies, and a pleasant time was enjoyed.

Donald S. Trueman, merchant of Campbellton, has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors to Sheriff James E. Stewart, while Miss E. Blanche Kelly, grocer, of St. John, has assigned to John A. Barry, of St. John.

At a meeting of the council of the St. John Law Society held yesterday morning, M. G. Todd was elected president and C. F. Sanford, secretary-treasurer. The following committee were appointed: Board of directors, W. A. Dwyer, K. C., J. B. M. Baxter, K. C. and Fred R. Taylor; library committee, E. T. C. Knowles, K. C., C. A. Wilson, K. C. and J. Roy Campbell.

The sale of three more farms by the Farm Settlement Board of the province was concluded yesterday. These are situated at Knowlsville, near Woodstock, and at North Ridge, Glasgowville. The purchase of another farm at Upper Manserville-Sinclair, was also concluded. Applications for several other farms are in the hands of the board. The farm at Knowlsville was bought by two sons of the farmer who owned the adjoining farm, and as they wished to have a farm of their own they made arrangements with the board to take over the adjoining farm, on which there are two houses.

An umbrella and cane manufacturing industry, a white goods factory and a mail order establishment are among the new industries likely to be located in St. John in the near future. Henry T. Hoag, industrial commissioner of the board of trade, received letters yesterday from the pro-

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TALK OF A MEAT WAR

London, May 14.—There are rumors of an impending meat war between America and Australia, arising out of the American Meat Trust's invasion of North Australia by the settlement of hundreds of Texas cattle breeders, for whom a million square miles of territory has been acquired.

A huge slaughter house and freezing plant is being erected at Brisbane by the Americans. The Australians propose to retaliate by extending their operations to the Pacific coast. Refrigerators will be built at San Francisco, and the Australians have ordered four cold storage steamers to be built in the Tyne.

The Australian authorities here profess that the importance of this movement has been purposely exaggerated, to strengthen the hands of the Labor party at home, who are in power, and for the purpose of promoting anti-trust legislation.

London, Ont., Tax Rate

London, Ont., May 14.—The rate has been fixed at 24.5. The council granted \$10,000 to Western University.

It was estimated that in the week of her stay in New York city Sarah Bernhardt received flowers worth \$10,000 from her admirers. Everything from field flowers gathered by children to the rarest of orchids were received in her hotel and over the foot-
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