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## Dr. CHASE'S OINTMENT

## LORD BEAVERBROOK ON "POLITICIANS AND THE PRESS"

London, Dec. 15—Lord Beaverbrook today published his prodigiously advertised shilling booklet, "Politicians and the Press", in which he discusses political events at large since the signing of the armistice, with special reference to the part he had himself therein.

Lord Beaverbrook in his booklet claims that he "discovered" Stanley Baldwin, the present Prime Minister of Great Britain and gave him his first chance by recommending him to Bonar Law, who was Premier a short time before his death.

Bonar Law, according to Beaverbrook's "Politicians and the Press" appears passionately to have wanted to resign his premiership rather than set his hand to the settlement of Great Britain's debt to the United States. Throughout the booklet Bonar Law is revealed as having consistently occupied the role of Johnathan to Beaverbrook's David. How Beaverbrook helped Lloyd George to power then fell foul of him, and how his Lordship pursued Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, when the latter was minister of agriculture over the embargo on Canadian cattle, are duly recorded in the booklet.

The Morning Post refers to Lord Beaverbrook in connection with "Politicians and the Press", as indefatigable and irresistible in passing between Downing Street and Fleet Street: "Like a little shuttle busily weaving the web of intrigue and profane government."

Further the Post says "In this fashioning story, Lord Beaverbrook believes in himself so thoroughly that he becomes dynamic. He has a hide so thick that he is practically invulnerable."

Saying that a committee of Carlton club appeared to have given Lord Beaverbrook a broad hint to resign, the Post continues: "I never answered this letter," says Lord Beaverbrook, "but I did not resign. I remember a saying of T. M. Healey former M. P. and since 1922 governor-general of the Irish Free State "Don't resign, wait till you are kicked out."

The Post comments on this attitude of the noble Lord and says the motto quoted "Might be made the motto of this new power of the press and as nobody seems to have had the energy to kick Lord Beaverbrook out we may say that the forbearance of others is at least one outside element contributing to his success." In this connection the Post says: "We hasten to add that there are no others."

## Earl Haig Coming To The Maritimes

Acting Mayor Frink, of St. John, was advised last week that Earl Haig would visit Saint John in June next in fulfillment of the promise that he made while in Canada last summer to visit the Maritime Provinces. He said the city would no doubt do its share toward entertaining the distinguished guest when he came.

Earl Haig is coming to the Maritime Provinces in the interest of the British Empire Service League.

## SAYS FLORIDA BOOM DUE TO CONTINUE

Thomas J. Kehoe, operating manager of the Admiral Line, who returned last week from a tour of inspection of Florida ports in connection with the New York-Miami service of the steamship H. F. Alexander, said he was convinced the passenger and freight traffic by sea to Florida is not a temporary development but will continue indefinitely.

"I have been through a number of so-called 'booms' said Mr. Kehoe, including those at San Pedro, Los Angeles, Anchorage, Alaska and others, and I am certain none had a stronger foundation than the growth of Florida. As far as one can see into the future, for the next several years at least, this movement will continue in heavy volume. I believe that the population in Florida will double in five years.

"The east coast especially is a mass of new construction and the skyline of Miami is now beginning to resemble that of New York. Plans have been laid out for building that will take five to ten years to complete, even if no new projects were started."

Admiral Line business on the H. F. Alexander has been good, and in fact has exceeded expectations, Mr. Kehoe said, adding that an increase is expected in the latter part of December, January and February. From present indications, he continued, passenger travel next summer will be nearly as heavy as during the winter, as many people who normally take their vacations in the summer will make trips to Florida.

## GENEROUS PROPOSAL

The executors of the estate of the late Hon. A. R. McClellan, Riverview, Albert County, have offered the Y. M. C. A., Moncton, \$10,000 to be used in paying off the mortgage on the Association's building, on condition that the remaining \$3,000 of the mortgage be raised within about three weeks by the association itself.

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## Lively Debate Expected When House Assembles at Ottawa

When parliament assembles on Jan. 7, the re-election of Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux as Speaker will be proposed by the government.

This may be seized as the occasion for the Conservative challenge to the right of the King Ministry to carry on, but more probably it will develop later.

The indications are that the debate on the address will hinge largely upon the constitutional position and whether a government really exists under the circumstances, and if so it has the right to power.

Precedents Searched for

At the present time there is much search for precedents or analogous cases.

Conservatives will claim that when parliament meets in the absence of the Prime Minister through failure to be elected the Government as a matter of fact will lapse.

The opposite position, of course, will be taken by the acting Liberal leader, who will maintain that at all times there must be government, but

that it is the privilege of the opposition instantly to challenge the right of any ministry to hold office and to allow parliament, which is supreme to decide the question. A government, at best, is only an executive committee of the House.

Liberals are anxious that the test vote be taken as soon as possible—the first day would be to their liking, but the intimation from the Conservative side has been that the debate is likely to be long, with the ministry subjected to assault for holding on when its group is inferior and when the popular vote registered a majority against it.

The Opposition may also move the adjournment of the House and make a test vote on that motion or it may submit a general motion of non-confidence and debate it at length.

Apropos of the presence of Messrs. Marier and Massey, the explanation is made that since resigning they have attended no cabinet council. They have been in consultation with the Premier and Mr. Robb.

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## Jack Frost Brings King Sport to Quebec



Chateau Frontenac Dog Team with trainer. Chateau Frontenac & Toboggan Slide. (Upper right) Trotting Races—Quebec.

What is expected to be the most brilliant winter season in the history of Quebec was launched in that city recently with the formation of the Winter Sports Club which is under the patronage of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Quebec, Hon. Narcisse Perroteau, Hon. L. A. Taschereau, Premier of the Province; and Mayor Jos. Samson of Quebec.

The Club has undertaken to arrange the International College Ski Competition, the International Snow Shoe Convention, the World Championship Snowshoe races, and the famous Quebec Dog Derby. The Ski competition will include a five-mile cross-country race, a ski-jumping contest, and tests in efficiency including Christiana turns.

Sight-seeing tours and sporting events will follow in harmonious succession right through the season in addition to the major events. In the Quebec Open Amateur Ski meeting in February, clubs from Montreal, Ottawa, Berlin, N.H., and others will compete. Ivind Nelson, amateur ski champion, and Oliver Kaldahl will be the ski instructors. A lady instructor is to be appointed and visitors to Quebec will be carefully instructed and taken out in parties.

As usual, skating will form one of the attractions. Lars Grafstrom and Mrs. Allan Kerr will act as instructors. Towards the end of January, arrangements have been made for a skating masquerade on the brilliantly

illuminated open rink outside the Chateau Frontenac; while another masquerade may be held in February. The rink will also be available for smaller masquerade skating affairs.

Moonlight ski-runs and sleighing parties, the brightly lighted toboggan slide, music from dancing rooms in the Chateau, all will add to the gaiety and charm of the carnival. The Dufferin Terrace Toboggan Slide runs well over a quarter of a mile. A long climb back, but what a soothing sensation to come flying down a long, smooth stretch of ice as if the toboggan would never stop. Five Swiss bob-sleighs have been acquired and competitions will be arranged some time in February.

Besides the regular hockey league games, negotiations are in progress to arrange an exhibition game between Sons of Ireland and a Princeton University team, while there is also every possibility of having a few ladies hockey teams. Trips will be made periodically to the Shrine at St. Anne de Beaupre, Chateau Richer, Montmorency Falls and other beautiful sites about the city. A number of excursions will be made to the Island of Orleans via the ice bridge with skiing on the return journey. This novelty is expected to make a decided hit with tourists.

Fast horses have been trained for ski-trotting and will also compete on a track of beaten snow in trotting races.